

WThen the robin, partridge and other fowl are on their perches, the goose and the turkey are about to meet their catastrophic end and Santa has saddled Rudolph and his reindeer friends for a swift delivery of our presents you know that it is time for the Christmas Bugle to be left on your doorstep.
Our compiler does his best to fox you with his shrewd new teasers but our entrants use all their ingenuity and are always up to the challenge. Last year the victor's crown was shared by a village family and a lady from Swansea. She made a very dogged effort but her only mistake was that she did not use all her crayons to do every bit of the colouring. She was pleased to receive her box of chocolates which she shared with her mother.
Apart from the individual puzzles there is one point for spotting each of the ten delibarate spelling mistakes, one point for each "True or false" and one point for identifying each of the Homeland States from which our American contributors hail. (Their names apear in anagram form after their contribution).
There has always been a spike of entries immediately prior to our closing date so please get your skates on and, if you feel able, share your entries with Ralph Horton at 18 Highcroft by 15th January. This introduction contains the names of several types of creature. There is one point available for locating each one (including those duplicated) to a maximum of 45 . They are all consecutive letters and may span more than one word or there may be two creatures in the same word (eg/ Beagle is not just a breed of dog but also contains the word eagle).
To save any embarrassment we do not share the names of our booby prize winners.
Thank you and good luck.
(Carol Toni Harn)

## Grocery store

Jack and Jill have six daughters and each daughter has a brother.
It costs Jill $£ 20$ per week to feed each child, $£ 25$ for herself and $£ 30$ for Jack.
For 5 points - what is Jill's weekly grocery bill?
(Reg Ogia)

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The meeting of the Village Hypochondriacs Club due to be held in The Village Hall on the 10th December was cancelled because most of the members thought that they would be too ill to attend.


## Double Trouble

The answers to the following clues are all two word names or phrases beginning with the same letter of the alphabet. Not every letter of the alphabet is here and, to make things easier, we have presented the clues in alphabetical order.

1) 1975 Wimbledon tennis champion
2) "Hello playmates" was his cheery greeting
3) They are there to help if your car breaks down
4) Popular item at The Catering Corner
5) "Boom Boom" he said to Mr Derek
6) Glass container for your real ale
7) He was watching you in 1984
8) He was always in search of more tuck at Greyfriars
9) Anna Sewell's equine friend
10) Does Dracula keep his savings here?
11) It is worth five points in a game of snooker
12) US actor who sounds as though he is in a hurry
13) You can eat or pull them at Yuletide
14) High Street outlet for caffine lovers
15) Refined organization headed by Boy George
16) Dandy man who loves his meat pies
17) His nephews were Huey, Dewey and Louie
18) A seasonal chocolate treat
19) Wilma's caveman husband
20) Valuable spherical film and television award
21) Anne's home in a book by Lucy Montgomery
22) Your lawn is composed of this except in a drought
23) Swedish actress who wanted to be "let alone"
24) Eatery in Gilmorton sounds like a dull bird
25) Glass receptacles for your breakfast preserves
26) He climbed The Empire State Building with Fay
27) Walt Disney character who is 90 this year
28) Popeye's girlfriend
29) Porcine cartoon favoured by many youngsters
30) Charles Dickens wrote about these chronicles
31) Sounds like a smelly version of table tennis
32) Inspector Clousseau eventually hunted him down
33) Dessert which often follows the turkey
34) Popular ice cream flavour
35) Horse who won the Grand National three times
36) Furry animal who was framed in a 1988 film
37) It could be a Phantom, Silver Shadow or Corniche
38) 40th President of The USA
39) He was home on the range with Trigger
40) Musical siblings with cutting implements
41) Elderly computer user could be riding the waves
42) He met a pieman on his way to the fair
43) P T Barnum's minute performer
44) They help to keep a non-swimmer afloat
45) Unhappy tree in tears

1 point for each correct answer
( Ray L Damn)

## I'm so excited

Bearing in mind our impending divorce from the continent how many European countries are you able to name which contain at least three letters from "BREXIT"

## 1 point for each correct answer (Kath Oustoad)



## You've got a friend

Ralph is not very technically minded and has a lot of trouble remembering passwords so he decided not to join "Facebook".
Instead of this he wanders around the village talking to everyone he meets. He tells them what he has eaten for breakfast, supplying the occasional photograph, and his plans for the rest of the month. He is always anxious to hear his friends' plans and wants to be liked by as many people as possible.
He now has three followers - two policemen and a psychiatrist!
(Delia Rhonds)


## True or false?

Waitrose supermarket was named after two of its founding partners - Wallace Waite and Arthur Rose.
(Tina W Virgies)

## Ring my bell

Use the following number square to locate the last three digits of the Bugle team members' telephone numbers. If a husband and wife are members of the team their telephone numbers are not repeated. Numbers can be found in a vertical, horizontal or diagonal line.

| 6 | 4 | 1 | 5 | 5 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 5 | 1 | 4 | 2 | 4 |
| 2 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 6 |
| 0 | 5 | 6 | 1 | 3 |
| 9 | 6 | 1 | 8 | 2 |

For 5 points what do the unused numbers total? (Russ Iomi)


## Lucky number

Use two or more consecutive numbers from the grid above to produce multiples of 5 .
They must be taken from horizontal or vertical lines in a forward direction only.

## 1 point for each to a maximum of 20 <br> (Shane Whimper)

## The Shape I'm in

The following now makes an annual appearance in our festive edition because we are always impressed by our contestants' inginuity and artistic abilities. The number allocated to each shape does change each year. Are you able to compose a picture using up to 12 squares, 8 rectangles, 6 circles and 6 triangles?


There is 1 point available for each element used with 2 bonus points if the picture has a Christmas theme and a further 5 points if your picture is coloured in
(Ward Alee)

## True or false?

Due to the popularity of jam making we are told that both Waitrose and Sainsburys were selling empty jam jars at a higher price than full ones. Jars were being sold for between $£ 2$ and $£ 5$ whereas full ones could be purchased for as little as 50 p.
(Tom Nana)

## It's my party

The elves pictured in this edition very kindly deliver presents in our village,
Santa decided to hold a party for them and asked each one to bring a friend along. He bought each elf a gift costing $£ 20$ and each of their friends one costing $£ 10$. The cost of the other party items was:- Turkey $£ 50$, Pudding $£ 15$, Cake $£ 15$, Tree $£ 30$, Beer Barrel $£ 60$, Fireworks $£ 40$.
How much would each elf have to contribute towards the party if Santa paid $£ 250$ ?

## 5 points for the correct answer

(Dora Cool)

## River deep, mountain high

What are the names of the longest river and highest mountain in the world before the discovery of The River Nile and Mount Everest?

## 3 points for each correct answer

(Dai Ho)

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## True or false?

Towns in the UK like to twin with other similar towns or cities abroad.
We now hear that The Perthshire village of Dull is to pair with the Oregon city of Boring and they are also teaming up with the Australian town of Bland. The partnership cannot become an official twinning because of the vastly different populations of each place.
(Tina Carol Hous)

## School's out

Have you heard that the school have appointed a new cross eyed teacher.
She can't control her pupils
(Sian W Thong)

## The heat is on

Mike had a very busy day servicing boilers in each of the villages covered by The Hexagon Magazine but he still found time to chat with his numerous friends.
Are you able to provide their names by taking letters from the lines in the following grid. Letters have to be taken from consecutive lines in a downwards direction only but can start on any horizontal line (eg/ Don/Ben)

## BRUNTINGTHORPE <br> ARNESBY <br> THEDDINGWORTH <br> MOWSLEY <br> HUSBANDS BOSWORTH SHEARSBY

There is 1 point available for nameing each of Mike's friends to a maximum of 40 (Nora Zia)


## When will I be famous

Name as many famous people as you can who have any vegetable, fruit, tree or flower in their name (eg/ Sean Bean/ Lily Allen)
1 point for each to a maximum of 30
(Nic Nowsis)


## Stand and deliver

Here is one for the artists amongst you all.
All you have to do is colour the following image and then add a suitable alternate caption


Hello Santa - Don't you think it would be easier to deliver your quiz entry through the letter box like everyone else does?

There are 5 points available for the colouring and a further 5 points for suggesting an alternative caption (Ben Askar)

## Double vision

The picture below can be seen in two ways. Are you able to identify the two separate pictures?


## 3 points avalable for each picture identified (Ena Mi)

## True or false?

In a leap year February is the only month containing 29 days
(Alma Baa)

## Hound dog

Melvyn took his dog to the vet the other day.
The vet picked her up, looked into her eyes and said "I'm afraid that I am going to have to put her down". "Is she that ill?" said Melvyn.
"No" said the vet "She's too heavy".
(Dora Lif)

## Bus stop

Bill and Ben were drivers on the number 58 bus route between Market Harborough and Lutterworth.
Bill left Market Harborough at 10am for the thirteen mile journey and, allowing for regular stops and traffic conditions, his speed averaged 30 miles per hour. Ben left Lutterworth at the same time but managed to average 35 miles per hour.
Which driver was the closest to Husbands Bosworth when the buses met?

## 5 points for the correct answer

(Reg Ono)

## The letter

Jo typed four letters and four envelopes but placed the letters in the envelopes in random order by mistake.
What are the chances of only three of the letters being in the correct envelopes?
3 points for the correct answer
(Connie C Tuct)


## Holidays in the sun

Each member of the Bugle team had a birthday during the first eight months of the year and took a holiday during their birthday month to celebrate. They all had birthdays in seperate months.
The holidays were taken in Barbados, China, Cornwall, Italy, Jamaica, Mexico, Poland and Spain. Are you able to establish the destination and month of travel for each holiday?

1) Four of the team members holidayed in countries whose names began with the initial letter of there name. One of these also travelled in the month starting with her initial.
2) The girls all travelled during the first five months and all but one holidayed in The UK or Europe.
3) One couple visited the Caribbean whereas the other couple holidayed on separate continents, one in Asia and one in Europe, in consecutive months.
4) Frances, whose birthday was the month before Sylvia's, did not like flying so took her holiday in The UK
5) Melvyn took the last holiday and did not travel to Europe.
6) Heather travelled to The Mediterranean the month before Penny took her holiday.
1 point available for each correct month and 1 point for each correct destination (Alma Hook)



## Garden of Eden

When gardening last summer Heather found a rare coin dated 55BC which she decided to sell.
She took it along to Gildings in Market Harborough who immediately told her that it was a forgery.
For 3 points - how did they know?
(Ron M Vet)

## True or false?

Some toilets in Beijing had CCTV fitted so that they could take pictures of clients to ensure that they did not steal excessive amounts of toilet paper.
(Ian M Chig)

## Coward of the County

Are you able to find the names of four Counties by combining letters from the following grid?

| SOM | RFO | IRE |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| CO | HAM | NO |
| ERS | ALL | ET |
| PSH | RNW | LK |

There is $\mathbf{1}$ point available for naming each County with a further point for naming each County town (Wyn Gomi)


## Praise you

The Bugle boys went down to The Bell for a pre Christmas pint and were suprised to hear voices as they were the only ones there when they arrived. "Melvyn, you do a great job editing The Bugle each month", "You all look really smart today".
They asked Nev where the voices were coming from.
"Don't worry" he said "it must be the complimentary peanuts"
(Sonia Ment)

## Missing you

The following groups of words have the middle word missing, Each of the middle words can be used to end the first word or phrase and begin the second. We have provided the first answer as an example.

1) DEAD SEA SIDE
2) KNIGHT ---- WINK
3) BASE ---- ROOM
4) UPPER ----- ROOM
5) FOOTBALL ----- STICK
6) REAL ------ AGENT
7) SEALING --- WORKS
8) TOFFEE ----- PIE
9) BLUE --- GULL
10) BLACKPOOL ----- HAMLETS

There is 1 point for each correct answer with a further point for each similar group you can invent to a maximum of ten
(Sal Aka)


Three steps to heaven
Using the Counties grid on this page make words of three letters using one letter from each column starting left and moving right (eg/ She, Err)
1 point for each word to a maximum of 35 (Ken Wory)

## Join the band

Here are four well known tracks from The Beatles Blue Album with alternate letters removed. All you have to do is identify each of the tracks and then find the names of the following bands whose names begin with the letters we have provided.
We used the same theme last year but different tracks have been chosen this year.
To make things a little easier we have presented the bands in alphabetical order and none of the bands were formed after the year 2000 .

S-R-W-E-R-F-E-D-F-R-V-R, H-Y-U-E, B-C-I-T-E-S-R, L-D-M-D-N-A

1) Photographic equipment use by an old Mexican
2) Three bodily fluids
3) A magician's inexpensive illusion
4) Popular pub game played by The Crafty Cockney
5) Hard of hearing feline
6) Dante Alighieri's epic poem
7) A planet, a current and a conflagration
8) The phonograph inventor lived in this bright abode
9) Did Thomas Edison lead this group of musicians?
10) All except the young lady
11) You may find this group of birds at the seaside
12) These lawbreakers really enjoy themselves
13) What the barber does after his 99th customer
14) You may find Holly's friend in this alliance
15) Small shoes and socks are made for these
16) It's definitely not a safe place to be at rush hour
17) Pre adults from the Tennessee capital
18) You may find a pot of gold where it ends
19) You will get severe heartburn if you eat too many
20) "Correct" uttered Mr Flintstone
21) Proverbialy, they gather no moss
22) You may hurry to find this waterside plant
23) The RSPCA may be able to find them a home
24) Could be denims out to dry on a windy day
25) A decade later
26) This small group totals six
27) Soft silky material by The Metro
28) Burnt remains of the lucky part of the turkey
29) Feathered friends on the patio

There is 1 point available for each of The Beatles tracks and a further point for each group identified ( Gina Rivi)

## True or false?

Kirsty MacColl's response to the Jimi Hendrix album "Electric Ladyland" was an album entitled "Electric Landlady".
(Dave Na)

## Walk on by

It is now time to walk off your Christmas lunch. A walk around the village should reveal the answers to the following clues.

1) What type of marking is on the Highcroft electricity sub station? (7)
2) What is the Latin inscription on the coat of arms at the village hall? ( $2 \& 4$ )
3) What should you join at the scout hut? (8)
4) What freindly greeting appears on the school playground in front of the office window? (7)
5) Which village organization placed the plastic box on the old green notice board? ( $1 \& 10$ )
6) What are welcome at the council offices on Mowsley Road? (3)
7) According to "The Willows" sign on Welford Road what are Davidsons other than builders? (5)
8) What service is offered by Springfields in the blue rectangle? (4 \& 6)
Are you, then, able to identify the Christmas carol which can be found by taking the letters which correspond to the numbers in brackets after each clue and then re-arranging them?
There is 1 point for each correct answer together with a further 3 points for identifying the carol. For a further bonus point - what is the translation of the Latin inscription?
(Kas Sanra)


## My kind of town

Are you able to name any songs, books or films which have town or city names in their title?

## 1 point for each correct answer to a maximum of

 40(Carl I Afion)

## Your song

The headings for all 27 posers in this issue (excluding the true or false) are song titles. Are you able to name the artists who performed the song?
There may be more than one correct answer in some cases.
1 point for each correct answer
(Hank D Attoro)

## LOCAL PLANNING NEWS

The following applications have been submitted to Harborough District Council:
■18/02021/FUL Conversion of stable block to tourist accommodation, land at Hobsons Field, off Leicester Road
Recently determined applications:
■18/01384/FUL (Approved) Removal and replacement of roof at increased height and 3 dormer windows, 47 Berridges Lane
■18/01647/FUL (Approved) Erection of a single storey agricultural storage building (retrospective) (revised scheme of 18/01060/
FUL), Woodside Farm, Theddingworth Road

Current applications may be inspected during normal working hours at the Council Offices, The Symington Building, Adam \& Eve Street, Market Harborough.
Planning applications and other aspects of local government can now be viewed on-line at www.harboroughonline.co.uk

## PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

Report of meeting held on Tuesday, December 4th 2018. Full Council and 2 members of the public were present.
Visitors' Questions
■ A general discussion relating to the security and maintenance of the allotments took place.

- A resident discussed commercial proposals relating to 27 and 31-33 High Street.

Pavilion \& Playing Field
■Council approved the revision of external lighting and electrics at the Pavilion.
■Repairs to damage to wiring caused by squirrels in the Pavilion loft space had been carried out. Repairs to the fascia were agreed to keep the squirrels out.
■Discussion took place regarding the future of the tennis courts. Further discussion and clarification of the position of the Tennis Club was needed.
■The future administration of the Playing Field and Pavilion was discussed.

## Welford Wharf

■Mr Forman had attended a meeting with a group of Welford villagers and Canal \& River Trust officers to discuss the future of the wharf area. Proposals to develop the Warehouse building and re-instate the towpath bridge at the old clay pit were discussed. Concerns were raised about the apparent lack of ecological assessment prior to work carried out by the new owners of the stable buildings.
The next meeting of the Parish Council will be on Tuesday, February $5^{\text {th }}$ at 7.30 pm , Committee Room, Village Hall.
A full copy of the Minutes can be viewed or downloaded at: www.husbandsbosworthpc.org.uk or by request to the Parish Clerk.

## DOG CONTROL

We are all aware of the Dogs Trust strap-line - A Dog is Not Just for Christmas. It's pity they haven't come up with a similar punchy line to remind dog owners of their responsibilities.
There has been a marked increase in dog fouling incidents around the village recently. Unfortunately the Dog Poo Fairy, who cleans up, has taken a break over the festive period and has left it to the Dog Poo Marker Patrol to mark the offences on the footpaths to warn the unsuspecting public to watch their step...
Dog owners are reminded that not only is not removing dog poo a health hazard, especially to young children where the bacteria can cause blindness, but it is also an offence in public areas, including roadsides, under a local byelaw. Dog walkers should also note that the byelaws also ban dogs from the village playing field.

## CHRISTMAS FESTIVAL

All Saints Church Annual Christmas Festival raised a grand total of $£ 1961.00$ for church funds.
The organisers would like to extend a big 'thank you' to everyone who helped, including stewards, caterers and especially those who came along to support the event.
As usual several competitions were running over the weekend.
The results are:
Children's Activity Group - Beavers
Adult Group (Business) - Complete Car Care
Adult Individual - Jan Currie
Child Individual - Bea White
Children's Christmas Game - Evie Williams
And - Penny Mattock won the decorated cake!

