

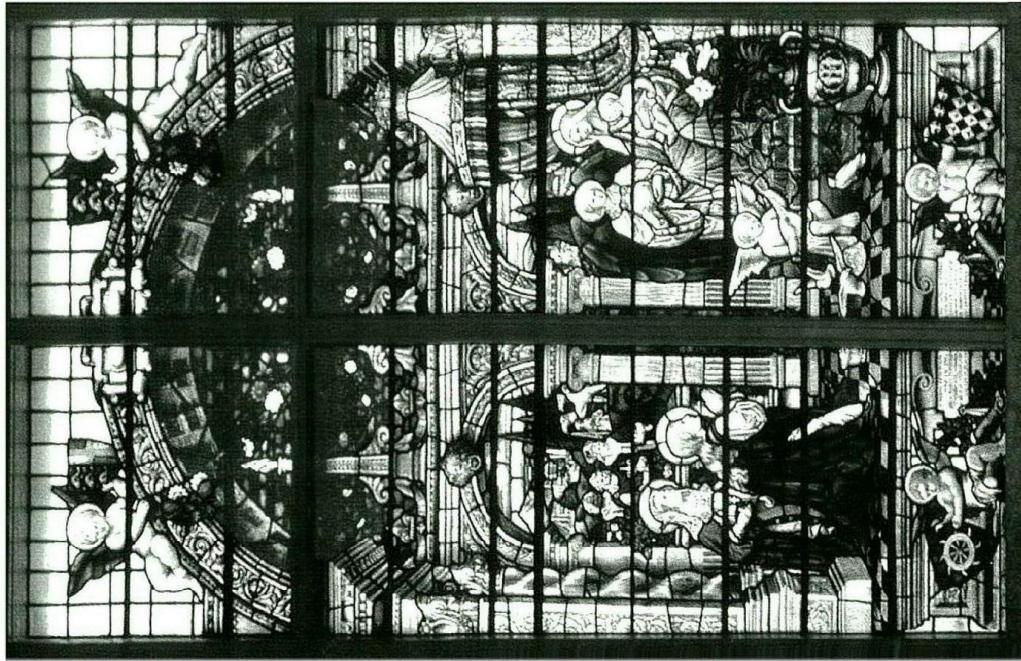
A Goldhanger Curate's part in acquiring the Koh-i-Noor Diamond



the young Maharajah Duleep Singh



*the Koh-i-Noor Diamond
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*Window in memory of the Revd Jay
in St Catharine's College Chapel, Cambridge*

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This magazine is run entirely by volunteers and relies on donations and advertising to fund it. It costs approximately £1 per issue to produce. We print about 350 copies each month.

Donations can be made at any time. Cheques made payable to **Goldhanger Parish Magazine** please - or you can go to the Goldhanger website and make a donation online.

Current and previous issues of the magazine are available in glorious technicolour from the Goldhanger website at: www.goldhanger.org.uk.

Goldhanger Correspondent

If you have any news articles about the village for inclusion in the Maldon & Burnham Standard and the Essex Chronicle.

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A Goldhanger Curate's part in acquiring the Koh-i-Noor Diamond

You may have read recently that Queen Camilla has asked that the Koh-i-Noor Diamond (spelt many ways) be removed from her coronation crown due to the controversy surrounding its original acquisition in India. What is little known is that a Goldhanger Curate had a small but significant part in that acquisition.

The Revd William James Jay (B:1827 D:1869) started his career in this village as a young Curate in 1847 having just graduated from Cambridge. After just two years he moved to India to join the East India Company. While a priest at the Fatehgarh CoE church in Uttar Pradesh he found himself teaching the eleven year old Maharajah Duleep Singh, who was the last Maharaja of Lahore and the Sikh Empire. The Revd Jay converted the Maharajah to Christianity and baptised him in March 1853.

It seems that the 25 year old Priest had albeit unwittingly created the circumstances in which the British Empire were able acquired all the Maharajah's lands in Lahore and the Punjab, and also the transfer of that famous diamond to Queen Victoria in 1854. The main perpetrators of the conspiracy were undoubtedly the Viceroy of India, Governor-General Dalhousie and a surgeon called Dr. Login.

In 1860 the Revd Jay returned to England and became Chaplain at the East India Chapel at Poplar in east London. Later when Queen Victoria gave Elveden Hall near Thetford to the Maharajah, he installed Revd Jay as Rector there. In 1866 Revd Jay christened the Maharajah's son Prince Victor Albert Jay. Eight months Queen Victoria ordered a second christening at Windsor Castle with the Queen as godmother and Revd Jay as godfather.

The Revd Jay died in 1869 and was buried in the Elveden Churchyard close to where the Maharajah himself was later buried. There is a window dedicated to the Revd Jay in St Catherine's College, Cambridge.

here are two of the documents in the archives...

MY DEAR DR. LOGIN,

I think the Maharajah has quite sufficient head knowledge of the truths of our holy religion to justify his receiving the sacrament of baptism. How far his heart is touched, you have better opportunities than I, a comparative stranger, have had of judging. I have gone through the Gospel of St. Matthew with him carefully, and I never spent any time with greater pleasure and satisfaction. The young Maharajah was uniformly careful, attentive, and earnest.

Yours very truly,
W. J. JAY,
Chaplain of Futtehghur.

a letter from Revd Jay to Dr Login

DEATH OF THE REV. W. J. JAY.—The death is announced of the Rev. William James Jay, M.A. He was educated at St. Catherine's College, Cambridge, where he took his B.A. degree in 1847, and was ordained to the curacy of Goldhanger, near Maldon. Shortly afterwards he obtained from the East India Company the appointment of assistant chaplain, and was stationed at Landown, in the diocese of Calcutta. He afterwards returned to England, and was for a short time minister of the East India chapel at Poplar. In 1866 he was presented by the Maharajah Duleep Singh to the rectory of Elveden, which he held until his death.

a death notice in an Essex newspaper

We learnt this piece of local history about twenty years ago when the Revd Jay's great granddaughter came to see the location of her ancestor's first appointment before he moved to India and she kindly allowed us to copy a few press cuttings.

for more about this story search for: *goldhanger Jay past*

David Newman www.churchside1.plus.com/Goldhanger-past/Jay.htm

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Art Club second Thursday of the month 2-4pm

Catherine 01621 788488, <http://goldhangerartclub.co.uk>

Film Club third Wednesday of the month, doors open 7pm, film 7:30pm

see advert for details

Village Hall Bookings

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Community Page

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Wednesday lunchtime Picnic Service

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GOLDHANGER PARISH COUNCIL
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The deadline to apply for a Voter Authority Certificate for the local elections in May has now passed.

If you do not have any photo ID you will not be able to vote.

For a list of accepted photo ID go to:

https://www.maldon.gov.uk/info/20067/elections_and_voting/9267/elections_and_voting

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- Photographic driving licence issued by the UK, any of the Channel Islands, the Isle of Man, or an EEA state (including provisional)
- European Economic Area (EEA) photographic ID card
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Many thanks

Julia Bourn - GPC Chair



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Sunday 7th May Easter 5, Coronation Weekend

9.30am Parish Communion (CW)

Sunday 14th May Rogation Sunday

10.00am Family Service.

Thursday 26th May Ascension Day

7.30pm Holy Communion at St Peter's, Goldhanger

Sunday 21st May Sunday after Ascension

9.30am Morning Prayer

Sunday 28th May Whit Sunday, Pentecost

19.30am Parish Communion

On-line Sunday services can be found at:

<https://www.churchofengland.org/news-and-media/church-online/weekly-online-services>

On-line Morning Prayer will be on Facebook on Mondays and on YouTube on Wednesdays and Fridays both at 10.00am. Morning Prayer can be accessed through our Facebook page, YouTube channel and on "a church near you".

Weekday Holy Communion Services

Weekday Holy Communion service from The Book of Common Prayer

Every Wednesday at St Nicholas, Tolleshunt D'Arcy at 10.00am

And every Saturday at All Saints, Little Totham at 5.30pm

Please get in touch with Lizzie Armour or the churchwardens if you are considering baptism for yourself or your children, confirmation, and weddings Please contact Rev'd Tracey for funeral arrangements.

Parish Prayers

If you would like someone, an event or concern included in church prayers please contact Kim Evans or George Bunting. Votive candles are lit at Sunday Services.

Raise free donations for Goldhanger church through Easyfundraising

All you need to do is:

1. Go to <https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/stpeterschurchgoldhanger> and join for free.
2. Every time you shop online, log in to www.easyfundraising.org.uk first to find the retailer you want and start shopping.
3. After you've made your purchase, the retailer will make a donation to the church at no extra cost to you whatsoever!

Thank you for your support. Please contact Lizzie Armour, for any queries or help.

St. Peter's Church Goldhanger

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Benefice Administrator	Lizzie Armour	07908776750 office.blackwaterbenefice@gmail.com
Church flowers	Mrs Elaine Clark	788686 elaclark@me.com

(Please contact Lizzie if you wish to book, a wedding, baptism etc. She is available on Tuesday and Thursday mornings. Messages left at other times during the week will be responded to at regular intervals)

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* Goldhanger, Little Totham & Great Totham and Tollesbury, Salcott, Tolleshunt D'Arcy and Tolleshunt Major

St. Peter's Goldhanger website: www.st-peters-church.goldhanger.org.uk



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Saturday 6th May



Coronation Day Charles III

Thursday 18th May



Ascension Day

Sunday 28th May



Pentecost



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Cryptic Quiz to test the old grey matter

Can you guess the famous pop and rock groups?

1. Quartet in a spin
2. Cinnamon Maidens
3. The shaver is not heavy
4. Distorted vision
5. Dark Sunday
6. Primates from the North Pole
7. Mexican food would be bland without them
8. Frozen precipitation guard
9. The lads from Bondi
10. Not Death On The Orient
11. In the beginning
12. They gather no moss
13. Bekenbauer meets Sitting Bull and Crazy Horse
14. Manson, West and Sutcliffe
15. No girls allowed
16. B.A., B.Sc. and MBA
17. Hiking siblings
18. Too many occupants in dwelling
19. Spring, summer, autumn and winter
20. German soldier with front runners
21. Coed Hirwaun residents
22. Are they royalty at a jumbled-up Xmas?
23. Lawmen
24. Gary Powers' spy plane
25. Uncomplicated intellects

Answers on page 24

Goldhanger Village Hall Film Club



Wed 17th May

How do you find lasting love in today's world? In this British romcom, for dating app addict Zoe, swiping right has only delivered an endless stream of Mr. Wrongs. For Zoe's friend and neighbour Kaz, the answer is to follow his parents' example and opt for an arranged marriage to a bright and beautiful bride from Pakistan. As Zoe films his hopeful journey from London to Lahore to marry a stranger chosen by his parents, she begins to wonder if she might have something to learn.

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Maldon District Residents Need Photo ID To Vote At Elections On 4 May 2023

For the first time, residents in Maldon District will need to show **photographic ID** to vote at this year's local elections. Residents are being urged to make sure they are ready to vote in May by checking they have an accepted form of ID.

Accepted forms of ID include a UK, European Economic Area (EEA) or Commonwealth passport; a UK, EEA, or Commonwealth drivers' licence; and some concessionary travel passes, such as an older person's bus pass or an Oyster 60+ card. Voters will be able to use expired ID if they are still recognisable from the photo.

Anyone who does not have one of the accepted forms of ID will be able to apply for free ID online at www.voter-authority-certificate.service.gov.uk/ or by completing a paper form.

The full list of accepted ID is available on the Electoral Commission's website, along with more information about the new requirement and details of how to apply for the free ID, at electoralcommission.org.uk/voterID.

Ailsa Irvine, Director of Electoral Administration and Guidance, said:

“Anyone voting at a polling station in England this May will need to show photo ID before they can be given their ballot paper. It's important that everyone understands what types of ID they can use, and how to apply for free ID if they need it. You can find information about the new requirement and what to expect at the polling station on the Electoral Commission's website.”

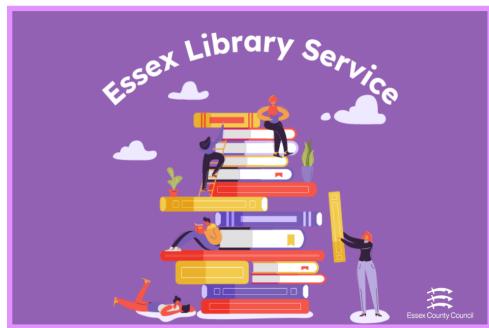
Paul Dodson, Returning Officer at Maldon District Council, said:

“With elections taking place in Maldon District on 4 May 2023, it is important that those who want to vote make sure they have an accepted form of ID. It may seem early but checking now means you will be ready to vote in May.

“Residents who do not have one of the accepted forms of ID can apply for free ID either online or by completing a paper application form and sending this to Maldon District Council's electoral services team. If you need any help with applying for the free ID or want to request an application form, contact the electoral services team on elections@maldon.gov.uk

Anyone who wants to have their say in the elections this May must also be registered to vote. It only takes five minutes to register online at www.gov.uk/register-to-vote. Voters wishing to apply to their council for free ID should first make sure they are registered to vote.

The requirement to show photo ID at the polling station, is a new requirement, introduced by the UK Government's Elections Act which was passed last year and comes into effect for the first time this May.



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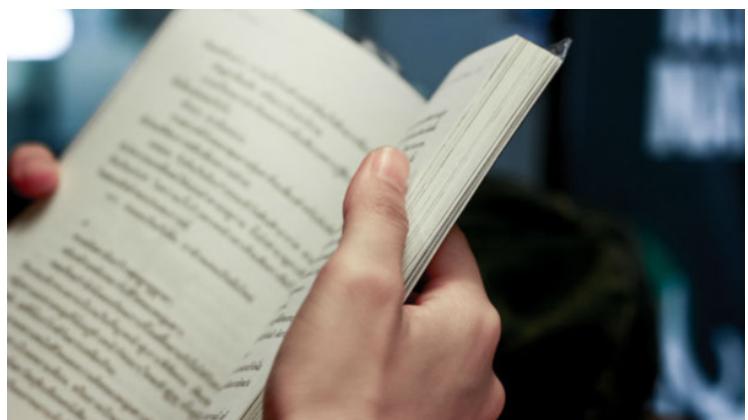
If you're looking for Something Interesting and Fun to do Over the Holiday Period or want to enhance your CV, then this is the Perfect opportunity. Don't just take our Word though; one of our 2022 Volunteers said, "It's a Great Experience and a Lot of fun!"

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Answers to Cryptic Quiz on page 17

1. Four Tops
2. Spice Girls
3. Razorlight
4. Blur
5. Black Sabbath
6. Arctic Monkeys
7. Red Hot Chilli Peppers
8. Snow Patrol
9. Beach Boys
10. West Life
11. Genesis
12. Rolling Stones
13. Kaiser Chiefs
14. The Killers
15. Boyzone
16. Three Degrees
17. Walker Brothers
18. Crowded House
19. Four Seasons
20. Gerry and the Pacemakers
21. Village People
22. Kings of Leon
23. Police
24. U2
25. Simple Minds

Answers to April crossword

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Answers to April Sudoku

Editors' apology:

We're afraid we can't find the answers we saved for last month's Sudoku.





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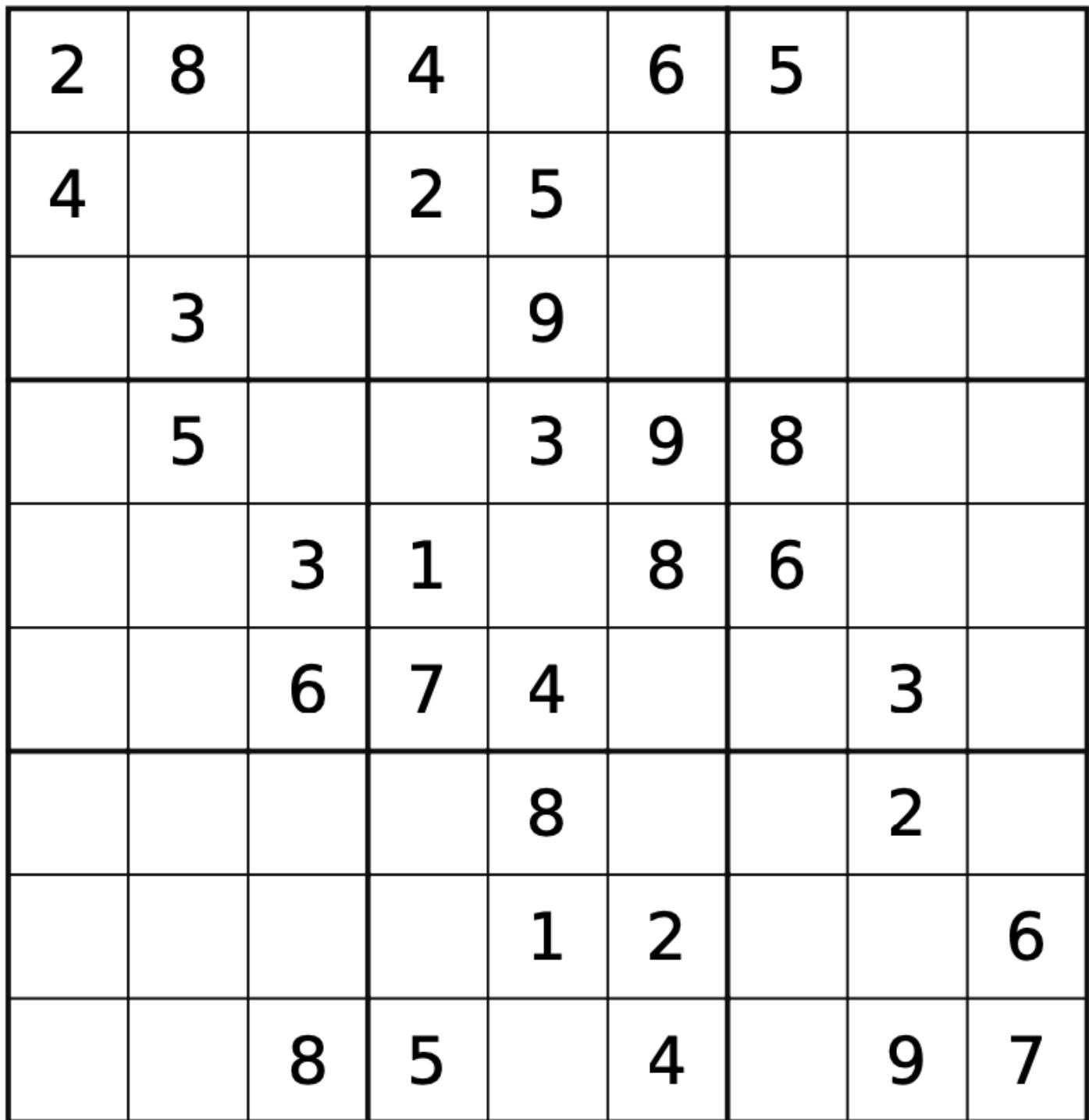
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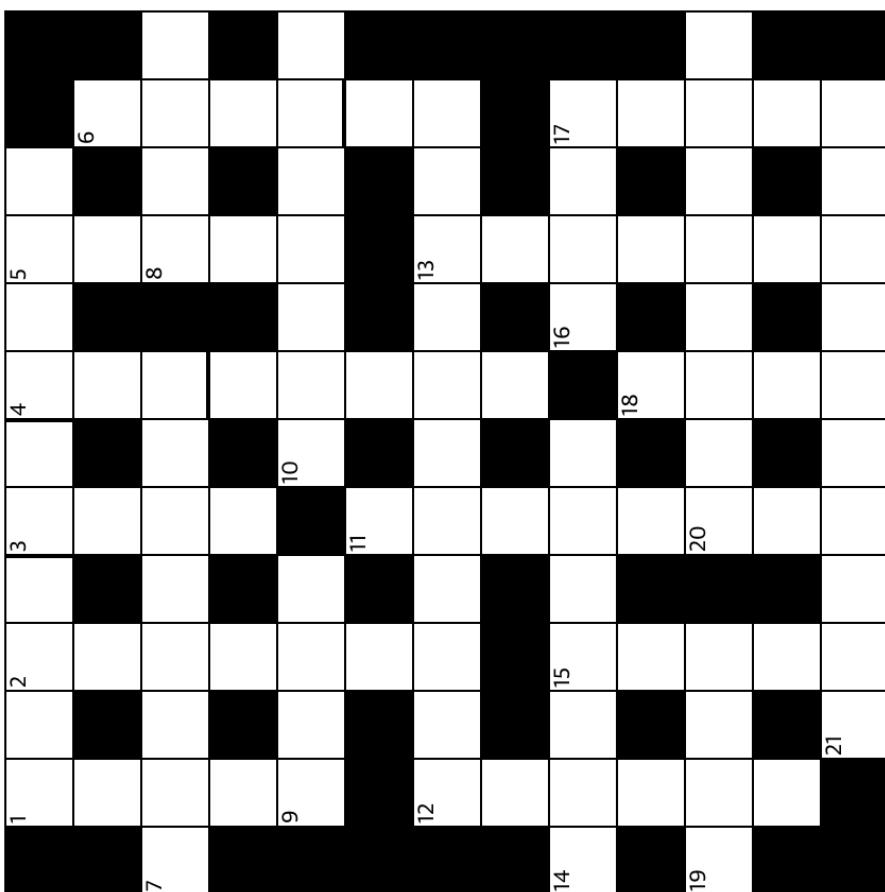
Dominic and The Team look forward to welcoming you to The Chequers Inn soon

Sudoku anyone?



Answers next month

Across	Down
1 In close proximity (4,2,4)	1 Animal tracks (5)
7 Person who does the dirty and/or boring work (8)	2 Plunder (7)
8 Boxing match (4)	3 Something helpful (4)
9 Run amok (4)	4 Liquid condiment coming in various forms from China and Japan (3,5)
10 Coming to a stop (7)	5 Accounting entry recording money still to be paid (5)
12 Go wrong (11)	6 Go to bed (4,2)
14 African carrion-eating stork – a bum oar (anag) (7)	11 EU official (8)
16 Deer (4)	12 Thin on the ground (6)
19 Nuisance (informal) (4)	13 I, Isolde (anag) – dote upon (7)
20 Rare tile (anag) (8)	15 Debate (5)
21 The past (10)	17 Guide (5)
	18 Mix with a spoon, say (4)



Answers next month

Online games and puzzles to keep you amused

Online games and puzzles: <https://www.games.co.uk/games/puzzle>

Online jigsaw puzzles: <https://www.jigsawplanet.com/>

Online brainteasers, maths puzzles, word games, sudokus and memory games: <https://www.mindgames.com/>

St Peter's Church, Great Totham CM9 8NP

Flower Festival

30th April to 1st May

The theme this year is “Children’s Literature”

Come and meet

Nick Butterworth

3pm, Monday 1st May 2023

Nick Butterworth will be talking about his books, his ideas, asking children for help with his drawings, signing books and seeing all the inspired flower arrangements.



The Flower Festival is all Sunday and Monday from 11am to 5pm.

Come with your family and friends to see all the amazing flower arrangements, take a while to enjoy the refreshments, stalls, music, children's activities and hear Nick Butterworth talk on Monday afternoon.



Some fun with Hickory courtesy of Elaine



HICKORY Fruit and nuts



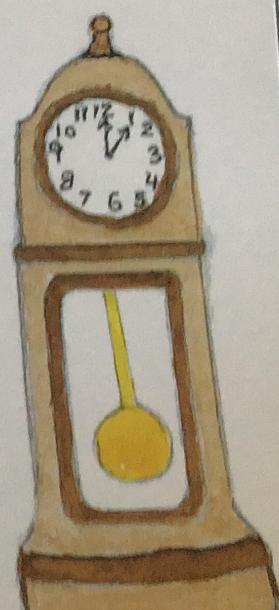
There are sixteen species of Hickory, thirteen in America and three in Asia.

Hickory wood is shock resistant and is much used for making the handles of tools such as hammers and axes.

The wood is also pliable and is used to make the orchestral conductors baton.

Grandfather clocks used to be made of Hickory wood. Hence the Children's Rhyme:

Hickory dickory dock
The mouse ran up the clock,
The clock struck one
the mouse ran down,
Hickory dickory dock.



GOLDHANGER PARISH COUNCIL

Notes of the meeting held on the 12th April 2023. Full minutes can be viewed on the website or village noticeboard once they have been approved at the next Parish Council Meeting.
www.parish-council.goldhanger.org.uk
clerk.gpc@outlook.com

The Annual Parish Meeting was held on the 12th April 2023. The Current Chairman sent her apologies and asked Cllr Reynolds to address the meeting with her annual report. This can be viewed on the website or in the Parish Magazine.

The residents who attended thanked the councillors for their hard work and felt the frustrations at trying to get issues sorted and the constant barriers they face

This meeting was then followed by the ordinary meeting

Planning Decisions by MDC

22/01222 The old Pump House, 6 Head Street Approved

Planning Applications

23/00208 Inglenook, 52 Maldon Road

Construction of a detached double bay cart lodge garage with home office.

Despite the moving of the access to internal, the Council's previous comments still remain
Objection

Correspondence

A note of thanks had been received from HRH King Charles III regarding the condolences sent from Goldhanger on the death of Queen Elizabeth II.

Please see separate article in this magazine or noticeboard

Highways Matters and Public Rights of Way.

Sids and solar panels – a grant application had been applied for by the Council and the decision had been delayed until the end of April 23

Wash Bridge – A response had been received stating the estimated cost of works caused by previous incidents. Based on current information the bridge is in fair condition and would not score high on priority of works. A vehicle restrain barrier cannot be installed as it will not meet current design guidelines.

Parking – A Moat tenant had reported the parking and the damage to the grass verge to Moat. A response was expected within ten days

Pot Holes – Cllr Cheeseman offered to report the potholes online that needed to be repaired

Sea Wall Damage was being reported online by Cllr Bourn

Bus Shelters and Defibrillators

Cllr Holmes reported that she had approached the Manager of the Cricketers regarding feasibility of a defibrillator who was happy to facilitate this. The owner would now need to be contacted before this was to go ahead

Other

Notice of uncontested election had been received and five candidates had been elected. They will come into office on the 9th May. Please see separate notice on noticeboard, parish mag and website.

Next Meeting 10th May 2023

**GOLDHANGER PARISH COUNCIL
CHAIRS REPORT**

April 2023

1. Council Composition

There has been no change to the Council composition.

Julia Bourn – Chair

Hugh Reynolds – Vice Chair

Michael Sargeant

Clive Cheeseman – Allotments officer

Stephen Ellis

Sarah Jane Holmes

Michael Bishop

Clerk - Julie Webster

Council meetings continue to be held on the second Wednesday of the month.

2. Introduction

Despite being designated a very small Parish, with volunteer Councillors, and a very small precept (income), we have over the last year added to our facilities; including the seat and picnic bench in Marigold wood, together with a community orchard and maintained our assets with a project that has much improved the footpath path in the playing field.

I do however note that while compiling this report all the areas of concern in the village that are managed by the larger authorities and organisations; Essex County Council, Highways Essex and Maldon District Council have typically not been actioned, and in many cases even responded to despite many chase ups!

I would also like to remind all residents that local elections take place this year in May and that photo ID or a voter ID document is now needed when voting.

3. Planning

There have been various applications for the council to consider and report their view to Maldon District Council, who make the decisions.
(applications up to March meeting included)

New housing applications –

- Land adjacent to 6 Church street, erection of a new dwelling – Objected, Refused

- 38 Maldon Road, demolish bungalow and erection of a new dwelling – Support with comments, Approved
- Fish Street, old allotments, (revised application May 2022) proposal for 3 new 4 bed houses – Objected and Refused now subject to appeal, decision pending
- 1 Head Street, Demolition and erection of new dwelling – Supported with comments, Pending
- Steel Barn, Gardeners Farm, conversion of redundant structures into 5 dwelling houses – Objected, Approved

Extensions and Minor Works comprised:

- Old pump house, 6 Head street, demolish garage. – Support, Approved
- Tilly Hill, First floor rear extension – Supported, Refused
- Tilly Hill, First floor rear extension (2nd application) – Supported, Refused
- 13 Maldon Road, single storey side and rear extension – Support (with Comments), Approved
- Inglenook, triple bay cartlodge to Front – Objected, Refused
- Inglenook, triple bay cartlodge to Front (2nd application) – Objected, Refused
- Norsey House, rear extension and remove rear garage – Supported, Refused
- Norsey House, rear extension and retain garage (2nd application) – Supported, Approved
- Land adjacent to Falcon Hall, change of use of outbuildings from agricultural to dwelling – Supported, with comments, Refused
- Land adjacent to Falcon Hall, change of use of outbuildings from agricultural to dwelling, as annex to Falcon Hall – Supported (with comments), decision Pending
- 30 Fish street, First floor extension and other alterations – Supported (with comments), refused
- 54 Maldon Road, Extension – Support, Pending

Miscellaneous consisted of:

- (from 2021) *Benham Close, Vary condition 11 (Footpath link to Maldon Road) on approved planning permission FUL/MAL/13/00839 – Objected & refused – not yet enforced.*
- 2 tree work applications, - allowed to proceed.
- North Maldon Growers, erection of steel framed farm building – No objection (with comments), Approved
- Old pump house, 6 Head street, variations to conditions – Supported, Pending

- 11 Maldon road, Claim for Lawful development, proposed garage – Supported, Approved
- 1A Head Street, Change of use (dwelling to B&B) – Supported, with comments, refused

4. **Highways**

While the current SID (speed indicating device) continues to limp along with much effort from Councillors who take the time to charge the batteries to keep SID working, a further funding application has been made for a new device which we should hear about soon.

Parking within the village

Parking around the village is becoming more problematic year on year as the numbers of residents vehicles increases and also the numbers of visitors increases.

Parking patrols were booked for various locations in the village during busy periods and additional advice from the Essex Association for Local Councils (EALC) was to suggest residents write polite notes and leave on cars parked illegally, or inconsiderately.

(from 2022 report) Bus cage markings were applied for during 2021/2 at the bus halt on Head street (near the junction with Maldon Road) to improve sight lines on the corner and to benefit residents, this has not yet been implemented by highways.

Parking on the verge in front of the Moat development on Maldon road causes problems with sight lines pulling in and out of the development, Moat were asked to review what can be done to improve the situation during 2021/2 but have not replied to any Parish Council correspondence.

Parking at the bottom of Fish street is problematic when cars (typically visitors) block the access to the park gate (needed for grass cutting vehicles and emergency access to the seawall) and also park on double yellow lines, which can cause obstructions for larger traffic accessing the farm.

The Parish Council appeals to all residents and visitors to park legally and considerately.

Accidents

Again this year we have seen a number of accidents in our Parish, on the road between Wash Bridge and our boundary on the D'arcy side and indeed yet another occurrence of Wash bridge being demolished. The Parish Council have followed up correspondence sent some years ago suggesting an alternative to brick or other measures to slow the approaching traffic, as yet no reply.

We remain keen to keep track of accidents, as this data is not held by any other parties. Collecting this data will give us an evidence base which we can call upon, should we request any safety improvement works in the future.

So please email myself or other Councillors details of any accidents you may see, you do not need to have witnessed the initial incident.

Bus stops

The Bus stop in the square was damaged by a bus but the bus company have not been forthcoming with any reimbursement of repair costs.

5. Playing Field, Woodland and Leisure

New gates have been fitted to the playing field following an incident with the grass cutting equipment.

Park and playground

The Path along the side of the playing field was resurfaced last Autumn and has been very successful during the winter, as the surface has good drainage and has not got muddy. The roundabout has also been overhauled.

Marigold Wood.

Marigold Wood has a new new park bench and picnic table and this year will see a small “community orchard” planted in commemoration of King Charles’ coronation.

Allotments

Councillor Clive Cheeseman has continued to administer the allotments and if you are interested in having a plot, please contact him.

6. Neighbourhood Watch

Malcolm Holmes with his team has continued to keep us all informed of the latest issues and circulated relevant Police crimes reports for the Maldon District. (although its been thankfully quite in recent months)

Please see the Parish Magazine for further details and contact Malcolm (goldhangernw@outlook.com) if you wish to receive emails.

Goldhanger Matters has been superseded by the success of the facebook “Goldhanger Support Group” and together with the Goldhanger Neighbourhood Watch emails is a way of keeping in touch with anything local.

7. Precept

The Parish Precept is a tax on each property to fund the activities the Parish Council undertakes for the benefit of the community and forms a very minor part of your total Council Tax charges. The Council Members work hard to keep this as low as possible by undertaking many tasks themselves.

Circa £9095 pa is required to meet our recurring expenditure for our legal obligations associated with Parish assets. To allow for other projects considered desirable for the Parish the 23/24 precept was set at £10,500 , In view of our low turnover it is considered prudent to maintain one year's expenditure in reserve for the unexpected.

8. Defibrillators

The village defibrillators continue to be monitored and maintained by volunteer councillors.

9. Maldon Road, Moat Development flooding

I include the same paragraphs as the last 3 years report, correspondence with Highways and Essex County Councillors has been futile.

(2020)Maldon Road drain flooding/overflowing, during sustained rain or flash downpours, has been an issue for a number of years.

some work was carried out on the drains in the verge in front of the moat development during 2021, but the Parish Council believe a blockage exists further downstream in the ditch system, so the situation will continue to be monitored and progressed where necessary.

(2021)In the last few weeks after a year of accelerating our issues upward and finally to our local MP we have had some investigative works started by highways on various problem flood spots throughout the village.

The investigative works were interrupted by more urgent issues and to date have not been completed!

Fish street flooding

Despite further recent correspondence with Highways and Essex County Councillors there has been no progress by those responsible. And I enclose last years paragraph.

(2022)The surface water drains in Fish street have also been problematic for a long time and are included in the unfinished investigative works described above. In addition, the Parish Council have proactively investigated some of the drain routing and causes of the issues during 2021 and are chasing the relevant bodies for a resolution.

10. Website

Thanks goes out to our host Christopher Smith for maintaining our website.

11. Speedwatch

There were Insufficient volunteers to re-apply to create a speedwatch group.

12. Village Hall

The Parish Council have continued to support the village hall.

13. Jubilee & Death of HM the Queen

The Village celebrated the Queen's Platinum Jubilee with a programme of events including: Sailing gala and hog roast, flower festival, open gardens, Festival with live music at the village hall, classic cars and a big jubilee lunch. This was sadly followed later in the year by Her Majesty's death. This was marked in the village by a condolence book and the reading of the proclamation announcing King Charles III.

14. Coronation of King Charles III

The Village looks forward to the festivities in May celebrating the coronation and have planted a small community orchard in Marigold Wood.

I would like to thank Julie, our Clerk, for her service supporting and guiding us, and all Councillors for their dedicated work which enables us to continue to minimise the precept.

J Bourn
Chair - Goldhanger Parish Council

NOTICE OF UNCONTESTED ELECTION

Maldon District Council

Election of Parish Councillors for Goldhanger Parish Council on Thursday 4 May 2023

I, being the Returning Officer at the above election, report that the persons whose names appear below were duly elected Parish Councillors for Goldhanger Parish Council.

Name of Candidate	Home Address (address in Maldon District)	Description (if any)
BISHOP Michael William		
BOURN Julia Emma	(address in Maldon District)	
CHEESEMAN Clive Allen	3 Maldon Road, Goldhanger, CM9 8BG	
REYNOLDS Hugh David	21 Fish Street, Goldhanger, Essex, CM9 8AT	
SARGEANT Michael Ralph	15 Head Street, Goldhanger, Maldon, CM9 8AY	

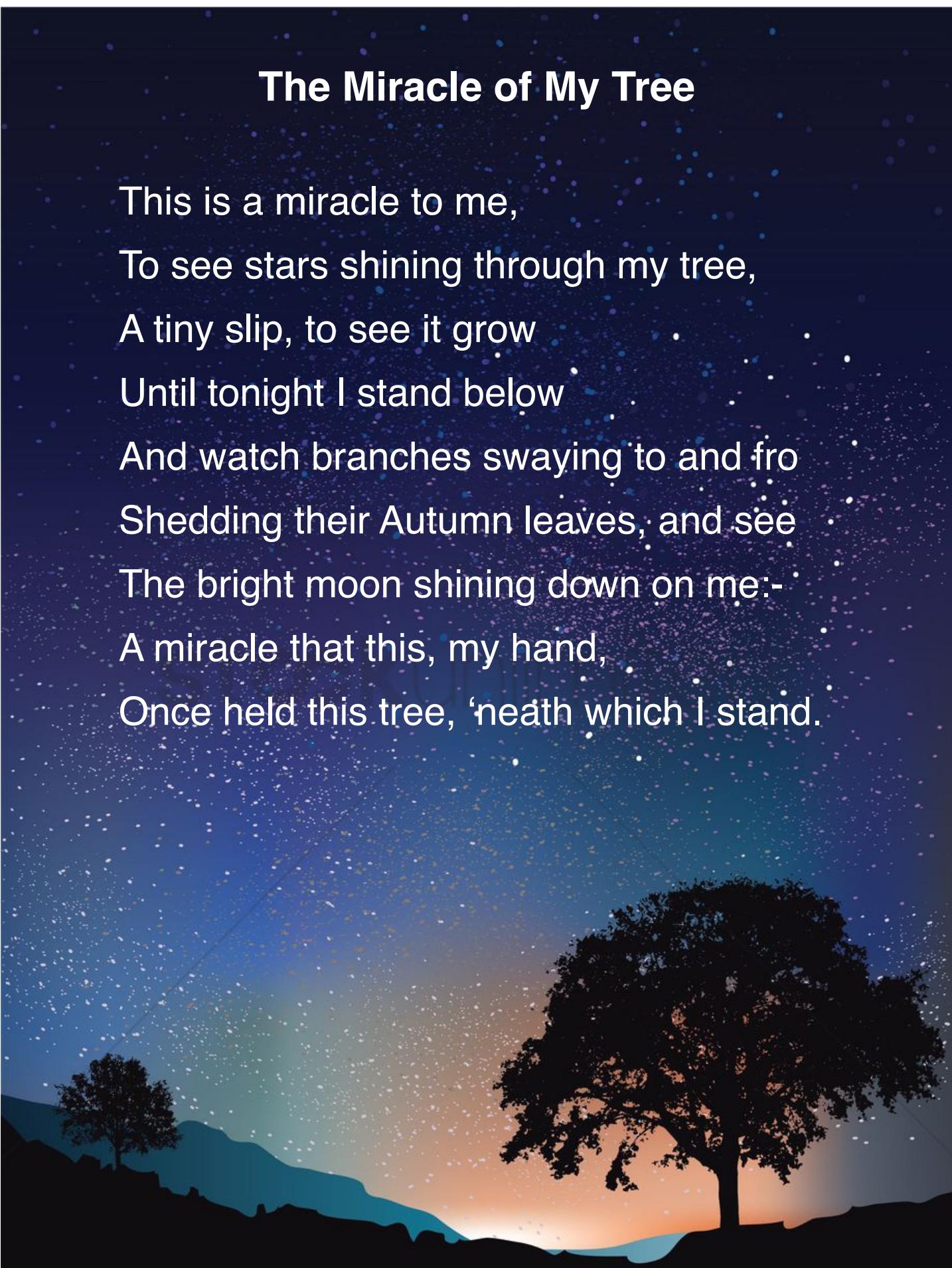
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Paul Dodson
Returning Officer

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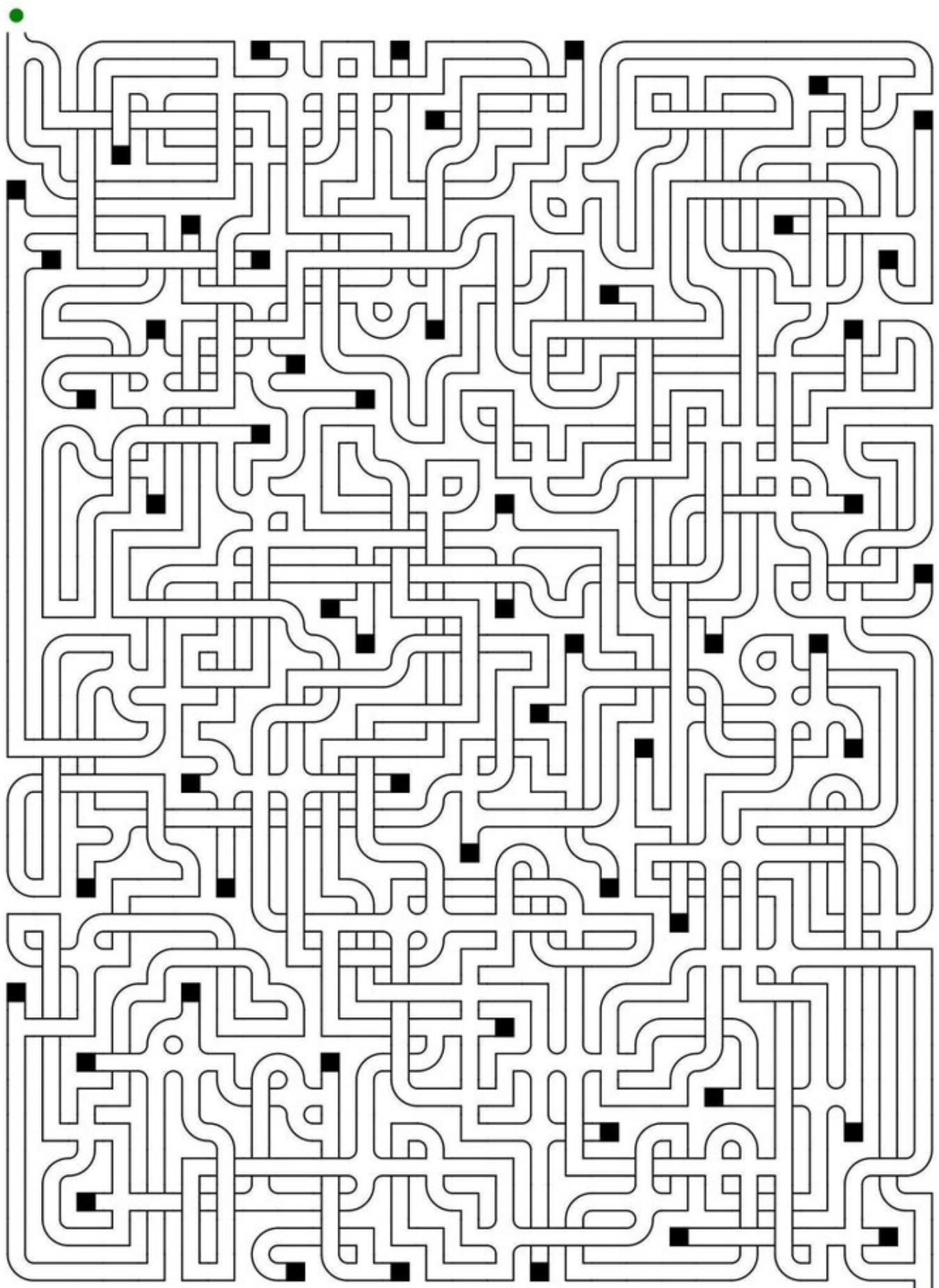
The Miracle of My Tree

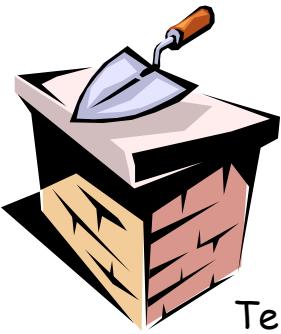
This is a miracle to me,
To see stars shining through my tree,
A tiny slip, to see it grow
Until tonight I stand below
And watch branches swaying to and fro
Shedding their Autumn leaves, and see
The bright moon shining down on me:-
A miracle that this, my hand,
Once held this tree, 'neath which I stand.



Author unknown, submitted by Jean Parker-Larkin

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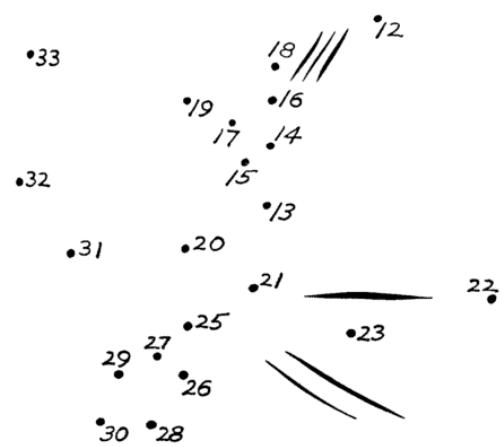
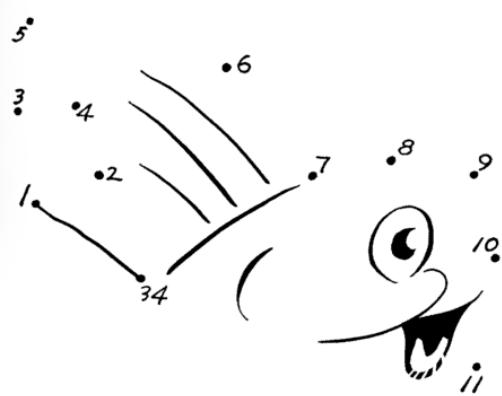
1. What is the name given to a fox's home?
2. What is unusual about Manx cats?
3. How many teeth does an adult dog usually have?
4. What name is usually given to a male cat?
5. Which dog breed is said to be the Queen's favourite?
6. Which is the largest of the big cats?
7. Which dog breed is often referred to as a Sausage Dog?
8. Named after the Nobel winning author, what is unusual about "Hemingway Cats"?
9. Which breed of dog is often referred to as the "King of the Terriers"?
10. As at 2021, which is the only part of the UK where dog licences are still required?

Answers on page 47

If you think swimming with dolphins is expensive, you should try swimming with sharks--it cost me an arm and a leg!

DID YOU KNOW?

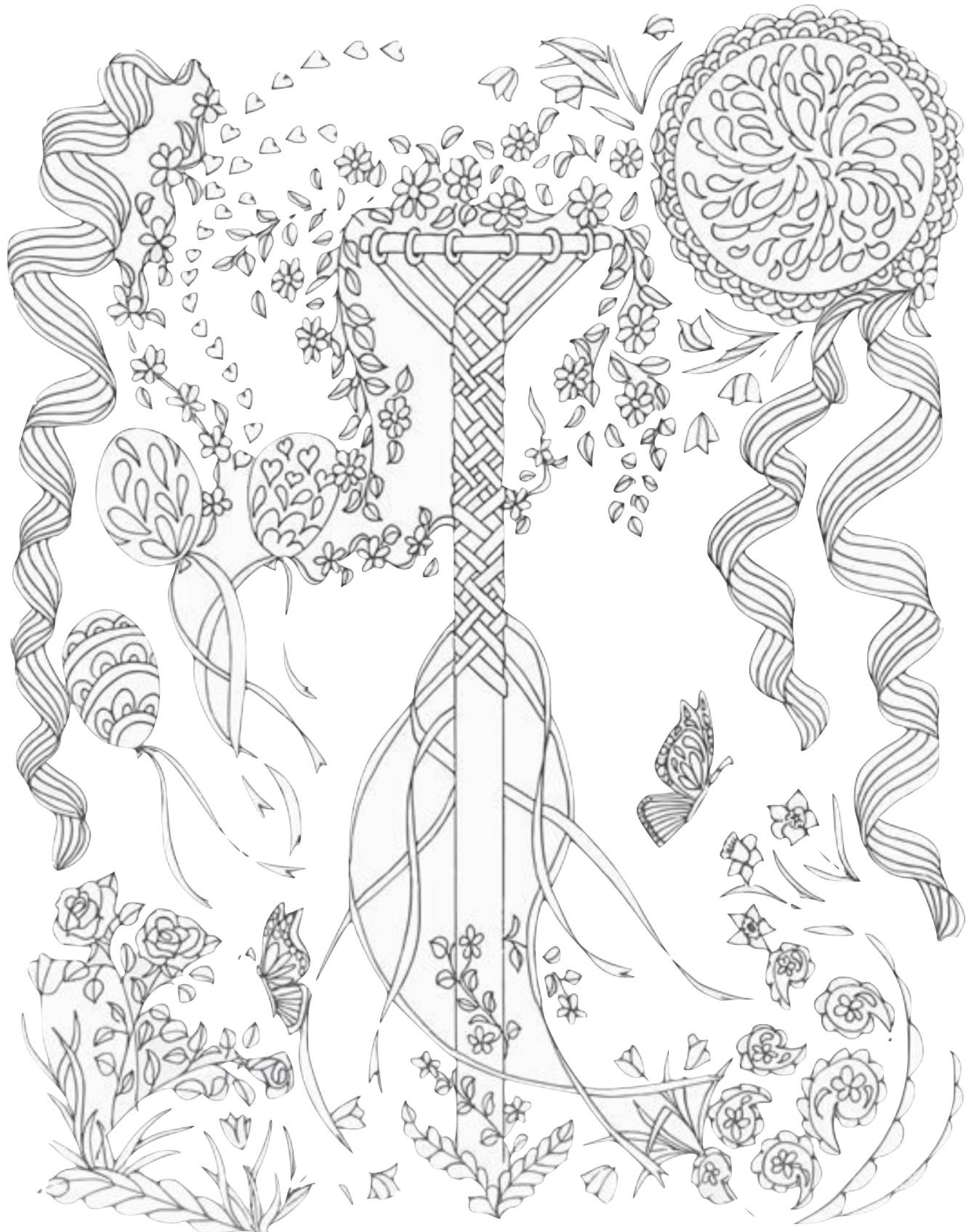
The opposite sides of a die will always add up to seven.



Children's Pages

(Adults can join in too)

Get your colouring pencils out



Recipe of the month

Potato, pea and egg curry rotis

Budget friendly and easy to make midweek

Serves 4

Time Prep 5 minutes, cook 25 minutes

Ingredients

- 1 tablespoon oil
- 2 tablespoons curry paste
- 400g can chopped tomatoes
- 2 potatoes cut into small chunks
- 200g peas
- 3 (free-range) eggs hard-boiled
- pack rotis, warmed through
- 150g tub natural yogurt, to serve



Method

1. Heat the oil in a saucepan and briefly fry the curry paste. Tip in the tomatoes and half a can of water and bring to a simmer. Add the potatoes and cook for 20 mins, or until the potato is tender. Stir in the peas and cook for 3 mins.
2. Halve the eggs and place them on top of the curry, then warm everything through.
3. Serve with the rotis and yogurt on the side.

Do you have a recipe that you'd like to share?





Sign the Essex Food Waste Pledge for your chance to win

Local authorities across Essex have come together to tackle food waste in the County.

Maldon District Council are joining other local authorities across Essex to support Love Essex's flagship 'Love Essex, Love Food' campaign in a bid to reduce food waste across Essex during 2023.

In Essex, food waste currently makes up roughly 25% of the waste found in the general rubbish.

Not only is this contributing to climate change, but it's also a huge waste of money.

Did you know, the average Essex household wastes £60 a month by throwing away food that could have been eaten?

This is why Love Essex are giving residents the chance to win the equivalent amount in supermarket vouchers every month throughout the year.

All you need to do is sign the [Essex Food Waste Pledge](#), and take part in the monthly challenges.

Councillor Penny Channer, Leader of Maldon District Council said, "I am pleased to join with our neighbouring authorities in Essex to support this important campaign and help reduce the amount of food waste produced in the County.

"I hope that the campaign will raise awareness of the importance of reducing food waste and help residents save more money during these difficult times and encourage residents in the District to sign the Essex Food Waste Pledge."

To launch the campaign, Deadline Communications have created a humorous short film to highlight the issue of food waste. The film made the most of local talent, using Essex-based voice actors, puppeteers, and animators. It was filmed in a local studio in Rochford.

Watch the film at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=S9smVgD924k>

To find out more information or to sign the Essex Food Waste Pledge, visit loveessex.org/foodwaste



The magazine is available to download from the village website in glorious full colour!

The current price list for greyscale printing in the magazine.

Page Size	Full Cost	Early payment rate	Six months	Per month rate
Full	£170	£160	£90	£16
Half	£100	£90	£55	£10
Quarter	£65	£55	£35	£7

Online adverts on our website remain at £15 for the year. Full colour adverts can be used and will link back to your own website.

For all advertising enquiries:
advertising@goldhanger.org.uk

Answers to quiz on page 42

1. An Earth or a Den.
2. They have no tails.
3. Forty-two.
4. Tom.
5. Welsh Corgi.
6. (Siberian) Tiger.
7. Dachshund.
8. They have an unusual number of toes (Polydactyl).
9. Airedale Terrier.
10. Northern Ireland.



Website of the Month

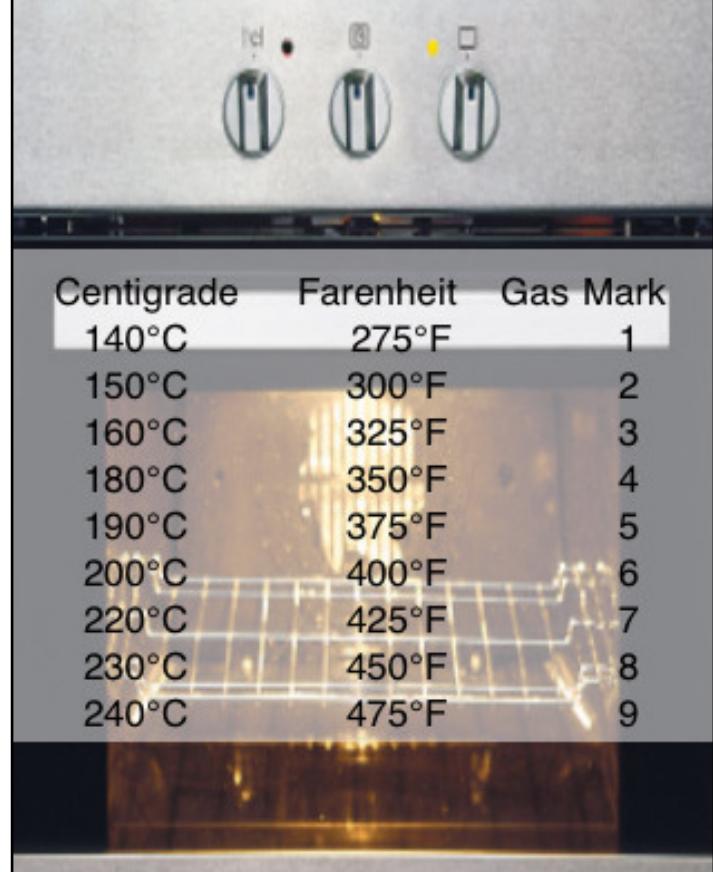
Your editors present a quirky, interesting, surprising or who-knows-what web site that may be of interest. Hand-curated by your intrepid cybernaut navigators Chris and Stephen 😊

<https://stevejobsarchive.com/book>

Steve Jobs, as co-founder of Apple Computer was an iconoclastic thinker and always interesting to hear. This is a beautiful web site with his thoughts in his own words.



Oven temperature conversions



Centigrade	Fahrenheit	Gas Mark
140°C	275°F	1
150°C	300°F	2
160°C	325°F	3
180°C	350°F	4
190°C	375°F	5
200°C	400°F	6
220°C	425°F	7
230°C	450°F	8
240°C	475°F	9

Mobile Library dates & times

Dates	Location	Stop name	Arrives	Leaves
2023	Ulting	Doe's Corner	9:40	9:55
	Ulting	Ulting Lane/Water Co. Houses	10:00	10:15
	Heybridge	Colne House	10:45	11:15
	Heybridge	Coopers Avenue	11:20	11:50
	Heybridge Basin	Bus Stop	12:00	12:15
	Heybridge Basin	Daisy Meadows car park	12:20	12:50
	Goldhanger	Village Hall	13:10	13:40
	Heybridge	Plantation Hall	14:45	15:15
	Langford	Little Hills	15:30	16:00

What goes where?



Essex Police Contacts

Call 999 (emergency) if:

- A crime is in progress
- Person suspected of a crime nearby
- There is a danger to life
- Violence is being used or threatened

Call 101 for any non-emergency contact with the Police. This number covers all of England and Wales but you get the option to speak to Essex Police. Alternatively you can report a crime and more at <https://www.essex.police.uk/do-it-online/>

The Goldhanger Neighbourhood Watch email system is free & confidential. It sends emails with information & advice on current issues in the village. Contact goldhangernw@outlook.com for more information.

**Our collection day is Friday;
Landfill and Recycling on alternate weeks.**

Crimestoppers

0800 555 111

- You can contact them anonymously with information about crime

Hate Crime in Essex



Hate Crime is the generic term we use to discuss both Hate Crimes and Hate Incidents.

Hate crimes are any crimes perceived by the victim or any other person to be motivated by hostility or prejudice.

Hate incidents feel like crimes and often escalate to crimes or tension in a community.

Both can be toward personal characteristics:

- Race: including Ethnicity, Nationality, National Origin, Colour, Gypsy, Roma and Traveller Communities
- Religion or Belief: including Non-Belief
- Gender Identity: including Trans, Non binary and Gender Fluid
- Sexual Orientation: including Gay, Lesbian and Bisexual
- Disability: including Learning, Mental Health, Physical and Sensory disabilities

Essex Police co-ordinate a network of Hate Crime Ambassadors and Hate Incident Reporting Centres (HIRCs) throughout Essex. This was to meet with one of the recommendations of the Inquiry by Sir William Macpherson into the horrific murder of Stephen Lawrence in 1993.

The role of HIRCs is to provide a drop-in service that can be accessed by victims and witnesses of hate crimes and incidents, with an option to report confidentially. HIRCs are also intended to support and encourage reporting of hate crime within the community by providing an environment in which victims of hate crimes and incidents will feel safe and supported. HIRCs effectively provide third party reporting facilities for victims and witnesses. HIRCs endeavour to improve information sharing between partner agencies and to increase community safety).

The network consists of 60 Hate Incident Reporting Centres, which are community based organisations and locations. The Hate Incident Reporting Centres have some staff who are Hate Crime Ambassadors, but most Hate Crime Ambassadors are not associated with a Hate Incident Reporting Centre. <https://www.essex.police.uk/advice/advice-and-information/hco/hate-crime/how-to-report-hate-crime/>

There are about one thousand Hate Crime Ambassadors in the network, who are front line people, volunteers and professionals who can identify victims of hate crime

For more information please contact:

Police Sergeant 1121 Arron Pitt
Operational Review Team
Strategic Change, Performance & Analysis Essex Police
01245 491491 ext 42001121

Email: 1121@essex.police.uk www.essex.police.uk

BUS TIMETABLE

Monday to Friday

95 Tollesbury to Maldon		Hedingham Omnibus				
TOLLESBURY The Square		0735	0920	1130	1430	1605
TOLLESHUNT D'ARCY School		0740	0925	1135	1435	1610
GOLDHANGER Square		0745	0930	1140	1440	1615
HEYBRIDGE Osea Road		0750	0935	1145	1445	1620
HEYBRIDGE Mill Beach Hotel		0752	0937	1147	1447	1622
HEYBRIDGE Square		0755	0940	1150	1450	1625
MALDON Tesco Store		0758	0943	1153	1453	1628
MALDON High Street		0801	0946	1156	1456	1631
MALDON Blackwater Leisure Centre		0805	0950	1200	1500	1635
MALDON Morrisons		0810	0955	1205	1505	1640
95 Maldon to Tollesbury		Hedingham Omnibus				
MALDON Morrisons		0825	1040	1250	1520	1645
MALDON Blackwater Leisure Centre		0830	1045	1255	1525	1650
MALDON High Street		0835	1050	1300	1530	1655
MALDON Tesco Store		0839	1054	1304	1534	1659
HEYBRIDGE Square		0843	1058	1308	1538	1703
HEYBRIDGE Mill Beach Hotel		0846	1100	1310	1541	1706
HEYBRIDGE Osea Road		0848	1102	1312	1543	1708
GOLDHANGER Square		0853	1108	1318	1548	1713
TOLLESHUNT D'ARCY School		0858	1113	1323	1553	1718
TOLLESBURY The Square		0903	1118	1328	1558	1723

The Blackwater Link - 90

Runs from Morrisons in Maldon to Witham Ebenezer Close (passes Witham Station)

Take the 95 to Bentalls and pick up the 90 there.

For more details contact 01702-541511

BUS TIMETABLE

Saturday

95 Tollesbury to Maldon		Hedingham Omnibus			
TOLLESBURY The Square		0900	1100	1300	1440
TOLLESHUNT D'ARCY School		0905	1105	1305	1445
GOLDHANGER Square		0910	1110	1310	1450
HEYBRIDGE Osea Road		0915	1115	1315	1455
HEYBRIDGE Mill Beach Hotel		0917	1117	1317	1457
HEYBRIDGE Square		0920	1120	1320	1500
MALDON Tesco Store		0923	1123	1323	1503
MALDON High Street		0926	1126	1326	1506
MALDON Blackwater Leisure Centre		0930	1130	1330	1510
MALDON Morrisons		0935	1135	1335	1515
95 Maldon to Tollesbury		Hedingham Omnibus			
MALDON Morrisons		0955	1155	1355	1625
MALDON Blackwater Leisure Centre		1000	1200	1400	1630
MALDON High Street		1005	1205	1405	1635
MALDON Tesco Store		1010	1210	1410	1640
HEYBRIDGE Square		1015	1215	1415	1645
HEYBRIDGE Mill Beach Hotel		1017	1217	1417	1647
HEYBRIDGE Osea Road		1019	1219	1419	1649
GOLDHANGER Square		1025	1225	1425	1655
TOLLESHUNT D'ARCY School		1030	1230	1430	1700
TOLLESBURY The Square		1035	1235	1435	1705

Hedingham Omnibuses:

01206 769778
www.hedingham.co.uk

Stephenson's Buses:

For the Blackwater Link - 90
 01702 541511 (0900-1730)
www.stephensonsofessex.com

HEALTH

Blackwater Medical Centre	876760
Longfield Medical Centre	876433
Tollesbury Surgery	869204
St Peter's Hospital <i>NHS</i> (Maldon - no A&E)	725323
Broomfield Hospital <i>NHS</i> (Chelmsford, has A&E)	01245 362000
Colchester General Hospital <i>NHS</i> (has A&E)	01206 747474
NHS Advice (non-emergency)	111

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But I like you!



LOCAL PUBLIC SERVICES

Maldon District Council	854477
Job Centre Chelmsford	0845 606 0234
Local Police (non-emergency)	101 (<i>puts you through to Essex Police</i>)

HELP & ADVICE

Maldon Citizens Advice Bureau	841195
Social Services	08457 430 430
Victim Support (charity for victims of crime)	08 08 16 89 111
Women's Aid	01245 493114
Alcoholics Anonymous	01904 644026
Childline	0800 1111
Universal Credit Helpline	0800 328 5644
Salvation Army	853942
Gingerbread (Charity for single parents)	01245 352708
Outhouse East (LGBT Charity)	0345 123 23 88 (<i>7pm-10pm weekdays</i>)
National Domestic Abuse/Violence Helpline	0808 2000 247 (<i>open 24 hrs, every day</i>)

ELECTRICITY & WATER

UK Power Networks	0800 783 8838
Anglian Water (Sewage flooding)	03457 145 145
Essex & Suffolk Water	0345 782 0999

TRAVEL

National Rail Enquiries	0845 748 4950
Hedingham Omnibuses Ltd	01206 769778 or 564581
Regal Busways	01245 249001
First Eastern National Buses	0845 678 2977
Bus Station Chelmsford	01245 263859
Bus Station Colchester	01206 572478
Stansted Airport	0844 335 1803

SPORTS CENTRES

Blackwater Leisure Centre	851898
Witham Leisure Centre	0845 260 1535