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7

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9

Chai tea smoked chicken, pickled vegetable & radish salad with a  
sesame seed & lime dressing

9

Grilled Cornish Sole, with roasted new potatoes, charred tender  
broccoli & burnt caper butter. (gf)

21

Roast topside of beef

10/18

Roast loin of pork with home-made crackling

10/18

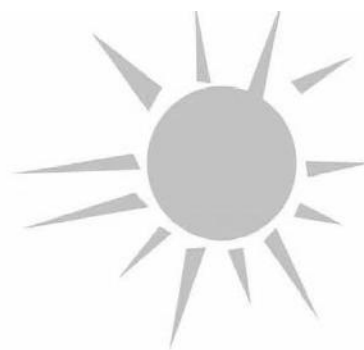
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## Talking point by Revd Sorrel Shamel- Wood

It seems that every year there are more and more themed “days” in the calendar. For example, this year July will include International Joke Day (1st July), World Chocolate Day (7th July), Shark Awareness Day (14th July), World Chess Day (20th July) and World Tiger Day (29th July). Of course, the Christian calendar has included special saints days for many centuries, and July includes St Swithun’s Day on July the 15th. Perhaps you have heard of the legend, that if it rains on St Swinthun’s Day, it will rain for forty days, but if it is dry on St Swithun’s Day then it will remain dry for forty days! Is the legend true? Well, perhaps you can test it this year and let me know!

However, the day which most captured my imagination when I was writing this article is “Alice’s Day”, on July the 1st. Alice’s Day celebrates the story of Alice in Wonderland, and of course being so close to Oxford, there are plenty of opportunities for us to celebrate: for example, the Story Museum hosts a special programme of events including puppets, trails and games. Charles Dodgson, aka Lewis Carroll (1832-98) was a fellow at Christ Church, Oxford and the idea for the story of Alice in Wonderland came to him while punting past Christ Church on the river Thames (or Isis, as it’s known in Oxford) towards Godstow Abbey.

Some of Lewis Carroll’s ideas for Alice in Wonderland were inspired by Medieval Christianity. For example, the way that she falls down a hole at the beginning of the story was inspired by the legend of St Frideswide and the holy well at Binsey. The alarming and aggressive “off with your head!” refrain from the Queen of Hearts may have been inspired by Godstow Abbey, at the end of Lewis Carroll’s boat ride, and its dissolution by Henry VIII during the Reformation.<sup>1</sup>

Stories, such as “Alice in Wonderland” capture the imagination and stand the test of time. Why? Because not only do they offer a glimpse of a fantastical reality beyond the normality of our everyday lives, but they also offer structure and resolution: they have a beginning, a middle and an end. As humans, we can find life confusing and chaotic at times, so shaping it into a story and taking control of our own story can be very helpful: who am I? Where am I going? What has brought me to this point? How do I hope things will change, and ultimately resolve?

The bible is, in my opinion, the greatest story ever told. It follows the adventures of humanity from their beginning, through many trials and challenges, to the ultimate happy ending through the life, death and resurrection of Jesus Christ and his promise to return in the future. Much of Western literature has found deep inspiration in the pages of the bible, from its deep poetry to its sacrificial, redemptive hero narrative and, like Lewis Carroll, many writers have also found inspiration in the history of medieval Christianity. Here in the Dorchester Ministry Team, we have many beautiful historic churches right on our doorstep. Why not pay us a visit this summer, and find some inspiration for the start of your own story! Who knows? One day it may even get it’s own “day”!

<sup>1</sup> Some of the historical information from this article derives from “Alice in Medieval Oxford” by Andrew Dunning: <https://blogs.bodleian.ox.ac.uk/theconveyor/alice-in-medieval-oxford/>

5th July 7.30pm at Dorchester Abbey

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**INSPIRING WOMEN**

## **TONS TOGETHER (LITTLE MILTON) WI**

In June, Janine Kilroe told us all about her job in the prison service, with some scary and fascinating stories about the dangerous men she encountered. A very entertaining speaker who took no prisoners! She offers talks and her fine art photography for sale at [www.janinekilroe.com](http://www.janinekilroe.com).

We also went on the first of our day trips, to National Trust house, Nuffield Place and then on for lunch at The Maker Space. Our next one is to **Reading Museum to see Britain's Bayeux tapestry on Wednesday 19 July**. Everyone welcome if you'd like to come along.

At our next meeting on **Thursday 13 July at 730pm**, we are going on a walking tour to find out **What's on our doorstep at BBOWT's Wells Farm reserve** with Paul Jeffery.

Everyone welcome - Visitors £5 or become a member for £34.50.

In August we go on a day trip, this year to the **Old Chapel Textile Centre** in Newbury on **Thursday 10 August**. There's an exhibition, shop, a talk on the Country Wife mural from 1951 and tea & cake. See [www.nationalneedleworkarchive.org.uk](http://www.nationalneedleworkarchive.org.uk) for more info.

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# Stadhampton Summer on the Green

something for all of us in this community to enjoy

## Order of Events

Stadhampton Summer on The Green

**8<sup>th</sup> July 2023 – 2pm till 9pm**

2:00pm Opens

2:30pm Brook Race

3:00pm School Choir

3:40pm Dog Show

4:45pm Tug of War

5:00pm Live music starts

6:30pm Raffle prizes

9:00pm Bar closes

Car Show 2-4:30pm

Kids Zone 2-5pm

Face Painting 2-5pm

Pony Rides 2-6pm

Bouncy Castle 2-6pm

### Refreshments include:

Crazy Bear Bar and Food

Horsebox Pizza

St John's Tea Tent and Ice Cream



# **Sign up for the Brook Race!**

**Men – Women - Kids**

Stadhampton Summer on The Green

**8<sup>th</sup> July 2023**

@ Doug on 07802 458284; dstut01@gmail.com

## **Stadhampton Parish Council.**

The next meeting will be held on Monday 17th July 2023 (please note that Parish Councils do not usually meet during the August recess)

A calendar of meetings for the coming year has been added to the website, on the "Agenda for Forthcoming Meeting" page. Alternate meetings will be shorter, with a Planning Application focus on dealing with responding to planning applications. If there are no applications to be considered, a decision may be made in consultation with the Chairperson to cancel the meeting.

Following the co-option of Parish Councillor Ken Allen, there remains one vacancy on the Parish Council which can be filled by co-option. Residents are encouraged to consider co-option to the Parish Council and can contact the Parish Clerk for further information at [clerk@stadhampton.org](mailto:clerk@stadhampton.org)

Residents are warmly invited to attend the monthly meetings, details of which are on the website [www.stadhampton.org](http://www.stadhampton.org). A public participation is held before the meeting starts for residents to raise any concerns or suggestions regarding Parish Council business. If you are unable to attend, you can contact either the Parish Clerk or a Parish Councillor to share your views.

Bev Field, Parish Clerk for Stadhampton Parish Council

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**RTCT's  
Stadhampton  
Fish Bypass  
Project**

**Join us at Stadhampton Mill House  
from 5:30 - 7pm on Friday 14<sup>th</sup> July**

To see the newly constructed Fish Bypass Channel

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**Short talk about the project at 6:15pm**

There will be opportunity throughout the evening to speak with RTCT staff and Trustees about the project and what we do across the Thame Catchment.

**Hosted by Anne and Ronald Peet**

*This project plays a vital part in the River Thame Conservation Trust's chalk stream strategy by removing a critical barrier hindering fish movement and marks an important milestone in RCTC's efforts to make the entire length of the Chalgrove Brook passable to fish.*

# Stadhampton SUMMER ON THE GREEN

8th July 2023

## **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

**No previous experience necessary**

**Setting up on the day**

**Running a stall for 1hr**

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**JUNE 2023**

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154.	3 <sup>rd</sup> prize	£15	Mr & Mrs Fitchett
176.	4 <sup>th</sup> prize	£10	Julie Brown
189.	5 <sup>th</sup> prize	£5	Rosalind Wilson

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### **Quiz Night**

**Saturday 2nd September, 6.30pm for a 7pm start**

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# What's on in July

## Regular Events

MONDAYS			
TUESDAYS			
WEDNESDAYS			
THURSDAYS	Tons Together WI (2nd of month)	19:30	Pine Lodge
FRIDAY	Pilates (beckyalanfitness.com)	10:15 20:00	Village Hall Village Hall
SATURDAYS	COMMUNI ☕ (starts 22nd. Social for everyone )	3-5 pm	Village Hall

**Saturday 8th July** Stadhampton Summer on the Green. 2 - 9pm

**Thursday 13 July** at 730pm, WI, BBOWT's Wells Farm reserve with Paul Jeffery.

**Friday 14th July** 5.30, - 7pm, Mill House, Event to show the new fish bypass

**Monday 17th July** Stadhampton Parish Council meeting, Village Hall

**Saturday 22nd July** first COMMUNI ☕ 3- 5pm, Village Hall

**Thursday 10 August.** WI day trip, Old Chapel Textile Centre in Newbury

**Saturday 2nd September,** Quiz, Village Hall, 6.30pm for a 7pm start

**Saturday 14 September,** 7pm, Celebrating volunteers and 10 years of the Village Hall

**Saturday 16th Sept ,** 10.30am, Church Plan meeting for St Katherine's Church,

## July and August WASTE COLLECTIONS

**GREY BINS** - Tuesday 4th and 18th July, 1st and 15th August  
Wednesday 30th August

**Grey weeks** - food waste, rubbish, small electrical items in a carrier bag next to bin



**GREEN BINS** - Tuesdays 11th and 25th July, 8th and 22nd August

**Green weeks** - food waste, recycling, batteries, garden waste, textiles in a tied carrier bag next to bin.

**Plastic bags** can now be used for food waste. **Cooking oil** can be recycled in the food caddy (use a plastic bottle if you like)

# and AUGUST

## Services at St John's

2nd July	4th Sunday after Trinity	9.30am	Family Service
9th July	5th Sunday after Trinity	9.30am	Holy Communion
16th July	6th Sunday after Trinity	9.30am	Family Communion
23rd July	7th Sunday after Trinity	9.30am	TEAM HOLY COMMUNION STADHAMPTON (No Team service in August)
30th July	8th Sunday after Trinity	10.30	Cluster Eucharist Service at St Giles, Newington
6th August	9th Sunday after Trinity	9.30am	Family Service
13th August	10th Sunday after Trinity	9.30am	Holy Communion
20th August	11th Sunday after Trinity	9.30am	Family Eucharist
27th August	12th Sunday after Trinity	9.30am	Family Service

Save the date - Saturday 14 September, 7pm

Celebrating volunteers and 10 years of the Village Hall at St John's

More information will follow in the September magazine

# Come to our COMMUNI



Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> July, 3pm – 5pm

Village Hall at St John's

**ALL WELCOME!**

*See enclosed flyer*

## **Parish Council - Highways Update – Councillor ‘Fitz’ Fitzgerald**

Hi everyone. Here’s a quick update to my Parish highways article in Feb’s Village Voice. *Thank you to those who responded.* We also have an update from Keith Darley on Chiselhampton’s recent Community Speed Watch initiative.

Oxford County Council (OCC) has acknowledged receipt of the local ‘Parish Highways Plan’ which I mentioned in February (see below). This included an application for some 20mph limits. Some of our proposed 30mph calming measures in the village centre will be tied to when OCC starts the 20mph works (likely next year), since OCC’s 20mph funding is planned to fund our 30mph ‘buffer zones’ (with new signs and measures) necessary either side of any 20mph limits.

There remains no single magic bullet solution for speeding, so we have proposed an ‘onion layer’ approach of various measures to influence drivers’ behaviour, to reduce speeds. Whilst acknowledging we can never prevent all speeding. So our Highways plan now submitted to OCC consists of bounded 20mph limits in Stadhampton centre (*roughly between Bear Lane/BP Garage bend north past the pedestrian crossing and school bus-stop up to the roundabout to Chalgrove*) and on all side-roads; prioritising traffic calming 30mph compliancy at Newington Road and Clifton Hampden Road (locations identified from previous speed data capture); and relocating some village gateway signs/complexes to be closer in to residential areas, for greater impact on drivers. Our funding quest continues, but we have now identified some, thanks to Councillor Robin Bennett. I will update further when OCC updates me. Thank you.

***Cllr Fitzgerald***

## **Chiselhampton Community Speed Watch (CSW) – Keith Darley**

Chiselhampton CSW has now been operating for 4 months and we would like to provide feedback to the community. It is a national initiative where local communities work with the support of local Police to record details of speeding vehicles using approved processes and detection devices. It is a proactive solution to improve the safety and quality of life for local residents. The overriding intention of the scheme is to change certain drivers’ behaviors and attitudes over time.

We currently have 7 highly committed volunteers and we started on 12 February. To the end of May we had carried out 56 surveys. They are only half an hour long so that it doesn’t become too much of a burden. Once we have collected the data it is downloaded onto the Thames Val



ley Police (TVP) website, checked by DVLA for accuracy, then passed back to TVP to action.

To date we have observed 6,893 vehicles, of which we have reported 640 to TVP for speeding. The fastest speed recorded is 55mph. Repeat offenders in a rolling 6-month period, or those driving at excessive speeds anywhere in the TVP area, will be sent letters of advice or receive a visit from a Road Traffic Police Officer. The DVLA has also identified 8 vehicles without MOT, 7 without road fund tax and 2 that have been declared off the road. The registered keepers of these vehicles will be dealt with in the normal way.

Data collected from many CSW groups across TVP's area shows that 93% of first-time offenders don't re-offend. After the second offence, re-offending drops from 25% to 6%. After the fourth offence, re-offending drops from 1% to 0.03%, just being seen on the side of the road is a deterrent. To date we have recorded only 7 re-offenders.

We remain committed to trying to change behaviours of drivers who speed through our community. So if you would like to join the Chiselhampton CSW group and help to make a difference to village life, please contact me at [keith.darley@hotmail.com](mailto:keith.darley@hotmail.com)

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## QUIZ

- Gerald paid for a T shirt with a £50 note. Had he paid £20.25 more he would have received a quarter as much change. How much did Gerald spend?
- In what two ways can the phrases 'Eleven plus two' and 'Twelve plus one' be related?
- What two words meaning 'a sharp sudden pain' and 'an edible marine fish' can combine to describe a home for a working mammal?
- What noun describes a man who is considered to act as a Witch?
- Combine three of the following groups of letters to identify four breeds of wild birds?  
ant are bul cor ecr est fie fir ldf lfi mor nch.
- What historic connection can be behind today's most popular name for a UK Public House?
- Which popular garden flowers relate to these Latin Phrases?  
Digitalis Purpurea: Dianthus Barbatus: Lathyrus Odoratus.
- What is the traditional and most common used hair for camel-hair brushes?
- Larkspur is the common name for which flowering plant toxic to humans and animals?
- What will be the total number of geometric degrees from all angles on all faces of a regular hexagonal pyramid?

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**SATURDAY 16TH SEPTEMBER 2023 AT 10.30AM**

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All are welcome. It would be great to hear from you if you would like to learn more about the church, and contribute to it continuing to be a great community asset.

Refreshments will be provided.

For more information or to register your interest please contact Isobel Milne, Local Community Officer, on [imilne@thecct.org.uk](mailto:imilne@thecct.org.uk)

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Church plans are a working document which combines information on the church's history, significance, maintenance and repair needs and current use of the church, with feedback and recommendations from the community, and concludes with an action plan setting out agreed short, medium and long term goals to support the sustainable use and care of the church.

For more information about church plans visit the Churches Conservation Trust website [www.visitchurches.org.uk](http://www.visitchurches.org.uk) and use the search function to search for "Church Plans"

**How to get involved** - If you are interested in supporting the church at Chiselhampton please get in touch with the Churches Conservation Trust's Local Community Officer Isobel Milne to register your interest in attending the meeting or feel free to just attend on the day. If you would like to input into the churches future but cannot attend the meeting do also contact Isobel. Her email is [imilne@thecct.org.uk](mailto:imilne@thecct.org.uk).

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# District Councillor Report

## Haseley Brook ward

### June 2023

### Cllr Georgina Heritage



#### **Foreword**

On a personal level, I'm still undertaking a thorough training programme with SODC, however I'm already enjoying engaging with residents and parish councils in Haseley Brook, and I'm looking forward to offering parish specific updates as I become more involved with each village in the ward.

#### **2023/24 Administration**

Shortly after the local elections which saw the Lib Dems take control of SODC, an agreement was reached that we would continue our successful partnership with the Green party - a progressive approach that we believe residents voted for.

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## Ladybirds and Dragonflies

We joined together for our dance workshop morning. We learnt a routine to 'I just can't wait to be King' from the Lion King. We had great fun and were enthusiastic.



After studying 'The Sound Collector' by Roger McGough Ladybird Class wrote their own version of the poem: -

### **The sound collector by Ladybird Class**

A visitor called this morning,  
Dressed all in blue and grey,  
Gathered every sound from school,  
And carried them away.

The neighing of the horses  
The screeching of the chairs  
The singing of the board  
The crunching of the pears.

The gulping of the water bottle  
The chattering in the hall  
The squeaking of the pencils  
The bouncing of the ball.

The-chitter-chatter of the children  
The pitter-patter of the rain  
The scarping of the rubber  
The humming of the brain.

The blowing of the whistle  
The crashing of the bricks  
The tweeting of the birds  
The drumming of the sticks.

A visitor called this morning  
She didn't leave her name  
Left us only silence  
Life will never be the same.

### Hedgehog Class

We are in the last term! The weather is beautiful now, and Hedgehogs have ventured out to the playground with pavement chalk to express their creativity! We have ventured into cross curricular territory linking art with our Geography topic. We are currently exploring rivers, oceans, and delving deep into the challenges of climate change. On June 8th, we celebrated World Ocean Day!



### Otter Class

During the week before half term, Otter Class enjoyed a sunny week in Wales at Woodlands Residential Centre. What a week they had, taking part in everything from caving and high ropes to canoeing and hiking. The children were a delight to take away and we are so proud of the way they represented the school. Everyone returned, exhausted and dirty which must mean they had a great time!

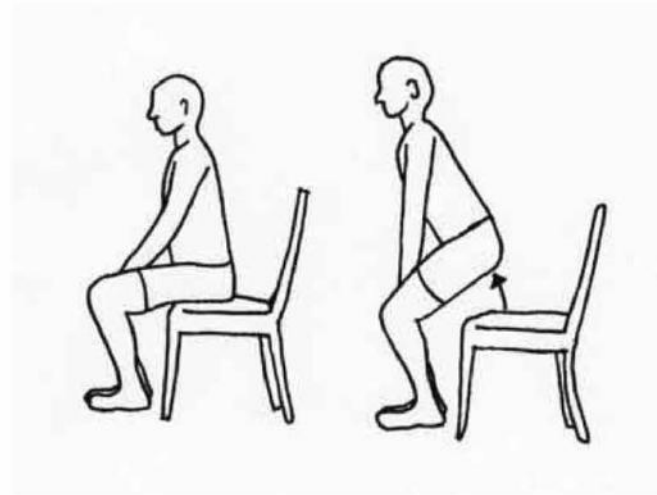
Our Year 6 children have just completed their cycle training sessions and we are all well into rehearsals for our end of year production. The next few weeks are sure to be very busy but lots of fun.



## Sit to stand

Being able to stand up from a chair is something that we take for granted until we can no longer do it. The action itself is a good exercise not only for the lower body but also for maintaining or improving balance.

To start, move the bottom forward to the forward edge of the seat and bring the feet back towards the front edge of the seat's legs. Keep the feet shoulders width apart and lean from the hips so that the shoulders are over the toes. Push through the feet extending the knees and hips until you are stood upright. To sit down is the reverse.



To make this easier use your hands and arms to help push up. There are lots of ways to make it more challenging. Having the feet closer together will challenge your balance more. Having one foot in front of the other will target the rear most leg and make it do more work. Slowing the speed down, especially on the sitting down will work on endurance. Doing repetitively but only allowing the bottom to lightly come in contact with the seat before standing up again will also work on endurance. Doing with eyes closed will work on balance. And doing from a low height will work on strength through an unusual range.

As I said at the start this is an exercise that we take for granted until we cannot do it. To help you keep doing it without thinking, try doing it 10 times taking 2-3 seconds to go up and 2-3 seconds down without fully relaxing into the seat with your right foot in front of your left and then 10 more with your left foot in front of your right. As with all exercise make sure you warm up before and stretch after and do it in a safe environment. Good luck! **Nige.**

## **VIEW FROM VIEWS.**

Already it is midsummer and once again we ask ourselves where has the year gone ? I guess you could say that it was not until the end of May that the weather took any notice of the date. This was illustrated by the lateness of tree blossom by at least 2 weeks. I have noticed that by now most birds will have fledged. The other day I saw a couple of sparrows making sure for the second time this year that their species did not die out. One part of nature that seems more prevalent this year is the ermine moth, noticeable by the protective web it spins for its caterpillars as a deterrent to predators. It is mainly found on spindle trees and bushes. It will strip all the leaves but as far as I can

remember these all recover over the summer. They already seem to be on the move and you can see the green shoots appearing. By the time you read this I guess most bushes will have recovered, or be well on their way.

Welcome rain on the 10th June. I recorded 14mm. Unfortunately being as heavy as it was some of our best barley is now residing on the floor. It actually looks worse after the light rain of 3mm the following day. Hopefully we can recover most of it. After practically a month of dry weather this is heaven sent and will help the harvest no end. At the same time the first lupin flowers appeared, which this year are a much better-looking crop, practically covering the ground. As most things were in our favour at time of planting, allowing us to plant earlier with a better seed bed, so they got off to a good start. Having said that we have some issues with the evenness of planting, leaving areas with poor germination, a problem I think we have now overcome. We have been warned that lupins are very vulnerable to pigeon damage. Last year that was not a problem as the crop was so thin the birds probably thought it was not worth the effort of landing and taking off. This year however, we have had many guns shooting many birds but, as yet, I have not seen any damage, save one small area, that I can attribute to bird damage. Very strange.

We are forever being made aware of the lack certain foods on retail shelves. Hardly the case for the small village, and farm shops, who are prepared to pay a realistic price for their goods. If our producers do not get enough for their produce and have decided not to plant, this is nothing to do with weather conditions in northern Africa. The dam in Ukraine will of course now have a knock-on effect, with the unfortunate fact that food prices will have to rise. This will add to the difficulties for those on a low income. The government are talking of capping the price of some foods to help those with problems. I feel this is the wrong way to attack this problem. We should let all prices be at a sustainable level for all in the food chain, with other measures in place to help those with problems. Sometimes this could be just a matter of education which is now not, I believe, part of the curriculum. As a population we need to be taught the value of good nutritious food and economical ways to process/cook it. This suggested capping adds to some of the conundrums we have to face. However, it does follow a high level meeting our leaders had with the PM where, he practically gave agriculture his undeniable help and support. This was followed by a long text to all farmers saying what wonderful people we are, looking after the food supplies to the nation. Now on top of this are the thinking of a cap but also relax legislation on livestock worrying by domestic dogs. To add to this it is suggested that supermarkets be charged for the disposal of plastic wrappings etc. This will of course have to be passed on to everyone in the food chain. There is nothing wrong with plastic as such. It is that we humans seem incapable of disposing of it properly which, actually is not that difficult. Plastic is a very useful medium, without which we would be the poorer. It is just that we are incapable of disposing of it or, paying for it to be disposed of. Waste is the responsibility of all of us. It is one of those things we feel we should not have to pay for, but we must, we should, and the sooner we start to pay the real value of things the better!

On top of all the above those of us that have taken the decision not to plough anymore, as this one way to lessen our carbon foot print, find we are facing another problem. Now we find we are beginning to be infested with another grass weed to combat "Sterile Brome", which those of us that tried it in the 70's will remember came up against and dropped the idea, this is just another hurdle we will have to jump, somehow without chemical aids, I would suggest.

**Charles Peers**





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## Answers

### QUIZ

1. £23.00.

2. They both total thirteen and use the same letters.

3. Stab-ling.

4. A Warlock.

5. Bullfinch, Cormorant, Fieldfare, Firecrest,

**WORDBOX** 9 letter word is LIFE BLOOD

6. When James VI of Scotland inherited the throne of England he decided U.K. buildings and Public Houses should display a Red Lion emblem. Latest P.H. count is 516.

7. Foxglove. Sweet William. Sweet Pea

8. Hair from squirrels tails.

9. Delphinium.

10. 1800.

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