



## **WINSTER CELEBRATION**

**ON SUNDAY 27 JUNE**

**EVERYONE IN WINSTER IS INVITED TO  
MEET TOGETHER FOR THE**

**CROWNING OF THE WAKES  
QUEEN and the  
OPENING OF THE OUTDOOR GYM**

**The programme with approximate times:**

- 2 pm WAKES SERVICE IN CHURCH with  
Crowning of the Queen by Frank Mason.**
- 2.45 PARADE from the church along Main Street  
down Woodhouse Lane to the outdoor gym area.**
- 3.15 OFFICIAL OPENING OF THE OUTDOOR GYM  
by Kitty Lee, the Carnival Queen.**
- 3.30 REFRESHMENTS - Cakes, sandwiches, drinks  
and lucky bags provided.**

**Followed by TREASURE HUNT round the village for  
everyone, to finish at the Miners Standard.**

**(Please contribute refreshments by taking  
sandwiches or cakes to the Burton Institute on  
Saturday evening between 5pm and 7pm.)**

**REMEMBER to follow the Covid rules in operation at the time.**

## *Winster Village Diary*

Saturday, 26 June	Drop off refreshments for Winster celebration, 5-7pm at Burton Institute
Sunday, 27 June	Winster Celebration, starting with crowning of the Carnival Queen, 2pm, see title page
Sunday, 27 June	Treasure hunt around village to finish at Miners Standard, 5-7pm
Monday, 5 July	Winster Parish Council Meeting, 7pm Burton Institute
Wednesday, 7 July	POSTPONED: Winster Village Shop AGM, 7.30pm, Burton Institute
Friday, 9 July	Mobile Library Service 12.15-1pm opposite shop
Monday, 12 July	Winster Pond and Community Orchard AGM, location Woodhouse Lane Outdoor Gym 7pm
Sunday, 18 July	Winster Village Magazine Copy Date - Please send your contributions by 6pm
Monday, 19 July	Wakes Week Family Pet Show, 6pm Woodhouse Lane
Tuesday, 20 July	Wakes Week: Fun Rounders, 6pm Playing Fields Wakes Week: Open Evening to vie art exhibition, Church, 6-8pm
Thursday, 22 July	Wakes Week: Teddy Bears Picnic, Woodhouse Lane Play Area 11.30am
Friday, 23 July	Wakes Week: Duck Hunt followed by BBQ 5pm Outside Bowling Green Wakes Week: Jonathan Harper Memorial Football Match 7pm, Playing Fields
Saturday, 24 July	Wakes Week: Morris Dancing outside Market House 2.30pm Wakes Week: Family Picnic, Fancy Dress competition, 3pm Playing Fields
<i>Regular Events</i>	
<b>Monthly Walk</b> - Second Tuesday of the month - meet at 10am outside the Bowling Green Pub. Contact Marg: <a href="mailto:marg.orchardmine@gmail.com">marg.orchardmine@gmail.com</a> or tel 650090	
*** Please email me your updates ***	

*Welcome to the July Edition  
of the Winster Village Magazine*

Ok, so there wasn't a 'Freedom Day' on 21 June, but at some point it will be here, and we will be there too to celebrate that we made it through this tough experience, feeling hopeful to get things back on track. As announced in the last issue, there won't be a regular Wakes Week this year once again, but some wonderful people in the village have organised a number of smaller events for all to enjoy. More on pages 16-17. Thanks again to the superb group of actors led by local historian Geoff Lester that revived the famous duel in Winster in form of a light-hearted play for us - article and photos on pages 14-15 and on [bbc.co.uk/news/uk-england-derbyshire-57172855](http://bbc.co.uk/news/uk-england-derbyshire-57172855) - More of this please!

Would you be able to help with distributing the magazine this summer or possibly beyond? If so, please get in touch with Chris Hine 650994 or email us.

Keep well,



Please email your signed articles, updates on groups, important dates and other items to:

***mag@winster.org***

Send items by **18th of month by 6pm** for the following edition.

Exception: 11th December for X-mas edition.



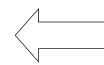
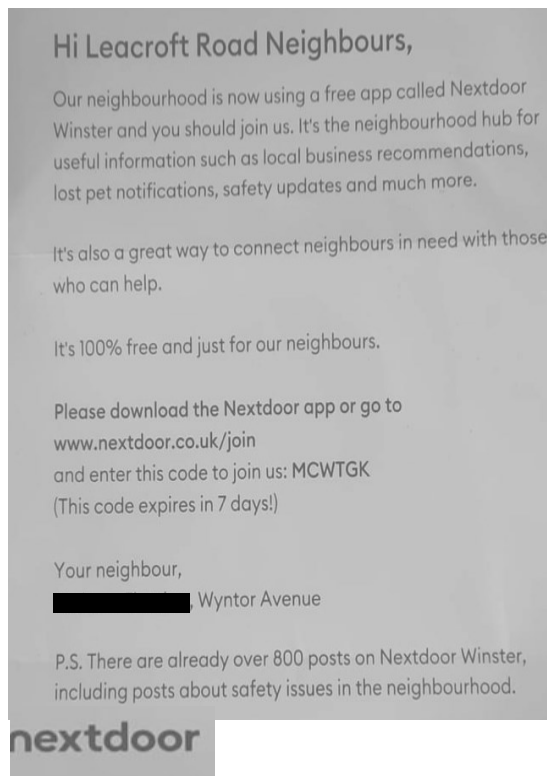
The Winster Shop AGM was planned for Wednesday 7th July. However, due to a continuation of the lockdown restrictions, a revised date will need be confirmed for later in the year. At that time, the Board will present the performance and plans of the business directly to all stakeholders wishing to attend.

WVSA Board of Directors

### **News of the mobile library**

The mobile library does come to Winster every 4 weeks, although this is not shown on the DCC library website. It is opposite the shop, next time Friday 9 July from 12.15 to 13.00pm. At the moment it is operating a click and collect service so please be sure to ring 01629 533464 beforehand and order books or ask for a selection, e.g. crime

Anthea Rawlence



## Scam Alert!

Many residents in Winster have received this letter recently.

Addressed specifically to the street you live on and using the name of a known resident may make you think it is legitimate. It is NOT, it is a scam. The resident named on it knows nothing about it and the company has simply obtained their name and added it to make it sound authentic.

The village is already well served for sharing information either through this magazine or using the existing facebook pages: Winster magazine and Winster Covid-19 pages.

David Brown

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### **Missed waste collections - latest advice from Councillor Colin Swindell:**

“My advice to all residents is to continue putting your waste out as usual, report any missed collections through the council website (or if this does not work please email [waste@derbyshiredales.gov.uk](mailto:waste@derbyshiredales.gov.uk)) and keep me updated where you can so that I can follow-up any missed collections. Eventually, we might get somewhere back to normal. If not, I will be taking further action to get this matter resolved.

I can't stress enough how important it is for residents to keep reporting missed collections to SERCO. Each collection failure goes against their performance record and enables the council to issue financial penalties against the company. The more this happens, the more it hurts SERCO and the more it will encourage them to improve the service.

Again, please be assured that I am continuing to work tirelessly on this issue - despite not being able to reply to all individual emails. But please keep the information coming in. I will do my best to see that things get back to some sort of normality as soon as possible.”

## *Winster Parish Council*

A new Parish Council year started on June 7th in Winster when five new elected members joined the Council: Dave Brown, David Frederickson, Rebecca Gill, Mike Hatfield and Dave Robinson. I (DF) was elected Chair and Rebecca will be Vice-Chair. There is lots of work ahead with reviews of policies, contracts and finance to do. But at the outset, and after all the recent upheavals of the last year, we want to set a new tone for the work of the Parish Council.

First, we will try to pursue an open and inclusive approach. We want to find new ways of consulting with the village. Anyone can of course speak at Winster PC meetings, but you should not have to wait a month to do that if it is a minor matter that can be dealt with more quickly and easily another way. The PC can then be a forum for the important stuff and we will not constrain public discussion to 15 minutes only if something needs longer consideration. So we have set up a Communications Committee to look at this and develop the website as a more helpful and informative space.

We want to be supportive of community groups. This is often about money so we will identify finance within the annual budget for a Community Projects fund. Tell us what you want to do for the benefit of the village and how much it costs and we will try to respond positively. Sometimes it is not about money. So what other things can we do together to support your group project? Can we support your application to other funding bodies for example? We will also talk to the school, the shop and the Burton Institute about ways in which we might support their work.

Finally, we want to signal a new approach to all village green areas and open spaces based on sustainability and bio-diversity. So the old Cemeteries and Open Space Committee we have repurposed as the Environment Committee. This group will draw in advice from Derbyshire Wildlife Trust and local village stakeholders to develop a coherent approach to the Common, the Orchard, cemetery and other green areas. We will take the same approach to the knotty issues of traffic and road safety in the village, building on the resident survey that was carried out last year. The new committee we have set up to do carry out this task will draw in people from the village with an interest in the safety problems caused by traffic volume and speed through Winster. We have also broadened the planning committee under the title housing and planning to look at all issues surrounding housing within the village.

We look forward to working on all these issues with you.

David Frederickson  
Chair, Winster Parish Council

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## **News from Winster Pond and Community Orchard**

**The AGM is on Monday 12 July at 7pm.** We hope to meet up down Woodhouse Lane by the new outdoor gym equipment. Please let me know if you hope to attend so I can let you know what alternative arrangements we make if the weather is bad!

This will give us a chance to look at the new interpretation boards, consider a planting scheme of marginal plants and look at the condition of some of the fruit trees.

We can also consider the new mowing regime, our litter-picking activities, the annual pruning and pond clearance.

Thanks to everyone for their support and hope to see you on the 12 July!

Anthea Rawlence  
Tel 01629 650480 e-mail [a.j.rawlence@btinternet.com](mailto:a.j.rawlence@btinternet.com)

### **History Group Treasurer needed**

Geraldine Hopkinson, who has been our Treasurer since we began in 1996, has decided she would like to retire. Thank you, Geraldine, for your loyalty and conscientiousness for those 25 years.

I would be very grateful if someone would come forward and volunteer to be Treasurer for a while. The same length of service will not be expected. This will give us time to get things organised while most of our activities are suspended. The responsibilities are not onerous - mainly taking annual subs, making out cheques for speakers, and paying for the odd expenses claim. Geraldine is willing to explain. Please consider it.

Geoff Lester ([geoff.orchardmine@gmail.com](mailto:geoff.orchardmine@gmail.com))

**Winster Primary School have a vacancy for a Midday Supervisor two days per week (Thurs, Fri from 11:55am to 1:05pm) starting on the 6th September 2021.** The role entails the security, safety and well-being of the children during the lunch time period and to promote their social, emotional and physical development. If you are interested, please contact the school directly on 01629 650238 or apply online at Derbyshire County Council/jobs.

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## Swifts

A very special part of a Winsters Summer is the presence of our colony of swifts. They arrive in early May, nest in the eaves of houses on Main Street and West Bank, breed and then depart for Africa in August. A short visit but with their aerobatics and loud calls they make their presence felt and are a joy to watch.



However sadly their numbers are steadily decreasing year by year mainly due to loss of nesting facilities as house improvements often close off their access to roof space. If they went I think this would be a great loss to our community and fortunately we can take action to save our swifts and increase their population.

So I want with your help to run a 'Winsters Swift Preservation' programme through the year ahead to get to know where our swifts currently nest and where we might fix swift nest boxes on our houses to attract these stunning birds and maintain and increase their presence in our village.

If this is of interest to you do please e-mail me ( david.winsters39@gmail.com ) with your support. In particular let me know if swifts are currently nesting at your house or if you think they might if you put up a swift nesting box for them. Their nests need to be high up ( 20 to 30 Feet 3 stories ) on a north facing frontage. More about Swifts next month.

David Mitchell



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- Post Office (Closed on Thurs/Sat Afternoons and Sunday)



## Winsterville Shop New Sign

To better promote the community ownership of the shop and to update the sign itself (which was in need of repair) the Winsterville Shop support group has designed, purchased materials, and erected the new sign - as shown.

Thank you to all involved and to John, Bernard and Geoff who put the sign up last week.

# FUN & PUZZLE CORNER

## Find The 10 Words Below! Bees

HONEY BLOSSOM SWARM BEEHIVE BEESWAX FLOWERS POLLEN DRONE HIVE BUZZ

Hidden words may run horizontally, vertically, diagonally, forwards and backwards!

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 M O L E J V G H S V L P S X F  
 P K O A I T L T H W E J J D B  
 A B W H R P T L H X A S B G Y  
 U Z E R P F P L N C U R V W E  
 W E R O H M C O X Z C F M P N  
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What do you call a bee that can't make up its mind? A maybe!

Why do beekeepers have such beautiful eyes? Because beauty is in the eye of the bee-holder!

Why did the bees go on strike? Because they wanted more honey and shorter working flowers.

What do bees say when they return to the hive? "Honey, I'm home."

What do you say to a noseey bee? Mind your own buzziness!

Who's a bee's favourite singer? Sting, or Bee-yonce.

Why do bees have sticky hair? Because they use honeycombs!

What's a bee-line? The shortest distance between two buzz stops.

WHAT KIND OF BEES MAKE MILK?



BOO BEES



Always bee yourself.

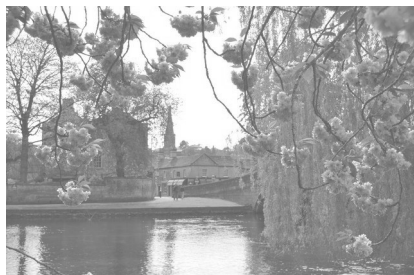
## Sudoku

Don't forget a move is invalid if:

- ◆ Any row contains more than one of the same number from 1 to 9
- ◆ Any column contains more than one of the same number from 1 to 9
- ◆ Any 3x3 grid contains more than one of the same number from 1 to 9

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## BAKEWELL u3a - From Retired to Inspired!



After the long winter of discontent, isolation, loneliness, boredom and lack of – most of all – human interaction, **Bakewell u3a** members are arising out of what feels like a long slumber, stretching their muscles and their minds and getting together again.

If you have never heard of **u3a** or have heard of it and don't quite know what it does – now's the time to find out. We have many groups, ranging from Ancient Greek to Cooking by Men, Scrabble, Spanish, Theatre, Walking, Writing for Pleasure, Bridge, Bowling – the list goes on and on. There are no teachers or lecturers, groups operate on a communal basis with everyone invited to take part.

The following is a comment by a member:

*My wife and I moved to Derbyshire about eight years ago, eventually discovered u3a and have acquired more friends and acquaintances through u3a than otherwise. To me, u3a is the most important way of meeting and getting to know people. We have always been welcomed by other members.*

Do have a look at the website <https://u3asites.org.uk/bakewell> for further information. This may not be entirely up to date, owing to the fluidity of arrangements due to Covid-19 but there is plenty of information there and you can read through the latest Gazette to see what is available. Suffice to say that groups are now beginning to find ways to meet again and, subject to constraints of numbers and space etc., will welcome new members.

If you need any further information which you cannot find on the website, you could:

Email the Chairman Jane Kayley-Burgess on: [janeburgess50@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:janeburgess50@yahoo.co.uk) Or  
Telephone Judy Hinsliff on: 01629 650119

Why not make the best Mid Year's resolution you've ever made, take the opportunity to expand your horizons while making new friends and come and join us?

## Bloody Murder at Winster

On 22 May, despite showers in the morning, the re-enactment of the 1821 Winster duel was a great success. Thank you to the participants, the spectators who cheered and jeered, and all who generously donated to the collection - raising a magnificent total of £530.40 for Jigsaw Food Bank.

There are two videos of it on YouTube: One by Pam Stone is of the performance at the Bowling Green (thank you, Pam). The other was commissioned and paid for by the History Group, and is a compilation of the five performances, edited to show the play from start to finish. Both can be accessed by searching for 'YouTube Bloody Murder at Winster'. Anyone who wishes can have a copy of the edited video. Just ask.

There have been calls for the play to be repeated, or for it to become an annual event. The jury is still out on this.  
Geoff Lester (geoff.orchardmine@gmail.com)



The Duel - pictures courtesy of Richard Bradley





Brittlebank, Cuddy & Mary



Bank House Lawn



The Judge



Cuddy



The Doctor

# *Programme for Winster Wakes Week 2021*

Hi everyone.

We are pleased to present you with our programme for Winster Wakes Week, which has been put back by 4 weeks in the hope that all Covid restrictions will have been lifted. Although the programme has a very different look to it this year, we have as always set out to organise a range of events which offers something for all age groups. Let's hope that we can enjoy being together in the sunshine. Thanks particularly to Irene Webster and Kerry Mcclay for their work in putting this together.

Mike Hatfield, on behalf of Winster Carnival Committee

## **Monday Evening July 19th**

**6pm Family Pet Show** at the play area on Woodhouse Lane. Prizes for dog with waggiest tail, dog with best trick, cat with the biggest grin, rabbit with the best ears, cutest hamster or guinea pig, most unusual pet, and for best pet in show.

## **Tuesday July 20<sup>th</sup>**

**6-8pm Open Evening to view Art Exhibition** in the church, organised by Jacqui Salfield. An opportunity to appreciate the work of talented local artists and music by the Steve Salfield Band. Viewings also during the week Wednesday – Friday 3pm to 6pm.

**6pm Fun rounders evening** on the village playing field, starting time 6pm, suitable for males and females, young and old.

## **Thursday July 22<sup>nd</sup>**

**11.30am Teddy Bears Picnic** at the play area off Woodhouse lane at 11.30am For toddlers accompanied by one or two adults. Please bring along a blanket, food and drink.

## **Friday July 23<sup>rd</sup>**

**5pm Duck Hunt** starting and finishing at the Bowling Green. Followed by BBQ at the Bowling Green.

**7pm Jonathan Harper Memorial Football Match** on the village playing field 7pm. This has been an annual event since 2015. Jonathan was a founder member of Winster Wasps FC. If you wish to take part contact Simon Percival (650115). Refreshments available.



## **Saturday July 24<sup>th</sup>**

**From 3pm, Family picnic** on the playing field, and including Fancy Dress competition and ball games. Please bring along blanket, food and drink.

Age categories for fancy dress: 0-4 years, 4-6 years, 6-12 years, 16+.

**2.30pm Winstor Morris Dancers** will be dancing outside the Bowling Green, and later at the Miners Standard

### *Greetings from the Queen and Attendants*

#### *Queen*

Hello, my name is Kitty Lee!

It has always been my dream to do something great, like be the Carnival Queen, and be a role model for younger children to enable them to spread their wings and fly. I moved to this gorgeous, little village at the age of 7. One thing that I love to do is dance. It has always been a part of me, even from an extremely small age. All you have to do is simply be you! And if you can do that you can do anything!!! I am Winstor's Carnival Queen 2020 and I can't wait! I hope you all have a great Wakes Week!!

#### *Princess*

My name is Eva Slater, I am 8 years old and go to Winstor school. I live in Winstor with my 2 sisters and little brother. I have 2 dogs, 1 cat, 5 chickens and 1 duck. I love going to brownies, swimming and playing with my friends.

#### *Princess*

My name is Taya Rose and I'm 8 years old, I live with my mummy, daddy, sister and brothers. I have two dogs who I really love. I love to dance, sing and draw lots of pictures. I'm so excited to be princess at the Winstor Wakes Carnival.

#### *Rosebud*

My name is Leah Crowther, I am 5 years old and I go to Winstor school! I like playing with my friends, and enjoy swimming, kickboxing and sports! I am really looking forward to going in the carnival as Rosebud with some of my friends!

### THE BIG BUTTERFLY COUNT - [bigbutterflycount.butterfly-conservation.org](http://bigbutterflycount.butterfly-conservation.org)

Between 16th July and 8th August choose a place to spot butterflies or moths and watch for 15 minutes, then add your count to the online survey.



Or download the App to identify and count on the move. Your contribution will be used for conservation science and research. The BC website has an identifying guide and heaps of ideas and tips on how you can help butterflies and encourage them to visit your garden. Here's a few common garden butterflies for a quick quiz, can you identify a : Red admiral, Peacock, Cabbage White, Orange Tip, Tortoiseshell, Comma ?



**Pet of the month nominations and any wildlife, animal related stories, facts or tips always welcome : [Rachel@winster.org](mailto:Rachel@winster.org)**

### Recipe corner— The Midsummer Garden

My garden may be teeny tiny, but it is bursting with beautiful herbs and edible flowers at the moment. Pansies, mint, lemon verbena and nasturtiums (both the leaves and flowers) can be added to a salad. Mint and verbena both make beautiful teas - simply pour very hot (not boiling ) water over a good handful of leaves in a tea pot, leave for 5 minutes, strain through a tea strainer and add honey to sweeten. Both herbs are great chopped and used to make a herby butter, or infused to make flavoured oils, vinegars and sugars. Add chopped verbena to fish when steaming in foil parcels, or line your cake tin with a few leaves if making a plain sponge cake. Freeze edible flowers and herbs into ice cubes to drop in your summer drinks, try verbena ice cubes in a Bellini cocktail. (Prosecco and peaches are available in the shop!). You may have noticed Valerian profusely growing around the village out of the stone walls? The root is a well known sedative and sleep aid, but it's probably not a good idea to ingest it in any form without medical advice as it can cause serious adverse effects. Instead add washed roots and flowers to an old sock, drop into your bath or foot soak and relax ...after all that picking and cooking, you deserve it!



**Villagers - have you got a family favourite recipe you'd like to share (with a photo of your finished dish if possible?) If so please get in touch, don't be shy!**

**[Rachel@winster.org](mailto:Rachel@winster.org)**



There are a few prints of the painting, Winster Carnival Day, by the late Bill Kirby, the artist who painted Main Street for the cover of the Winster Book.

If you would like one, please order from the Village Shop. A3 size is £10, A4 is £5. Don't miss this chance.

## FOLKLORE CORNER with Richard Bradley, author of *Secret Matlock and Matlock Bath* (Amberley Books, 2018)

If you live in Winster and/or have read any of my previous contributions to the village magazine, you can't have failed to notice that Winster folk do love any excuse for a good knees-up.

So it's not too surprising to discover that when a nationwide celebration was planned in 1951 as a way of celebrating British achievements and to promote how the county could look forward to the future following the shattering years of the Second World War and the subsequent gloom of the post-war rationing and austerity, Winster was fully on board.

This was the Festival of Britain, and 2021 marks its 70<sup>th</sup> anniversary. The main Festival site was on London's South Bank where a series of pavilions in modernist design constructed from steel, glass and concrete hosted various exhibitions and demonstrations.

Local coach operators ran trips to the Festival site throughout the year, and if you lived in Ashbourne you could catch the 7.25am train down, with your return journey leaving London Euston at 10.12pm – which must have been rather a long and exhausting day! But for those unwilling or unable to travel to London, related events were held across the country running throughout the summer of 1951. Town and parish council chambers up and down the land must have been abuzz in the build-up to Festival year; we can probably imagine the heated debates involved in thrashing out a suitably edifying (and affordable) programme of events for the local ratepayers.

Winster's own Festival of Britain celebrations took place between 1<sup>st</sup> – 7<sup>th</sup> July – tying in with the annual summer Wakes Week festivities. The events were drawn up by a committee chaired by Rev. A. N. Ware, with Mr. R. Haddon the Secretary. A souvenir programme of events leaflet was printed.

"Inhabitants of the village of Winster think there is no place like it; and small wonder, for it can justly claim to be one of Derbyshire's most interesting and picturesque villages", the souvenir booklet states confidently in its opening paragraph. The villagers of the mid-20<sup>th</sup> Century were said to be "noted for their rugged strength and sturdy independence".

The elderly members of the village of the time were thought especially noteworthy: "No village can boast of more interesting old people than Winster can". Several of these interesting old Winster people were then showcased: "nonagenarian James Marshall, who will proudly recall that he was Winster's first Morris Queen and tell you that his son is dancing with the present team; seventy-four years old John Wild, the reigning Morris King, who still proudly wears his red and white uniform with a carriage that would do credit to a guardsman; Mrs. E. Fletcher, whose husband, Dr. James Lyon Fletcher was largely instrumental in reviving the Morris dancing in 1908, [...] has a rich hoard of Morris memories and many relics [and] was in 1885 the village's first May Queen."





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Events held in that first week of July 1951 included a Pageant Parade and Service accompanied by the Darley Dale Band, Sports Day on Leacroft Field, exhibition of antiques in the Bowling Green Club Room, and funfair rides at Bank Top from Mrs Ray's Amusements. Throughout the week the Burton Institute played host to a Grand Festival Whist Drive, entertainment by the Northwood School of Dancing, and a Grand Finale Festival Dance to the strains of The Harmonics Dance Band.

Across the land the Festival was used as an excuse to provide, upgrade or enhance facilities for locals. The late Winster historian Michael Greatorax who grew up in the village believed that the parish council provided new swings and a sandpit on Wesson Common (at the junction of East and West Bank) as a physical reminder of the Festival of Britain.

Sadly the sandpit proved short-lived, as Michael remembered: "it rapidly lost sand and was frequented too often by dogs uncontrolled by their owners". Yuck!

The village's Morris dance team were also out in force during Festival week in 1951, alongside the visiting Ripley Morris Men. The Morris side had been active in the early 20<sup>th</sup> Century, when the illustrious folk dance and song collector Cecil Sharp had visited the village in 1908 to notate the dance, but had subsequently lapsed. In 1950 the team was revived and G. H. Needham, a "resident – if not a native – of Winster" (and also the person who compiled the village's souvenir Festival of Britain programme) wrote to the *Matlock Mercury* as he could not "let Saturday's Morris Dancing pass without trying to express the delight which the spectacle caused to me and I am sure to all who saw it." He gushingly continues that the dancers "set all hearts a' dancing as nothing else could have done and took us all back 'under the Greenwood tree'.

Whatever, - everyone has been asking – has Winster been up to let this ancient and honoured tradition fall into disuse?” before reproachfully concluding, “This blot MUST be wiped from the escutcheon. This must not be an occasional but a regular happening and the fame of Winster Morris dancing must again travel round the world. The tradition and skill is there, the support is there and the enthusiasm MUST be there. Come on, what about it, Winster?” Under a headline which a reader from 2021 might interpret rather differently, ‘Winster Went Gay’, the Mercury of 14th July the following year congratulated the inhabitants of Winster for “the vigorous revival of their ancient tradition of Morris dancing; the spectacle of which, in that long village street or in the field with the background of houses clinging to the steep hillside, has to be seen to be believed.”

Despite all this enthusiasm in the local press, the blot returned to the escutcheon, as the Morris side yet again lapsed, only to be revived once more because of another nationwide celebration – Queen Elizabeth II’s 1977 Silver Jubilee – and since that most recent revival they have remained an active force.

Returning to the Festival of Britain, overall it presented a curious mixture of events which looked forward to the future with one eye whilst harking back to a romantic idyll of a British past with the other. One of the most memorable of the structures on the South Bank was the futuristic ‘Skylon’, a sleek cigar shaped metal structure which almost looked like it had been beamed down from outer space (visitors to the site could by souvenir paper kits to build their own model Skylon). But all this space age design was diluted and made less threatening by the nearby Lion and Unicorn Pavilion which showcased British rural crafts like corn dollies. Many of the local events around the country involved displays of traditional crafts, or elaborate historical pageants celebrating the history of the local area mounted in period costume. Perhaps this says something about the conservative-with-a-small-‘c’ nature of the British public!

Theresa May’s Conservative (with a capital ‘c’) government, inspired by the way the 1951 Festival of Britain provided a sense of focus to unite the country after the traumatic War years, announced a vision for a similar event aiming to bring the country back together again following the protracted antagonism of the years following the 2016 EU Referendum vote. The idea was met with widespread division and quickly dubbed the ‘Festival of Brexit’, although its official title is Festival UK\* 2022. Despite the fact that a pandemic has since come along wreaking nationwide havoc and cleaning out the Treasury’s coffers, Festival UK\* 2022 appears to be still going ahead next year – I wonder if Winster will end up doing anything to mark it??



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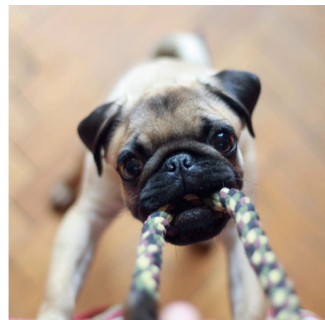
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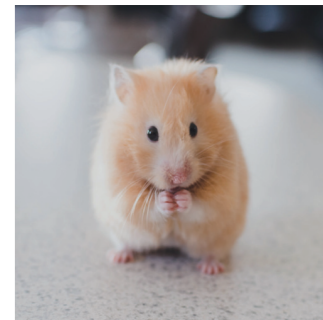
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## July Musings from April Cottage by Ali Carter

Petrichor! Isn't that an amazing word? Ten points if you know what it means...  
...Ok, I'll tell you anyway.

It's the word for that particularly fresh smell in the air which comes after the rain has fallen onto dry ground following a prolonged, sunny spell. Looking at the weather forecast I suspect that will happen sometime this week, and to your delight, you'll now be able to stand outside in the downpour, breathe in deeply and shout "Petrichor!" to anyone who will not have you committed.

This all came to me as I was wandering with the dog, down into Clough Wood and I was almost overcome with the smell of the greenness there is around at this time of year. It's a generally accepted fact among my friends, that my olfactory senses are very finely tuned. (The Best Beloved just says I have the nose of an abattoir rat, as I can detect chocolate buttons on his breath at fifty paces.) This gift is not always a good thing, for while I have revelled in the sweet smell from the top of a baby's head, the warm biscuityness of a sleeping puppy's paws and the sophisticated mingling of costly perfumes from cosmetic counters, I am also very susceptible to the more unpleasant side of what emits from our surroundings. I will never forget the first cinema date with a Greek god of a boy. Excitement built as we met and entered the dark auditorium. We sat close and after a few minutes his arm went around me. We got closer and cosier and warmer until I was slowly aware of a fetid cloud of sulphurous gas engulfing us. I didn't say anything. I hoped it would go away. It didn't. It wasn't until I leaned forward to pick up my handbag that I realised the stench of putrefaction was rising noxiously from the feet of my Adonis. If he hadn't removed his shoes at that point, he might have been in with a chance for another date. In case you're wondering, the film was "Funny Girl". I lost the crush I had on my companion, but I've had one on Barbra Streisand ever since.

Much has been done with dementia patients, using scents to stimulate their lost memories. This seems like common sense to me as we are all susceptible to the aromas which remind us of events in our lives. There's a certain fragrance called Blue Grass which instantly takes my thoughts back to my mother. She hated it but as my father never got informed of this fact, he continued to buy it for her and she continued to grit her teeth and wear it.

The smell of pipe smoke is rare these days but just sometimes, a very few times, I've caught a whisper of it and there I am, five years old, in my great grandfather's house, wishing he wouldn't pinch my cheek quite so hard. The smell of a hospital or that phobia-inducing atmosphere as you walk into a dental surgery is guaranteed to provoke "butterflies" in the tummies of the strongest among us.

The smell of the fish and chip van makes our tummies rumble, and not to mention the stench of that chemical loo, in that remote tavern, high up in the Cretan mountains which made our tummies revolt! Sorry, is that just me then?



One smell which is most redolent with memories for many people is that of school dinners. As a small child, even if I wasn't being subjected to them, I could still smell them permeating their way through the school, making me delirious with joy that I was going home for my lunch. When I did stay, as when I got older my school was further away and my mother had also become rather fed up of my regular presence in the middle of the day, the horrendous concoction of previously untasted food wafted its smells out of the kitchen and into the classrooms and science labs. The menu was proudly displayed outside the dining room for us all to celebrate from about 10.30am. At break time we would cluster around to marvel at the meaning of "macedoine", cheer at the appearance of "chips", groan at signs of "greens" and wonder at what-on-earth was "spotted dick". When we did go inside, as close to the ringing of the dinner bell as we could, the density of this glorious miasma was grossly added to by a good dollop of wet gabardines and sweaty sports gear. Increased yumminess! Who could forget the ever-present lumpy, watery mashed potatoes, the bullet-like grey peas and the sloppy cabbage? No-one bothered the dinner ladies for seconds of these, but when it came to cheese pie and spam fritters, so high was the demand, the last to be served were lucky to get any and had to have whatever could be hastily rustled up by the cook.

Anyway, now I have whet your appetites I propose to have you swooning with ecstasy at the recipe I have dug out for your delectation. May it fill your kitchen, nay, your whole house with its delicious aroma.

### **Gypsy Tart**

It is said that this tart was created in Kent where a lady saw undernourished gypsy children playing close to her home. She wanted to help feed them up but had only three ingredients in her cupboard. Rather more easy than nourishing.

A 9" shortcrust pastry pie crust  
A 410g tin of evaporated milk  
355g (12.5oz) muscovado sugar or light brown sugar.

Whisk the evap. milk and sugar together for AT LEAST 12-15 minutes until ALL the grittiness has gone and it's pale and frothy and increased in volume.

Pour it into the pastry case and bake in a preheated oven, 200C/180C fan, for 10 to 30 minutes until just set and a little wobbly in the middle. Keep checking every 10 mins from the first 10 mins. Cool on a wire rack and transfer to fridge to set properly.

As with revenge, this is a dish best served cold.

## *Services at St. John The Baptist's Church*

### **Day of Prayer for Winster – Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> July**

We know many people have been adversely affected by the Covid pandemic. On Sunday 11<sup>th</sup>, folk from the local churches and chapel will be praying for our community. If you would like to participate in this (you can pray in your own home) please contact Rev Monk or Marion Bowler. There will be a time of prayer in St John's starting at 4pm. This is open to anyone – you may wish to join in the praying, or ask for prayers for someone or for a situation which is on your heart.

### **Services in July**

4th 10am - morning worship at St John's

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## *Letter from Reverend Stephen Monk*

I'm not sure if you've ever been afraid. If you've ever been worn down by the events of daily life or an imbalance of chemicals in one's body. Often after a crisis when people's adrenalin dissipates depression, anxiety, a blue mood, etc can hit you. Let's remember that this is sadly true for our young people as well as adults. None of these things are 'caused by a lack of faith or because you're not Christian. My first simple comment is: God does not punish us. God loves each one of us. Down the ages of the Church men and women and young people have died professing this truth. Sainly people are and always have been on the front line in caring for people hit by disease, famine, natural disaster, etc.

Let me make a second simple comment - Christians, both new Christians and old ones, suffer from mental health problems. This I've seen in the past is called a lack of faith, and immaturity in faith, even having the wrong Christian tradition!! Let me be clear this is absolute rubbish! Everyone at some time in their lives has a mental health crisis. If you don't, you are very lucky. Pre Covid this was a serious issue in our rural areas of Derby Diocese. But during and post-Covid mental health issues, faith crisis, and physical and spiritual and mental breakdowns are prevalent. Below I include a list of symptoms and consequences of long-term fear include fatigue, depression, and PTSD (PTSD isn't simply a soldier's illness). Shortness of breath, chest pressure or pain, a feeling of overwhelming fear, Feeling of going crazy or losing control, Feeling you are in grave danger, feeling you might pass out, a surge of doom and gloom, An urgency to escape, dizziness, palpitations, trembling, sweating, panic attacks, turning pale, burning skin, feeling detached from reality, weak in the knees, pulsing in the ears, stomach upset, nervous stomach, Pins and needles, hot and cold flushes, can't pray or take to people, etc, etc, etc...

As a United Benefice, we have always taken this seriously. But as we continue to move forward I want us to be aware and be gentle with each other we never know what's going on in people's minds. In June we will look at how we can serve each other and also our local communities. If you have an idea on how we can support both the younger members of our communities and also our adults please let me know. Mental Health is serious. It's affecting our Spiritual life and our physical life. Let's remember some words from the Bible.

1 Peter tells us: *Casting all your anxieties on him because he cares for you.* John 14 tells us: *Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. Not as the world gives do I give to you. Let not your hearts be troubled, neither let them be afraid.* If you're not ok, that's ok but please talk to someone. May the Holy Spirit help you move from the place of darkness and depression to the place of God's amazing grace and wonderful love. In our Benefice, we hold you all in our prayers.



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Geoff Lester



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## Looking after our planet:



Our school has been working hard to think about their impact on the planet and has had a recent drive to recycle plastic. The older children have written some letters in English which they have sent to our local MP.

We are hoping we get a response!

We also have been completing a momentous piece of Art work, using unwanted plastic bottle tops. This is ongoing but has really highlighted for us, how much plastic is wasted and how we can turn something wasteful into something beautiful. This is not completed so we are still on the hunt for bottle tops, particularly small black ones, so please keep donating to school any that you have.

The younger children have been making bee bombs with kits donated by the Derbyshire Wildlife Trust. We really enjoyed this activity and will hopefully increase the bee population of Winster.

The older children are also planning to design a bee friendly garden as part of a new BBC Radio 2 competition. We will let you know how we get on!

