



## Kirkburton - it's a beauty

Judges at the Hair and Beauty Awards have named Kirkburton-based Alura the best salon in the Yorkshire and Humber area at a glamorous event held in Birmingham.

Owner Laura Broadbent, a former student at the White Rose School of Beauty in Huddersfield, entered the business for the award for the first time this year and was thrilled to have won.

Laura told the Bulletin: "I'm proud of the salon and my colleagues. We receive great reviews, and we have really good relationships with clients who have turned into friends. We feel so grateful to have won the award, it means the world to us."

In fact, Laura took away two awards on the night, being runner-up in the semi-permanent brows category. It was a great night for the salon which celebrated its seventh anniversary in the same week.

It isn't the first time that Kirkburton's business community has been singled-out for excellence, with Clarity Skin and Beauty being nominated for the UK Salon Excellence Award a few years ago.

In fact, we are lucky to have a string of high-profile beauty and fashion businesses, with a high fashion ladies' garments (Almond), a prestigious milliner (Elizabeth Gale), a unique ladies' fashion shop (Dare) and the Vallenco Beauty Spa.



Lucy, Stephanie, Laura and Sam outside the Alura salon in Kirkburton

It begs the question, could Burton be called the beauty centre of Yorkshire?

But it isn't just these accolades that mean Burton can hold its head up high. Last year Burton Hills Wealth Management was shortlisted for the Customer Service Award in the 2022 Yorkshire Financial Awards.

And the village itself has had more than its fair share of very positive reviews.

For example, a couple of years ago the Yorkshire Post wrote... "the friendliest village in Huddersfield .... Kirkbur-

ton, is as an ideal location for West Yorkshire families and commuters who want good schools, decent transport links and a warm welcome"

Yorkshire Live was also impressed, writing "Unlike Holmfirth, Kirkburton isn't in the guidebook but it's easy to see why it's winning mix of scenic surroundings, top shops, history and friendly folk make it attractive to visitors as well as residents."

And the property website One Dome was very complimentary too, commenting:

"Kirkburton in West York-

shire, is a beautiful village, It's a great place to live, with a strong sense of community and many amenities. It is surrounded by picturesque countryside, with plenty of walking and cycling trails".

But that's not all, statistics show that...

*Kirkburton* is the safest medium-sized town in West Yorkshire and is the 33rd safest overall out of West Yorkshire's 118 towns, villages, and cities.

We also have more residents (85.2%) describing their health as good than the national average for England (82%) and fewer describing their health as poor (3.5%) than the national average (5.2%). And what about our excellent air quality (see page 8 inside)?

It seems that, when it comes to education, we're not doing too badly either. The 2021 Census shows that Burton has 58.3% of residents with A levels or better, compared to the national average of 50.8%.

And even the bad side has a good side; a picnic table in Burton Dene Park which was vandalised was repaired by a volunteer the next day.

Perhaps it's in the water - Shepley Spring would say that!

Maybe you can add to the reasons why this is such a good place to live – tell us and we'll include them in the next edition.



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## JOIN OUR TEAM

If you enjoy reading the Bulletin, why not get involved in producing future editions?

We are looking for someone to take on the role of commissioning articles from groups in the villages and preparing these for publication.

The task involves a few hours' work four times a year and is very rewarding.

Ask yourself: if The Bulletin ceased to exist, would you miss it? If your answer is yes, then please consider getting in touch.

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# Kirkburton Parish Walks relaunch - Walk the Parish



Replacing a missing way marker

Almost ten years ago, Kirkburton Parish Council developed a set of ten Parish Walks, one for each of the villages in the parish. Each walk was marked on the ground by a series of way-markers and a map produced.

As well as directions, each map contained the story of a local character. For example, the Kirkburton Walk was called "Hester's Haunt – a five mile ghostly walk led by Hester Whitaker, the vicar's wife from the 17<sup>th</sup> century, reputed to haunt the vicarage."

The set of maps could be collected from Post Offices, libraries, some shops and pubs, or Burton Village Hall; or each walk could be downloaded from the parish website.

The walks have been brilliant for introducing residents to our fantastic local countryside. They proved invaluable for exercise and mental well-being during Covid lockdowns when travel was limited to the local area.

Since they were first produced, a few small sections of the walk routes have been found to need changing, so Kirkburton Parish Councillors have been doing the walks, checking the routes, making changes where necessary, and replacing missing way-markers.

A revised set of maps has been published. You can pick up a set from the Post Office, the Kirkwood Hospice Shop or the library when it reopens.

It will also be possible to download the revised version in a few weeks time from <http://www.kirkburtonparishwalks.co.uk/>

Look out for the red triangle on the corner of each map which shows it's the 2023 Edition.

So, get out and enjoy our beautiful surroundings.

**Peter Taylor**



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## Local election results

The results of the local elections held on 4 May were as follows:

### Kirklees Council - Kirkburton Ward (one seat)

John Taylor (Conservative) 2,311 votes (50%)

Edward Bowen (Labour) 1,066 (23%)

Richard Burton (Green) 953 (21%)

Craig Armistead (Liberal Democrat) 172 (4%)

Lisa Beck (Independent) 92 (2%)

**John Taylor was elected to Kirklees Council**

### Kirkburton Parish Council - Kirkburton Ward (four seats)

Derek Hardcastle (Green) 812 (elected)

David Knight (Green) 705 (elected)

Joby Joseph Kuttikkat (Conservative) 314 (not elected)

Bill Rowlands (Conservative) 602 (elected)

Peter Taylor (Green) 767 (elected)

**Derek Hardcastle, Peter Taylor, David Knight and Bill Rowlands and were elected to Kirkburton Parish Council**



## Kirkburton Library Improvement Works

Kirkburton Library is closed from Monday 15 May for approximately eight weeks to complete a programme of building works.

For the duration of the works Shepley Library will have additional openings on Tuesdays 2-6 and Wednesdays 10-3 which will bring their opening times in line with Kirkburton's. The groups who meet in the library will continue. We have worked with local partners to secure temporary hosting space for our History Group, Rhymetime session, StoryTime session, Knit & Natter Group and Book Club.

Loan periods have been extended but of course we no longer fine customers for late books. The Library email account will continue to be monitored and Kirkburton Library staff and volunteers will be available at Shepley on Tuesdays and Wednesdays.

We are also working with Home Service to support those customers who cannot travel further afield plus promoting access to FREE e-books, e-audio books, newspapers and magazines.

## And the award goes to ... Alura



The award-winning team from Alura at the national Hair and Beauty (HBA) awards, from left to right Stephanie Blakey, Laura Broadbent and Lucy Binns

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#### OUR NURSE ASSOCIATES

The Mast Health and Care Partnership Primary Care Network (PCN) has welcomed the appointment of Nurse Associates Amerjit and Sophie. Their duties include: long-term condition reviews such as diabetes, COPD, hypertension, asthma; blood tests; ECGs; wound care and vaccination programmes.

Nursing Associate is a new registered support role within the nursing team and is regulated in England by the Nursing and Midwifery Council.

The role bridges the gap between healthcare support workers and Registered Nurses. It is a stepping stone to becoming a fully registered nurse, for those who choose. Amerjit and Sophie both gained their Nursing



Associate Foundation Degree at the University of Huddersfield. They describe their roles as “very rewarding, with lots of support from the clinical team and great opportunities for further training.”

A new, online consultation service called PATCHS has been commissioned by West Yorkshire Integrated Care System for Practices across West Yorkshire. Patients are requested to answer some simple questions to help the doctor understand the problem. A doctor will respond as quickly as possible, during surgery opening hours.

**If you require an appointment, please do not use the online consultation. Online consultations are to provide simple advice, e.g. fit notes, health advice and medications.**

For information on how to register please visit <https://www.kirkburtonhealthcentre.nhs.uk/econsult>

#### SPRING COVID VACCINATION PROGRAMME

The Spring COVID vaccination programme started on 3 April. Practices are focussing on Care Home and house-bound patients. Dependent upon our vaccine allocation, the Practice will then invite over 75's.

#### GOING FOR GOLD – LGBTQ+

Our Practice has signed up for accreditation for the Pride in Practice Gold Award for LGBTQ+. Since achieving our Bronze Award in 2020, we have taken great strides to create a fully inclusive environment for lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and questioning people.

#### ELECTRIC CHARGING VEHICLE POINTS

Our Practice has installed Electric Vehicle Charging points. They are located at the rear of the Practice, and are available to the public. The

Charge Assist app provides information about tariffs and payment methods. You can download the App by scanning the Charge Assist QR sticker on the charger, or download from the AppStore or from Google Play.

#### WEBSITE

We have created a fresh, modern design for our website, and improved the home page and drop-down menus to make it easier for users to find what they are looking for. There is lots of information, including: staff biographies; joining the practice, our opening hours; self-help and well-being; prescriptions advice; advice for carers, advice for veterans; booking/cancelling appointments; online access to patient records; information about our Primary Care Network; our Patient Participation Group including minutes of meetings; current and archived Newsletters. Visit our website: [www.kirkburtonhealthcentre.nhs.uk](http://www.kirkburtonhealthcentre.nhs.uk).

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MARCH	3574	138	3.8

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# The loss of a landmark—the fall of Luther’s Ash

**Sheila Butterworth on the loss of a much-loved tree**



Returning from a week away, my husband picked me up from the station. Did I want the bad news or the bad news? No mention of good news. Had somebody died, was the horse's field finally going to be built on, had he let the bath overflow? No. The ash tree opposite the house, in the corner of the field, had been cut down. The tree whose canopy filled the kitchen window, the tree I have photographed when the rays of the rising sun glint through its leaves and winter snow settles on its branches. It

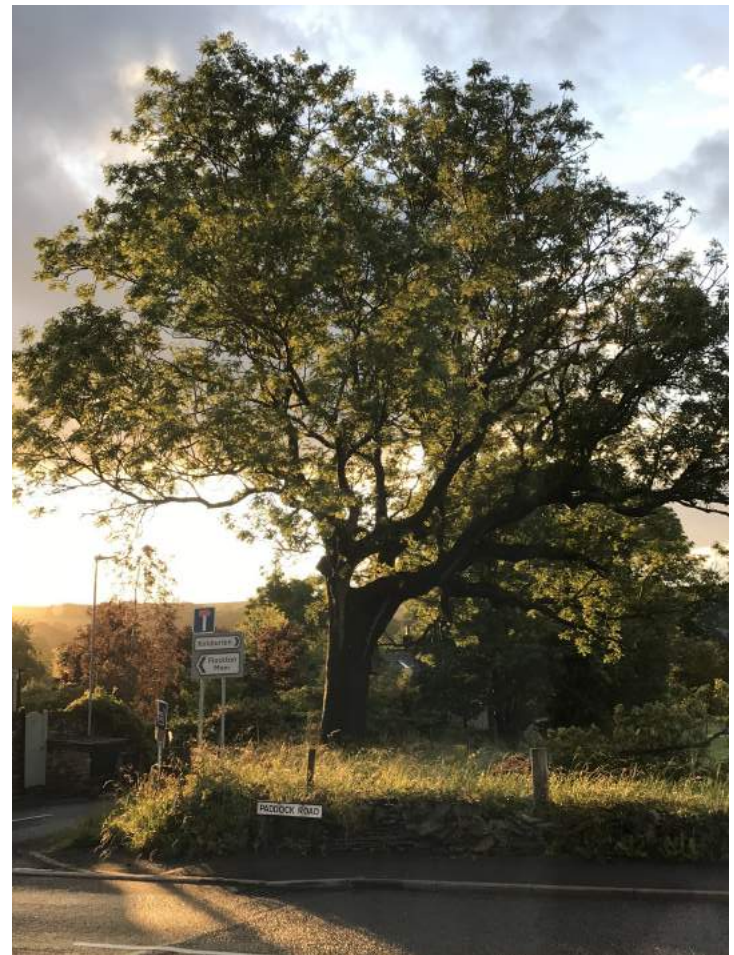
was usually the last to come into leaf and the first to lose leaves in late summer wind though in recent years it had held onto its autumnal colour well into October. We were just entering our fifth decade of its likely two hundred year presence on the corner of Paddock Road and Burton Royd Lane. Certainly, it had been looking less fulsome of late and a couple of lower branches had already been cut off but I never imagined we would outlive it.

So, the bad news is that it was diseased and had signs of ash dieback and the other bad news was that for safety reasons it had to come down.

As I write this, four tree surgeons are managing its final departure leaving just its stump. We will have to get used to the changed landscape. Luther's ash, as we called it, after the farmer who had owned and worked the field, was part of the village

for longer than any resident and for anyone familiar with Luther's ash at the end of 'Mucky Lane' its absence will now trigger memories of its presence. So many people are asking about its demise and the difference it makes. It was more than just a tree or a landmark, it was part of our community.

**Sheila Butterworth.**



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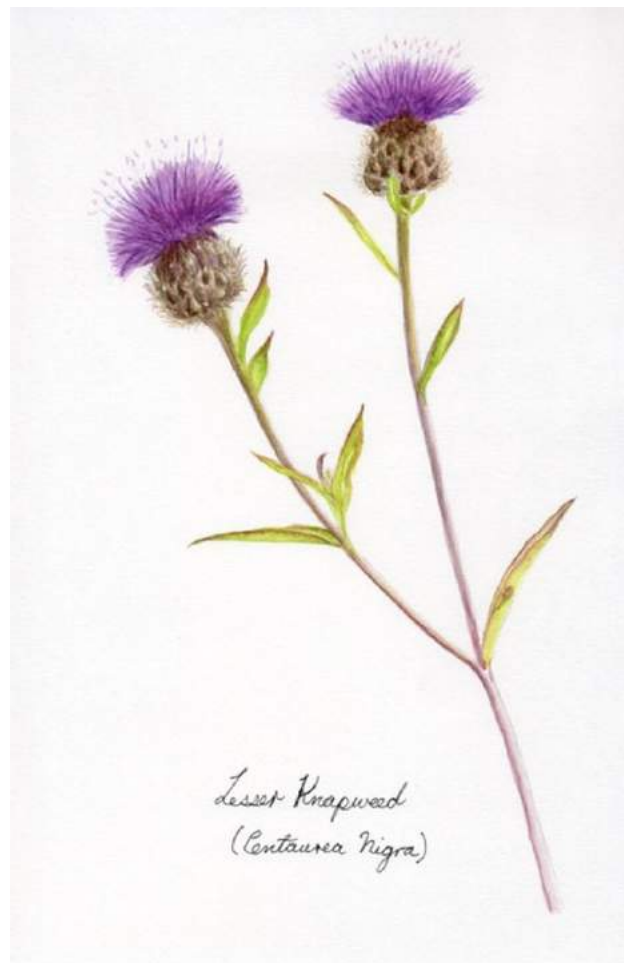
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# Chimney sweeps, grimy miners and how to find your one true love



The daisy family Asteraceae is the largest within flowering plants and has an interesting member named knapweed - a thistle-like plant, having similar flowers but their leaves are spineless and therefore not prickly. Cornflowers are also classed as knapweeds.

The sun-loving common, lesser or black knapweed blooms on all kinds of grasslands and attracts clouds of butterflies, moths, hoverflies, honey bees and bumble bees. It blooms from June to September and is very popular with the common blue, tortoise shell, painted lady, marbled white and meadow brown butterflies in particular.

Its bright pink-purple “flowers” are actually composite flower heads made up of many small “florets” (tiny flowers) surrounded by a crown of long, ragged, pink bracts (leaf-like structures) which gives it a look of a pincushion. The seeds are popular with goldfinches and the many insects the plant attracts makes it popular with other bird species such as robins, warblers and wrens.

This is one of the many plants that members of Burton Environment Group’s bio-diversity team are raising from seed in the Community Field to help with their aim of increasing bio-diversity in that area.

Like many wild flowers lesser knapweed has many local names across the country including horse knots, tassel, chimney sweep, drumsticks and bull weed.

This plant was used for a kind of love-divination. Young women would pull out the existing petals and then put the flower into their bodice. When the, as yet, unopened florets began to appear, this indicated they would soon see the man they were to marry.

Knapweed appears to have been used to treat a number of common ailments from sore throats and bruises to wounds. Its Latin name *Centaurea nigra* comes from the half-man half-horse centaur, Chiron, who is said to have healed a wound from an arrow dipped in Hydra’s blood, with a knapweed poultice.

Another member of the daisy family is the very attractive fox-and-cubs or orange hawk-bit with its bright yellow/orange/red blooms clustered at the top of a 20 - 40cm stem. Blackish hairs with white tips cover the stems, leaves and, in particular, the young flower buds, which can number up to twelve or more.

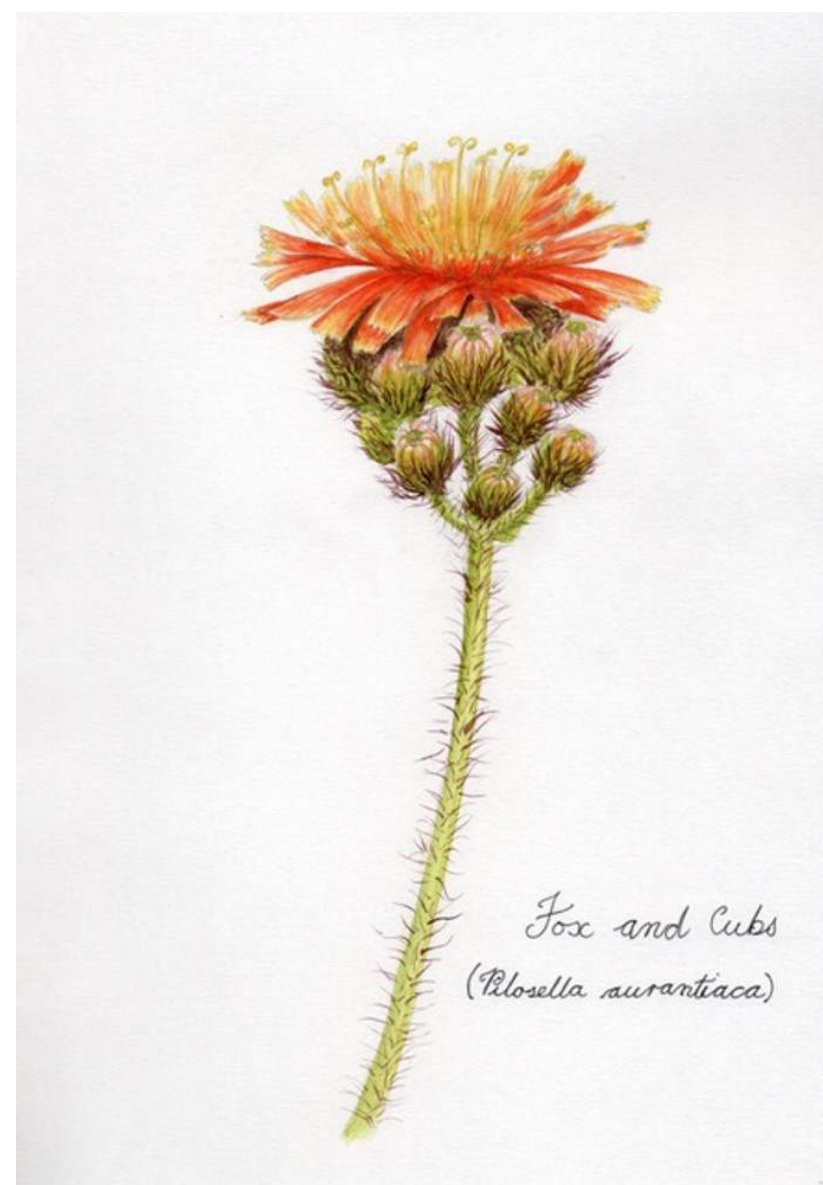
The name fox-and-cubs refers to the way that many of the unopened flower heads hide beneath those that are already open, reminiscent of cubs hiding close to the mother fox. It thrives in mown grassland such as road verges and churchyards and self-seeds very easily.

Whilst fox-and-cubs can be invasive in some areas, it is also an important source of nectar for bees, butterflies and other pollinators.

It is also known as devil’s paintbrush, and grim the collier which refers to the black hairs resembling a grimy collier returning from the coal face. Hawks were thought to have eaten the flowers to help preserve their keen eyesight when hunting prey.

In Celtic mythology it was believed to have magical powers and was used in spells and charms to bring good luck and ward off evil spirits.

Sheila Goodwill



# Help to make ours an Environmentally-Friendly Community — ‘Make a Difference’



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## Air Pollution

Air Pollution is a big world-wide issue, but there are some things we can all do to help the quality of the air we breathe here in our community. Figures state that 28,000 - 36,000 early deaths each year are caused by air pollution in the U.K. So, I checked to see what the quality of our air was and thankfully it's pretty good and better than some parts of Huddersfield, the not so good areas are all adjacent to busy main roads but generally our whole area is good.

**Here is a simple explanation of how the air quality index works:**

Air pollution is the term given to small particles, chemicals and gasses that are released into the air, these particles can have a harmful impact on our environment and health if breathed in.

The Met Office supplies an air quality forecast for 'Defra' (the Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs) daily based on five key pollutants... ozone, nitrogen dioxide, Sulphur dioxide, PM 2.5 and PM10 particles that can affect our health.

The forecasts use the Daily Air Quality Index (DAQI) which shows complex air quality on a simple ten point scale plus the words Low, Moderate, High and Very High and colours

Green, Yellow, Orange, Red and Purple to show levels of pollution. Use your postcode to search for levels in our area.

What causes air pollution? Whilst in the past it was mostly from fuels used for domestic and industrial processes which are now steady and improving, today it's mostly traffic emissions which are worsening world wide.

As I write this the levels of pollution in our area today on the 1 - 10 scale are... 2, low and colour Green which is excellent...as I've not found a score of 1 anywhere except Exeter and Whitby. I've been checking each day and some days it's up to 3 here but no higher, it's the same too in our neighbouring villages.

Recommended health advice for Low 1-3 is to enjoy usual outdoor activities, as numbers rise in more polluted areas physical activity should

be reduced particularly if you have a lung condition.

Now it's over to us, what can we do to reduce our villages air pollution?

**Go Local** - Cut down on car journeys, use local shops, try walking or cycling.

**Cut Down on Car Use** - Try car sharing or consider public transport, bus or train for shopping or work. Walk or cycle to school, it's said that children who include physical activity in their daily routine are more likely to be active in adult life, you'll be reducing air pollution and congestion around the school gates too.

If it's not possible to abandon your car, make sure it's serviced regularly, particularly if it's a diesel. Consider a hybrid or electric car and keep your tyres properly inflated. Most importantly turn off your engine when stationary as this can release many harmful pol-

lutants into the air as well as wasting fuel.

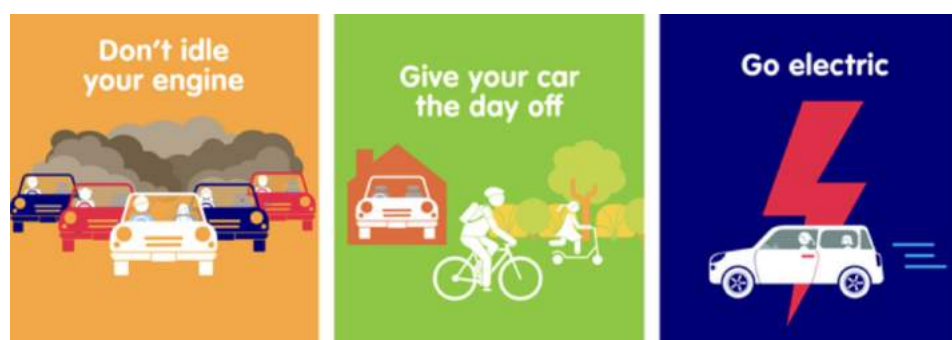
CO2 emissions from cars makeup 13% of the U.K. total, if this continues the proportion is predicted to rise to 35% by 2030.

**Home Energy and Heating** - Consider switching to companies who use renewable energy sources, make sure your central heating system is regularly serviced. Reduce our energy use, switch off lights when not needed, don't put more water than necessary in the kettle and only run the washing machine or dishwasher when fully loaded.

Solid fuel open fires or wood-burning stoves have a significant impact on air pollution and have become one of the largest contributors to the UK's particulate emissions. Buy wood burners that are Defra-approved for smoke control.

**Plant Trees and Greenery** - Plants help clean the air around them by consuming CO2, support local initiatives for tree planting to help improve the long time air quality in our community.

References: Defra, [sustrans.org](https://sustrans.org), [gov.uk](https://gov.uk).





# Boys Just Hanging Around — The Life of the Bumble Bee

One day last month, whilst setting up the audio and visual equipment for a Huddersfield Garden Club, I found a dead Bumble bee in an equipment bag. I took the Bumblebee out and immediately identified it as a *Bombus hypnorum* or more commonly the Tree Bumblebee.

This discovery reminded me that we are in the middle of the Tree Bumblebee season. It starts around March or April time, though with our late snow this year, I suspect it was April in 2023.

The Tree Bumblebee is one of the “big” seven common UK Bumblebee species. This is very surprising as the first Tree Bumblebee only arrived in the UK in 2001. The 25 Bumblebees species we see in the UK evolved from the Himalayan area and have spread across Europe and Asia over millennia. It is not known why the Tree Bumblebee only got as far as mainland Europe until 2001 but within 22 years, the Bees have now widely spread across England and Wales. It is now becoming common in Scotland after being first recorded there in 2011. This means that it is highly likely that readers of this Burton bulletin will come

across a Tree Bumblebee nest this summer.

As the name implies, the Tree Bumblebee originally made its nest in tree holes, but it has now got a reputation for using bird boxes, compost heaps and old mouse holes. This is the scenario where readers will come across them, especially when the “boys are just hanging around” the nest entrance. It is usually this activity that causes most people concern as they fear that it could be a Bee swarm. In fact, what the reader is witnessing, is that the males are hanging around to hopefully catch a virgin queen fly past who they hope to mate with. Thankfully, the male Tree Bumblebee has no sting, so despite it being a worrying scene, it should not cause you harm.

The “boy’s just hanging around” is a common call to Honeybee keepers, where people are concerned that they have a swarm of bees. Honeybees do swarm but Bumblebees do not so it is highly likely that a Honeybee keeper may politely decline to help if you have Tree Bumblebees.

If you do not try to disturb the nest, it is unlikely that you will be stung. Most cases of being stung by Tree Bumblebees are due to disturbance and it will be a female Tree Bumblebee that will do it. She will only be trying to save her wider family.

If the males are “just hanging around”, it is the female Tree Bumblebees that are busy doing all the work. Tree Bumblebees are known to be amazingly effective pollinators, so we must thank the females for that, the male bees are just interested in one thing.

One of the other ways that a Tree Bumblebee nest may cause concern is that as the colony grows, the nest entrance becomes covered in



yellow marks. This is Bees doing what comes naturally and is their faeces. It is better for it to be collected on the nest entrance, rather than for it to be deposited on your washing.

The Tree Bumblebees will have disappeared from the nest location by July. I have investigated the abandoned nests in my neighbour’s compost heap and found that they are not sophisticated unlike some other Bumblebee nests.

So, going back to the Tree Bumblebee I found in the equipment bag. I know it is a Tree Bumblebee as it is ginger or reddish brown on the part

known as the thorax (think top part, near the head) The middle is black (abdomen), and the tail is white. It is highly likely that my Bee died of old age because if you look at my photo, it might appear that the bee is going bald. This is because the fur on the thorax wears as the bee gets older.

I hope you do get to see Tree Bumblebees this year and can marvel at the fact that they are a 21<sup>st</sup> Century arrival to the UK, the females busy pollinating your fruit and vegetables and the “boys are just hanging around”.

Sean Downey



The Bumble Bee found in the bag with a 2p coin shown for reference

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# All Hallows Church



Artwork by Alex Stonehouse

The Reverend Stephanie Hunter Interim Priest in Charge of All Hallows' recently left All Hallows' and has now begun a new chapter in her ministry as a Hospital Chaplain within the Northumbria Healthcare NHS Foundation Trust.

The All Hallows' family wish her lots of happiness in her new role and in her new home.

Since Reverend Stephanie's departure there has been a reorganisation in the eastern part of the deanery of Almondbury and

Kirkburton and it has been proposed that an Interim Priest in Charge be appointed for a three-year period to work together with our parish along with the parishes of Lepton, Emley and Flockton with Denby Grange.

We are therefore currently in a period of vacancy; the application process will begin shortly and all being well we will have a new Interim Priest in Charge appointed in the autumn which is something that we are really excited about.

As mentioned in the previous edition of the Burton Bulletin, All Hallows' are involved in the fabulous Kirklees Woven project and have a seed station within Church where everyone is encouraged to take seeds home to propagate for the new public garden which is being designed in an area of the new graveyard where natural dye producing plants are to be grown.

The **Woven 23** event, 'A Contemporary Approach to Natural Dyeing' is to be held in All Hallows' on Sunday 18 June

between 1pm and 4pm and is a celebration of natural dye, gardens and the contribution made by the communities of Kirkburton Parish with textiles, music and connection.

There will also be a large artistic installation in the Church by our resident artists Nicola Perren and Seiko Kinoshita. The event is free and booking can be made via [www.wovenkirklees.co.uk](http://www.wovenkirklees.co.uk)

Everyone is welcome.

## Other events at All Hallows

Also, back by popular demand are the super-talented and extremely entertaining, 'King's Men', a close-harmony group formed from the Choral Scholars of the Choir of King's College, Cambridge.

The concert will be held on Friday 14 July 2023 at 7.30pm in Church.

Tickets are £15 each and are available from Kirkburton Newsagents or via the link on Eventbrite (for which a small transaction fee is payable).

Our annual Heritage Open Day will be held on Saturday 16 September and we are holding a Last Night of the Proms evening with the Hade Edge Band and Skelmanthorpe Male Voice Choir on Saturday 23 September featuring the amazing tenor soloist, Chris Why.

We have Holy Communion every Sunday morning at 11am followed by refreshments in the church and a warm welcome always awaits you all.

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## Coronation Bells and the May update from the Tower



The Kirkburton Bellringers at the West Door of All Hallows

Kirkburton Bellringers marked the Coronation with a weekend of special ringing on our own bells and assisted with ringing at other local towers.

The bells were raised on Saturday morning and were rung for 45 minutes immediately before the service in Westminster Abbey.

The ringing was entirely carried out by our own team of ringers. We alternated the band so that everyone had the opportunity to ring for this historic occasion.

A photograph of the team was taken afterwards in front of the west door. We chose this location as it mirrors a photograph on display in the Tower of the Kirkburton band in the 19th Century, and we plan to display this photograph alongside it.

On the morning of Sunday 7 May, we rang for the special service the Church held to mark the Coronation.

Finally, on Sunday afternoon our more experienced ringers

joined with some of our regular Wednesday practice night helpers to attempt a quarter peal of 1,288 changes of Grandsire Triples. This was rung successfully in 48 minutes, the striking being of a very good standard throughout.

We felt this showcased our wonderful ring of bells and that the ringing was of a standard that reflected such an important national occasion.

Our ringers that we have recruited and trained since we returned after the pandemic have made such progress that they were able to assist with Coronation ringing at Shelley, Almondbury, Kirkheaton and Lindley.

We are always looking to train new volunteers, if you are interested, then please contact Sue Sheridan by email [ssheri59@btinternet.com](mailto:ssheri59@btinternet.com).

## Why not join the Churchyard Team?

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## WHAT NEEDS DOING IN KIRKBURTON CHURCHYARD?

Many of our tasks are seasonal involving the obvious: collecting leaves in autumn and mowing and strimming at this time of year and into the summer.

In addition, one of the most important tasks is general maintenance which involves clearing paths, graves and grasses of fallen branches, twigs, and general debris. Some of our volunteers prefer to adopt either a grave or a small section of the Churchyard, and look after that.

We must emphasise that the work is convivial rather than arduous and the Team members are always welcoming and appreciative. No particular skills are required (that's why I became a member), and just an hour or two whenever you can manage would be very helpful.

If this sounds like you, please make contact via our accompanying advertisement or pop down to the Churchyard on a Saturday morning between 10 am and 12 noon.

I think you'll enjoy it and we'll be glad to see you.

Ken Roberts

## DESECRATION OF GRAVES AND THEFT OF STONE

There has been a spate of pre-planned and well-executed thefts of stone from the Heritage Graveyard. These intentional acts of vandalism for financial gain are a violation of a sacred site.

As this is a Heritage Crime the perpetrators, if caught, face a higher penalty. Please be extra vigilant and report any suspicious behaviour. New security measures will be put in place, but restoration work will be expensive. These crimes have caused great distress to the families linked to the graves. Our church community cannot be compensated for this loss.

This has been an unpleasant episode for all who cherish All Hallows and our beautiful graveyards.



# KIRK BURTON

## HISTORY GROUP

### My father was my hero



Private Emor Brook



W E Eaton (father of Tony Eaton) in the back row, third from left

Over the last few weeks some of our members have brought in photographs and medals of their loved ones who served in both World Wars. We have learnt about the three medals awarded to the surviving servicemen after The First World War; they were nicknamed 'Pip, Squeak and Wilfred' after cartoon characters popular in the press.

Philip Brook and his sister Marie showed us a photograph of their uncle, Emor Brook's as well as his Memorial Plaque,

known as the 'Death or Dead Man's Penny.' This was a bronze medal awarded to the next of kin of all British Empire personnel killed as a result of the war. Emor died of his wounds in a German prison of war camp.

Tony Eaton's father was one of fourteen children. When he joined the King's Own Light Infantry, his wages helped the family finances back home. He left England in April 1915 and fought in very tough battles in Belgium and France.

Tony also showed us his father's three precious service medals.

Stephen, Richard's father, served in World War II Stephen proudly showed us photographs of his father in uniform and his medals in a frame. He also told us interesting information about his family history.

Listening to our members reminisce about their memories brings the past to life and

strengthens all of our connections to our community no matter how long we have lived here. We are proud of the service given by others.

Tony Eaton, summed up perfectly many of our sentiments by saying:

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Do you happen to have any undisclosed artefacts linked to the history of Kirkburton?

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Our quest for historical relics encompasses a wide range of items such as postcards, sports souvenirs, autograph books, deeds, medals, photographs, and more.

For instance, you may have access to school photographs and be able to identify the pupils and teachers which we often struggle to do.

Another example is that we are aware of the existence of three different Sunday School medals awarded by Kirkburton Church on 21 August 1886, but we have yet to find them.

Any assistance you can provide us with in searching for more historical information would be greatly appreciated.





## Schoolchildren help BEG with tree planting



Pupils from Kirkburton First School joined Burton Environment Group (BEG) volunteers in the Community Field to plant a tree for their school. BEG have planted almost 500 trees in this area to help increase biodiversity and asked representatives from all three Kirkburton schools to add trees to the lower part of the field.

The pupils explored the Community Field and heard that volunteers had raised wildflowers from seed including teasels which have flowers that attract lots of different insects. They were interested in the seed head of a teasel which would have provided essential autumn food for birds such as goldfinches.

We hope that the pupils will return to the Community Field to watch the progress of their tree over the coming years.

## Why not try out BEG's new brush cutter?

Burton Environment Group (BEG) recently took delivery of a new brush cutter. Funded by Kirkburton Parish Council from its Village Improvement Fund, the main purpose of the machine is to maintain the paths around the wildflower areas created in the Community Field off North Road as part of the group's biodiversity work. But it will also be used to keep the edges of the tracks around the field and Town Quarry clear.

The machine is different from previous types in that it is mounted on wheels rather than being hand-held so it's much simpler and quicker to use.

As well as their biodiversity project, it will make it easier for BEG's volunteers to carry out their regular maintenance work on sites around the villages. It's particularly good for cutting long grass which will be brilliant when the

group do the Autumn cut of the wildflower patches.

If you would like to join one of BEG's regular work parties, please contact Peter Taylor on [sueandpeter-taylor@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:sueandpeter-taylor@yahoo.co.uk)



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# Kirkburton Middle School



Kirkburton Middle School in Turnshaws Avenue

Welcome to the latest update from Kirkburton Middle School (KMS), it is hard to believe we are rapidly approaching the end of another school year.

As always, the spring term was a very busy time in school. At the start of term, we were extremely grateful that all pupils were given the opportunity to attend first aid awareness training which was commissioned by KHCA and funded by Kirkburton ward councillor's budget. First aid training is covered as part of our year 6 curriculum. However we were unable to offer practical sessions during the pandemic, as such it was great to see training at whole school level.

In the world of music and the performing arts, our fantastic wind band went on tour as they visited four local feeder first schools to perform. The 'Revoltin' Children' from KMS performed at the Lawrence Batley Theatre in the annual 'Strictly Pennine' show. Finally, the cast of our school show went to see the spectacular 'Charlie and The Chocolate Factory' at the West Yorkshire Playhouse. The show certainly inspired their imaginations.

There was a key focus on science, technology, engineering and maths (STEM) last term.

We were delighted to welcome the science roadshow team back to KMS as they previewed this year's show to sponsors and our Year 7 pupils. Whilst sponsors travelled from as far away as London and Glasgow to view the performance, the show took those present from the depths of the oceans to outer space. A fantastic hour of STEM and careers.

The school celebrated science week with a host of fun and engaging activities, this year on the theme of connections. Four Year 8 pupils represented the school in a technology tournament run by the Rotary Club at Greenhead College. The pupils were given a brief to design, build and test a vehicle to cross a river on a suspended cable. They were assessed on a portfolio of design work, their team working skills and the performance of the finished vehicle. We were delighted that team KMS managed to defeat the other eight schools present to win the gold award. What is even more impressive is that most teams were made up of pupils from Year 9. Finally, all year 7 pupils visited the very exciting and highly interactive 'Get up to speed with STEM' careers roadshow at Magna.

The PE department was, as always, incredibly active with pupils representing the school in local, regional and national competitions in a range of sports including netball, football, rugby, cross country, sports hall athletics and new age curling. Notable successes included the under 12 boys and under 13 girls football teams who both reached the last 32 stage of the English Schools Football competition – an incredible achievement. The Year 6 boys cross country team finished second in the West Yorkshire School Games Cross Country final at a sunny Temple Newsome.

We also saw the return of international trips to our enrichment offer when we dispatched two very full coaches to Paris. Highlights of the trip included a trip to the pretty walled town of Brie-Comte-Robert to test the pupils' language skills at the local market. Time was also spent taking in the sights of the French capital before spending a day at Disneyland Paris.

The start of the summer term marked the move to our new school leadership model in school. It is with great excitement and a real sense of pride that I take up the post of Executive Headteacher across Kirkburton and Scissett Middle



KMS Wind Band



Year 6 Cross-Country Team





KMS students in Paris

Schools. I very much look forward to working with school staff, governors, colleagues from the Mast Academy Trust and wider stakeholders to build upon the successes of the two schools to date and further strengthen the collaboration between the two middle schools for the benefit of all our pupils.

I am delighted to announce that Mrs Kerr has been appointed to the post of Head of School at Kirkburton Middle. As somebody who knows the school and local community very well indeed, she is perfectly placed to support me in this work as the daily school lead.

We now look forward to the summer term which amongst other things will include our school show and our annual sports day. Preparations are well under way to say goodbye to our wonderful Year 8 cohort with our legendary leavers' assembly and barbecue, as well as the traditional theme park visit.

As we say goodbye to one year group, it is time to say hello to another. One of my favourite parts of the year is visiting our feeder first schools to talk to Year 5 pupils about their upcoming transition – we look forward to welcoming them to KMS very soon.

This year I will have to share the fun with Mrs Kerr.

Finally, this term will see the launch of our new house system in school, something we believe will have a hugely positive impact on our school culture for many years to come. We have appointed three fantastic Heads of House and, working with the wider pastoral team, they have the exciting job of appointing our first ever house captains and wider pupil leadership teams. We have also set pupils the challenging task of coming up with names for our three houses.

As always, I would like to thank everybody connected with KMS for all their ongoing support as we continue - 'Enjoying, Achieving, Succeeding Together.'

**Mr Chris Taylor, Executive Headteacher.**

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# School-Rotary Partnership to Fund Community Defibrillator at Kirkburton First School

Last year, we heard the news that one of our former pupils had suffered a medical emergency at school, which was obviously worrying for everyone concerned. Thankfully, the school in question had access to a defibrillator, which the paramedics who arrived on scene testified was crucial in potentially saving the child's life.

The above story is one that none of us ever want to hear repeated, but tragically seems to be a more and more common occurrence, with age seemingly being no factor: Footballers, athletes and school children alike. This seems to be something the government has realised too, and they have recently said that all schools will have access to internal defibrillators. However, we didn't want to wait that long. What we wanted to ensure was that, if the unthinkable did happen, we have the equipment in place to give the person affected the best chance of recovery. That means a defibrillator.

The statistics endorsing the effectiveness of defibrillators are stark. According to firstforlife.org.uk, if a defibrillator is used within three to five minutes of a cardiac arrest, survival rates jump from six per



Tina Bown from the Friends of Kirkburton First School (L), Will Adams, Headteacher of Kirkburton CE First School (C) and John Purvis from the Rotary Club of Denby Dale & District (R).

cent to 74 per cent: that is more than a twelve-fold increase.

Defibrillators, however, aren't cheap. Furthermore, we wanted the defibrillator to be accessible to the whole community, not just the school. This meant an external defibrillator with security box and power supply, further hiking up the price. Undeterred, my parent and teacher association, the Friends of Kirkburton First School, set about raising funds, whilst I contacted John Purvis from the

Rotary Club of Denby Dale & District. The Rotary Club were thrilled to be a part of the project, and agreed to match fund the project alongside our PTA. This was a great help and meant that we could purchase and install this potentially life-saving equipment in a matter of months, rather than a matter of years.

Our defibrillator was fitted at the end of February to the outside of the school gates, meaning anyone in the local community can access it. We

have registered our equipment with The Circuit – the national defibrillator network, to ensure that emergency services have the device on their system to direct people to in the case of an emergency.

Reflecting on this project, I am so immensely proud that we have managed to fulfil our ambition of making life a little bit safer for the communities we serve. I am so incredibly grateful to the Friends of Kirkburton First School and to the Rotary Club of Denby Dale & District for making this dream a reality, along with all those who made donations to make this project possible.

I am hugely hopeful that this equipment never needs to be removed from the big yellow case it is stored in, but I am glad at least that - if the unthinkable does happen - there is a defibrillator ready to help.

**Will Adams,**  
Headteacher



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## Thank you

I was really pleased to be re-elected as our local Kirklees Councillor, representing the Kirkburton ward on 4 May.

The result saw an increased majority for me and I would like to put on record my thanks to everyone who voted for me and also to my opponents who ran against me. In a democracy it is good to have a range of candidates to choose from, so people can have their say.

Now I will be able to continue working on your behalf on the things that are important to the community and I appreciated the opportunity during the campaign to get out and meet and talk with people, as we did with the "Ask Burton" initiative.

It was also good to get confirmation that the "Ask Burton" initiative is continuing to have a positive impact.

Just before the election I got confirmation that the monies which I had bid for, on behalf of the Community, for an addi-

tional Speed Indicator Device (SID), to be permanently sited in the two villages has been approved.

I will now work with the Community Association to identify the best locations for it. It will, like the other SIDs, be moved periodically across Highburton and Kirkburton.

As summer approaches I am bound to get chances to meet some of you at events across the villages and am looking forward to the celebration of the Woven festival at All Hallows on Sunday 18 June.

If people would like to get in touch with me I can be contacted on [johnj.taylor@Kirklees.gov.uk](mailto:johnj.taylor@Kirklees.gov.uk) or by phone on 07831 810096 or you can keep up to date or contact me via Facebook at [Cllr John Taylor](#).

**Cllr John Taylor,**  
**Kirkburton Ward**  
**Kirklees Council**



The Village Fair at the KUG Beer Festival

## A welcoming village

As a recent arrival in Kirkburton, moving from deepest Bromley in SE London, I thought it would be good to share my first impressions and thoughts on the village.

Firstly, I have received such a warm welcome not only from my neighbours but from everyone I have met in the last three months. I'm very impressed with the local shops and facilities in the village. In particular it has been great to become involved with the Burton Environment Group who do a great job in keeping the village looking attractive.

I especially enjoyed the Beer Festival and village fair which benefitted from great weather, great beer and great entertainment.

I do have one question about the Old Forge which is a grade II listed building, I have looked on The Community Facebook and it is not clear what is happening, but it looks a mess and a blight on our lovely village.

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**Steve Kerridge**



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## Highburton CE (VC) First School



The school calendar has been busy with sporting events over the past couple of months and we've seen fantastic effort, resilience and teamwork from the children. In May our children took part in a cycling event at Scissett Middle School, the Shelley Pyramid Cross Country, the Shelley Pyramid Football Tournament, the Shelley Pyramid Netball Tournament, and the Yorkshire Cross Country Finals at Temple Newsam. The children have seen the rewards of their efforts coming away with an array of medals and trophies. We are very proud of them.

Our Year 3&4 girls and boys competed in the School Games Cricket Competition at Almondbury Cricket Club. They are now through to the next round at Pudsey with a chance to play in the final at Headingley.

In May the children learnt all about the coronation of Charles III and had a wonderful day of celebrations. We had our very own kings, queens, princes and princesses and each class did various activities all linking to the coronation.

The children also contributed to a fantastic piece of art which was displayed in All Hallows Church that week-end.

We are lucky enough to have some lovely outside space at the school and we would like to improve this to create further spaces for the children to learn and enjoy.

For our forest school we are in need of den building equipment, for example tarpaulin, rope and large branches so if you're having a clear out and would like to donate anything we could see they go to good use – the pictures on the right will give you an idea of what we are trying to achieve.

We are also looking to introduce a lunchtime gardening club and would be extremely grateful for donations of top-soil, compost and seeds, as well as woodchip or similar to form a path. We could also use any old spades you no longer need. If you think you can help please get in touch with the school.

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form a path. We could also use any old spades you no longer need. If you think you can help please get in touch with the school.

We are beginning to prepare for our new arrivals in September, with 24 of our 30 spaces in reception filled.

Historically we've been over-subscribed as a school but the six spaces may provide the opportunity for those who did not apply to Highburton, expecting it to be full, to join our wonderful community. If you know someone who might be interested please contact the school office on 01484 506526 to arrange a visit.

It's hard to believe that we are nearing the end of another school year but we have achieved a lot and have much to be proud of. We will remain busy until we break for the summer holidays, including preparing for the much-anticipated school sports days and summer fun afternoon at the end of June.





## The View from Westminster — MP's Report



Cllr John Taylor and Mark Eastwood MP joining in with the Adopt a Grave Scheme at All Hallows

Now that warmer weather has finally arrived, my team and I have been getting out into the community, and it has been a pleasure to see old friends and make new ones out and about in the constituency. The Coronation has been a wonderful opportunity for all of us to get together and celebrate what's best about our communities, and I was incredibly impressed at some of the efforts people went to smartening up their streets and homes and getting bunting and creative decorations out to celebrate.

One of the most important elements of the coronation celebrations however, was the day of volunteering, when people around the country took time out to help around their communities – whether that was litter picks, planting communal flower beds or helping out at a local group, the volunteering carried out will be a lasting legacy of King Charles's coronation events.

My team and I have also been getting involved in brightening up the community by

“Adopting a Grave” at All Hallows Church in Kirkburton. As you can expect in such an historic churchyard, there are graves where relatives are long dead and have become overgrown and untidy. We've pulled weeds, tidied up and planted some bright cheerful bulbs and bedding plants so that the churchyard looks as loved by the community as it clearly is.

There are many people who work hard around our community, and I was delighted to see that someone who works incredibly hard for our community, Councillor John Taylor, has been re-elected as District Councillor for Kirkburton. I have worked with John for many years and I know how much he cares about the community. I'm especially pleased that I will get to continue working with John as we move towards the next General Election.

As you may have read or seen in the news, the Parliamentary boundaries will soon be reviewed. This is carried out by The Boundary Commission –

an independent body – with the aim of making sure that the constituencies have roughly the same number of people living there. The Dewsbury constituency will no longer exist, and the villages of Kirkburton and Highburton will fall under the new constituency of Wakefield West and Denby Dale, alongside areas such as Ossett, Horbury and the rural villages to the south of Wakefield.

I have now been selected as the Conservative candidate for this constituency, and I chose to apply for it because of the support that people in this ar-

ea have shown to me as their Member of Parliament. I want to show my appreciation by continuing to work hard for you and hopefully continue as your MP after the next election.

Nothing will change in terms of my work as your MP – I'll still be available to help with any problems that you may have and you'll be able to get in touch with my office as usual.

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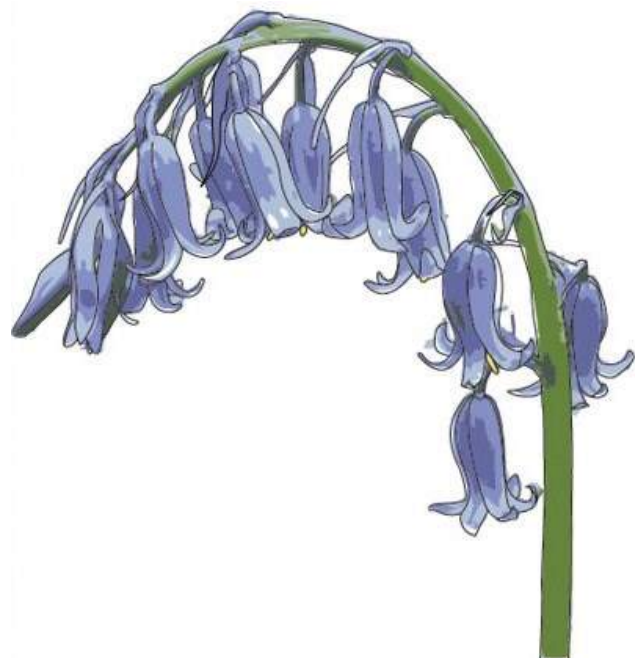
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We would like to say GOODBYE & BEST WISHES to the children and parents who are moving onto school in September.





## Bluebell Garden Club



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The club was formed in 1995 and is affiliated to the Royal Horticultural Society, meetings include: speakers and demonstrators, plant sales, garden visits, a raffle, refreshments and a monthly newsletter.

Membership fees are £18 per annum, or £3:00 per visit to come as a guest and try us out.

There are no restrictions to membership all are welcome whether you Garden a little or a lot, or not at all.

### Speaker programme for the next few months

- 4 July Summer Social, in a member's garden  
email for details
- 1 Aug Don Witton 'Vibrant Summer Perennials'
- 5 Sept AGM and plant auction
- 3 Oct Cliff Booker from 'The Alpine Garden Society with  
'An Introduction to Alpines'
- 7 Nov Members' Questions 'Help, Answers & Tips'
- 5 Dec Christmas Party

## Baking with Anya

A perfect treat for a summer party or afternoon tea

### Strawberry & Cream Puffs

Prep time: 20 minutes Bake time: 10 minutes Servings: 16



#### Ingredients

- 1 x 320g pack of ready rolled puff pastry
- 200g strawberries, sliced
- 125ml double cream
- 1tbsp icing sugar plus a little for decoration
- 1 egg, beaten
- A little caster sugar

#### Instructions

1. Preheat the oven to 220C/200C fan and line 2 baking trays with greaseproof paper.
2. Roll out the puff pastry.
3. Use a cookie cutter approx. 7cm in diameter to cut the pastry to size. I used a hearty shaped one but just use your favourite.
4. Lay the cut pastry on the lined baking sheets and prick with a fork, brush with the beaten egg and sprinkle with caster sugar.
5. Bake for 8-10 minutes until risen and golden brown. Leave to cool fully.
6. Whilst they are cooling whisk the double cream into soft peaks with 1tbsp of icing sugar.
7. Once cool, cut the pastry shapes in half horizontally and sandwich together with the whipped cream and sliced strawberries.
8. Sprinkle icing sugar on the top.

You can replace the cream with crème fraiche for a healthier alternative.

You can see more of my baking on Instagram @baking.anya



# Music MATTERS

## It's No Secret

What could be better than a Sunday afternoon in our new village wine bar listening to talented local musicians and singers?

Once a month on a Sunday afternoon, a group of young musicians take over the Secret Garden wine bar in Kirkburton for a wonderful afternoon of Secret Sounds.

Ruby McLellan and Ruby Walker (**Ruby 2**) are in residence with their superb singing and playing, and they also feature special guest musicians.

Jessica Elson was the special guest for the May event.

As the good weather improves, the rear garden bar area is open, and the music will move outside too.

Come down and support this event, check on The Secret Garden Facebook page for forthcoming dates. They even take requests.

The photographs on the right show from top to bottom Ruby McLellan, Ruby Walker and Jessica Elson performing at The Secret Garden in May.

### HD8 Voices Charity concert for Grace McGuire

On 27 April, HD8 Voices rocked the 80's tunes and created a bit of magic to a packed audience at Scissett Club.

The ladies were outstanding and looked fabulous in their 80's gear. They were also joined by some incredibly talented young performers. For one night only we saw Cyndi Lauper (Emily Medley) Whitney Houston (Georgia Pincock)



Top row Emily Medley as Cyndi Lauper, Bananarama, (Jessica Elson, Martha Showell-Nicholas, and Bella Bradbury) Middle row Rick Astley (Ted Edmonds) and the Rickettes (Kitty and Ruby) Bottom row HD8 Voices Ladies Choir.

Bananarama (Jessica Elson, Martha Showell-Nicholas, Bella Bradbury) not forgetting Rick Astley (Ted Edmonds) and his backing dancers, Kitty and Ruby.

Ruby Walker also entertained us with Tainted Love and Sleeping Satellite.

We raised an amazing £1,300 for local girl, Grace McGuire, to support her through her cancer treatment and recovery. A huge community effort all round.

HD8 Voices were among the musical performers at the Kirkburton Beer Festival and the choir also provided a serenade at a wedding in All Hallows on Bank Holiday Monday.

Future events include a Summer concert for pianists and singers. Look out for details.

Thank you all once again for supporting our talented musicians in our villages.

Sally Byrne

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Jane, the proprietor, has been in the business for a long time,

as a practitioner, as a teacher, as a mentor, as a course developer, as a consultant not just in the UK but also in USA, Asia and Europe. She has gained an extended knowledge of the well being environment. Her colleagues are all specialists in one or more disciplines and are selected not just for their passion but also their empathy.

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So, if you haven't done so yet, why not treat yourself to an experience or two, right on your doorstep?

And to those who have already benefitted from this tender

care, the staff at VALLENCO would like to thank you for your continuing support.





# From Kirkburton to Benidorm in an old banger



The send off from families and friends

On Monday, 1 May our lads Christian Rooney, Paul Asquith, John Boden, Andy Caine, Jonny Caine and Wayne Burnett set off from Kirkburton to meet up with the South Yorkshire lads at Effingham Road Motor Company in Sheffield. Cars were stickered up and fitted with deafening air horns all in aid of Mrs Christmas, Gloria Stewart's, "Home Alone" Charity based in Sheffield.

Team Rooney (car 23) and team Caine (car 22) met up with Sheffield based teams Bowness (car 21) and Masood (car 4) on Christian's garage forecourt. Family, friends and Gloria herself came to wave them off and wish them all a safe journey.

Three cars set off in a convoy whilst team Caine set off in the opposite direction looking for breakfast. This was a common theme throughout the trip but the four cars did eventually arrive in Dover. The rally support crew were there to meet and greet the 50 teams from all over the country.



Grey skies at Dover

## Tuesday 2 May Dover to Rouen. Official rally start date

The teams boarded a ferry sailing from Dover to Calais. The crossing went well apart from Team Caine getting on a different ferry. Luckily, their ferry was heading to the same port and was in fact much quicker at reaching the French coast. The lads were asked to wear their Hawaiian themed clothes and their challenge on the ferry was to recreate the famous Titanic scene.

The teams drove the 180 miles to Rouen, for their first overnight stay in France.

Rouen, is situated on the River Seine, and is Normandy's vibrant, historic and cultural capital. Monet's famous depictions of Rouen Cathedral have made this vast edifice many visitors' favourite building, but there are also many fine museums to explore, not to mention the Gros Horologe clock tower, France's oldest inn, La Couronne, and the beautiful modern church dedicated to Joan of Arc. I don't think the boys had a cultural evening in mind as they mingled with the other teams for the Hawaiian-themed night. Apparently, some of the boys were not happy with the drink prices in France. (A pint worked out at €6-€8 Euros)

## Wednesday 3 May. Day 2 -Rouen to La Rochelle

An early start for all with over 300 miles to cover, but the sun shone. The route could be done toll free but with more mileage, making 360 miles in total. Yes, some of our boys went for the

latter option. All of the teams were by now getting into the spirit of the rally and taking part in the challenges.

The first challenge was to get a picture of their car in front of the Le Mans sign. The second was to get a video driving down the famous Mulsanne straight. Our four cars did not manage to kept together. Team Caine, car 22, went off piste again searching for the best food and wines. But all arrived at La Rochelle safe and sound.

The gorgeous city of La Rochelle is known for its adventurous maritime history. Its medieval towers form the gateway to the port and the city itself. The city is steeped in history with some beautiful architecture and many fine restaurants.

After a wander round the town and some moans again about the cost of beer, €7-€9 Euros, the boys ended up in the General Humbert's pub. Nick, car 49, agreed to have his head shaved for the rally's charity partner, "The Yorkshire Air Ambulance." In 15 minutes all our amazing teams put their hands in their pockets and raised £310 for this wonderful charity. THIS IS WHAT BENIDORM BANGERS RALLY IS ALL ABOUT. Raising money for charity.

## Thursday 4 May. Day 3 - La Rochelle to Pamplona.

All cars were still in the "Run to the Sun." There were only a couple of minor car issues, which were sorted by the very able Sugar and Jez in the Rally Support Van. As the teams started the next 300 mile leg of the rally, they were very aware that they would be crossing the border into Spain. Our boys reported that each day it was getting hotter by the mile. The challenge for the day was to make a mascot using all the rubbish accumulated in your car.

Meanwhile, back in Kirkburton, Nadine Rooney was trying to track our guys. Not an easy task. A couple of them had not had an early night (mentioning no names) and were a little tired and emotional. This is why you need a team for each car. Designated drivers are appointed before the evening out and as per



At Le Mans

the rules, each team carry breathalysers to confirm they are fit to drive before departing (so they are a sensible bunch even if the photos suggest otherwise).

Team Bowness (Car 21) was the first to arrive in Pamplona. Team Caine (Car 22), arrived in second place after a pit stop in San Sebastian. Our other two cars were a little slower to reach this Spanish destination.

Pamplona, is famous for the "Running of the Bulls" event in July. It is another beautiful city with lots of history, and surrounded by defensive walls. Once inside your eyes are drawn to the gorgeous palaces, churches and old cobbled streets that run from the centre. Don't be mistaken, by its sleepy day-time appearance. This is yet another city that comes alive with an amazing night life. The lads reported that food and drink were cheaper in Spain.

## Friday 5 May. Day 4 -Pamplona to Albacete

This was billed as a 6hr 21 min drive covering 387 miles, (or 403 miles toll-free).

This was yet another gruelling day, an early start and high temperatures. Again, Nadine had the task of trying to keep track of our teams as well as setting off to Benidorm to join some of the other wives who wanted to greet their other halves at the end of the rally on Saturday.

The boys made it into Albacete, which is the biggest city in the heart of the Castilla-La Mancha region. The city also has some wonderful museums and historical buildings. The flat terrain made it easy for the boys to explore the sights. The city is also well known



# - Kirkburton teams complete “Run to the Sun”

as a shopper's paradise because of the amazing variety of shops, but somehow the boys managed to avoid the shops. So, no presents there then. That night the boys enjoyed their animal-themed fancy dress party challenge before the last leg of their journey into Benidorm.

**Saturday 6 May Day 5- Albacete to Benidorm. The final leg of the 1,600 mile journey across Europe.**

This was a 2hr 30min drive covering 160 miles to the final destination of Benidorm. The teams were allowed a well deserved and much appreciated lie in. For the first time the teams had to form a convoy from Albacete and were met on the outskirts of Benidorm by their very own Police Escort which took them through the very busy and crowded streets to the car park of Jokers Bar.

To all Burtoners who generously contributed to the Busy Bees Benidorm (You know who you are. Too many to mention on here).....your rucksacks containing items that the children can use in school such as pens, pencils, felts, paints, colouring and exercise books, calculators, rulers, toiletries and clothing etc arrived safely. Wayne Edward Bellamy-Wright, from the Busy Bees Benidorm, met the convoy in Jokers car park. He told our group that he was really pleased and grateful for all the effort of family and friends for meeting the first challenge to support the Busy Bees Charity. All teams were set this challenge before leaving home. So, well done to every team who completed this challenge.



Rucksacks, school suppliers and toiletries collected for the Busy Bees charity

You may want to know what happened to all the bangers. Well not all teams opted to sell their “mode of transport” in Benidorm. Some of the cars were vintage and some of the teams were using them to get back home after holidaying in Spain. Our four cars, sourced by Christian, and paid for by the lads were sold in Jokers car park for £1,000. All the proceeds from the cars will be going to Gloria Stewart's, “Home Alone” Charity in Sheffield.

Now the lads' holiday was over, the Viking style drinking, could begin as there was no more driving to do. Some of the wives and daughters were waiting in the car park to greet the boys and to celebrate the completion of this year's “Run to the Sun.”

Everyone said the rally was a fun thing to do. It had navigational and daily challenges along the way from start to finish. It was a chance to be part of something different and see some of the best scenery Europe has to offer. It was a great way to spend 5/6 days having a good time as well as raising money for good causes. On Sunday 7 May, the organisers put on a Benidorm Bangers Party and prize giving event with buffet and entertainment. None of our lot won a prize but they got the yellow Benidorm Bangers t-shirt and a certificate.

Finally, Gloria Stewart would like to thank our boys for doing this fundraiser for “Home Alone.” She is well aware of the cost involved in taking part in this non-profit charity rally.

As for the boys, they would like to thank everyone for their on-line donations to “Home Alone” via the dedicated “Just Giving” page <https://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/nadine-rooney-1> or through their sponsor forms.

Christian has worked out that adding up the proceeds from the sale of the four cars, £1,000, donations on the Just Giving Page, £1,339, and the boys' sponsorship forms £2,421....a grand total of £4,760 has been raised so far. A gentle reminder, “If you have not paid your sponsorship money to Christian, Paul, John, Andy, Jonny or Wayne could you do so a.s.a.p.



Presentation and auction at Jokers Bar Benidorm

They have arranged an after Party to be held at [Kirkburton Carlton Club](#) on the 24 June from 7pm. DJ Badger is on the decks with raffle prizes to get us to our target total of £5,000.

We thank everyone of you for all your contributions and would like you to come along and celebrate with us too.

**Anna Boden on behalf of our Kirkburton Bangers**



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The Lamborghini URUS looking at home in Kirkburton

I went over to the Lamborghini factory in Italy in July 2017 when the early pre-production models of the URUS had been hand-assembled in an all-new purpose built, very modern building. I looked at the URUS, and remembered saying, a big SUV from the Sports Car manufacturer, Lamborghini—it will never sell. But then I remember saying the same thing about the Porsche Cayenne back in 2002. Porsche making a big SUV, how ridiculous. This does prove, that not only can you be wrong once, but in fact twice. The URUS went on sale in 2019, and the order book has been full ever since.

The URUS I tested was from Lamborghini Leeds and paint-

ed in Nero Ade (black) probably not the best colour for the URUS, as more vibrant colours are available, with some looking outrageously good.

The URUS is powered by a 4.0-litre Twin-Turbo V8 petrol engine that produces a whopping 650bhp, and goes from 0-62mph in a staggeringly quick 3.6 seconds, especially for a large, heavy SUV.

The interior is so luxurious, and every bit a Lamborghini, the quality and fit and finish are superb. The centre console replicated a fighter jet, with similar shaped controls, and even a small red, hinged cover that goes over the start button. Lift it up, press the

starter, and up it fires, making the most fantastic sound, and a sound that just gets better and better, as you move off from stationary, and when you are cruising it sounds so good, it really makes you smile. But I'm not sure 'green' people would be overly supportive of such a vehicle

The Italian design is crisp and so attractive, but aggressive with its sloping roof, that gives it a sports car look, but the roofline does create a problem in the fact that vision can create poor visibility, especially the rear.

The factory has a visitors' centre, where anyone can book, and go and have a look at current and classic Lamborghinis. Some of them are very rare, and worth a fortune, but it is well worth a visit to see some absolutely tremendous pieces of extraordinary car designs.

Many people often forget that this is not Lamborghini's first 'off-roader' as back in the 1980's they had the very boxy LM002. Lamborghini also are famous for making agricultural tractors, but the tractor division of Lamborghini, is now completely separate from car production.

The starting price in the UK is around £188,000, but once you start ticking a few boxes for some very nice options, you can soon find yourself with an invoice of over £250,000.



"The centre console replicated a fighter jet."

During the time I had the URUS on test I didn't get chance to put it through its paces, to try its fantastic handling, just a nice steady drive around West Yorkshire. Nor did I drive across any farmers' fields or up any 'mountains' to test its very competent off-road capabilities. I didn't think taking the car back covered in mud was a good idea.

If you drive the URUS very carefully, which I'm sure most owners will do, then you can get a range of over 400 miles.

The Lamborghini has SuperCar performance, has room for five adults, and their luggage, looks spectacular, sounds spectacular, can comfortably go off-road, and has those all-important Lamborghini badges on it. Just a great all-rounder, but does come with a hefty, yet justifiable price-tag.



Martin's grandsons checking out the URUS



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Another very attractive car I drove recently was the all-new Peugeot 408, a stunning looking five-door, five-seat large hatch. It is fair to say the PSA Group (Peugeot/Citroen/DS) and now part of Stellantis (Vauxhall/Opel/JEEP/Alfa and many more) went through a stage of producing some fairly dull and bland-looking cars, they just played it safe. But, now it looks like their design team have got a new lease of life, and are putting real style back into their designs. The 408 has some fantastic lines, especially some large muscular 'haunches' over the rear wheels, making it look very sporty.

The car I had on test from Peugeot UK Press, was powered by a three-cylinder, 1.2-litre petrol engine. On paper it doesn't look up to the job, but in reality it is more than adequate, it goes from 0-62mph in 10.4 seconds. I was mightily impressed by this car.

I also recently had a Citroen Ami on test from Citroen UK press department. A small two-seat electric car. It has a range, when fully charged, of just over 40 miles, and a top speed of 28mph.

Nipping down to Morrison's at that speed did seem to upset a few drivers on Penistone, Road and it didn't particularly like coming back up Far Dene.

It's not a car for hills, but live somewhere flat, where you just do short slow journeys, and I guess it's ideal.

During the time I had it, I took it to Highburton First, School for Year 5 to be Motoring Writers for the day. Their task was to look at it, assess it, and write about it.

I must admit, the kids had 'varying' views on the Ami.

**Martin Ward**



The Citroen Ami — not for everyone



The all-new Peugeot 408

## Wish You Were Here



I'm a member of the Guild of Motoring Writers, and our President is Nick Mason (founder member and drummer in Pink Floyd). Every year Nick invites members to his house, for afternoon tea, cakes and buns so we can all meet and have a good old motor trade chat. Nick is not only into music, but has a large classic and super-car collection, probably with a value in excess of £100m. Nick is such a nice, down to earth bloke, and great company. (Nick Mason on the left, pictured with Martin).





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# Burton Belles WI



The Burton Belles trip to Chatsworth House in March was also open to non-members

Over the last four years the Burton Belles have established ourselves as a welcoming and friendly WI group, who are committed to ensuring that our members have wonderful speakers each month as well as other groups to attend such as our book club, walking group and brunch club. In April we ran a trip to Chatsworth House which was open to all, we wanted to allow members and non-members within the community the chance to have a day out which included transport and a house tour as well as the chance to meet new people. Those who attended had a wonderful day out with lots of

laughs and we will definitely try to run more trips like this in the future so keep an eye out.

We are hosting an evening on 22 September. Those who have been to previous meetings may be familiar with the highly-entertaining Andrew Lloyd, for those who haven't, why not come along with friends, partners and even husbands to enjoy an evening filled with laughs, a pie and pea supper and a chocolate demonstration. For tickets, please search Burton chocolate, pies and laughter on Eventbrite.

For our March meeting we welcomed Jane Middleton from Art Starz. We had a fantastic turnout of ladies all eager to learn about creating artwork using bleach and paints, we have definitely got some artists amongst us and the evening was a resounding success.

With the Coronation excitement behind us we looked forward to the May meeting where we had a wonderful talk from a local bee-keeper, Dr Alsous who makes his own honey. It was nice to learn more about these crucial little creatures as well as be able to purchase a jar of delicious honey. We have so many more fascinating speakers coming up and are always open to suggestions from our mem-

bers on what they may like to do or see at meetings. We held our Annual General Meeting in June, accompanied by a cheese and wine tasting night. We're getting all glammed up in July with our speaker Patricia Atkin who is sharing her life in showbiz with us, this is sure to be a fascinating evening and an insight into life behind the velvet curtain.

As a group we work hard to come up with new ideas and we're hoping to include different open meetings that incorporate evenings out, we'll keep you posted once we've finalised plans but there are some exciting things in the pipeline which I'm sure our members will love. Over the last four years I have had the pleasure of saying I am the President of an amazing WI, which has grown and offered so much to our members especially during the pandemic, which saw many WIs close their doors. I could not have done any of what we do or offer without the help from the extremely hard-working committee, to which the real thanks needs to go. Being a part of this WI, which I unintentionally stumbled upon at its very formation, has given me a support network when I needed it, not just for meetings but in my personal life too. These women saw my second child grow up on the Zoom calls we did during



lockdown and have given me the confidence to change career and follow new dreams.

It is with sadness that I am stepping down as President and handing the reins over to someone new, but I know they'll grow this WI even more.

We meet every third Thursday at Burton Village Hall at 7.30pm, and we really are a fabulous group of women of all ages and would love to welcome more members. So please do come along to a meeting to see what we're all about. I promise you it's not all jam and Jerusalem.

**Sarah Sharp-Allison**

## Programme for 2023-4

20 July — My Life in Showbiz — Patricia Atkin

21 September — Nothing Left Behind Cooking — Linda Hewitt

19 October — Craft Activity — Christine Hinchliffe

16 November — Storthes Hall — Ann Little wood

21 December — Christmas Meeting — Social & Craft

18 January — Resolutions Meeting

15 February — My Time As A Prison Governor — Graham Smith

21 March Product of Two Wars — Roger Beaumont



The WI get creative with Art Starz



## Burton Crafters



A friend of a group member is a Ukrainian man and he spearheads a charity to send and distribute goods to help the soldiers and Ukrainian citizens suffering for the awful situation in their country at the moment. Initially he asked if the group could knit beanie hats for soldiers to wear underneath their helmets to keep them warm in



the trenches.

So far, members of our group, along with friends, have knitted and donated more than 70 hats (pictured) which have been very gratefully received.

The request was then extended to include warm things for sol-

diers and civilians and the flood gates opened. Sleeping bags, duvets, jumpers, gloves, scarves and wellingtons have all been donated. One lady gave 17 warm new shirts from an elderly relative – the response has been incredible. Very many thanks for all donations, many of which have already gone in large containers across Europe.

As well as that, crafters have still been continuing to craft, with demonstrations from members making washable make up wipes (pictured above), stump work embroidery, crepe paper daffodils (pictured below) and continuing to make patchwork squares for colourful throws. Silk painting and preparing a Christmas wall-hanging are coming up, although there have been several bank holidays when we have not met.

There will always be space round our table to accommodate any newcomer, novice or expert, at 1.30pm on a Monday afternoon if you fancy joining the group – you would be most welcome.

**Pat Shaw**



## New Mill Male Voice Choir

Many of you know about the New Mill Male Voice Choir, which meets at New Mill Club. Some of you may know members in Kirkburton and Huddersfield. We want to share information about our activities this year including our exciting Kirklees Year of Music project 'Ten for the Town Hall'.

### TEN FOR THE TOWN HALL.

If you've visited New Mill or Holmfirth recently, you may have noticed large yellow banners proclaiming, 'TEN FOR THE TOWN HALL' and wondered what this is about.

Ten for the Town Hall is an opportunity for local men to sing together at our Huddersfield Town Hall concert in October. The aim is to enjoy an unforgettable musical experience.

No previous experience is needed – just ambition to perform on a BIG stage.

The journey starts on Tuesday 18 July and involves learning four songs over ten-weeks, ranging from traditional favourites to 'evergreen' hits.

It will be led by professional musicians with experience in coaching amateur choirs, supported by members of New Mill Male Voice Choir.

The project is part of Kirklees Year of Music, which aims to put our towns and villages on the map as places where great music is made and enjoyed.

Participation is free to anyone who wants to perform in one of the region's finest venues, with no requirement to join our choir. Of course, anyone who does want to join us after the project will be warmly welcomed.

Interested? Further details are in the advert in this magazine, or on our website, <https://newmillmvc.org.uk/>.

### LOCAL CHARITY 2023.

This year we are helping Holme Valley Mountain Rescue Team to buy a new response vehicle. Those of us who enjoy the outdoors value the Team's work, and we are keen to support them. New Mill Male Voice Choir is donating £1,000 and will raise additional funds at our Town Hall concert.

### OTHER NEWS.

The high point of our year is the Town Hall Concert on 7 October, where we are joined by the 'Ten for the Town Hall' singers, Hepworth Band and Denby Dale Ladies Choir.

We also have our normal programme of local concerts and in September will visit the coast to perform at Bridlington Priory.

We are always looking for new members. If interested, contact us via our website, <https://newmillmvc.org.uk/>, which also gives details of events outlined here.



# News from The Kirkwood



Fathers' Day window display at the Kirkwood shop in Kirkburton

## Dates for your diary from The Kirkwood

### Sunday 18 June 18 Fathers' Day

This could be a good way to teach your children about making good choices for the planet and shopping second hand. Charity shopping is an easy way to introduce the idea of the 3 R's- reduce, reuse, recycle.

Our Kirkburton window is full of high quality pre-loved items on sale ready for father's day. We are sure there is something in the shop that would please even the most discerning dad. We also have a great selection of father's day cards priced at 50p each. They must be the cheapest in the area. Remember once it is gone it is gone so pop in soon to avoid disappointment.

### Saturday 1 July The Kirkwood Memory walk

The John Smith's Stadium will be the new venue for this year's

walk as well as a new start time which has been brought forward to 10pm so that families can take part together. This event is an opportunity to bring friends, family and even your dog to walk in memory of a loved one. The normal fee is £15 for adults and £12 for children, but I have been told there is an early bird offer £10 for adults and £8 for children.

You can register for the walk on line at:

the kirkwood.org.uk/memory walk or by calling the Fundraising team on 01484 557911

### Saturday 22 July, 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Sunflower Memories

Held in the stunning grounds of Kirkwood Hospice Gardens in Dalton between 11am- 3pm. Entry is free. You can make a dedication to a loved one on a sunflower plaque and at the end of the visit take your plaque home.

## Summer Superdraw Friday 28 July

1<sup>st</sup> prize: £2,000

2<sup>nd</sup> prize: £100

3<sup>rd</sup> prize: £50

5 Runner-Up prizes of £20

Tickets are now on sale and can be bought from our shop. Good Luck everyone. It is about time someone from our village won one of these prizes.

Finally, we have news about the vacant manager's job at our shop. Our own Bekki Grafton from Kirkburton is now in charge. Bekki has



worked in the Kirkburton Kirkwood shop for the last five years, first as a volunteer and then as assistant manager. Bekki has lots of energy and ideas which she will share with you in the next Burton Bulletin. I am sure you all will wish her well in this new role.

**Anna Boden, volunteer**



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# Kirkburton Junior Football Club



Kirkburton Junior FC players at The John Smith's Stadium

The club has had its one of its best seasons with over 400 players signing on for the club which has entered 26 teams across twelve age groups from U5's to U17's into the Huddersfield Junior Football League. The club continues to grow with a staggering 40-plus volunteer coaches who are all fully qualified with the FA. Throughout the season there have been some great successes – with the U15's winning two Cup competitions, the U12's winning the League and Cup and the U7's winning a tournament  
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et

## One Identity/Rebrand -

Last summer the club rebranded its badge which had served for 24 years since the formation of the club in 1998, to a new more modern sleek looking design. With this came the launch of a one club identity kit, partnering with O'Neill's sports (via our local sales representative Dave Larder). A big thanks goes to all the businesses (many local) who have sponsored the new kits for our age groups.

**Signing On / New Recruits** – Signing on for next season, starting in September 2024 will begin from July. From January



2024, we will be hoping to attract some new faces with our Youth Development Officer (Kier) starting the training sessions. We will provide further updates in future editions of The Bulletin. As always, our club is an all-inclusive club for any ability or gender.

Kirkburton JFC have proudly been developing two pathways to introduce, and progress girls who are interested in playing football: **Wildcats** and **Squad**. The sessions are run side by side by two enthusiastic coaches, Tania and Alex, who both hold FA Coaching and Safeguarding qualifications and a shared determination to encourage girls to participate in football. The sessions are held on the all-weather pitch at Kirkburton Middle School every Sunday from 2-3pm, and focus on creating fun sessions where girls from age 5-14 can develop and

grow their football skills.

**Tournaments & matches** - As part of our commitment to developing the girls' opportunities at KJFC we are increasing our participation in football tournaments for girls who want match experience. Next season we will be working closely with other clubs in the Huddersfield area to create more opportunities to participate in girls' tournaments. Get in touch if you are interested.

**Wildcats** - is a great way to introduce girls aged 5-11 to football. We focus on developing skills, confidence and enjoyment through fun football related activities and games in a non-competitive environment. No experience is necessary, just some curiosity and willingness to get stuck in and have fun. But developing the love of football is not the only benefit. A recent FA survey revealed that 81% of parents said their girls had grown in confidence since attending Wildcats sessions and 71% of parents agreed that their daughters had made new friends from attending Wildcats sessions.

**Squad** - sessions are designed for girls who either have a bit more experience from attending Wildcats sessions, or girls who already play, and older girls keen to kickstart their journey into football. Whether you're completely new to the sport, moving up from Wildcats, or simply wanting to give it a go, Squad Girls' Football is designed to help develop skills and build confidence, whilst



encouraging girls to play their way.

If you already play for a team then you can use the Squad sessions as an additional training opportunity. No commitment is required, just a determination to have fun and enjoy football.

If you have been inspired by the recent successes of women's football then do get in touch and try out a session for free. We are always keen to welcome new girls who aspire to be future lionesses, coaches, managers, referees, officials etc or who just enjoy kicking a football around.

So, if you want to support the young girl/s in your life with boosting confidence, meeting new friends, getting active and developing positive mental and physical health benefits then please get in touch for both Wildcats or Squad at [wildcatskjfc@gmail.com](mailto:wildcatskjfc@gmail.com)

**Fundraising** - We are excited to run the Parents' Cup fundraiser again where we will be hosting nine teams across the age groups raising funds for the club and our chosen charities: Children's Heart Surgery Fund and Their World Jennifer Brown Research Laboratory.

**Huddersfield Town Links** – it was great to see so many of our players attend the guard of honour game vs Sheffield Utd and what a result it was. Our Chairman (DJ) is working with Town and we hope this will bring discounted tickets to future games to our registered club members – so watch this space.



Under 12s League Team







We are a small and friendly club at the heart of Highburton / Kirkburton and **we would be absolutely thrilled to see you on the courts, whatever your age or ability.**

Spring is here and we have a new court surface ready for action. We also have new LED lights. Now is a fantastic time to join us. Our membership year runs from 1 April to 31 March. Full details about membership fees are available on our website at [clubspark.lta.org.uk/GregoryFieldsTennisClub](http://clubspark.lta.org.uk/GregoryFieldsTennisClub).

Whether you are an absolute beginner, someone returning to the game, or an experienced player, please get in touch. **You will be made very welcome.**

If you are interested in playing competitively, then we have two ladies' teams and two men's teams who train/play matches on Monday and Tuesday evenings respectively.

We hold two annual tournaments – The Crabtree Cup in June and the President's Cup in September.

If you prefer to play socially, then we hold club sessions on Thursday evenings from 6pm and on Friday mornings 10am - 1pm. These sessions are a great opportunity to meet other players and generally have fun. **Table tennis** is also available.

Andy Smith, our Level 4 LTA **qualified coach**, runs an extensive coaching programme on Sunday mornings, which caters for children aged 4 upwards. He also offers individual or group coaching for adults, by arrangement.

Andy also runs a **Cardio Tennis session** for adults on Sundays, 1pm – 2pm which is open to both members and non-members, cost £6 / £7. This is

a high energy workout to music, with the opportunity to hit lots of tennis balls – and all abilities and fitness levels are welcome. No tennis skills are needed.

Full details of our coaching programme are available on the club's website and you can contact Andy direct at [andysmithtennis@icloud.com](mailto:andysmithtennis@icloud.com), or call 07876718968.

Andy also plans to run a summer Sports Camp over the school holidays. Full details will be on the website.

We have applied for funding to start **Pickleball at Gregory Fields** (give it a Google search). It is a newish sport imported from the US. It uses a smaller court, lower net and totally different bats and balls. If we are successful in our bid, the courts will be painted with additional Pickleball lines and all equipment will be purchased.

Club members will be able to play both sports, but we are also considering a Pickleball only membership subject to interest.

Pickleball is a sport for all and is great fun but it has the added advantage of being a slower game so that it can be played into older age, or played by less experienced players. Look out for further information.



# KIRKBURTON KARATE CLUB

On 22 April at Burton Village Hall, Kirkburton Karate Club held a sponsored "Fitness Challenge" for the stroke unit at Calderdale Royal Hospital which, readers of the Bulletin may remember helped Colin Hanson from the club to recuperate from his strokes. The challenge raised £6,700.

The cheque will be present to the Unit next month. And in our next edition we will include a full article of both the challenge, the presentation and further news of this remarkably successful club.

Congratulations to all who took part.

## WORD SEARCH

This one is directed at the feelings of summer hols. Can you find the hidden words? They may be horizontal, vertical, diagonal, forwards or backwards.



ABSENCE, AMUSEMENT, BREAK, CAPER, CAREFREE, DIVERSION, ENJOYMENT, ENTERTAINMENT, ESCAPE, ESCAPISM, EXCURSION, FESTIVITY, FIELD DAY, FREE TIME, FREEWHEELING, FROLIC, HOBBY, HOLIDAY, HONEYMOON, JAUNT, JUNKET, LEAVE, LEISURE, PASTIME, PICNIC, PLAY, PLEASURE TRIP, RECREATION, RELAXATION, RESPITE, REST, SPARE TIME, TIME OUT, UNWORRIED, VACATION





The 2023 cricket season is in full swing, and the cricket club is a hive of activity.

At the time of writing our First Eleven sit joint top of the Premiership after six fixtures. A superb start to the season has seen Jonny Butterfield and his troops take on all comers whether home or away, the highlight of the victories so far been the dismantling of reigning champions Hoylandsawine at Riley Lane.

The individual performance of the season so far goes to Jack Kelly who carried his bat for an innings of 114 not out in a recent fixture away to Thongsbridge. A match which went to the very last ball where the guile and experience of seasoned campaigner Andy Smith saw Thongsbridge fail to get over the line against his masterful bowling, a superb victory.

The second eleven sit mid table

# Kirkburton Cricket Club

in the newly named "Alliance 1" league, the new league structure sees some clubs first elevens pitched against other clubs second elevens, as always with the second team a mixture of youth and experience, some closed season signings have helped bolster the squad this year.

2023 has seen the long-awaited debut of our ladies' cricket team. Led by Sarah Huddleston the club appears to have an army of ladies scrambling to get in her starting line-up, 24 players at the last count. Anybody interested in getting involved with the ladies' team should contact Sarah on 07834 783265. They have a 100 % win rate in the league.

As a club the highlight of the week has to be Friday night "Junior Coaching". From All-Stars 5-8-year-olds through to the under 15s, from 5pm the ground and clubhouse is buzzing with enthusiasm from wannabee Joe Roots. This year we have introduced a BBQ to proceedings which has proved very popular, at the end of the working week there is no finer place to spend a Friday evening.



## Fathers' Day 18 June

What better way to let the man of the house relax by taking him to a day of T20 Cricket. Sunday June 18<sup>th</sup> sees Kirkburton CC host their round of T20 fixtures starting at 10.30 am. Three games will be played on the day. We are hoping for good weather and a good crowd to get behind our boys who will play in two of the fixtures. The BBQ will be lit, and the bar open all day. Please keep an eye on our social media for updates.

## Sunday 27 August

This date has been chosen to host our "PUB KNOCKOUT". Last year we were blessed with great weather and a magnificent crowd. Six teams will do battle with the aim of getting their hands on the "Ben Jebson" trophy. Again, a full fun packed day is guaranteed, face painters, DJs, Musicians are already booked for what promises to be a fun day for all the family.

Please keep an eye on social media for other events being hosted at the club.

Enjoy your summer.



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## Kirkburton Football Club

Kirkburton AFC's 2022/23 Season started off really well with both teams holding their own in their respective leagues.

The first team was hopeful of promotion to the 1st division of the Huddersfield and District League, and the 2nd team was challenging for a place in the top six of the 1st division of the reserves in the Huddersfield and District League.

The 1st team had won six games up to the Christmas period and only lost three, so was well up the league. The reserves had won five games drawn two and lost six so was mid-table. Then after Christmas it started to go downhill especially with the reserves.

Players started to leave and the manager had to work most weekends, so the organization was not run as well as it had been.

The committee had to take the difficult decision to fold the reserves team because of lack of commitment from the players.

The first team then struggled to finish the season but managed to survive and is looking forward to another season in the 2nd division of the Huddersfield and District League. **This is providing we can appoint a new manager.**

So, if there are any players out there who are coming to the end of their career and thinking about taking up management.

Or, perhaps there is someone who is looking to change clubs and feels they can make a difference, come up with some new ideas and motivate a team.

The Kirkburton AFC committee would like to talk to potential new managers that can motivate and train the team to the next level. Please contact a committee member or email [kirkburtonafc@btconnect.com](mailto:kirkburtonafc@btconnect.com) or our social media pages on Facebook or twitter.

**Bomber**

## Kirkburton's International Triathlete



Kirkburton beauty salon owner Claire Harrison qualified to represent GB at the European World Championships Standard Triathlon in Madrid this month.

Claire has been the owner of Claire's Beauty in Kirkburton for over 18 years and in February of this year took over the Richard Charles salon too.

We hope to bring you more about Claire's triathlon exploits in our next edition.

HUDDERSFIELD AND DISTRICT LEAGUE – SECOND DIVISION							
Pos	Team	P	W	D	L	GD	Pts
1	Deighton Juniors Open	24	21	2	1	59	65
2	Netherton First	24	20	1	3	46	61
3	Kirkheaton Rovers First	24	16	5	3	47	53
4	Moorside FC Moorside A	24	14	2	8	25	44
5	Holme Valley Academicals	24	11	4	9	6	37
6	Scissett First	24	11	2	11	5	35
7	Huddersfield LH AFC	24	8	6	10	-16	30
8	Diggle First	24	7	5	12	-20	26
9	Kirkburton (Huddersfield)	24	7	2	15	-17	23
10	Almondbury Woolpack First	24	7	2	15	-29	23
11	Lepton Highlanders FC	24	4	7	13	-44	19
12	Brook Motors First	24	5	2	17	-16	17
13	Cumberworth First	24	4	2	18	-46	14

**Kirkburton Football Club is looking for a new first-team manager—can you help?**

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## Eating Out with the Burton Diner

# The Weston

At Yorkshire Sculpture Park  
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The Weston is the latest of the buildings at YSP opening in 2019, situated away from the main buildings at the eastern edge of the park on the road to the M1 and Barnsley. It's a state of the art modern building described as emerging from the hillside, it's a beautiful light filled space for art, shopping and dining. The building complements the landscape and has a natural wood interior and a wild flower roof.

I love to come here for lunch as it's such a relaxing venue, you can eat inside the lovely light and airy main restaurant with its cosy wood burner for the colder months, or you can sit outside on the large terrace. This restaurant differs from the one in the main YSP building which is buffet style and there are no reservations.

At the Weston it is advisable to book by phone or online, it has different menus and it has waitress service.

The menu is modern British and all dishes use locally sourced ingredients that are sustainable, this offers the best produce Yorkshire has to offer.

I went along for lunch with my usual lunch friend, the grassed area adjacent to the building and the banks were awash with cowslips so welcoming on this sunny day, there was still a chill in the air so we had booked to eat in. After perusing the menu we both opted for the Spring set menu with three choices for starters, mains and desserts, £22 for two courses and £27 for three with tea or coffee included. We chose two courses each, my friend started with bang bang chicken salad, mange tout, cucumber, salted corn, peanut and soy dressing which was a very generous portion and I opted for the YSP gin and beetroot cured salmon, home cured salmon, pickled golden roots, baby herbs and elderflower.



For mains I chose the roast corn-fed chicken breast, with stuffing terrine, black pepper potatoes, a tomato fondue and roasted tomato, my friend the battered bream with thick cut chips, lemon peas and curry. The food was beautifully presented, delicious and served by extremely pleasant waiting staff. We both finished with coffee served with little biscuits.

The menus change four times a year with the seasons, the summer menu starts on the 1st of July. The menu selection is wide starting with **breakfast from 9am-11:45** options of toast, croissants, breakfast sandwiches, French toast, things on toast and rosti, prices range from £4 - £11.

**Lunch menu 12:00-3:30** offering nibbles all £4, soup and things on toast £7 - £11, lunch plates and main salads £10 - £15, sides are £4-£6 [this includes some chips that I adore] charcuterie boards are £14 for one or £20 for two.

A **children's** menu offers breakfast, mains and desserts all between £3.50- £5.

A selection of **hot drinks** £3.20-£4.40, **cold drinks** and smoothies £3.50-£4.75.

**Cakes, pastries and desserts** £2.75-£9. **Beer and wine** comes are served by the glass, carafe or bottle.

**Events evenings** are arranged during the year, details can be found on the website.

**The Weston is open Tuesday to Sunday and bank holidays 9am - 5:00pm**

The gallery, restaurant and shop are free to enter without purchasing a ticket.

**Free parking** is available at this eastern entrance for anyone visiting the restaurant, shop or gallery.

If you wish to explore the rest of the YSP grounds and galleries you will need to buy a YSP ticket.

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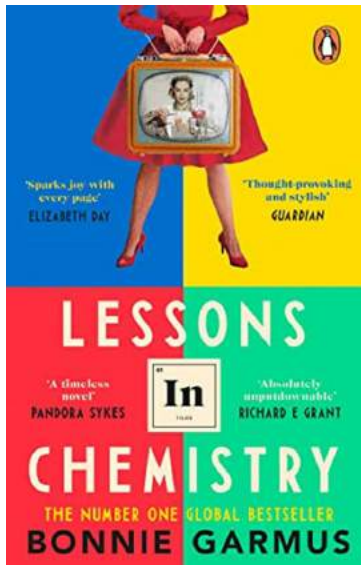
**The Burton Diner**





Book Review

Lessons in Chemistry  
by Bonnie Garmus



About the Author

Bonnie Garmus is a copywriter and creative director who has worked widely in the fields of technology, medicine and education. She is an open-water swimmer, a rower, and mother to two wonderful daughters. Born in California and most recently from Seattle, she currently lives in London with her husband and her dog, 99. Her first novel, Lessons in Chemistry, is a No1 Sunday Times and New York Times No1 Best Seller

The book was voted Hay Festival Book of the Year by readers, won the Goodreads Choice Award for Best Debut Novel and was shortlisted for the Waterstones Debut Fiction Prize. Translated into more than thirty-five languages, it is being adapted as an Apple TV series starring Brie Larson

About the Book

Chemist Elizabeth Zott is not your average woman. In fact, Elizabeth Zott would be the first to point out that there is no such thing.

But it's the early 1960s and her all-male team at Hastings Research Institute take a very unscientific view of equality.

Except for one: Calvin Evans, the lonely, brilliant, Nobel-

prize nominated grudgeholder who falls in love with - of all things - her mind. True chemistry results.

Like science, life is unpredictable. Which is why a few years later, Elizabeth Zott finds herself not only a single mother, but the reluctant star of America's most beloved cooking show, Supper at Six.

Elizabeth's unusual approach to cooking ('combine one tablespoon acetic acid with a pinch of sodium chloride') proves revolutionary.

But as her following grows, not everyone is happy. Because as it turns out, Elizabeth Zott isn't just teaching women to cook. She's daring them to change the status quo.

Meet the unconventional, uncompromising Elizabeth Zott.

Laugh-out-loud funny, shrewdly observant, and studied with a dazzling cast of supporting characters, Lessons in Chemistry is as original and vibrant as its protagonist.

The Burton Bookworm

Recipe  
Parmesan and olive  
palmiers



Crispy, golden puff pastry is rolled up with green olive tapenade and rich Parmesan. They use just three ingredients and are the perfect savoury snack. Tuck in. My Natter and Knit group certainly did and judged them to be extremely delicious.

15 minutes to prepare, 20 minutes to cook, 20 minutes to cool

Makes 18 115 calories / serving Freezable

Ingredients

- 375g pack ready-rolled puff pastry
- 85g green olive tapenade, or pesto
- 50g pack grated Parmesan

Method

Unroll the pastry, leaving it on the paper. Spread with the tapenade, leaving a 5mm border, then scatter over the Parmesan.

Tightly roll up from a long edge to the middle of the pastry. Turn the paper 180°C and roll up the second long edge of pastry in the same way. Wrap the baking paper around the

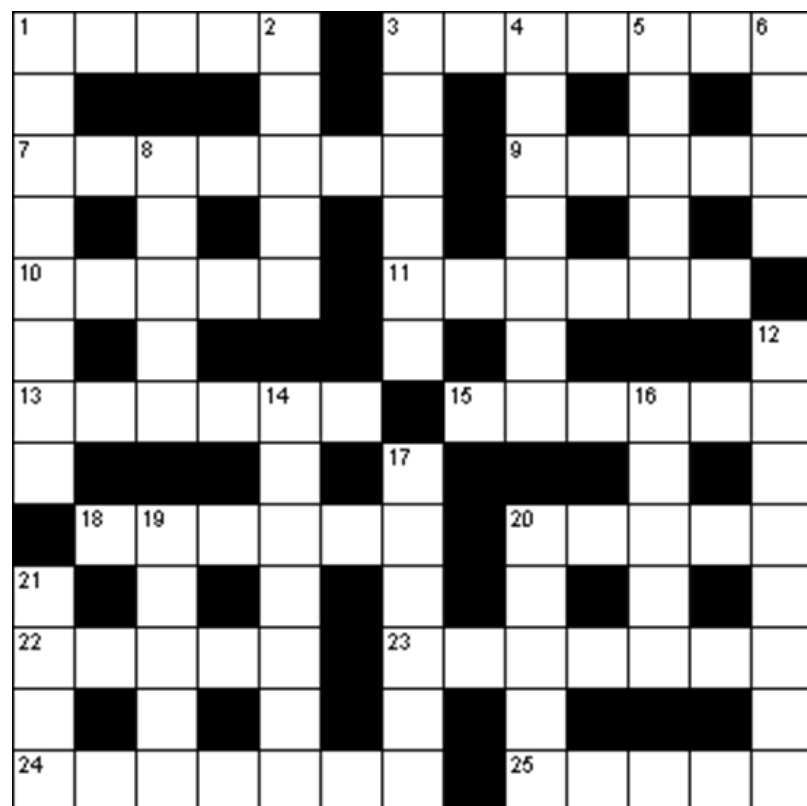
pastry and twist the ends, being careful to keep the palmier shape along the pastry.

Transfer to the fridge for 20 mins. Preheat the oven to gas 6, 200°C, fan 180°C.

Remove the paper and slice the pastry into 18 pieces about 2cm wide. Arrange on two large, lined baking trays and bake for 15-19 mins until crisp and lightly golden. The palmiers will keep in an airtight container for up to three days.

**Tip:** Open-freeze unbaked palmiers, then transfer to an airtight container or freezer bag. Return to the freezer for up to three months. Bake for 5-7 mins longer.



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9. Several music tracks issued together (5)
10. Irritated (5)
11. Birds of prey (6)
13. A business that serves other businesses (6)
15. Published (6)
18. Save from loss or danger (6)
20. Having three dimensions (5)
22. The relative magnitudes of two quantities (5)
23. Passage selected from a larger work (7)
24. School for special training (7)
25. Flowed back (5)

**Down**

1. Based on traditional stories (8)
2. Lubricated (5)
3. Happening without warning (6)
4. Alterations (7)
5. Stately (5)
6. Japanese form of wrestling (4)
8. Leg joint (5)
12. Enlightened (8)
14. Violent windstorm (7)
16. An earth pigment (5)
17. Cure (6)
19. Additional (5)
20. Periodic repeated series of events (5)
21. Elaborate song for solo voice (4)

## BULLETAGRAM

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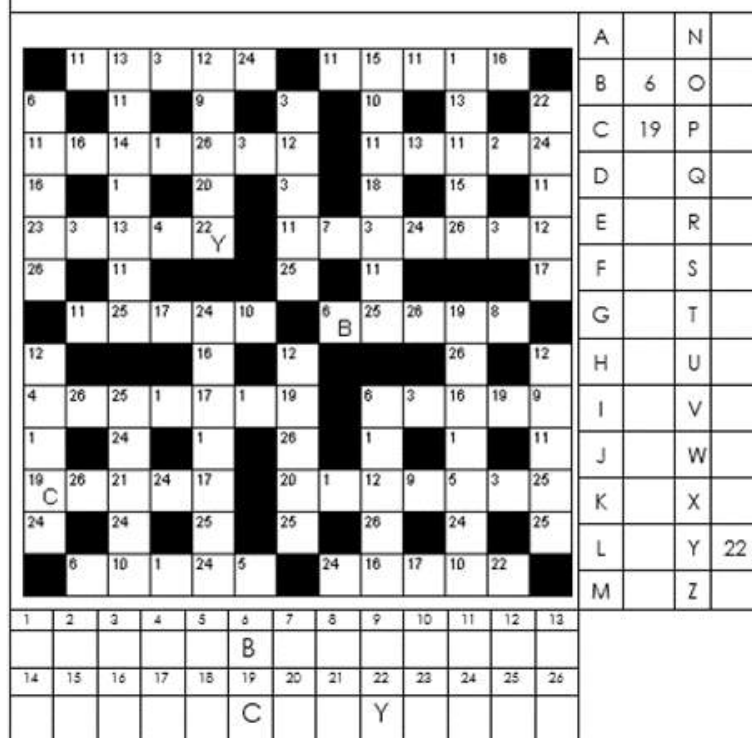
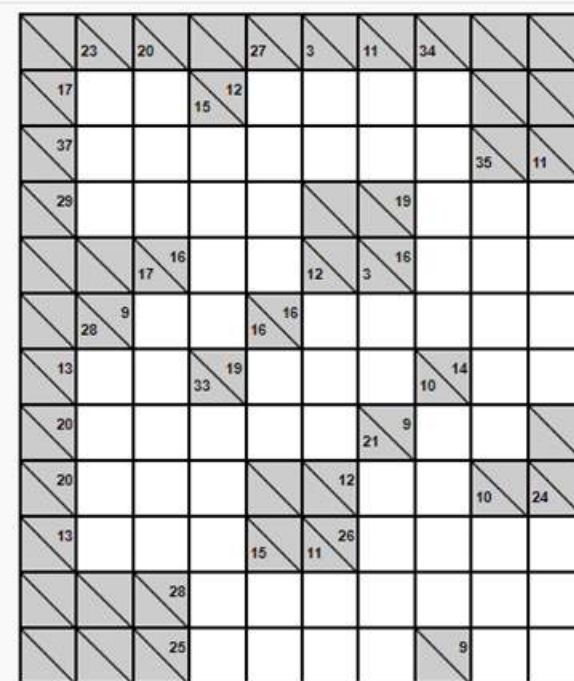
The Bulletagram is an anagram of a nine-letter word. The challenge is to solve the anagram and find as many words of four letters or more which contain the central letter.

THE TARGET ..

Not Bad 13, Better 16, Pretty Good 19, Champion Quality 22

## CODEWORD

Each letter in this puzzle is represented by a number 1-26. Can you crack the code and solve the crossword? Every letter of the alphabet is used at least once. 3 letters are already in place to get you started.

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# JUST FOR FUN

## A Garden Story



The garden was designed to produce produce. To help with planting, they had taught the sow to sow but the tip was so full that it had to refuse more refuse. Rows arose with the staff about how to line up the rose rows.

The gardener shed her shoes in the shed but she was too close to the door to close it so she had to second a second to present the present to the invalid but the prize was invalid as they had to prise it open.

The winner did not object to the object but, as there was a tear in it, she shed a tear and was not content with the content, how could she intimate this to her intimate friends?

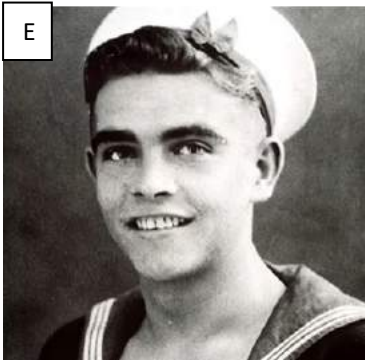
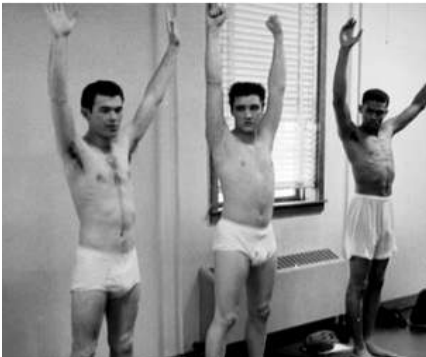
At the celebration dinner she had to desert the desert as the wind was too strong to wind in the quail and she quailed at the project to project a discharge to discharge the responsibility. To compound the

situation they had produced a compound which had to be wound round the wound.

To console the winner, she used her console and all was well. As the well was full, she was inclined to permit a permit to access the incline but to bar access to the bar as the novel effect would effect the presentation of the novel whose object was to object to current production of currant production in yards of less than three yards.

If they gave a minute to minute consideration of the garden it was clear that they could clear the close and close the situation.

## Identify these people



- I: Tom Cruise  
G: Laurel & Hardy  
H: Jimi Hendrix  
E: Shaun Connery  
F: Alfred Hitchcock  
C: Freddie Mercury  
D: Elvis Presley  
A: Charlie Chaplin  
B: Meghan Markle



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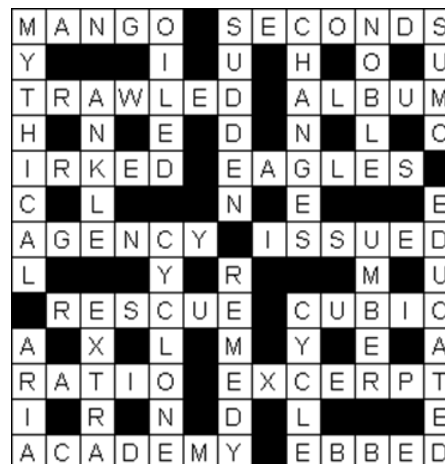
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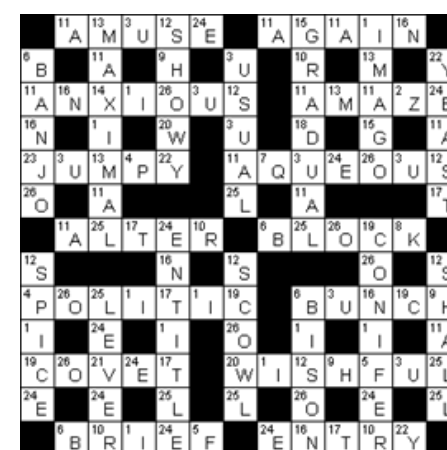
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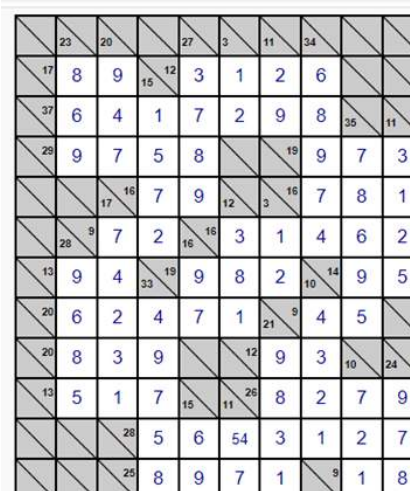
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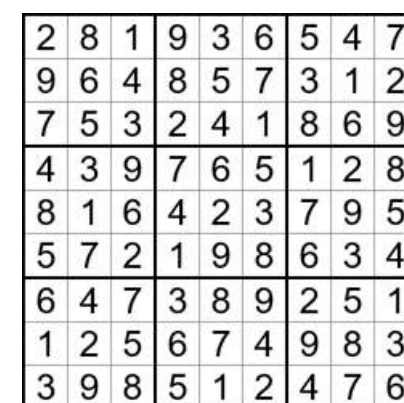
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# SHELLEY GARDEN FESTIVAL

## SUN 25th JUNE

### 11am - 5pm

**Tickets and Maps £5**

**From McColls in Advance**

**Shelley Village Hall & Gardens on the Day**

**Refreshments & Local Bands**

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