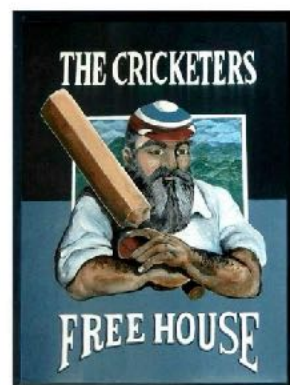
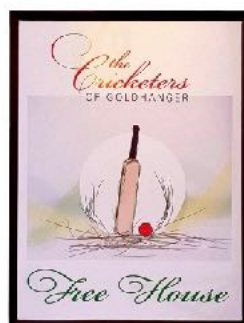
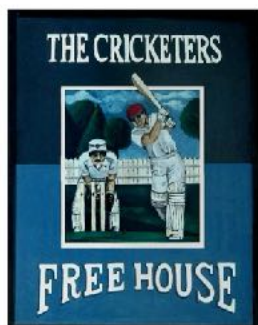


## The Cricketers Inn



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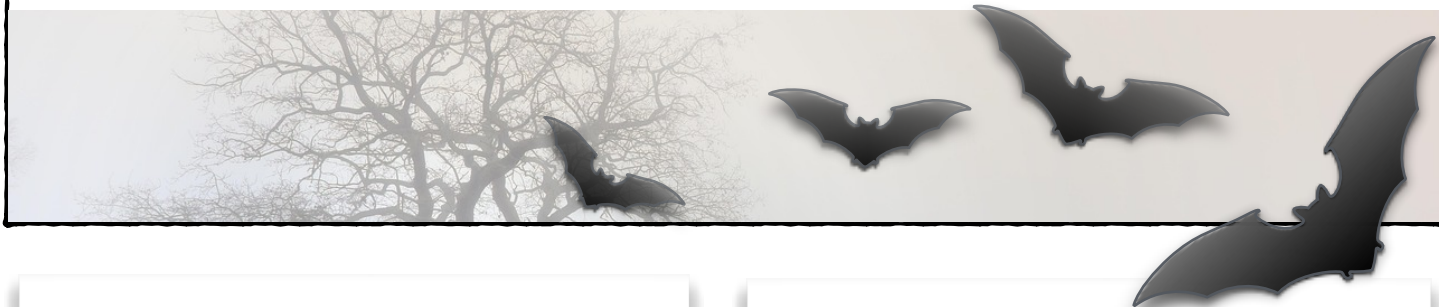
## From the Editors

**G**ala Weekend was quite the success. What a turn out! It must have been our biggest yet and we were blessed with the weather.

We've had quite a few photos sent in and we've included them all in glorious colour on the centre pages. You can also see the full colour issue of all magazines at the link in the box below.



Apologies for the star over the photo of the Sunday Church Pet Service in the last issue. We use them to mark a new article or photo so the other editor knows it's been put in place. Unfortunately we missed that one at publication so we've printed the photo again — this time in full view!



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If, however, you feel moved to make a small donation we would be most grateful.



I had a rough day, and then somebody went and ripped the front and back pages from my dictionary. It just goes from bad to worse.

## The Cricketers Inn

Time has finally been called on the Cricketers and it has passed into local history. The pub started life in the early 1800s as a tearoom and an unlicensed but legal alehouse when the main customers were cricketers playing in the field along the track opposite, and behind the Rectory, now Goldhanger House. The first landlord to apply for a full spirit licence was Caleb Chaplin in 1869, who was the baker at Elms Bakery next door. He was also captain of the cricket team.

From its earliest years until the mid 1900s the Cricketers also benefited from the wheelwrights next door and the blacksmiths opposite, allowing their customers to take refreshments in the inn while carriage and wagon wheels were being repaired and their horses were being re-shod.

In 1918 20yr old 2nd Lt. Frederick Crowley from the Goldhanger Flight Station was killed when his biplane crashed just behind the Cricketers. For many years his picture was displayed in the pub. He is buried in military grave in the churchyard and is named on the War Memorial.

Thanks to *pubshistory.com* and old Parish Magazines we have the names of all 20 past Cricketers landlords on our webpage.



*a painting by Mike Connell that hung in the pub*



*The Cricketers in the last days*



*garden furniture arranged for the Queen's Jubilee celebrations in 2022*



*the front of house sign in place for many years*

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**Chair Yoga** every Wednesday 11am

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**Line Dancing** every Tuesday 7-8pm

*Lisa & Lora [rhythmandboots@hotmail.com](mailto:rhythmandboots@hotmail.com)*

**Parish Council** second Wednesday of the month 7:30-9:30pm

**Karate** every Thursday 6-8pm

**Art Club** second Thursday of the month 2-4pm

*Catherine 01621 788488*

**Film Club** third Wednesday of the month (*not July, August or December*), doors open 7pm, film 7:30pm *see advert for details*

**Carpet Bowls** alternate Fridays from Friday 11th September to April 2027.  
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## Village Hall Bookings

Contact Jackie Christy on 788432 or:  
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# Community Page

## **Bellringing** [www.bellringing.org/learntoring/](http://www.bellringing.org/learntoring/)

Every Wednesday 7:30pm - 9:30pm and for services on Sundays. Newcomers welcome. Contact Sarah Scannell 07789 990942 or email [goldhangerbells@outlook.com](mailto:goldhangerbells@outlook.com).



## **Coffee mornings**

Community Room at St. Peter's Church on Tuesdays between 11am and 12noon. Everyone is welcome. Pop along, bring your friends, and have a chat over coffee.



## **Shanties in the Pub**

Billiards room at the Chequers every other Tuesday (from 12th October) from 7pm. Just join in the responses or take a lead as you wish. Ooo-Aaaar!



## **AVAGO**

Open evening at the Chequers. Monthly. Billiards room from 4pm. Dates will be published in the magazine monthly.



## **Goldhanger Sailing Club** [www.goldhangersailingclub.org.uk](http://www.goldhangersailingclub.org.uk)

All types of sailing, including sailboarding and canoeing, with racing organised on Sundays during the season, there is something for everyone who loves the water.



## **Mother's Union**

4th Friday of each month at 1.45pm at Honywood Hall, Hall Road, Great Totham.



## **Goldhanger Book Club** (*St. Peter's Community Room*)

Bring a book suggestion and share with others over a glass of vino & cake. Only £5. Monday 8th September @ 7:30pm.



## **Maldon District Council Monthly Surgeries**

1st Saturday of the month. Queens Head Tolleshunt D'Arcy. 12 noon to 1pm.



## **The Goldhanger Gallopers - walk, talk, run**

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# **Goldhanger Church Services**

**Sunday 4th - 9.30am** Holy Communion with Rev Sally Morris

**Sunday 4th - 9.30am** Wedding with Rev Janet Nicholls

**Sunday 11th - 10am** Lay led Family service with George Bunting

**Sunday 18th - 9.30am** Holy Communion with Rev Michael Hatchett

**Sunday 25th - 9.30am** Lay led service with Malcolm Holmes

## **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 Rosie Pollock or the churchwardens if you are considering baptism for yourself or your children, confirmation, and weddings Please contact Rev'd Andrew or Rosie for funeral arrangements.

## **Parish Prayers**

If you would like someone, an event or concern, included in church prayers please contact Kim Evans on 788698 email [kwestwood58@aol.com](mailto:kwestwood58@aol.com) or George Bunting (details on next page). Votive candles are lit at Sunday Services.

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# St. Peter's Church Goldhanger

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Mrs B Abrey

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#### Safeguarding Officer

### Vacancy

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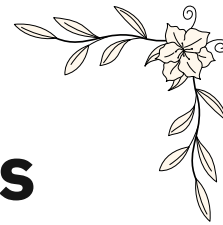
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# GOLDHANGER GALA

Weekend Schedule

| Saturday                                                        | Sunday                                                    |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------|
| 9am  Make, Bake & Grow Show                                     | 10am  Church Family Service                               |
| 9:30am  Classic Car Display                                     | 10am  Make, Bake & Grow Show                              |
| 10am  Table Top Sale                                            | 10:45am  Teddy Parachute Jump<br>Bacon Rolls & Bucks Fizz |
| 10am  Molly's Lolly Ice Cream Van<br>& Sugarstripes Sweet Stall | 11:30am  Kid's Crafts                                     |
| 10am  Fun Dog Show, Demos<br>& Refreshments                     | 12am  Line Dancing Demo<br>With Shanties                  |
| 11am  Chequers' BBQ                                             | 1pm  Fancy Dress Bike Parade                              |
| 12am  Carol & Suki                                              | 1:30pm  Football Tennis<br>& Tug of War                   |
| 1:30pm  Karate Demo                                             | 2:30pm  Guided Village History Tour                       |
| 2:30pm  Guided Village History Tour                             | 3:45pm  Live Music - The Allykats                         |
| 3pm  Children's 'Mini Sports Day'                               | 5pm  Fish & Chip Van                                      |
| 3:30pm  Pizza Van (Circles & Squares)                           |                                                           |
| 3:45pm  Live Music - The Paradise 3                             |                                                           |

## FOR SALE

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# **GOLDHANGER PARISH COUNCIL**

*Council Meeting Summary – 9<sup>th</sup> Sept 2026*

## **Planning**

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- 9a Church Sreet 26/00469 – approved by MDC.
- Land south of Long Wick Farm 26/00415 approved by MDC
  - 26/00565 Construction of an additional livestock building for the housing of pigs at Cobb Farm  
- GPC objected see MDC planning portal

## **Finance**

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Accounts approved for payment in Sept, totalling approximately £1040, including staff costs, MDC grounds work contract and Defibrillator maintenance contract

## **Correspondence**

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A letter from HMRC had been received regarding some missed tax returns which would need to be investigated.

The Council were going to request that our Essex County Councillor attend a future parish meeting to discuss parish issues

## **Playing Field & Play Area**

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A working party would be set up in the future

## **Marigold Wood**

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Nothing to report.

## **Bus Shelter & Defibrillators**

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A response had still not yet been received from the bus company for the damage caused. The chair thanked Cllr Ellis for making repairs to the bus shelter.

## **Highway Matters & Speedwatch**

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- Parking: A resident had mentioned about illegal parking and lack of enforcement in Fish Street. It was agreed not to pay for parking enforcement now due to the summer season coming to an end
- Flooding & drainage: nothing to report.
- Speedwatch – No report had been received at the time of the meeting. A follow up letter had been sent to the MP on the 8<sup>th</sup> Sept

## **Website Update**

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The website provider had apologised for the loss of website and it was back up and running again.

## **Other Notices**

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- Pay awards had been agreed for 2026/2027 at 3.3% back paid from April 2026
- Remembrance wreath had been ordered
- Future agenda items: IT Policy, Data Protection Policy, Allotment Policy, check of bench numbers against the asset register and setting up a working party for the maintenance of the playing field.

## **Next Meeting**

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The meeting closed at 8.50 The next Parish Council meeting is on 14<sup>th</sup> October 2026.



# Goldhanger Gala 2026 — What a Weekend!

See centre pages for full colour versions of these photos

Gala fever got off to a flying start on Friday night with the **Kid's Disco**. The Village Hall was filled with bubbles and balloons and youngsters strutting their stuff to K-Pop Demon Hunters (now there's a first!) and disco vibes.



Saturday morning saw the village filled with the sights and sounds of **classic cars and bikes**, with a wonderful display in the Chequers car park and churchyard. Visitors flocked to St Peter's to see the amazing **exhibition of local talent**, there was a fantastic variety of work on display. Who knew we had so much

creativity in our village? The **table top sales** along Head Street were full of lovely homewares, plants, honey and candles to name but a few and drew the crowds along to the Village Hall shows.

## Dogs, cakes and creativity

The ever-popular **Dog Show**, kindly sponsored by Petpals Maldon, was very well attended, with lots of waggy tails, fluttering eyelashes and puffed-out chests. The dogs put on their best show too! A huge thank you to steward Sue Shakespeare and judge Lesley Cook, who ensured the classes ran like clockwork. Thanks also to Ayrton and Katherine for calmly managing all the entries. Crowds were kept refreshed with teas, coffees and cakes served up by the Village Hall Committee and friends. There may have been a few people who came along purely for the cake...



While the dogs were being paraded, there was plenty more judging going on in the Village Hall with the **Make, Bake & Grow Show**. Well done to everyone who brought along their lovely home produce, vegetables, photographs and flowers. It was a decent turnout, particularly given that it hasn't been the best year for the vegetable garden — although the gin alchemists had clearly been busy!

Best in Category rosettes were awarded to Jacob Gardner, Nicola Dallinger, Claire Jermy and Emma Gardner. Very well done to them all!



## Music, food and plenty of fun

There was plenty to see and listen to around The Square, with many a guest ale and cider going down the hatch at the **Chequers Beer & Cider Festival**. Music from **Carol & Suki** and the **Shanty Crew** got us all toe tapping, while the



**Karate group** demonstrated their controlled and powerful moves in the churchyard. The ever-popular **Village History Tours** were fully booked, with two groups running on both Saturday and Sunday — proof that Goldhanger's history continues to fascinate!



Over on the playing field, children enjoyed a **Mini Sports Day**, with plenty of races and games to keep them busy. Sugarstripes' sweet stall and the ice cream van provided some essential fuel. It was a shame that Mollys Lollys, our booked ice cream van, suffered an unfortunate refrigeration breakdown and couldn't make it. However, by sheer chance another van happened to turn up and probably couldn't believe his luck at dropping into Goldhanger! A huge thumbs up to Mollys Lollys, who generously donated their pitch fee anyway. Circles & Squares Pizza van was another very welcome sight in the afternoon, keeping everyone going well into the evening.



Saturday night continued in style with Paradise 3 playing at The Chequers.

## Sunday celebrations

Sunday brought more blue skies and provided the perfect backdrop for the **Teddy Parachute Jumps**. Children enjoyed planting bulbs and making bird feeders at the **Kid's Crafts** stall

in the churchyard, while the **Shanties** sang out in The Square, accompanying — for the first time — the Rhythm & Boots line dancers for their Last Shanty Dance. More line dancing followed, with several audience members joining in with some impressive moves for the final two dances.



## The Bike Parade

Possibly one of the best spectacles of the entire weekend



was the **Bike Parade**, held in memory of Duncan Kennedy. Adults and children alike rode through the village, creating an amazing parade of colour, with beanie hats, beards and colourful shirts on full display. They finished at the Village Hall field for refreshments and photos. And what a fantastic result — an absolutely amazing £800 was raised for the British Heart Foundation! 🙌 🙌 🙌

## **Tug-of-War and the final fling**

There was plenty of muscle on display for the **Tug-of-War** on the Village Hall field, with muscles flexed, heels dug in and plenty of determination! Afterwards, everyone enjoyed the final flings of the weekend, listening to The AlleyKats at The Chequers and tucking into Sunday fish and chips.

And just like that, Gala 2026 came to a close!

## **And a thank you goes to....**

Firstly, a massive thank you to everyone for their brilliant support and generosity throughout the weekend. To the many volunteers, cake makers, servers, judges, sign makers (nice one James & Claire), first aiders and everyone who helped with setting up and taking everything down afterwards — your community spirit is absolutely awesome!

To Mike & Cherry Hood and Debs & Simon Sacker for the use of their fields for off-road parking. We simply couldn't hold our Galas without their generosity.

To Mark & Louise for the wonderful photographs. They can be seen on the Gala Facebook page and provide a fantastic reminder of such a memorable weekend.

And finally we would like to extend a huge thank you to this year's generous sponsors, whose support has helped make the Gala possible :

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So, from all of us involved in organising Gala 2026 — **thank you, Goldhanger!**

**What a weekend. What a village.**





# Parachuting Teddy Bears and Goldhanger Arts and Crafts

We were blessed again with fair skies and light winds for the annual teddy bear parachute. Thank you to everyone who came along and made it such a fun part of the Gala weekend.

The church service was held outside in the marquee and saw the teddies and the children enjoying the musical instruments and the singing.

A huge thank you to Millins of Tiptree who kindly donated the delicious bacon which was brilliantly barbecued by Lee Masters. Our oldest teddy jumping was 92 years old!

Barbara Willson had also brilliantly organised the Goldhanger Craft displays inside the church and ran the tea, coffee and cake.

The weekend was certainly enjoyed by us all and helped to raise some much needed funds for the church. Thank you to everyone who helped make teas, serve bacon butties and fizz and brought along their teddies.





# Goldhanger Village Hall



## Film Club

### Wednesday 21st October

7pm for 7:30pm



#### Unravel a woolly mystery with *The Sheep Detectives*!

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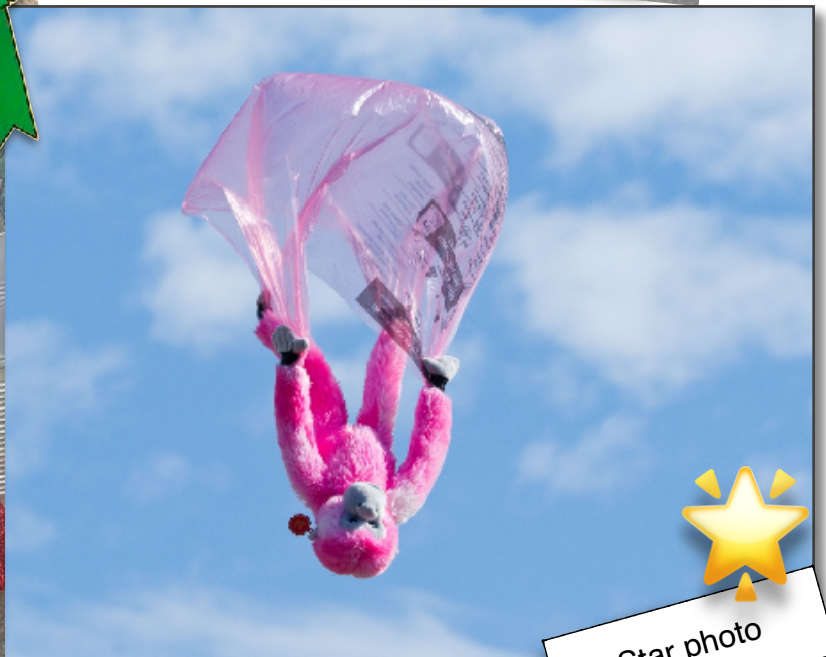


Sunday Church Pet Service  
Reprinted from last issue









Star photo



# Goldhanger Gala Flower Pot Trail

The competition invited entrants to create a planted pot, of any size or shape in the theme of Children's stories.

The village of Goldhanger obviously has some very creative and artistic residents. There were a total of 16 entrants, and the standard was very high, which made the judging quite tricky. Well done to every one who entered.

The first place went to the exhibit at Cresta House. The pot was beautifully decorated, and there had been a lot of thought and work went in to the design. The deciding factor though was the beautifully told story, in the accompanying book about the Pets of Goldhanger. An imaginative tale about the capers they get up to, when their owners are unaware, and out of sight!

2nd place went to 3, Maldon Road, and depicted all too well (for any of us gardeners) the story of The Hungry Caterpillar.

3rd place went to 16a Maldon Road depicting the Wizard of Oz.





## St.Peter's Church, Beacon Benefice Choir

To all you budding singers out there.

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## Ministry team piece October 2026

So here we are in October which has no obvious ceremonial days, but in Matthew's gospel, which will be much in evidence in the readings for the month, it shows Jesus at the end of his ministry, which is now down to him. Most of the time through the Gospels Jesus is led by his father to the various situations where he is needed, but it seems like now he's on his own, and the healings are ended and replaced by the professional religious caste, whose aim is to get rid of him.

But before we go down there, Matthew decides to have Palm Sunday earlier. It begins with the entry into Jerusalem, on a donkey, or I should say donkeys. The Gospels aren't united on it, as you will see later.

The Pharisees were the main group that hassled Jesus, they were a Jewish social movement and school of thought throughout the middle east and their beliefs became the basis for Rabbinic Judaism. Although they no longer exist, their traditions are of great importance for most Jewish religious movements.

The Sadducees had been more influenced by Greek culture, and, as it says in Matthew 21, When the Pharisees heard that he had silenced the Sadducees, and when the chief priests also heard his parables, they realized that he was speaking about them, so they got together, and one of them, a lawyer, asked him a question to test him.

Funny how a lawyer slips in there, maybe it was Nicodemus who came to Jesus by night at the beginning of John's Gospel, and helps bury the body of Jesus at the end. He asks,

"Teacher, which commandment in the law is the greatest?"

37 He – Jesus – says to him, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind."

38 This is the greatest and first commandment.

Heart, soul and mind. Do we have those anymore? Yes, of course – have a heart - we have a heart - but nowadays it's just a clock, and we can love things in our mind, we fall in love, but can we love God. I think – my mind – we can. We are because God is – that was an idea banded about by the original desert mothers and fathers; they had the spiritual space to allow such thoughts to settle among them. As for soul...I think it's easier if you're black (and I'm not).

It's easy to say we don't have that space, but maybe, this month, God willing, we can find it.

It's slightly unusual to have the same event – apart from the crucifixion and Resurrection – appearing in all four gospels, but the donkey does achieve that feat, surprisingly early in Matthew's gospel, so early that it joins up with Palm Sunday which is the next great occasion in the Christian calendar, so you've got it here in October.

I'm always slightly confused by the line *and a colt the foal of an ass*, but I have researched this and in Mark there is just one colt and Jesus sits on it. In Matthew there is a donkey and a colt and Jesus sits *on them*. In Matthew there is a donkey and a colt and Jesus manages to sit on them too, and in Luke it's just a colt, and in John he writes, 'Jesus finds a young donkey and sits on it, as it is written:

15 "Do not be afraid, daughter of Zion. Look, your king is coming, sitting on a donkey's colt!"

And finally, Zechariah, the prophet says, Rejoice greatly, O daughter Zion! Shout aloud, O daughter Jerusalem! Lo, your king comes to you; triumphant and victorious is he, humble and riding on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a donkey.

I think the answer is that Jesus does enter into Jerusalem on a donkey, but the colt comes too, because it wants to stay by his/her mother, who wants her offspring near her too. So all parties are satisfied. This is a Christian family.

~ Tim Whitfield

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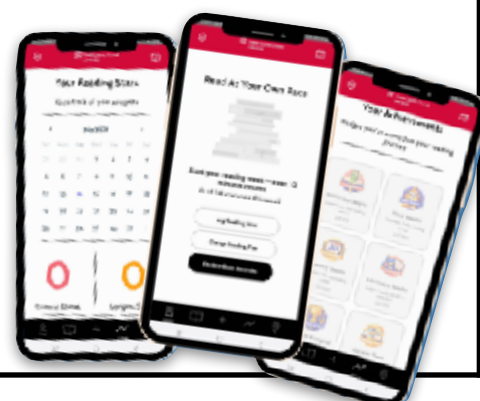
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## Word of the Month

Sciapodous: *adj.*

With large feet



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# Megabrain Wordsearch 10 - Languages

Difficulty level 3 (4 pts)

16 of the world's 20 most widely spoken languages are hidden in the grid below. When you've found the 16, the 44 unused letters reveal three more languages from the top 20 together with the country's capital cities where those languages are mostly spoken. I need you to tell me which of the three produce the most carpets. Email your answer to [pfrench2@hotmail.com](mailto:pfrench2@hotmail.com) to be immortalised in next month's magazine! Good luck!

Pete's tip: I've done the shortest one – URDU – and one letter from the world's most widely spoken language.

|   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| I | L | E | U | G | U | L | E | T | H | S | E |
| N | I | N | W | A | H | I | L | C | I | N | S |
| D | M | G | K | I | N | I | N | S | H | A | E |
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| N | T | I | R | N | R | K | N | I | S | R | G |
| E | C | S | I | F | B | I | H | A | D | E | U |
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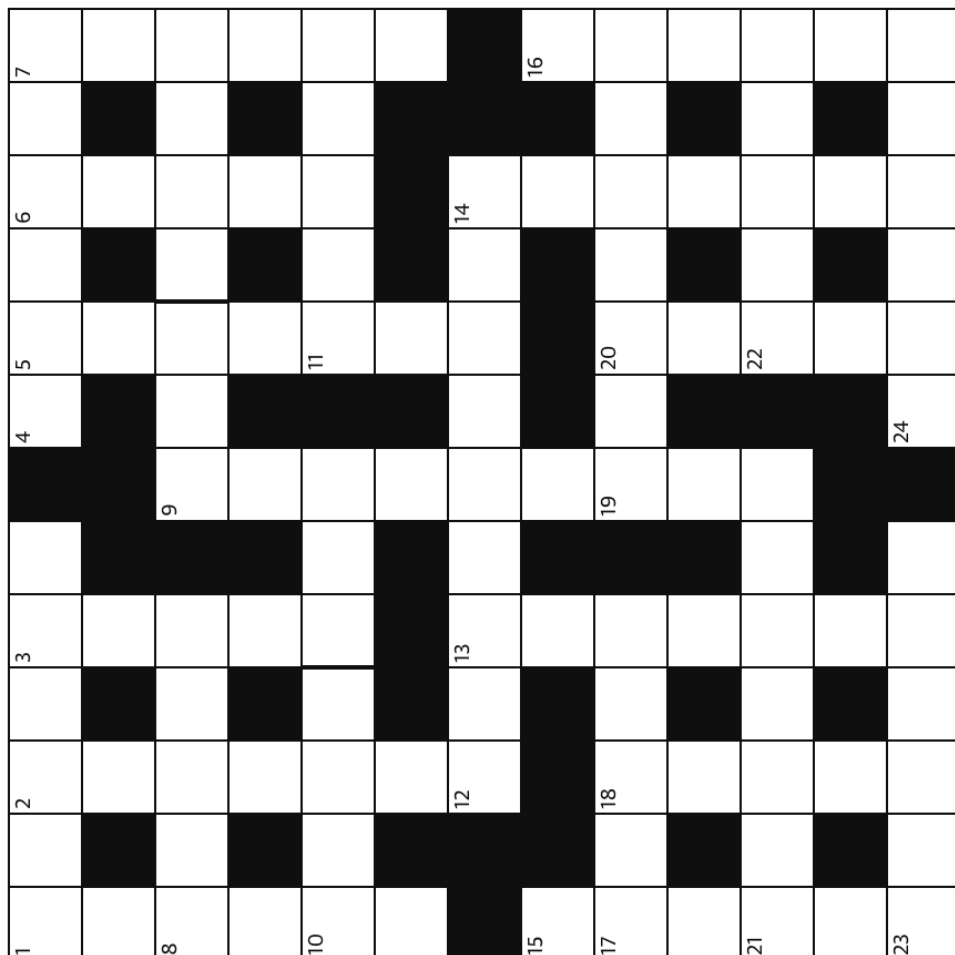
Note: Usual rules apply – diagonal, horizontal and vertical words forwards and backwards, letters can be used more than once and unused letters read as per a book to form the hidden question or clue.

**NB. The answer has either 5, 6 or 8 letters**

Last month's clue COULDN'T FIND ONE? HE WAS AT OLYMPIA! Answer: (Statue of ZEUS)

The sites were (horiz.) Alexandria, Pyramid, Temple, Mausoleum, Giza, Mexico, India, Lighthouse. Halicarnasus (vert.) Italy, Rhodes, Brazil, Gardens, Olympia, Ephesus, (diagonal) China, Peru, Jordan, Colossus, Statue, Babylon

Correct answers were received from **Mo Brooks, Ruth Jolly, David Harding, Lorraine Alford, Carole Russell, Kevin Elmore, Marion Everiss, Liz Martin and Maureen Cheeseman (MBE)** – well done to them - 5 points earned each



## Across

- 1 Belly laugh (6)
- 4 Not transparent (6)
- 8 Near(er) to the core (5)
- 9 Fresh haddock etc for cooking (3,4)
- 10 Computer images for documents (4,3)
- 11 Tomorrow perhaps (5)
- 12 Over-the-shoulder or over-the-back canvas bag (9)
- 17 Internal organs (5)
- 19 Peaceful (7)
- 21 Large bird of prey, 'honey' or 'turkey'? (7)
- 22 Indian classical instrument (5)
- 23 Bothersome – judicial work? (6)
- 24 Cognac, eg (6)

## Down

- 1 Bug (6)
- 2 Language spoken in Turku (7)
- 3 Vital vessel (5)
- 5 Joint bone (7)
- 6 Comforter – continental or patchwork? (5)
- 7 Earnestly recommend (6)
- 9 Critical point of change (9)
- 13 Bandit (7)
- 14 Noble gas (7)
- 15 Frozen fruit juice dessert (6)
- 16 Sarcastic (6)
- 18 As cola or lemonade? (5)
- 20 Beam (5)

## 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/>





# Children's Pages

## Kids Quiz (Harry Potter theme)

1. Thomas the Tank Engine is the central figure in which writer's Railway Series?
2. Who does Ben hate staying with every Friday night when his parents go to see a dancing show named "Strictly Stars Dancing"? (Hint: its a book by David Walliams)
3. Miss Agatha Trunchbull is the fictional headmistress of Crunchem Hall Primary School in which book?
4. Harry Potter learns he is a wizard on his birthday when he becomes what age?
5. "Jabberwocky" and "Tweedledum and Tweedledee" all feature in which book?
6. Dodie Smith was an English children's novelist best known for which 1956 novel? (Hint: Disney made it into an animated film in 1961.)
7. Which series of books by Jeff Kinney are the journals of Greg Heffley?
8. Pippi Longstocking lives in a small village in which country?
9. In a short children's story written and illustrated by Judith Kerr what sort of animal came to tea?
10. On her way down the yellow brick road who does Dorothy meet first, the cowardly Lion, the Scarecrow or the rusted Tin Man?

Answers on page **40**

## SPOT THE DIFFERENCE



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# Children's Pages

(Adults can join in too)

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# Recipe of the month

## Easy Mushroom Stroganoff

### Preparation time

Less than 30 minutes

### Cooking time

10 to 30 minutes

### Serves

Serves 4



### Ingredients

- 1 tbsp olive oil
- 1 onion, finely chopped
- 2 garlic cloves, crushed
- 500g mushrooms (standard or chestnut), cleaned and sliced
- ½ tsp English mustard
- 1 tsp paprika
- 250ml vegetable stock
- 200g rice
- 200ml soured cream
- 1 lemon, cut into six wedges
- salt and freshly ground black pepper



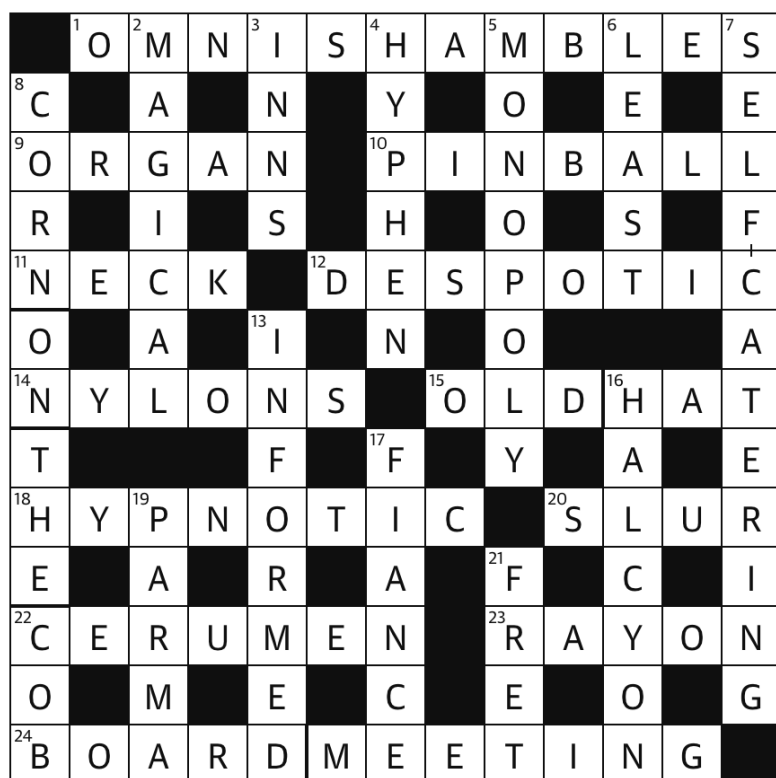
### Method

1. Heat a frying pan or wide saucepan over a medium heat and add the oil. Once hot, add the onion along with a pinch of salt and cook gently for 5–7 minutes or until soft.
2. Add the garlic to the pan and continue to cook for 2 minutes, then add the mushrooms. Continue to cook gently for a 5–6 minutes, or until the mushrooms are tender and golden brown.
3. Add the mustard and paprika and mix well so that everything is coated. Add the stock, stirring as you pour it. Simmer gently for 5 minutes while you cook the rice.
4. Cook the rice according to the packet instructions in a separate saucepan until tender.
5. Once the rice is cooked, remove the mushrooms from the heat, stir in the soured cream along with the juice of two lemon wedges and mix it all together. Taste and add salt and pepper as needed.





## Answers to September crossword



## Answers to Kids Quiz

1. Reverend W. Awdry
2. His grandmother (in *Gangsta Granny*)
3. Matilda (by Roald Dahl)
4. 11
5. Through the Looking-Glass
6. One Hundred and One Dalmatians
7. Diary of a Wimpy Kid
8. Sweden (in a book by Astrid Lindgren)
9. A tiger
10. The scarecrow



## Website of the Month

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

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| Centigrade | Farenheit | Gas Mark |
|------------|-----------|----------|
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| 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        |

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| Dates                                                                                    | Location          | Stop name                    | Arrives      | Leaves       |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------|------------------------------|--------------|--------------|
| <b>2026</b><br><br><b>14th October</b><br>4th November<br>25th November<br>16th December | 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        |
|                                                                                          | <b>Goldhanger</b> | <b>Village Hall</b>          | <b>13:10</b> | <b>13:40</b> |
|                                                                                          | Heybridge         | Plantation Hall              | 14:45        | 15:15        |
|                                                                                          | Langford          | Little Hills                 | 15:30        | 16:00        |

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# BUS TIMETABLE

Monday to Friday

## Tollesbury ▶ Goldhanger ▶ Heybridge ▶ Maldon

95

95A

**Mondays to Fridays** excluding bank holidays

| Route                               | 95A  | 95   | 95   | 95   | 95   | 95   |
|-------------------------------------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| Code                                | Sch  | NSch |      |      |      |      |
| Tollesbury, The Square              | 0730 | 0732 | 0932 | 1142 | 1432 | 1612 |
| Tolleshunt D'Arcy, The Red Lion     | 0735 | 0737 | 0937 | 1147 | 1437 | 1617 |
| Goldhanger, Rectory Corner          | 0741 | 0743 | 0943 | 1153 | 1443 | 1623 |
| Heybridge, Osea Road                | 0747 | 0749 | 0949 | 1159 | 1449 | 1629 |
| Heybridge, Heybridge Basin          | 0754 |      |      |      |      |      |
| Heybridge, Bentalls Shopping Centre | 0759 | 0755 | 0955 | 1205 | 1455 | 1635 |
| Maldon, Tesco Store                 |      | 0758 | 0958 | 1208 | 1458 | 1638 |
| Maldon Town Centre, The Swan Hotel  |      | 0801 | 1001 |      | 1501 |      |
| Maldon, Blackwater Leisure Centre   |      | 0805 | 1005 |      | 1505 |      |
| Maldon, Morrisons Wycke Hill        |      | 0810 | 1010 |      | 1510 |      |
| Maldon Town Centre, The White Horse | 0808 |      |      | 1211 |      | 1641 |
| Maldon, Upper Plume School          | 0810 |      |      |      |      |      |
| Maldon, Lower Plume School          | 0815 |      |      |      |      |      |

## Maldon ▶ Heybridge ▶ Goldhanger ▶ Tollesbury

95

95A

**Mondays to Fridays** excluding bank holidays

| Route                               | 95   | 95   | 95   | 95A  | 95   | 95   |
|-------------------------------------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| Code                                |      |      |      | Sch  | NSch |      |
| Maldon, Upper Plume School          |      |      |      | 1520 |      |      |
| Maldon, Lower Plume School          |      |      |      | 1525 |      |      |
| Maldon, Morrisons Wycke Hill        |      | 1016 |      |      | 1525 |      |
| Maldon, Blackwater Leisure Centre   |      | 1020 |      |      | 1529 |      |
| Maldon Town Centre, The Swan Hotel  | 0825 | 1025 | 1225 | 1528 | 1534 | 1655 |
| Maldon, Tesco Store                 | 0829 | 1029 | 1229 | 1532 | 1538 | 1659 |
| Heybridge, Bentalls Shopping Centre | 0832 | 1032 | 1232 | 1535 | 1541 | 1703 |
| Heybridge, Heybridge Basin          |      |      |      | 1542 |      |      |
| Heybridge, Osea Road                | 0837 | 1037 | 1237 | 1546 | 1546 | 1708 |
| Goldhanger, Rectory Corner          | 0841 | 1043 | 1243 | 1553 | 1553 | 1715 |
| Tolleshunt D'Arcy, The Red Lion     | 0847 | 1048 | 1248 | 1558 | 1558 | 1720 |
| Tollesbury, The Square              | 0852 | 1054 | 1254 | 1605 | 1604 | 1726 |

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# BUS TIMETABLE

Saturday

## Tollesbury ▶ Goldhanger ▶ Heybridge ▶ Maldon

95

### Saturdays

|                                     |      |      |      |
|-------------------------------------|------|------|------|
| Tollesbury, The Square              | 0942 | 1142 | 1432 |
| Tolleshunt D'Arcy, The Red Lion     | 0947 | 1147 | 1437 |
| Goldhanger, Rectory Corner          | 0953 | 1153 | 1443 |
| Heybridge, Osea Road                | 0959 | 1159 | 1449 |
| Heybridge, Heybridge Basin          |      |      |      |
| Heybridge, Bentalls Shopping Centre | 1005 | 1205 | 1455 |
| Maldon, Tesco Store                 | 1008 | 1208 | 1458 |
| Maldon Town Centre, The White Horse | 1011 | 1211 | 1501 |

## Maldon ▶ Heybridge ▶ Goldhanger ▶ Tollesbury

95

### Saturdays

|                                     |      |      |      |      |
|-------------------------------------|------|------|------|------|
| Maldon Town Centre, The Swan Hotel  | 1025 | 1225 | 1425 | 1625 |
| Maldon, Tesco Store                 | 1029 | 1229 | 1429 | 1629 |
| Heybridge, Bentalls Shopping Centre | 1032 | 1232 | 1432 | 1632 |
| Heybridge, Heybridge Basin          |      |      |      |      |
| Heybridge, Osea Road                | 1037 | 1237 | 1437 | 1637 |
| Goldhanger, Rectory Corner          | 1043 | 1243 | 1443 | 1643 |
| Tolleshunt D'Arcy, The Red Lion     | 1048 | 1248 | 1448 | 1648 |
| Tollesbury, The Square              | 1053 | 1253 | 1453 | 1653 |

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| Alcoholics Anonymous                          | 01904 644026                                    |
| Childline                                     | 0800 1111                                       |
| Universal Credit Helpline                     | 0800 328 5644                                   |
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| Gingerbread (Charity for single parents)      | 01245 352708                                    |
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| Essex & Suffolk Water           | 0345 782 0999 |

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| Bus Station Colchester       | 01206 572478           |
| Stansted Airport             | 0844 335 1803          |

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| Blackwater Leisure Centre | 851898        |
| Witham Leisure Centre     | 0845 260 1535 |