



**C**an you believe that Christmas will soon be here again and that this is our nineteenth festive issue. We hope that it will keep you amused and bring a few smiles during the festive season. From our presence on the Web we understand that we now have readers from as far away as Hungary, Australia, Mexico, Norway, New Zealand and America (not to mention Peterborough).

Our long standing stocks of Egyptian claret have now been distributed but Santa and Rudolph have braved another icy trip to the shops to buy some lovely alternatives for our top three entrants. Scoring follows our normal pattern with one point available for identifying the following:

1. Each of the "fake news" entries - we have rated some as true because we have read them in the press and some we have fabricated.
2. Each of the ten spelling mistakes which are dotted about on the first seven pages.
3. Each of our unusually named guest contributors who, this year, hail from Africa and whose names appear in anagram form after their entry.

You may find our good friends Google and Yahoo of benefit but it is always better to see how many answers you can get without resorting to them. Many of the sections have a maximum number of points allocated and, although you will not score extra points if you exceed the maximum, you will impress our panel of judges if you do.

As usual, this introduction contains at least sixty different christian names hidden in the text all of which are consecutive letters and may span more than one word. Many names are in shortened form and can be abbreviated forms of the same name (eg/ Ed, Ted and Edward). There is one point available for locating each name, including the duplicates, to a maximum of sixty.

**Please send your entries to Ralph Horton at 18 Highcroft to arrive by the 15<sup>th</sup> of January.**

**Good luck - you will need it!**

The Clairvoyance evening which was due to take place at the Village Hall on January 5<sup>th</sup> has been cancelled due to unforeseen circumstances.



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### Little donkey

A donkey was recently tied to a twenty foot rope on the playing field but managed to munch on a bale of straw which was thirty feet away.

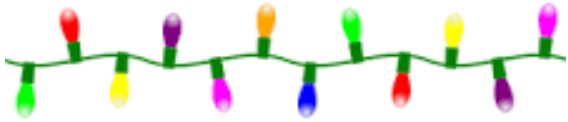
**For 5 points - how would this be possible?  
(Ken Ay)**

### Fake news?

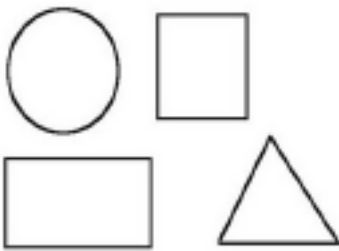
An electrician working in a charity shop in Cardiff went back to his van for more equipment and found that his set of tools, valued at £200, had been sold for £1 by one of the assistants.

Fortunately, they were returned to him after his plight was publicised.

(Norma Eco)



### The shape of things



We have previously presented this little teaser and have been so impressed by the results that we have decided to include it again.

All you have to do is compose a picture using up to 10 squares, 6 rectangles, 4 circles and 4 triangles. The shapes can be re-sized if you wish.

**There is 1 point available for each element used with 1 bonus point if the picture has a Christmas theme and 2 bonus points if your work of art is coloured in.**

(Adam A Scrag)



**Now that Melvyn has retired from farming has he become an ex tractor fan?**

### Aladdin Sane

A few of the Bugle team members went to see their favourite pantomimes last Christmas.

If Heather went to see Aladdin at a ticket price of £45, Mike and Sylvia watched Cinderella for £83 and Ralph and Jo saw Peter Pan for £95 how much did it cost Frances and her family to attend Sleeping Beauty?

**5 points for the correct answer**

(Angie Ri)

### Little arrows

Archers from the Village Archery club were set the task of shooting arrows at the board with the object of scoring 50 points by hitting three separate squares.

Two of them were successful.

26	14	12
15	21	25
16	11	22
17	18	13

**There are 5 points available for finding each of the two combinations**

(Dan Agu)

### It's so easy

Many of our readers tell us that they find crossword puzzles a little difficult. Here are four easy ones to get you started.

#### Crossword for beginners Number 1

1 Across:- Indefinite article.

1 Down:- First letter of the alphabet.

#### Crossword for beginners Number 2

1 Across:- Buzzing insect.

1 Down:- Second letter of the alphabet

#### Crossword for beginners Number 3

1 Across:- Ships sail on it.

1 Down:- Third letter of the alphabet.

#### Crossword for beginners Number 4

1 Across:- Bird of the magpie family

1 Down:- Tenth letter of the alphabet

**There is 1 point available for each correct answer**  
(Ian Gue)

### When will I be famous?

All you have to do here is name any well known people whose second name begins with the letter after the initial of their first name. Eg/ Alan Bennett, Rod Stewart.

**1 point for every correct answer to a maximum of 30 points**

(Nora Lee Rise)

### Here comes the sun

Scientists at The Leicester Space Centre came up with the very unusual idea of sending a rocket to the Sun. A number of their colleagues poured scorn on the idea - "As soon as it nears the Sun it will burn up," they said. "We've already thought of that," said the scientists, "so we are going to fly at night."

(Dot Bijui)

### Colours

How many films, books or songs are you able to name which contain colours in their title?

**1 point for each answer to a maximum of 50**

(Vera Cobed)



### Life is a long song

All of the headings in this issue (except "Fake news") are titles of songs by various artists or bands.

**There is 1 point available for identifying any artist or band who performed the song. There should be 25 in total**

(Peg Ty)



### Fake news?

An Ipswich couple spent £5000 on a wedding for their pet dogs Luna and Paco. The nuptials were witnessed by twenty guests who toasted the "bride and groom" with glasses of "Pawsecco" before watching the dogs eat wedding cake made of corned beef and mashed potato.

(Ali By)



### Lucky number

List consecutive digits (in a forward direction, across and down only) which when added together total a multiple of 10 (eg. 5+8+7 = 20)

3	2	5	4	1
6	8	8	7	1
1	4	7	9	8
2	6	2	4	4
8	2	3	7	8

**1 point for each number to a maximum of 20**  
(Dan War)

*Merry Christmas*

### Bobby's Girl

A policeman was on his beat walking down Bell Lane with his girlfriend when he came across a drunken man carrying a filing cabinet and a desk with a typewriter balanced on his head.

"Hello, hello, hello" said the policeman "what have we got here then?"

"I'm just impersonating an office, sir" said the man. Don't forget that, if you need your local bobby, he can be reached at 999 Letsby Avenue.

(Abi Iman)

## Welcome to the club

The Bugle team members all have other interests to fill their time.

The clubs they belong to are listed below and you need to identify which club each member belongs to, the night they meet and the annual subscription. Four members meet on a Monday and four meet on a Thursday. The subscriptions increase from £30 to £100 in £10 increments.

*Note: The various memberships may or may not reflect the real interests of the members.*

Mountaineering Club, Historical Society  
Badminton Club, Ramblers Group  
Tennis Club, Art Group  
Craft Club and Book Club

1. Three of the members belong to clubs which begin with the initial letter of their first name.
2. All the boys belong to the most expensive clubs and meet early in the week with the girl who has the cheapest membership.
3. Jo and Mike have creative interests with Jo paying £10 less than Mike who has the cheapest membership of the boys.
4. Both Penny and Frances like racquet sports but Penny prefers to be outdoors. Her annual fee is half that of Melvyn's.
5. The Badminton Club subscription is £20 per year less than the Book Club.

**There is 1 point available for correctly matching each team member with their interest, day of the week and annual membership fee.**

**(Liza Wands)**



## Fake news?

Residents of a new housing complex in Bath have complained that the dialling code they were given did not reveal their upmarket location. They had expected to receive 01225 but were instead given 01761.

**(Stan Abow)**



## The happy elf

Every elf depicted in this issue has to deliver all of the pictured presents to children at the village school. If Santa pays the green elves £5 for the delivery of each present and the red elves £8 per delivery how much change would he have from his £600 budget?

**There are 3 points available for calculating the total number of presents and 5 points for calculating the change Santa would obtain**

**(Alan Og)**

## Spirit in the sky

We have a good friend who we have nicknamed "The Exorcist". Every time he comes round for a drink our spirits disappear.

**(Liam Aso)**



## The state I'm in

Can you name any State in America which contains all the letters U S A in its name?

**1 point for each State correctly named**  
**(Stan Uii)**

## Going up the country

Can you name any country which contains any of the individual letters from the word "Bugle" at least twice? eg/ Barbuda.

**1 point for each correct answer to a maximum of 10 points**  
**(Sean Gel)**

## Double trouble

Are you able to list two word names or phrases from any two consecutive letters in "Husbands Bosworth"? eg/ Sue Barker, Double standards

**1 point for each answer to a maximum of 30 points**  
**(Rita Sumui)**

**Fake news?**

Residents of Warrington became so fed up with seeing abandoned shopping trolleys near their local supermarket that they decided to have them converted into a work of art. They commissioned a local artist, Simon Ainsbury, to complete the task with the aid of a £3000 donation from the local council. The finished work consisted of ten shopping trolleys which were linked together but could be moved independently at the whim of passers by.



**(Hope Itai)**

**Money Money Money**

Six members of the Bugle team travelled widely last year visiting a number of countries and their capitol cities. Are you able to identify the countries they visited and the various currencies they had to use from the following list of capital cities?

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Pretoria								
Prague								
Nairobi								
Caracas								
Tunis								
Delhi								

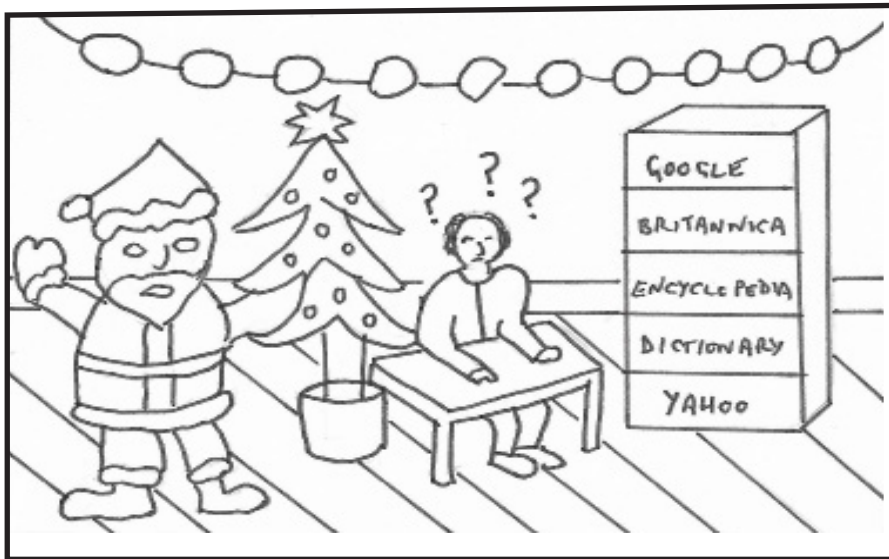
If the currency names are placed correctly in the grid the fourth column will reveal the name of another major world currency.

**There is 1 point available for naming each currency, 1 point for each country and a further 3 points for correctly identifying the hidden currency unit**

**(Stan Houdus)**

**Waiting for an alibi**

Here is your annual chance to bring your artistic talents to the fore. Use your imagination to colour the cartoon below and provide an alternative caption. As usual, please feel free to enlist the help of your children or their grandparents.



**“If you don’t come up with inspiration soon you will miss Christmas altogether”**

**There are 5 points available for the colouring and 5 points for providing the alternative caption.**

**(Sonia Farbuk)**

## Poetry in motion

Each answer is the name of a writer, playwright or poet. The initial letter of their surname appears in brackets after each clue.

- 1) Middle colour of the rainbow (G)
- 2) Short nap by the heather (K)
- 3) Mother appears depressed (M)
- 4) He is the leader of The Catholics (P)
- 5) Stan Laurel's large friend (H)
- 6) An angry warrior may do this (S)
- 7) Railway engine with a speech defect (T)
- 8) Welcome home for a fox in a rainstorm (D)
- 9) You will find him north of Hadrian's Wall (S)
- 10) Start of play at Wimbledon (T)
- 11) A good source of natural water (W)
- 12) Next to actor Mr Moody (B)
- 13) Vocabulary has some value (W)
- 14) River running through Verona in Italy (P)
- 15) Letcherous look (L)
- 16) You could get these from an open fire (B)
- 17) Turning a nice colour in the sun (B)
- 18) Popular song at Christmas time (C)
- 19) A very tall chap (L)
- 20) Untamed (W)
- 21) You will find him grinding the corn (M)
- 22) Sounds like a stretch of coastline (S)
- 23) The UK currency unit (P)
- 24) A German drinking vessel by a small stream (S)
- 25) Sidekick of Inspector Morse (L)
- 26) He used to rule the UK (K)
- 27) Big Steve's male offspring (S)
- 28) Capital city of The UK (L)
- 29) A rapidly flying bird (S)
- 30) Shove your family (P)
- 31) He feeds the fire to keep it alight (S)
- 32) American champion tennis sisters (W)
- 33) River flowing through Suffolk (O)
- 34) It suits big Gerry (F)
- 35) Candlemaker (C)
- 36) Shout very loud (B)
- 37) Sounds like a big swelling on your foot (B)
- 38) The Old Mother who had a cupboard (H)
- 39) It belongs to the first man (A)
- 40) She could be found in sheep's clothing (W)

**1 point for each correct answer**  
**(Theo Sol)**



## Fun Fun Fun

In which well known TV sitcoms do the following characters appear?

- 1) René Artois
  - 2) Bob Ferris
  - 3) Ted Bovis
  - 4) Baldrick
  - 5) Manuel
  - 6) Jim Hacker
  - 7) David Horton
  - 8) Patsy Stone
  - 9) Hyacinth Bucket
  - 10) Rupert Rigsby
  - 11) Else Garnett
  - 12) Captain Peacock
  - 13) Trigger
  - 14) Dorien Green
  - 15) Wolfie Smith
  - 16) Ria Parkinson
  - 17) Inspector Cyril Blake
  - 18) Margo Leadbetter
  - 19) Bernard "Privet" Hedges
  - 20) Gunner "Gloria" Beaumont
- 1 point for each correct answer**  
**(Tania Zan)**



## Have a drink on me

I've read a lot about the evils of drink recently so I've decided to stop reading  
**(Abi Z Wemb)**



## Fake news?

A jewellery shop robbery went amiss in Leeds when the robbers mugged the shop owners and stole their packed lunches in the mistaken belief that the bags contained jewellery.  
**(Reg Alia)**

## Beat it

The following are four tracks by The Beatles with every alternate letter removed. All you have to do is identify the four tracks and then find the names of the bands whose names begin with the letters we have provided. The clues are presented in random order.

B-C-I-T-E-S-R, P-N-Y-A-E,  
G-T-A-K, L-T-T-E

- 1) Girl's playthings from The Big Apple
- 2) Paul Daniels performed this at very little cost.
- 3) Was this group formed by Thomas Edison?
- 4) It would taste very nice with mint sauce.
- 5) You will not find these lads on the main road.
- 6) They would help you stop in an Italian city.
- 7) You may do this at the gym to keep fit.
- 8) Abbreviated third color of the rainbow.
- 9) A metal virgin.
- 10) Conflagration at the shopping centre.
- 11) There is one on each arm.
- 12) This may help you to see better whilst shaving.
- 13) Assassins.
- 14) First book of The Old Testament.
- 15) Eve's partner with his picnic pests.
- 16) A jellied treat for cockneys.
- 17) Definitive article twice.
- 18) These siblings are armed with sharp instruments.
- 19) Preserve made from an oyster's jewel.
- 20) Little Elizabeth is in need of a square meal.

**There is 1 point available for identifying each track by The Beatles and 1 for each group.**

**(Baz Mai)**



## Fake news?

On the 1st of April next year people living in the southern counties of The UK will be treated to a rare astronomical phenomenon which will occur at about 11pm and is known as "The Copernicus Effect". This occurs when three planets, Mercury, Venus and Saturn fall in a direct line and, if the night is clear, the planets will appear as concentric circles of red and orange surrounded by the yellow rings of Saturn.

**(Liam Wa)**



## Walking back to happiness

It is now time to walk off your Christmas lunch by taking a leisurely stroll around the village. All of the following clues are years that can be found in various locations throughout the village.

- 1) In which year did Emily Kenmore open the re-furbished play area?
- 2) What year appears on the post box number LE17 221 attached to the Chinese takeaway?
- 3) What is the date on the plaque to the left of the Church door dedicated to Messrs Smith and Ward?
- 4) When was the Sunday School Children's Stone laid at Adnitt House?
- 5) In which year was the Village Hall built?
- 6) What year did thieves have to be aware of on the Highcroft electricity sub station?
- 7) When was the village green notice board erected?
- 8) What date appears on the building adjacent to the water pump on Honeypot Lane?
- 9) When is Husbands Bosworth Medical Centre coming to Welford Road?

**1 point for each correct answer together with 1 bonus point for calculating the total sum of the years.**

**(Martina Aui)**

## Rockin' around the Christmas tree

When we put our Bugle entry in to the Christmas Tree Festival this year we found the tree but could not find any of the decorations. We titled our entry "BHS" because all the branches were empty.

**(Abi Mag)**

## DIARY DATES for JANUARY

Wednesday 10 <sup>th</sup>	NO PARISH COUNCIL MEETING IN JANUARY Historical Society - Harborough Movie Makers, 7.30pm Sports Pavilion
Friday 12 <sup>th</sup>	Causeway Coffee Morning, 10.00am - 11.30am Sports Pavilion
Saturday 13 <sup>th</sup>	<i>Govannen</i> Celtic Music Concert, 7.30pm Village Hall
Friday 19 <sup>th</sup>	Mobile library
Tuesday 30 <sup>th</sup>	Village Lunch, 12.30pm Kilworth Springs Golf Club
Saturday 20 <sup>th</sup>	Millennium Wood work party, 9.30am - 12.30pm

## FORTHCOMING EVENTS

Tues., February 6 <sup>th</sup>	Parish Council Meeting
Wed., February 28 <sup>th</sup>	Village Lunch

## LOCAL PLANNING NEWS

- 17/01946/FUL [*Jayne Commercial Ltd*] Erection of 5 dwellings including alterations to existing access, Land off Butt Lane
  - 17/01968/FUL [*Harborough Energy*] Install 560 solar PV panels to create a 150kW array, Airfield Park, Sibbertoft Road
- Current applications may be inspected during normal working hours at the Council Offices, The Symington Building, Adam & Eve Street, Market Harborough. Comments concerning planning applications should be addressed to the Development Control Manager. Planning applications and other aspects of local government can now be viewed on-line at [www.harborough.gov.uk](http://www.harborough.gov.uk)*

## ROAD CLOSED

County Highways have given advance warning of roadworks that will close Mowsley Road at the junction with High Street, in order to facilitate the replacement of a fire hydrant point. The works will commence on Monday, February 5<sup>th</sup> and are expected to take 3 days.

## OLD MONEY

The old paper £10 notes, featuring Charles Darwin cease to be legal tender from March 1<sup>st</sup> 2018. Banks will exchange the old notes for some time thereafter but businesses will no longer be obliged to accept them.

## POPPY APPEAL

Our contribution to this year's Poppy Appeal was again well supported, showing an increase on last year. Very many thanks to everyone for your continuing support. We were able to forward £3,200 from our collections around our local villages. There was a very good attendance for the Remembrance Day service at All Saints, with many members of organisations representing our younger folk parading to the War Memorial. The Last Post, sounded at 11.00am was followed by 2 minutes silence, which was ended by Reveille and a fly-past, kindly arranged by the Gliding Club. The Rev. Liz Bickley conducted the service and arranged for the direct participation of many of the young people attending the parade. Rev. Liz reminded the congregation that next year Remembrance Sunday falls on the centenary of Armistice Day, November 11<sup>th</sup>, 1918 and asked that we consider how that anniversary should be observed.

## Parish Notices

**Anne Painter**  
*Of Butt Lane*  
Died November 28<sup>th</sup> 2017  
Aged 77 years  
**R.I.P.**

## SULBY GARDENS

Many thanks to those who came to the National Garden Scheme Open Days at Sulby Gardens this year. We achieved a record in this our 5<sup>th</sup> year, with over 500 visitors, raising over £3,000. The Apple Event was our first two-day opening and it was very successful with 192 visitors and the opportunity for people to come on a Friday and in the morning. We shall be repeating this format next year.

We broke all records in August, including a pleasing number of children, who were on their school holidays. We are always pleased to see children visiting and of course they are admitted free of charge, and opening until 5.00pm in April and June enables parents to visit after school.

The gardens look wonderful all the year round and some visitors come to every opening so that they can see the garden in different seasons. I do hope to see even more of you in 2018 - first opening is on Thursday, April 26<sup>th</sup> for our displays of Snakeshead Fritillaries and Cowslips.

## CHRISTMAS FESTIVAL

Thank you to everyone who helped at All Saints Christmas Festival, and to all those who came along to enjoy the splendidly lit church and supported the event. In the region of £1525 was raised.

Results of the competitions were as follows:

- Adult Display - *Jan Currie*
- Adult Group Display - *Millennium Woodland Trust*
- Child Display - *Cutri family*
- Child Group Display - *School Class 3*
- Child's Competition - *Eliot Veitch*
- Cake - *Inga Carstairs*
- Child's Toy - *Ruth Turner*

## PLOUGH SUNDAY

This year the annual benefice Plough Service will be on January 21<sup>st</sup> at 10.30am at All Saints Church, when we will welcome the Rt. Rev. Martyn Snow, Bishop of Leicester as our preacher to bless the work of our farms, allotments and gardens. All are welcome.

## MOBILE LIBRARY

**Due to access problems the mobile library will now be stopping on Butt Lane instead of Church Street. Normal library days are third Friday of the month.**