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By David Tingley, Editor

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I am delighted to highlight Lindfield resident **Paul Ramsbottom** on [page 6](#), after it was announced he is to receive an OBE. We'd like to revisit his story in due course, but in the meantime **Claire Cooper** has been chatting to him about the exciting news!

Yet again **Richard Bryant**, assisted by his colleagues at Lindfield History Project Group, has put together a fascinating history article. Turn to [page 16](#) and I'm sure you'll learn at least one thing you didn't know about Lindfield pubs in days gone by!

Talking of the past, thank you to **Eric Dawes** who has shared his **memories of Humphrey's Bakery** on [page 56](#).

Another stalwart contributor is **Bob Campen** who's been taking day trips on the **local bus routes** again. On [page 52](#) he shares one which takes you to the North Downs.

There's a reminder on [page 44](#) of the location of potentially life-saving defibrillators in the village. On [page 42](#) you can find your next read, thanks to **Ella Tingley** and **Cavan Wood**. **Ayesha Gilani** talks musicals with Lindfield folk on [page 38](#). And, on [page 34](#), Claire went to meet **Jane Reid** who recently released an updated version of her Lindfield book.

Our **Village People** candidate this month is wildlife photographer **Lee Dalton** who we almost get on the other side of the camera! Turn to [page 32](#), where Claire finds out and shares Lee's route to this fascinating career.



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## Clean cars for Cancer Research

Staff at Scaynes Hill Service Station will once again open their car wash on 13th February to raise money for Cancer Research UK.

But this year's event will be particularly poignant as they remember Jay Patel, who lost his battle with cancer last year. Jay owned the service station with his brother Guntant and the pair started the annual fundraiser in 2009. Since then they have raised over £11,000 for the charity.



Last year saw the most successful event yet, with more than 250 washes sold and staff working extra-long shifts to cope with demand. Along with proceeds from a raffle, the event raised £3,150, smashing the target of £3,000.

This year the garage will be open for car washes between 6am and 11pm on Thursday 13th February.

Throughout the day customers are invited to 'buy' a car wash ticket by making a donation to charity. Tickets



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# An Honour for Paul

By Claire Cooper

When an official looking envelope, complete with Royal crest, dropped through the letterbox at Paul Ramsbottom's home in Appledore Gardens he didn't rush to open it.

"I assumed I'd got a speeding ticket," said Paul. "My wife Karen was in hospital at the time, so I was distracted and didn't really give it much thought."

But, much to Paul's surprise, the letter brought the news that he had been awarded an OBE in the Queen's New Year Honours List.

"It was a bolt from the blue," said Paul. "I was surprised, shocked but deeply honoured. It's a great way to start the New Year."

Paul, who is Chief Executive of the Wolfson Foundation, has been given the honour for services to charity. The Wolfson Foundation is an independent grant making charity which provides funding programmes and activities to improve the civic health of society through education and research.

As well as his Chief Executive role at the Wolfson Foundation, and its sister charity the Wolfson Family Charitable Trust, until recently Paul also chaired the Foundation Forum, a network for CEOs of trusts and foundations.

Outside of his professional life he has an interest in international development. For over a decade he has been the Chair of the Savannah Education Trust – a charity that he helped found – which provides Christian schools in the villages of northern Ghana. He is also a Trustee of Mercy Ships UK, an organisation that deploys hospital ships to some of the poorest countries in the world.

"I see the honour very much as a reflection on the outstanding teamwork of the wonderful staff and trustees at the Wolfson Foundation," said Paul.

"I feel privileged to be part of the charity sector and to work closely with a wide range of inspiring organisations."



After receiving the news in November, Paul had to keep it secret until the official announcement in December. "Karen and I shared the news with our two older daughters, Lily and Ella, when the letter arrived, and we just about managed to keep it secret," said Paul. "We told the younger children Phoebe and Annie a few days before the announcement.

"All the girls are really excited, particularly when they discovered that my OBE entitles them to get married in St Paul's Cathedral!"

Paul, who began working at the Foundation as a Grants Assistant in 1998, working his way up to Chief Executive, is now waiting for the date of his visit to the Palace. "Karen is definitely coming with me," said Paul. "And, if I can take a further two guests, my parents will be coming too."

He's also looking forward to rubbing shoulders with other recipients. "I saw there were a few England cricketers on the honours list, so I'm hoping I might to get to meet some of them too!"

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# Redeveloped cricket pavilion provides facilities for all of the community

By Les Andrews

Village residents will have noticed the considerable activity that has been taking place on Lindfield Common in recent months. Two major projects are currently being undertaken by the Cricket Club, with the help of Mid Sussex District Council, to improve both the pavilion facilities and the surrounding grass areas.

The extension is designed to provide larger, more up-to-date dressing rooms and additional storage for the cricket and football clubs and the nursery. Unfortunately, due to the inclement weather throughout the winter, the development has been somewhat delayed, but we fully expect to see everything in place and ready in time for the new cricket season. Currently the pavilion provides facilities for over 200 junior cricketers and footballers, as well as being home to the senior teams of both clubs. Additionally, the nursery, hosted by Norto5Kidz, moved in to the building in September 2019 and provides a valuable community day-care facility for preschool and childcare for ages from birth to five years old.

As well as the expansion plans, the existing building will have a thorough internal refurbishment, including new carpets, a new kitchen, replacement furniture and redecoration throughout. With a larger pavilion, we hope the building can be put to greater use by the community, and we will be advertising details once it is up and running.

Following the 2019 cricket season, residents will also have noticed significant works being done to the outfield and surrounding spaces. Over the years, certain areas have become threadbare, uneven and dangerous to both cricketers and users of the Common. Again, with the help of Mid Sussex District Council, the Cricket Club undertook a ground levelling and reseeding project designed to create better grass root growth and improve



the overall environment for the local community. The weather hasn't been kind to us, but hopefully, with some much-needed sunshine, we will see the benefits of this early work in the warmer days of the spring months.

2020 promises to be an exciting season for the club. We welcome the return of our first class Indian overseas player Apoorv Wankhade – and we urge all villagers to pop down and watch him bat. It is quite a spectacle. The season will also see the introduction of a new competition, the Sussex Slam, a new mid-week 20 over competition complete with coloured clothing and pink balls. Furthermore, following the success of last year's trials enjoyed by over 50 women and girls, we will also be running a series of softball cricket sessions for ladies, with a view to establishing a women's team in the near future.

If anyone is interested in playing, watching or helping in anyway, please contact me, the chairman, at [L.andrews21@btinternet.com](mailto:L.andrews21@btinternet.com).

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I went along to meet Terisa and find out about her recycling.

Terisa, daughter Tarlie and son Gabriel (even Yanko the cat!) wanted to recycle more but needed more information and realised their knowledge was not up to date, and they did not want to get it wrong. They do not have time to look everything up!



Terisa tells me her wake-up call was the Blue Planet programme. As a busy family they use convenience food. Their black kerbside bin was full every two weeks!

She was delighted when I went to talk to her church group. She tells me she learned so much. "I now use my compost bin and I bought a second-hand wormery after the talk. You buy the worms from Amazon (Tiger Worms) and they arrive in the post!

"The family now collects all our stretchy plastic and takes it to the supermarket. A simple routine of a bag to pop it into and drop it off before you start shopping.

"We don't think everyone is aware of this fabulous information!"

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- Plastic freezer bags
- Plastic magazine and newspaper wrappers (from your letterbox post)
- Fruit and veg supermarket bags
- Bubble wrap

Please make sure these are all clean so they can be recycled!

"We take our milk bottle tops to a local collection point, no longer in my black bin," said Terisa who works in a nursery school and now collects crisp packets from the children's lunch boxes and plastic pens. These go to her local Terracycle point.

Top tip from Terisa: Buy a big bag of crisps and put a handful in each lunch box – have what they want, no waste!

"With a bit of effort and a bit of time, my black rubbish bin has only one small plastic bag every two weeks – before it was full," she said.

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You may have guessed that, with the Tokyo Olympics taking place in the summer, the world's greatest sporting competition will be this year's theme and the organisers are particularly keen to welcome more floats to celebrate and simply join in the fun of Village Day. All local schools, groups and organisations, from the Brownies to the Bonfire Society, are invited to take part in the parade, whether as a walking group or float.

The event starts at Hickmans Lane playing fields and, with musical accompaniment, wends its way down the High Street, which is closed to traffic, before arriving on the Common where prizes are given for the best floats and walking groups.

Previously, floats have included everything from rock bands playing on the back of a flatbed truck to the Harveys Brewery horses pulling a carriage – and let's not forget the Wine Society's vintage car!

Interested? Then make sure Saturday 30th May



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is inked in in your diary. If you are a local company or society or school and want to get involved – perhaps by decorating your vehicle or creating an Olympic-themed trailer – then contact [procession@kingedwardhall.org.uk](mailto:procession@kingedwardhall.org.uk).

It's a great way to start Village Day, which, along with the Village Run, raises upwards of £10,000 each year to maintain the King Edward Hall for everyone to use. See [www.kingedwardhall.org.uk](http://www.kingedwardhall.org.uk) for more information about both events.



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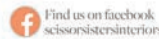
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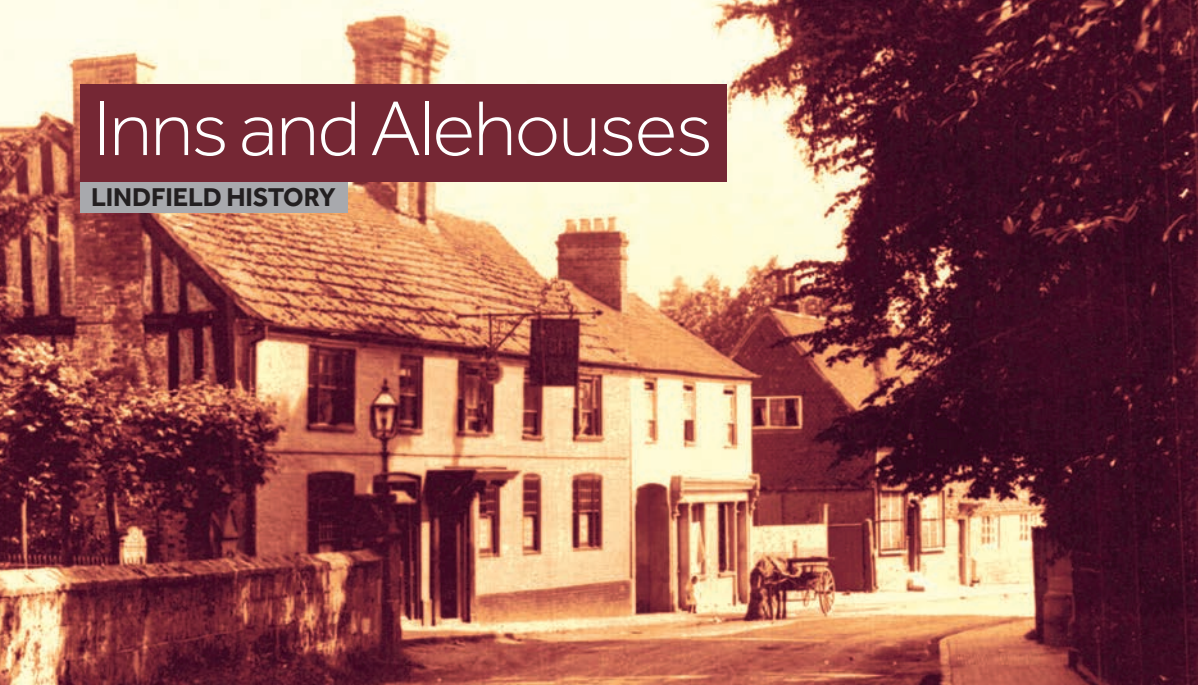
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# Inns and Alehouses

## LINDFIELD HISTORY



By Richard Bryant, Lindfield History Project Group

It is said that a village pub is the heart of the community. If this is the case then Lindfield must have always had a big heart. This is the first of two articles looking at the background of the inns and alehouses, past and present.

The selling of beer has been regulated ever since the time of the Magna Carta (1215). Richard II passed a law in 1393 requiring a painted sign to be hung outside all premises selling beer. In 1495 the Justices of the Peace received powers to supervise and suppress disreputable establishments. There were broadly two categories of pubs – alehouses licenced to sell beer and cider only, and inns that were permitted to also sell wines and spirits, additionally they traditionally provided food and accommodation to travellers. The former comprised one or two small rooms in a house. In the absence of other entertainment the number of licenced premises grew, as did drunkenness; this was no different in Lindfield.

The beheading of Charles I in 1649 led to the introduction of The Commonwealth that heralded an attitude of puritanism. Oliver Cromwell's newly appointed Justices decided there was too much drunkenness and far too many alehouses and inns in England. Large numbers had their licences withdrawn and were forcibly closed. Lindfield did not escape this purge, and the Justices decided that the four licenced establishments should be reduced to one. The parish's population numbered fewer than 650 people. Eventually the number of licences allowed to remain was increased to two. Unfortunately, the location of the permitted licenced premises is unclear, although one was an unnamed inn, possibly The Tiger. The other was Fuller's alehouse about which no further details are known. On the restoration of the monarchy the number of licenced premises soon increased.

The former Tiger Inn standing at the churchyard entrance was originally an open hall house built, around 1400, by the College of Canon of St Michaels at South

Malling as Lords of the Manor. It is believed to have been used as the parish guest house. Subsequently, it became a house occupied by the Michelbourne family. Edward Michelbourne, the family's most noted member, was knighted in 1599 and was a merchant adventurer licenced by James I to trade with other countries. During his voyages he discovered the entrance to the Hudson River and Coney Island. When the family moved away from the village, during the 1500s, the house became the Michelbourne Arms. Later the name changed to Tiger Inn, allegedly after Michelbourne's ship.

The building has been much extended throughout its life. In the late 18th century stables were built at the rear and it became a coach stop on the minor London to Brighton route; this ceased with the coming of the railways. It retained the character of a traditional inn and was frequently used for parish events, ranging from Lindfield Friendly Society's meeting place to drill practice by the Lindfield Company of the Sussex Rifle Volunteers – a militia formed in response to the Napoleonic threat of invasion.

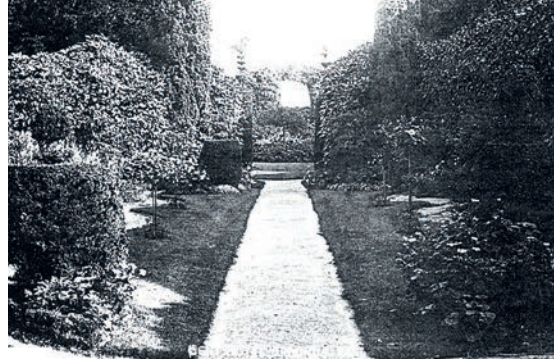
The Tiger closed in 1916, having been an inn for some 350 years, and was purchased for £700 by subscriptions from parishioners becoming All Saints' Church House. During World War II it was used as a YMCA canteen for soldiers and an Air Raid Precaution first aid post, with the wardens, both men and women, sleeping in the cellar when on night duty. An ambulance was kept in the garage at the rear.

Further down the High Street, an alehouse has existed on the site of the Bent Arms since at least 1660 and probably appreciably earlier. In 1682 it acquired a wine licence, becoming the White Lion Inn; an ermine lion featured on the Newton family crest who had been Lords of the Manor from 1618 to 1632. The main parts of the building can be traced back to this time. From the late 1700s the inn was owned by Richard Wichelo, a brewer from Brighton. The Assembly Room was added in





Bent Arms



Bent Arms Garden

1785 creating the main entertainment and social venue for the village for the next 100 years.

During the late 1820s the White Lion was acquired by John Bent and the name changed to the Bent Hotel. John Bent had owned a sugar plantation and many slaves in British Guiana before becoming the MP for Sligo and then Totnes. He invested his money in land and property in Lindfield and built Oathall (bottom of Oathall Road) as his home.

In 1839 the London to Brighton coach, 'The Accommodation', left the Bent for Brighton at 3.30pm every Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday. Trains were soon to replace coaches, but brought with them a new trade – the summer day trippers on Sundays. To meet their needs the Bent introduced 'an Ordinary (dish of the day) on Sundays at 2pm'.

Adverts in the 1880s described it as 'The Bent Family and Commercial Hotel with private apartments and every accommodation for families' and boasted a lock-up coach house and stabling and attractive gardens. A far cry from the 1960s when it was frequented by bikers creating much noise and drunken brawls in the street!

The Red Lion was established around 1747 as an alehouse by Mary Bishop, not at its present location but lower down the High Street at Ryecroft (next to the URC). Early inn signs often reflect the crest of the owner of the property. Land in the area of Ryecroft was owned by the Russell family and their emblem was a rampant Red Lion. The Fairhall family became the landlords from 1785, and in 1804 the sign of the Red Lion moved up the High Street to Porters, also owned by Richard Wichelo. In 1833 the sign moved next door to its present location at the purpose built pub we see today; like the inns above, the Red Lion was also, for a time, a coaching stop.



Red Lion and Porters

The Mills family took over the inn and were enterprising landlords and during their time made Lindfield Sauce, similar to Lea & Perrins Worcester Sauce. According to the bottle label it was served at George IV's coronation banquet. The sauce had quite a following, with Wilkie Collins, the famous Victorian author, regularly ordering half dozen bottles, as did other London gentlemen. Charles Mills issued token coins and on the reverse was the clasp hand motif of the Lindfield Friendly Society, suggesting the Society had moved from The Tiger to the Red Lion.

The outbuilding to the rear was the HQ for the Lindfield Platoon of the Home Guard during WWII. Today in the garden stands the horse powered pump house relocated from Durrant's Brewery site behind the Stand Up.



Stand Up

In 1853/4, John Arnold built the five houses and shop, known as Arnold Terrace, to the north of Denmans Lane. The Stand Up, occupying the northernmost house, was the beerhouse of Edward Durrant's Brewery. Its name is derived from having no chairs or tables, so workers would not linger over their beer.

Following the demise of Durrant's Brewery around 1906, it became 'tied' to Page & Overtons, the Croydon based brewery with its roots dating back to 1586. It remained a beer house, with two small bars and limited opening hours, until well into the 20th century; a wine licence was not obtained until 1929. Now occupying three of the five original houses, the Stand Up has retained its character as a 'locals' pub. For a time the name was changed to the Linden Tree.

Research by Rosemary Davies, Janet Bishop and John Mills. Contact Lindfield History Project Group on 01444 482136 or visit [www.lindfieldhistory.org.uk](http://www.lindfieldhistory.org.uk)

# Calling all young makers to a competition

Lindfield resident Sue Ng, with good friend and co-chair Barbara Ingram, is on the hunt for a talented and creative young person. Could this be you, or someone you know?

## By Sue Ng

Are you young, are you artistic and are you creative? Would you like to win generous prizes for your creations, would you like to showcase your talents to thousands of people? Do you like working on your own, do you prefer working in a group or are you already creative at school? If your answer is yes to any of these questions, why don't you...

Get super creative this spring and enter The Young Artisan of the Year Competition at the South of England Show at Ardingly this summer. Over £5,500 in prize money is on offer and there is a real opportunity for your talent to shine.

We are looking for talented young people between the ages of 14 and 23 to come forward and enter. The Competition will take place between 11th- 13th June 2020.

The Competition has been running for 34 years and was formerly known as The Young Craftsman of the Year Competition. It's a very popular destination at the South of England Show, attracting up to 10,000 visitors each year.

The standards are very high and visitors are always overwhelmed by the workmanship, the quality and the ingenuity of the work on show. Prizes are awarded for exhibits in the following categories: woodwork, metalwork, ceramics, textiles, jewellery making and design and technology.

Your school may already enter exhibits in the Competition, in fact Oathall Community College won a top prize in 2018. However, we would like to encourage all local schools and colleges to take part. We also like to encourage individual entries too. Young people who have hobbies at home and who love to be creative are welcome to enter. The show has helped launched many successful careers in its 34 years.



With creative subjects being squeezed out by the demands of a more academic curriculum in many schools, we believe it's so important to nurture creativity amongst our young people. We would really like more exhibits in our Design and Technology section, as we believe that this is an area which combines innovation with creativity and for which this country is renowned.

This year we have extended the Competition to include degree level students. In 2020 cash prizes will be awarded in two age ranges, 14-17 and 18-23.

We will be introducing a new category of 'collaborative work'. This will allow up to four young people to make an exhibit in one, or a mixture, of the categories for a special collaborative prize. We hope this change will appeal as a challenge to local schools. We have already been promised funding for this, so that not only the students but also their school or college get a share of the prize money.

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If you would like to know more, email [chaileycrc@gmail.com](mailto:chaileycrc@gmail.com) or search Facebook.

# Beethoven's Special Year

By Kate Kent

Even today Ludwig van Beethoven is still the superstar of composers – he's a global artist whose name needs no introduction.

Born in 1770 in Vienna means that 2020 is the 250th anniversary of his birth, and the world is getting ready to celebrate and honour it. Beethoven's music is played more than any other composer's and his 9th Symphony more often than any other piece; it also appears on UNESCO's World Heritage list.

Mid Sussex Sinfonia and Coro Nuovo are joining forces to perform this iconic symphony on 22nd February at the Kings Centre, Burgess Hill at 3pm. The concert is being supported by sponsorship from local individuals and businesses without which it couldn't take place. As well as a full orchestra and choir, there will be soloists from Covent Garden and we hope you will come and join us to celebrate this unique event. Ticket info see: [www.coronuovo.org.uk/tickets](http://www.coronuovo.org.uk/tickets) or call 01444 717320.

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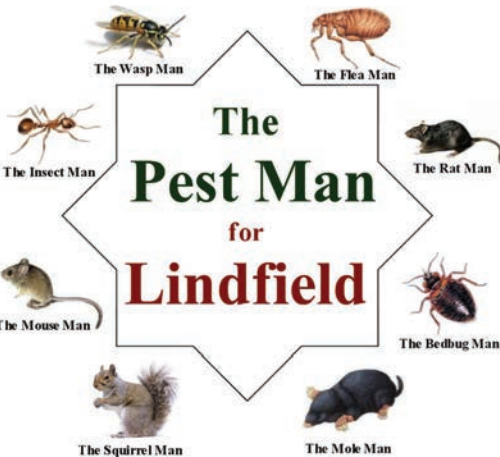


## New website and resources for Ramblers

Mid Sussex Ramblers is a local group formed in 1973 and now has a membership of more than 450. It has recently unveiled a new website, which allows users to search for specific walks, distances or areas. Perhaps the new year has given you the perfect excuse to start being more adventurous in your walking?

MSR is leading a number of events this month including: a six mile circular route from Firle Beacon on 4th February, a Winter Wander exploring the north west from Scaynes Hill on 9th February and a leisurely (and mud-free) route around Plumpton, taking in the station and racecourse, on Sunday 16th.

Full details of these walks and more can be found at [www.midsussexramblers.org.uk](http://www.midsussexramblers.org.uk) or listed in our What's On Elsewhere on page 61.



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# Cat inspires crafty designs

When Lindfield family Terisa, Tarlie and Gabriel Tuffin decided to launch a craft business they didn't have to look far to find the 'purrfect' name.

Yanko Designs is named after the much loved family cat! Readers may remember Yanko, whose journey from being rescued in Bulgaria to becoming a therapy pet was featured in Lindfield Life last year.

"Yanko is an important part of our family," said Terisa. "As this is a family business, he just had to be included!"

Terisa and her children, Tarlie and Gabriel, have been designing and making gifts, jewellery, greeting cards and decorative products for family and friends from their home in Lindfield for several years.

"We began selling at craft fairs over the Christmas period and were delighted by the public response," said Terisa. "Our customers were asking if we had a selling page they could buy future items from and so we decided to expand our venture."

Terisa and Tarlie design and create the items while Gabriel looks after the social media and Etsy selling



site. "He is also the mathematician of the family, so he can help calculate the laser cutter settings," added Terisa. "They both help me run the craft markets and Tarlie does a great job in photographing our goods."

"All our items are made at our home with the help of lasers, blade cutters and our imagination."

The family is currently busy making Valentines gifts and designing a new range for Mother's Day and Easter.

Products are sold at craft markets in Haywards Heath, Brighton and Lewes, through Facebook and Etsy.

"Our dream would to expand and see some of our crafts in the local shops in Lindfield," said Terisa.

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# Exchange student families keep in touch

Lindfield resident Merv Huggett was reunited with a former German exchange student last month – after they last saw each other 26 years ago.

In 1993 Andrea Mohler came to stay with his family on an exchange visit from Traunstein, Bavaria which is twinned with Haywards Heath.

The families have remained in contact for the past 26 years. Merv's family has received a special parcel of German gifts carefully put together by Andrea and her mother Ursula every Christmas.

Merv explained: "After all these years we finally visited Andrea for a weekend in December and met her husband Philipp, ten year old daughter Aleah, and their parents. They treated my wife Sandra and myself as part of their family and took us to visit three special Christmas markets."

Pictured here with Lindfield Life is Andrea at the English post box in Traunstein and Merv at the Traunstein post box outside the Haywards Heath Town Hall.



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## Manhattan Clam Chowder

(Serves 4 generously)

In a large pan, sauté 4 chopped rashers of bacon until crisp then add a thinly sliced onion and continue to cook until soft. Add 4 thinly sliced carrots, 2 thinly sliced sticks of celery and 1tbs chopped thyme. Drain 2x 400g cans chopped tomatoes (keep liquid in a measuring jug) and add tomatoes to the pan. Drain a 290g can clams adding the liquid to the tomato juice. Make up to 1 litre with water then add to the pan. Bring to the boil, cover and simmer until the vegetables are just beginning to soften. Add 2 peeled and diced baking potatoes and continue to simmer until they are soft. Add the clams and simmer for a further 2 minutes. Check seasoning then serve.

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By Caroline Young

A meal in a bowl – homemade soup – is my favourite meal this time of the year, the best ones being made with just whatever you find in the fridge. The name chowder or as the French call it, La Chaudière, comes from the large cooking pot, a cauldron, that large hearty peasant soups were cooked in. These dishes were probably a good way of using up odds and ends to make a very satisfying meal containing various vegetables, invariably including potatoes, plus a small amount of fish, meat or poultry. This is exactly what a chowder is. Two of the most well known are New England Chowder and Manhattan Clam Chowder. The New England version is rich and creamy – and full of calories – whereas the Manhattan version is much more slimline. Do try them both.



## Bean Chowder (Serves 4)

Remove the stem, seeds and pith from 1 pepper (any colour) and cut into small dice. Put into a large pan with 1tbs oil, a finely chopped small onion and 3 finely chopped celery sticks. Cook, stirring, for about 3 min until just soft. Stir in 1tbs plain flour and then gradually add 600ml hot chicken or vegetable stock. Cook, stirring until the soup comes to the boil and is slightly thickened. Drain and rinse a 400g can of cannellini beans (or other small beans) and add to the pan together with a 200g can sweetcorn (no need to drain), 150 ml milk (or single cream) and some finely chopped parsley. Cook for a few minutes until at serving temperature but do not allow to boil. Season to taste before serving.

## Golden Leek and Potato Chowder (Serves 4-6)

This gilded vegetable chowder is just the thing for a chilly day, and you probably have all the ingredients to hand in the fridge or cupboard. Rich yellow turmeric spice is an ancient ingredient in Indian Ayurvedic medicine used to ward off various ailments. Instead of sliced baby potatoes, peel and dice a baking potato or two. I have suggested two garnishes – if you choose the crisp crumb topping, include all the leek slices when cooking the vegetables. The crisp crumb garnish would also be good sprinkled over simply cooked vegetables such as grilled asparagus or cauliflower.

Thinly slice 2 large leeks and reserve a handful for using as a garnish (see above). Place in a large pan with a generous knob of butter/oil, a handful of thinly sliced celery sticks and some crushed garlic. Cover and cook over gentle heat until soft. Stir in 1tsp ground turmeric, 150g sliced baby potatoes and 450ml hot vegetable stock. Cover and cook 10 min over low heat or until the potatoes are just soft. Stir in 410g can lighter/low fat evaporated or coconut milk. Gently heat to serving temperature.



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Visitors can enjoy browsing the 25 stalls offering vintage and antique items including books, maps, collectables, jewellery, silver, glass, vinyl records, vintage clothes, kitchenalia and lots more.

An all day cafe will offer tea, coffee, squash, hot bacon rolls, soup and home-made cake.

Entry costs £1 (OAPs, under 16s and LBS members free). All proceeds will go towards the November 5th procession, bonfire and fireworks in Lindfield.

For more information or to book a stall please contact Sarah at [lindfieldbonfiresoc@gmail.com](mailto:lindfieldbonfiresoc@gmail.com) or call 01444 487470.

# Is it a Barn Dance?

Lindfield and District Folk Dance Club will be holding its annual Barn Dance on Saturday 29th February at King Edward Hall. Tickets cost £12 each, which includes a Fish and Chip Supper (bring your own glasses and drink). There will be live music and an excellent caller to direct the dancers. Club member Hilary Jackson explained: "This is a great event to get together with friends or come alone to make new ones. No experience, or partner, is necessary but you'll be assured of a warm welcome."

The Folk Dance group was started in 1974, originally meeting in Lindfield but it now meets at Ashenground Community Centre in Haywards Heath twice a month, when members gather to enjoy friendship and exercise for both the body and brain!

The Annual Barn Dance takes place on 29th February at King Edward Hall 7.30-11pm. To buy tickets contact Mike on 01444 482741.

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# Lee walks on the wild side

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Wildlife photographer Lee Dalton has travelled all over the world capturing some of the most rare and endangered species on the planet in their native, and often diminishing, habitats.

From the Brazilian rainforests to a cattle ranch in Guyana and an alligator infested swamp in Florida, Lee's passion for seeking out wildlife, combined with patience and attention to detail, has resulted in a portfolio which has attracted the attention of many high profile publications.

But the former Great Walstead student is equally committed to protecting the Sussex countryside, resisting unnecessary development and using his extensive skills to highlight the rich and varied wildlife beyond his Lindfield doorstep.

### By Claire Cooper

Lee grew up in Ardingly and was introduced to photography from an early age. "My parents and grandfather were all keen photographers, and I got my first camera when I was around eight years old," he said. "It was just a basic 'point and shoot' camera but it was enough to spark my passion for photography."

Lee's father Stephen is also a professional wildlife photographer, specialising in high speed photography, particularly birds and insects in flight. "I was always inspired by my dad's photography and would try to see if I could replicate it!" said Lee. "Growing up in Ardingly, surrounded by the stunning Sussex countryside, also inspired me to get into wildlife photography, and I really got interested when I bought my first digital camera."

After leaving Ardingly College, Lee studied archaeology at Durham University before travelling around China and India photographing temples and wildlife, including tigers. "It was an amazing trip and



I returned totally inspired to take photography more seriously," he said. "When I returned I got my father to teach me some of his photographic skills."

Lee began working for an image library in London before transferring to its office in Florida where he spent the next two years fine-tuning his photography skills.

"Florida is a great spot for wildlife, particularly water birds, and, of course, alligators," he said. "Working in the photo library gave me an insight into what publishers were looking for, and I began to start taking specific subjects with the aim of getting published."

In 2005 Lee was excited to get his first picture published in a book on rare species, 'Endangered: Wildlife on the Brink of Extinction'. "It was a picture of a camouflaged owl butterfly taken in Venezuela," said Lee, who also visited Brazil and Guyana to concentrate on rainforest wildlife species. "It was my first professional trip to photograph species and get pictures to sell."



The Venezuela trip also resulted in Lee's first front cover picture – a Scarlet Ibis, for a book called Remarkable Birds.

While in Guyana he photographed rarely seen animals, including the Harpy Eagle - the largest eagle in the world, which hunts monkeys and sloths.

Lee's work has featured in publications all over the world, from National Geographic and TIME to the Discovery Channel and BBC Wildlife magazine.

"One of my main reasons for doing wildlife photography is to highlight the plight of endangered species and to encourage people to care for the planet," said Lee. These endangered species include the rare Gurney's pitta, a bird that Lee photographed in southern Thailand before it was declared extinct there. It is now only found in Myanmar, where its habitat remains.

Lee spent three weeks in Cuba tracking down the Bee Hummingbird - the smallest bird in the world. "When a bird is small and rare that task is doubly difficult," said Lee. "It took a lot of research, planning and the help of a very good guide. Working in a tropical environment is challenging and frustrating as you are battling low light and dense foliage and it's difficult to get a sharp photo.

"It's very exciting but also very stressful as there's always that chance you'll go back with nothing," added Lee. "I got some of my best pictures of the Bee Hummingbird on the very last day.

"There are very few pictures of this bird so it often gets asked for, and I've sold it many times."

In Guyana Lee photographed a Red Siskin, which is critically endangered. "I travelled to a remote cattle ranch with a couple of local Makushi Amerindian guides, camping in the wild and sleeping in a hammock," he recalled.

"The Red Siskin is often caught by the pet trade, so is particularly scared of humans. It took several days of getting up really early in the morning and I finally got some photos at the end of the trip."

Another tricky customer was the rare Three-wattled Bellbird, which Lee photographed in Panama. "This was a challenging bird to photograph as it stays high in the canopy of the rain forest, so it's difficult to get a good sharp image," said Lee.

"Fortunately, they are also one of the loudest birds in the world, so tracking them down isn't such a problem!"

He's also been known to wade into water to get a good shot of an alligator! "In Florida I spent a lot of time at a sinkhole in a National Park with around 200 alligators," Lee recalled. "Most of the time they are quite docile, basking in the sun, but in the spring they get active. I was taken aback when one suddenly jumped into the water in front of me to chase off a rival male. I had seconds to decide whether to run or get the photo."

Lee stayed and got a spectacular shot of an alligator jumping with a lot of splash! The photos featured in the Daily Mail.

One of Lee's favourite pictures is of a rare Sambar Deer taken in a National Park in India. The picture was published in National Geographic, as part of the highly prestigious 'Wildlife as Canon Sees It' series, which aims to highlight species most at threat of extinction.



In 2016 Lee travelled to Brazil to join his partner Marion who was working for Channel Four during the Olympics. "I joined her on the last part of her stay and travelled to the Pantanal, a rich area for wildlife, where I photographed jaguars and huge blue hyacinth macaws," said Lee.

"There is this amazing sinkhole which is home to hundreds of red and green macaws. I took some spectacular photographs of these fantastic coloured birds flying in this cavernous hole."

Every trip can bring an unexpected bonus. "Sometimes you strike lucky and come away with an image you never expected to get," said Lee. "While photographing humming birds feeding at flowers in Panama, a flash of green suddenly caught my eye. It was a resplendent Quetzal, one of the most beautiful birds in Central America, with a spectacular long green tail. I got a really good photograph."

Lee is happy to wait several hours to get the perfect image. "When I travel it's quite a solitary existence as I tend to visit places that other photographers don't," he said. "But it's a fantastic experience to be out in the wild with just a guide.

"You have to be patient, keep still and focus on the subject, which can be tricky when there's always mosquitos attacking you!"

Away from the rain forests, Lee is just as happy capturing the native birds at home in Lindfield. "There's always a demand for new shots of garden birds, and I get some wonderful wildlife in my own back garden," said Lee, whose images have graced many calendars and greetings cards.

His local work also includes drone photography of Balcombe viaduct and High Weald landscapes at sunrise, a rare species of short-eared owl in Upper Beeding and unusual 'mushroom rings' at Ardingly.

He has also supported local campaigns against proposed development of green field sites by taking photos of areas earmarked for housing and highlighting the local wildlife and habitats.

Later this month he's off on his travels again. "I'll be visiting West Africa for a rare opportunity to photograph hippos in the sea," said Lee. "I'm hoping to catch them as they travel from one river to another, crossing the sea along the way."

For more information about Lee's work visit:  
[www.leedalton.com](http://www.leedalton.com)

# Lindfield book makes local bestseller

By Claire Cooper

An updated handbook about Lindfield past and present has been flying off the shelves of a Haywards Heath gift shop.

Simply titled 'Lindfield', the book, written and illustrated by local author Jane Reid, was one of the season's bestsellers at Calliope gift shop in The Orchards, with the entire first batch snapped up in time for Christmas.

But there's good news for those who missed out, as Jane recently hand delivered a new supply for 2020!

Jane, who has since written novels, wrote the first version of 'Lindfield' in 1983, after being approached by a local book seller while drawing in the village. "I had been working in the High Street and Alison Stevenson, who had just opened a bookshop, noticed me," Jane recalled. "She asked me if I had ever considered writing a guide to Lindfield, as she was often asked if such a book existed. I thought I would have a try and got the book in print later that year."

The handbook proved to be so popular that Jane has produced several updated versions as the village has evolved. The last update was in 2008.

This latest and fifth version contains additional information about the Lindfield Preservation Society and famous former resident Helena Hall and, says Jane, is the best yet!

"I retyped the whole book from start to finish on my laptop so was able to update and correct lots of small details as I went along, such as the disappearance of swans from the village pond," said Jane. "I'm so grateful to my friend Melvyn Walmsley for proofreading and helping to compile a much improved index. I'm delighted with both the content and quality of this new edition."

Jane's book, described on the Calliope store website as: 'The perfect gift for everybody who knows and loves Lindfield', 'packed with delightful line illustrations' and 'a treasure trove of historical facts', costs £5.

Jane, who has now published three novels – The Book of the Randalls, Family Gatherings and Rain in the Winter Garden, is now busy working on her latest book The Oakenfield Chronicles.





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## Teddy booze picnic!

By Ayesha Gilani

Tipsy toys were caught celebrating New Year's Eve with a wild night out in the village. Boozy bears and their besties were snapped through the window of Kieron James Toys on the High Street. No expense was spared at the star-studded end of year bash, which saw Disney royalty waltzing into the early hours. Bottles of champagne, chocolates and crackers lay strewn across the floor. Children's TV veterans Sooty and Sweep were spotted looking on in dismay: "It all started off quite civilised", whispered 71-year-old Sooty. "The Jurassic lot turned up and things started to get a bit wild. I don't know how they do it at their age."

## Over 100 over 60s for Christmas Tea

Mid Sussex Older People's Council (MSOPC) put on its annual Christmas Tea at the King Edward Hall again this year, much to the delight of over 60s from across Mid Sussex.

The Christmas Tea is a great opportunity for older people to get out of the house and socialise over the Christmas period, whilst enjoying good food and entertainment. Free transport and assistance is provided for those who find it physically too difficult to drive or use public transport.

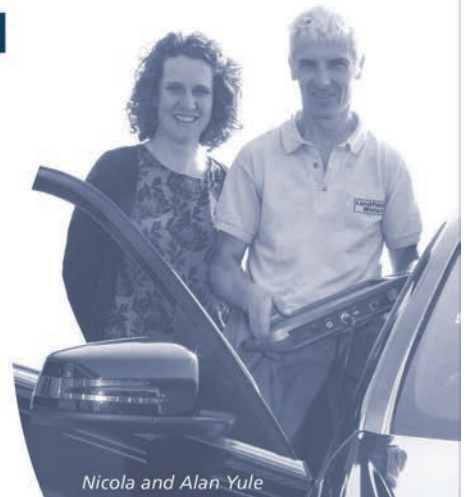
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# Are you looking for something different to do in your spare time?

By Peter Parr

Haywards Heath Lions Club is looking for new members to help them raise needed funds for those people and families who are in need within our community.

What do you know about Lions? We operate locally but have international connections, being part of the world's largest non-governmental organisation. We even have a seat on the UN! But please don't let that put you off. We raise money to help local people. That's what we do. Not just that, but we also provide resources, i.e. us helping people with projects or events that need physical assistance.

If you know us, and many of you do, we have two main fundraisers each year: our annual Swimathon that raises money for local groups and charities and for our chosen beneficiary, which this year is Motor Neurone Disease West Sussex North Branch which operates in our area, and we also have our Christmas Carol collection, which sees members taking Father Christmas around various routes in and around Haywards Heath and Lindfield collecting money for families in serious



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need at Christmas. We also attend various fetes and fairs throughout the year raising much needed funds.

We meet socially, at least once a month, for a meal where there might be a speaker or we might be involved in a fun activity. We are just ordinary people from all walks of life who live in and around Haywards Heath and who want to help those in need within our community.

So, would you like to find out more about us? Do you have a couple of hours a month to help us in our community service or perhaps even join us on our Father Christmas float or join in with our Swimathon at Easter? What we do is very rewarding and giving of your time is the best way to help others in need within our community. Being a member of Lions has much to offer people from all walks of life.

If you are interested in helping us, especially at Christmas when our major fundraising drive to help those in need takes place, then please contact the Lions on 0345 833 5807 or email us on enquiries@haywardsheathlionsclub.org.uk.

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# Pond Island Discs

By Ayesha Gilani

Cat's got your tongue? If Macavity and film crew left you reeling, allow Pond Island's Castaway Chorus to anchor you to the stage once more with their favourite musical numbers. You'll be feline better in no time! Sorry... couldn't help it.

Steve Henshaw  
**There Is Nothin' Like A  
Dame from South Pacific**

"This is my song choice because I love the old musicals. I remember watching them as a kid with my siblings and parents. I also had the pleasure of performing this recently for a charity event."



Hilary Lawrence  
**Life With You from  
Sunshine on Leith**

"I toured in this musical last year, and belting this tune out at the top of your voice can only make you feel good. We all need to sing and dance more, the perfect antidote to grey winter days. The Proclaimers are brilliant lyricists, their songs are honest and emotive, and this song always reminds me of my husband and my incredible family. And they will be with me on this desert island, right...?!?"



Pip McDowell  
**Oklahoma from Oklahoma!**

"This show tune is full of energy and is an absolute classic! It reminds me of the time my mum took me to London as a child for some shopping, and then we went to the theatre. Even though we sat in the 'gods' at the theatre, it felt like the performers were singing directly to us. Happy memories!"



Kate Morrell  
**Hakuna Matata from The  
Lion King**

"So many musicals to choose from and so many great songs, but I finally settled on this one. The Lion King is one of my favourite musicals, and I love this song as it reminds me of carefree living, having fun with friends and family and it always makes me smile when I listen to it!"



Alan Hill  
**People Will Say We're in  
Love from Oklahoma!**

"The beguiling singsong melodies of Rodgers and Hammerstein have touched the hearts of generations of playgoers. Take your pick from the rousing choruses of 'The Farmer and the Cowman' to the hymn-like and football favourite 'You'll Never Walk Alone'. My choice would be the poetic and lyrical 'People Will Say We're in Love'. Here we have the standout number, the droll courtship of Curly and Laurey in a playful game of don't lists... 'don't throw bouquets at me; don't please my folks too much'a, sings the heroine. It is a captivating interlude and it all comes right for them in the end."



Nick Geddie  
**Any Dream Will Do from  
Joseph and the Amazing  
Technicolour Dreamcoat**

"Joseph was the first London show I ever got to witness, and I remember being blown away by the music. Years later, when teaching in Haywards Heath, I produced and directed Joseph for Year 6 children as part of their end of year show. Hearing the children sing 'Any Dream Will Do' as the grand finale to these shows was always such a magical moment and brought back incredible memories."





## Scaynes Hill church says goodbye to vicar

By Jenny Walker

On Sunday 29th December the congregation at St Augustine's Church said goodbye to their much-loved vicar, Lisa Barnett.

After eight years at Scaynes Hill, Lisa is moving to become Team Rector at St Mary's Church, Horsham. The beautifully decorated church was packed for Lisa's farewell service. The worship was enhanced by the musicians who had formed a special group for the occasion. Their playing was much appreciated by Lisa, a talented musician herself, and by the congregation.

Lisa's final sermon contained many reminiscences of her time in Scaynes Hill during which she had two maternity leaves. Lisa expressed her gratitude to the congregation for their love and support. There was a special time of prayer for Lisa, her husband Stephen and their children Cara, Amy and Ross as they begin a new phase of their lives.

At the end of the service Lisa was presented with several gifts from the church. A special book contained heartfelt messages from members of the congregation along with photographs of church life.

A specially made chasuble was given to Lisa from the congregation, with a matching stole as a gift from the churchwardens. A beautiful picture of St Augustine's Church in coloured glass, commissioned from a Cuckfield artist, was presented to Lisa and was greatly admired by all. Gift vouchers completed the presentation of gifts.

Lisa subsequently thanked everyone for the time, effort and generosity which had gone into her special gifts. Following the service, members of the congregation enjoyed a buffet lunch in the annexe hall and the church.

As the meal concluded Lisa cut a beautifully decorated celebration cake made by a member of the congregation.

Lisa said that it had been a wonderful goodbye. She will be very much missed at St Augustine's, along with her family, but she leaves the church in very good heart and her legacy will be a precious one.

As Lisa moves on to continue her ministry in Horsham, St Augustine's Church extends its love and best wishes to Lisa and her family for their future happiness. Lisa's induction at St Mary's, Horsham will take place on Thursday 6th February at 7.30pm, and all are welcome to attend.



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# Wet dash didn't deter runners

By Ray Gower

This year's Denmans Lane Dash was a wet affair but it didn't dampen spirits. A record number of just under 60 competitors braved the rain in their fancy dress costumes hoping to win the coveted DLD trophy. I want to thank them all and the locals who still came out and cheered the competitors on.

This year was, once again, a family affair with the men's race being won by Jason Robinson and the ladies race won by last year's runner up Shelagh Robinson. Best dressed went to Andy Holden in his lovely dress.

Last year I decided to add a charity to the event and raised funds for the Sussex Heart Charity due to my personal experience. This year I wanted to raise money for a local children's charity. After requesting recommendations, the decision was to raise money for the Trevor Mann premature baby unit in Brighton. I learnt that a number of people associated with Lindfield have experienced the special care that this wonderful baby unit provides. We are delighted to announce that we raised £460 on the day. My thanks goes out to all who donated to this wonderful charity.

Once again I am very grateful to those who have helped me this year. The event has now developed into a wonderful fun annual community event. This year we attracted the attention of BBC Radio Sussex, with Mark Carter kindly interviewing me on Boxing Day morning to learn the origin of the event.

Once again I want to thank our sponsors. The very kind Ian Masters, from local funeral directors Masters and Son, and DR Property Services for donations towards the trophies, prizes and to charity.

Thanks also to Andi Frost and her wonderful team at the Stand Up for providing the beer and bubbly for the winners and the wonderful Samantha Jaynes, owner of Tonicity Personal Training and Massage, who provided vouchers to the winners for a deep muscle massage.

I'd also like to thank my wife Nikki Gower and daughter Hayley for their marshalling and help on the day and Roger Seymour for his vital marshalling at Compton Road.

This year we were joined by the great friends from Lindfield Bonfire Society, led by Mike Webster, who provided additional mad entertainment by towing a replica of an outside toilet stolen from the Red Lion by the Bonfire Society back in 1867!

It was great having their support on the day adding to the community spirit. Particular thanks went to Sophie and Liz who helped receive the winners across the line.

Thank you all again, and see you for the sixth Denmans Lane Dash!







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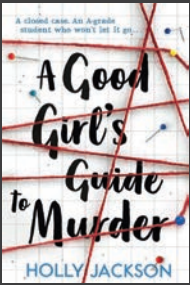
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## A Good Girl's Guide to Murder by Holly Jackson

### BOOK REVIEW

By Ella Tingley, Yr 10

A schoolgirl was murdered by her boyfriend. Simple, right? Everyone in this small town thinks so; the police closed the case five years ago. But not for Pippa - she isn't convinced. In this thrilling young adult novel, Pip investigates it for a school project, unravelling an increasingly complex web of secrets in an attempt to bring the real killer to justice. How far will she go to find the truth? And, if they're still out there, how far will the murderer go to stop her getting it?

A Good Girl's Guide to Murder is a gripping story, with a plot so intricate it's easy to get lost in! There are so many unexpected twists and turns, and I often found myself thinking: 'How did it get to this?'. Bourne has written it in such a way that you - somehow - forget that you're reading, and become totally enthralled and engrossed in Pip's investigation. Not only this, but you become friends (in a sense) with the characters; they are so well-developed that they might actually be real people.

I would recommend this to anyone aged 13 and above who loves to get lost in a good book. My granny even read it, and loved it just as much as I did!

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# A Single Thread by Tracy Chevalier

## BOOK REVIEW

By Cavan Wood

This book is a delightful, moving novel. It is the tale of the women left behind after their loved ones died in the First World War. Where were the men who would marry them, be fathers to their children and see them into old age? Gone, in the mud of the Somme or Ypres. This is the story of how these women found a way through in some way to meaning and fulfilment in an age of chaos.

Set in Winchester cathedral in the early 1930s, it is the tale of those involved in the making/repairing of church kneelers as well as the bell-ringers. Such a little setting enables the telling of stories about sexuality, loneliness and hope in a difficult time. Situations we can still very much relate to today.

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The Resuscitation Council (UK) has produced plenty of information to help us all learn more about what to

do in this dramatic and highly pressured time, should we find ourselves involved.

You can watch videos and play interactive games to increase your understanding. You can even download an app - see [www.resus.org.uk/apps/lifesaver](http://www.resus.org.uk/apps/lifesaver) for more information.

At Lindfield Life we will commit to reprinting this map and information on a regular basis in order to familiarise the whole village regarding access to this life-saving equipment - which can be used by anyone.

Please give it a go. With our emergency services so overworked, we as communities can get better at helping ourselves, and it really does make a difference.

If anyone knows of any other publicly available defibs in the area, do please email us ([editor@lindfieldlife.co.uk](mailto:editor@lindfieldlife.co.uk)) and we'll update the map for next time.

We are aware of plans for one to be installed in Scaynes Hill shortly, and we also understand that one of the Lindfield schools is seeking funding to buy a unit too.

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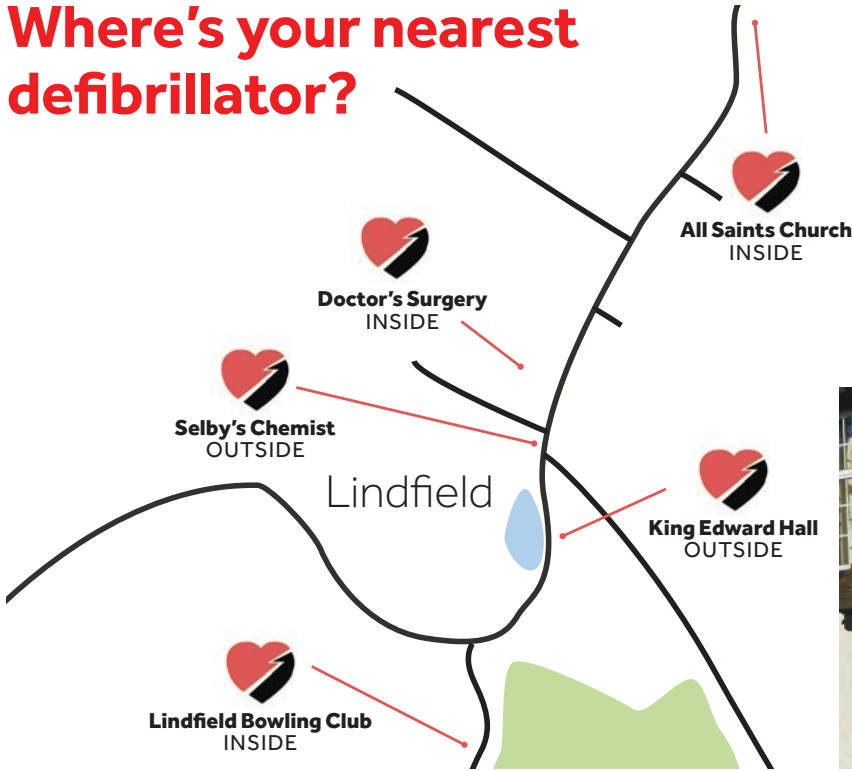
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# The eye of the beholder

**By Michael Blencowe, Sussex Wildlife Trust**  
Ensnared in my corner of a Sussex pub I didn't look far for inspiration for this article. The clanging of brass on lead alerted me to a couple of lads playing that most Sussex of pub games – Toad in the Hole. The perfect excuse for some sycophantic toadying to an amphibian I adore; warts and all.

Toads are beautiful. Yes, I know they have lumpy, poisonous skin. Yes, I know they have a face like Ena Sharples. But that eye. That amazing eye. Next time you see a toad get right up close and allow yourself to be hypnotized by that mesmerizing golden-ringed eye. Fellow toad lover George Orwell called it 'about the most beautiful eye of any living creature'.

In February that beautiful eye blinks open as toads awaken from their winter hibernation. From under stones, logs and leaves they emerge and start the long walk home – back to the pond where they were born. They proceed on this pilgrimage with a determined, unsteady gait – like one of those old men you see gingerly crossing the shingle on his way to his annual New Year's Day dip. But once the toad hits the water he is rejuvenated and has one thing on his mind. Croaking and bawling, a peaceful pond is transformed into a Club 18-30 pool party as male toads squabble over females in a writhing ball of amorous amphibians.

The results of this Bacchanalian bonding are long polka dot ribbons of spawn (unlike the frogs shapeless tapioca blobs), and by May the parent toads have left their breeding ponds to lead a more respectable life on dry land until their winter hibernation. Amazingly these animals can live for over 40 years.

It took Kenneth Grahame's beloved The Wind in the Willows to finally drag the toad out of the dark ages, putting him in a tweed suit and in the hearts of the nation. Keep an eye out for these amazing animals around Sussex in the coming months as they return to their ponds.

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## Let's spice up 2020!

By Isabella Mortimer (age 11)

Happy New Year everyone!

At the start of a new year it's always good to go big and think ahead; so in this month's edition I will be suggesting some helpful ways to think ahead into the spring and summer months to make sure you are staying green all year round!

### How can I think ahead?

By thinking ahead you will be able to plant your seeds at the right time, and this is a perfect time to plan your vegetable patch as it is cold and wet and most definitely not the right time for fresh, home-grown, organic and, most importantly, eco friendly crops!

### What plants and food can I grow in the winter?

Much to my surprise there are a lot of plants that grow very well inside on your windowsill. Here are some examples:

- Cress - a healthy salad leaf that grows well all year round and, to make it extra natural, growing it in egg shells and kitchen roll is as hard as it gets!
- Herbs - basil, sage, lavender, rosemary and other herbs are a tasty and healthy indoor growing option
- Leafy greens - lettuces, spinach, kale and many more these leaves are fun to grow at home and all you need is an array of seeds
- Baby ginger - this tropical spice needs heat and humidity to thrive. Although it is harder to grow than other plants it is perfect if you want to go all out there and grow more exciting spices.

These are not all the plants, seeds and spices that you can grow in the winter and the summer months. By going to [www.modernfarmer.com](http://www.modernfarmer.com) you will find loads of fruit and veg to last you a lifetime! Also by growing at home you are cutting down the amount of air pollution that is produced by the transport of these foods which in turn makes our world a better place.

Another reminder about Cloughs refilling station of washing up liquid, pasta, rice and much more, and Paul's Greengrocers are still collecting green, red and blue plastic milk bottle tops!

Good luck growing all your new plants and I hope you all have a happy and healthy 2020!

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# Outdoor half term fun promised at Wakehurst

Have you ever thought of making nettle soup with your children? If so, then get along to the half-term fun at Wakehurst's wild botanic garden later this month.

A nettle cookery workshop is just one of the exciting activities on offer at this popular garden.

Throughout half-term week, visitors are invited to settle down for storytelling around the campfire, explore the winter woodlands on an exciting collecting trail or join the cookery workshop.

The 'Test your Nettle' fun and practical cookery workshops, from 17th to 21st February, invite youngsters to wander into the beautiful Wakehurst woodlands and forage for ingredients before making a delicious nettle soup.

The event also offers storytelling around the camp fire while warming up with soup, cheese and tea.

The event costs £15 per child and is suitable for those aged five and upwards. All those under 16 must be accompanied by an adult. Advance booking is recommended.

Families visiting the gardens can also help to create a Mini Bug Hotel and Green Heart Collage from 15th to 23rd February.

Head to the Visitor Centre to receive a collecting card showing what to look for in the gardens, then pick up sticks and green things, from mosses to leaves, to create a bug hotel. Get crafty and make a decorative green



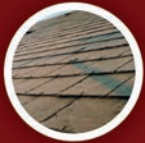
heart to add to the 'Show the Love' communal collage. This free event takes place in the Millennium Seed Bank atrium.

Throughout the week youngsters are also invited to pick up an Explorer Rucksack and prepare for an intrepid self-led journey through Wakehurst.

The rucksacks, costing £4, are available at reception.

For more details visit: [www.kew.org/wakehurst/whats-on/february-half-term-fun](http://www.kew.org/wakehurst/whats-on/february-half-term-fun)

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# Door decorations make quite a sight

Lindfield resident Lisa Desbruslais got into the festive spirit in December when she couldn't help but record some of the beautiful door wreaths from the High Street.

"The displays, door after door," Lisa recalled, "just made me think what a pretty village we live in – so I had to capture them."

Shown here is one of the montages which Lisa posted on social media in the run up to Christmas.

Thank you for sharing, Lisa!



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# Water, water everywhere...

Far from the idyllic dusting of snow, which many dream of in December, last month provided some very heavy rainfall. Fortunately Lindfield wasn't as disastrously affected as other parts of the country but there

were a few vistas which changed considerably when underwater. Thanks to these Lindfield Life readers for sending them in.



Photo: Dan Phillpott – Appledore Gardens



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# A day out on the buses

By Bob Campen

The villages and lanes of East Surrey and the North Downs are not as well known to many of us as they deserve. This itinerary will take you through some of these places, especially on the section Dorking to Crawley. It should be a good trip at the time of autumn colours.

The first leg of your journey is to take bus 272 at 1014 from Lindfield High Street, corner Denmans Lane. Stay on until the terminus at Crawley Bus Station, due 1053.

Here make a smart transition to stop I to catch bus 460 (destination Sutton) at 1101, and alight at Redhill bus station at 1145. It's only a small bus station, and buses do not always stop in the places denoted on the stop signs. There's just time to pop into MacDonalds for a coffee and comfort stop, but you need to be back at the bus station in time to take bus 32 (destination Guildford) departing at 1210. Stay on the bus as far as the White Horse at Dorking, where you should arrive at 1300.

Note: If you should happen to miss the 460 in Crawley at 1101, you could get the 100 (destination Park 25), also from stop I, at 1109 to Redhill bus station, where it is due at 1206. This means a very tight connection with the 32 which leaves at 1210, and, if you miss that, it would be unwise to pursue this itinerary. In that unfortunate event, it would be better to return direct to Crawley by 100, 400 or 460, have lunch and shop there, and return to Lindfield on the 272, leaving at 1456.

That's a good time to take a light lunch in Dorking, then get back to stop K at the White Horse in the High Street to catch bus 21 at 1355 (destination Crawley). This meanders delightfully through North Holmwood, Newdigate, Parkwood and Charlwood and is due in Crawley Bus Station at 1445.

Unless you are prepared to spend a couple of hours in Crawley, you need to make another smart move to stop D to get bus 272 (destination Haywards Heath for Brighton) leaving at 1456, which will bring you back to Lindfield High Street at 1541.

The bus station in Crawley is right alongside County Mall, so if you prefer to spend a couple of hours round the shops or in the food court, you can instead get the next 272 from stop D at 1715, due to arrive back in Lindfield High Street at 1800.

Please note that these travel details apply on Mondays to Fridays only. Bus routes and times are changed every so often, so if the magazine you are reading is 'old' by a few months, you should not rely on these schedules without checking.

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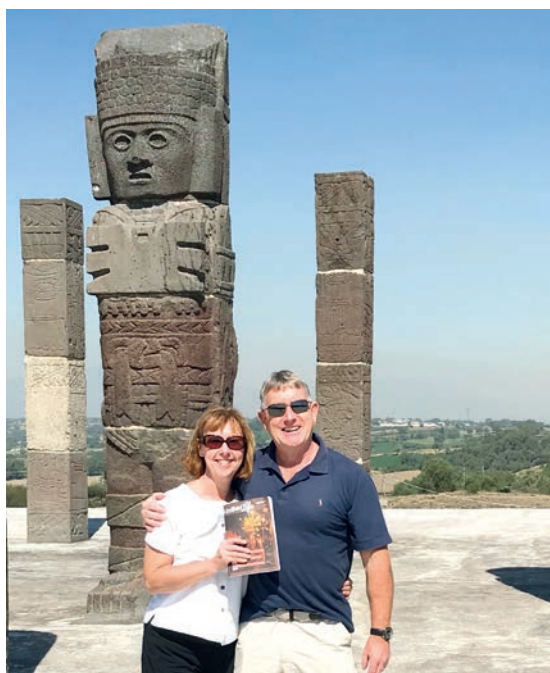
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# My memories of Humphrey's Bakery

By Eric Dawes

Following the very interesting and informative article in a previous edition of this magazine - with thanks to The Lindfield History Project Group - I would like to add my personal memories of the old shop going back to before the Second World War days, when I was growing up here in the village.

I can remember old Mr Humphrey baking at the shop. He was an imposing looking man with a full beard, rather like those worn by the royal gentlemen. The shop was just as popular then and sold home-made sweets as well as delicious cakes. My father (Thomas Dawes) had a 'sweet-tooth' and it was his weekend treat to have some of their lovely coconut ice. I recall walking up the High Street with him and my mother on a Saturday with the express purpose of making his purchase. Time has really stood still for this much-loved village shop.

My grandfather (also Thomas Dawes), who lived in Ardingly, used to be a part-time woodcutter and used to manage small woodland areas for the owner. This 'coppicing' resulted in brushwood, and unsuitable boughs were bundled up into what were called 'faggots' and the real waste was burnt leaving a tidy looking area.

Many of these faggots were sold to bakers, and certainly some lorry loads went to Humphrey's in Lindfield where they were used to heat the ovens for baking his lovely bread and cakes.

The lorry transport was always supplied by Mr Percy Gasson of Ardingly who had a really 'interesting' old lorry, which was duly loaded high with faggots for Mr Humphrey! I remember on one such journey the lorry really did not want to go up High Beeches Hill, near the golf course, and we all had to get out and help the poor truck - by pushing!

The bakery offered a daily delivery round, and this was undertaken with a fine covered horse-drawn wagon. My memories are of a very popular roundsman by the name of Bert Remnant. I went to Lindfield School with his daughter Peggy. He was always whistling, and you knew when he was coming! He would leave the horse and wagon on the grass verge when he went into a house to deliver bread and other items. Bert would perhaps have a cup of tea and a chat, and when he came out (whistling) the old horse had moved down the road munching happily along the grass verge and had stopped at the next delivery place. Bert was such a cheerful village character!

During the war the shop was run by Miss Humphrey, and I remember how she became one of the first ladies to sing in the All Saints Choir.



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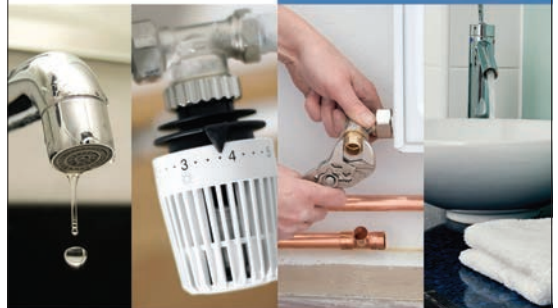
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- 12th **Lindfield Horticultural Society** – 8pm  
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- 13th **Lindfield Evening WI** – 7.30pm  
Carole Andrews 'Girls do Science....some women  
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- 20th **Cats (PG)** – doors 7.30pm  
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- 25th **Lindfield Flower Club**  
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- 29th **Teak Garden Furniture Sale**
- 29th **Barn Dance with Supper** – 7.30pm  
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New support group for those affected by pregnancy or baby loss (venue TBC [angie@walkingwithyou.org.uk](mailto:angie@walkingwithyou.org.uk) or call 07974 729566)
- 30th **Skull Drummery** – 7.30pm  
The Red Lion, Lindfield - Traditional event by Lindfield Bonfire Society, drumming performance in the pub garden
- 31st **The Kindergarten Teacher (12A)** – 8pm  
Players Theatre, Hurst - film show by Hurst Village Cinema (tickets from Mishon Mackay and [www.hurstfilms.com](http://www.hurstfilms.com))

### February

- 1st **Mid Sussex Ramblers AGM** – 2.30pm  
Millennium Centre, Scaynes Hill
- 4th **Firle Beacon Ramble** – 10am  
Meet at Firle Bostal car park (BN8 6LR) - 6 mile moderate circular walk by Mid Sussex Ramblers (Erica, 07885 595131)
- 5th **NHS Retirement Fellowship** – 10.15am  
Franklands Village Hall, Haywards Heath - The Buzz of Bees with Otto Somodi
- 6th **Dementia Café** – 2pm  
Court Buses Community Hub, Hurst
- 9th **Winter Wander Walk** – 2pm  
Meet at Vicarage Lane (RH17 7PB) - Mid Sussex Ramblers 4 mile walk on local paths around Scaynes Hill
- 10th **Hassocks Field Society** – 7.45 pm  
Adastra Hall, Hassocks - 'The History of Morris' a talk by Melanie Gibson Barton (Members £1.50, Visitors £2, Beryl Varley 01273 832351)
- 12th **Mid Sussex Franco-British Society** – 8pm  
Clair Hall - An illustrated talk in French by Professor Brian Stimpson on the subject of the French painter, Cézanne (£5, Barbara Stevens 01444 452385)
- 13th **HH Ceramics Group** – 10am  
Clair Hall - Dr Michael Signy will give a talk on 'Rivets, Repairs and Replacement Handles' (Free entry on first visit, otherwise £8, call 01444 483372 or 452804)

- 13th **Mid Sussex National Trust** – 2.30pm  
Clair Hall - Talk on Preston Manor, Brighton by Jackie Marsh-Hobbs (David Waite, 01444 453954)
- 15th **Music Concert** – 7.30pm  
Methodist Church, Haywards Heath - Jonathon Radford plays works by Debussy and Gershwin arranged for alto, tenor and soprano saxophones (Tickets £15/£5 available on the door or 01444417654 [www.haywardsheathmusicsociety.org.uk](http://www.haywardsheathmusicsociety.org.uk)) Heath Music Society
- 16th **Plumpton Ramble** – 10.30am  
Meet at Railway Station (BN7 3BW) - 3.5 mile leisurely walk around Plumpton by Mid Sussex Ramblers (Phil, 01273 835931)
- 16th **Jazz Before Lunch** – 11.30am  
The Hassocks Hotel - Julie Roberts (vocals), Michael Hinton (piano) and Terry Pack (double bass) (tickets £6, [www.WeGotTickets.com](http://www.WeGotTickets.com))
- 19th **The Arts Society Mid Sussex** – 10am  
Clair Hall - The Great Exhibition of 1851 by Prassanajit de Silva (Non-members welcome, £7)
- 22nd **Mid Sussex Meeples 9.45am-5.45pm**  
Cyprus Hall, Burgess Hill - Board gaming group (£5 entry all ages and levels welcome. Paul Lamprey 0788 407 0465)
- 22nd **Staplefield Walk** – 10am  
Meet at the Victory Inn (RH17 6EJ) - 5 mile moderate walk of Staplefield and beyond by Mid Sussex Ramblers (John, 01444 483860)
- 26th **IT Help for over 60s** – 2.30pm  
Hurst College - IT Help for the over 60s in collaboration with Mid Sussex Older People's Council. No need to book, just turn up (01444 242760 or email: [Nicola6@msopc.org.uk](mailto:Nicola6@msopc.org.uk))
- 26th **Ansty Garden Club** – 7.45pm  
Ansty Village Hall - The Story of Kew Gardens by Sarah Oldridge, Adult Education Coordinator Kew Gardens (Derry Baillieux 01444 474660)

### March

- 7th **Scaynes Hill Ceilidh** – 7.30pm  
Millennium Centre, Scaynes Hill  
Charity fundraiser for VICTA. Music by Reel and caller Tony Dunn (tickets £15, including pizza <https://bit.ly/2FI2NJj>)



## Console wars

### TECH HEAD

By Toby Wyithe

At the very end of last year Microsoft shocked the gaming world by revealing their upcoming console to a much-surprised audience at the 2019 Game Awards. In amongst the interviews, trailers and awards, we learnt that the X Box Series X will be released in Holiday 2020.



Historically console reveals are more lavish affairs, usually reserved for the prestigious E3 event held annually in Los Angeles, but Microsoft has managed to control the holiday narrative by ensuring their secret was kept well guarded.

It is no secret that our current console generation has been won by Sony and their PlayStation 4; but with each previous generation there are strong arguments within the gaming community that both Sony and Microsoft have experienced victories in alternate cycles.

Although the Nintendo Wii was actually the most successful console in the last generation from a sales perspective; many believed the Xbox 360 to be the true standout performer. Despite the PlayStation 3 having now sold more units, their botched launch and heavy hitting exclusives only landing towards the end of the lifecycle meant that Microsoft's offering was generally favoured.


Before then the PlayStation 2's inclusion of a DVD player meant that it will likely never be surpassed in terms of sales figures for any console but many believe this next generation could belong once again to Microsoft.

Boasting twice the power of the current Xbox One X hardware, and with a number of new studio acquisitions over the last few years working on expanding their exclusive library, there is an increased sense of optimism for those who favour Microsoft's Green over Sony's Blue.

It wasn't a completely flawless reveal though with executives having to clarify the naming conventions the day after the event. The name they are bringing forward is simply X Box, with 'Series X' indicating the specific model of consoles leaving even the most dedicated of gaming fan still slightly perplexed.

Sony has previously announced new hardware details in February, so we may not have long to wait for our new information but it already seems like 2020 is shaping up to be a very exciting year whichever side of the Console War you find yourself on.

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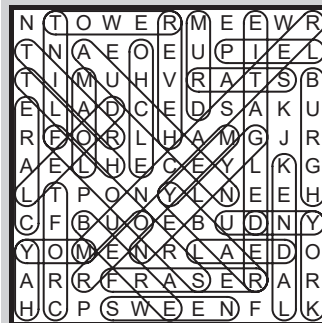
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