# MARSTON SICCA



## PARISH NEWSLETTER
## JULY/AUGUST 2023

# EDITORS NOTES

By the time this newsletter comes out it will be Fete day! At the time of writing the weather is looking great and I hope everybody had a fantastic day.

Coming up on Saturday 16th September is the annual Long Marston Flower & Produce Show, so take a look inside at the schedule of classes and get your growing/baking on!!!

The film night on July 21st is A Man Called Otto starring Tom Hanks. For all fitness and other classes, see the village hall news.

This is a combined July & August edition so please set yourselves a reminder that the cut off for any entries in the September edition is Tuesday 22nd August. Send to editor@uberdoodle.com.

Happy Summer hugs
Simon

# COMMUNITY FOOD SHARE/CARE

**Community Food Share** – Operated by a small team who distribute food to those who require that extra help.

Please contact
**Stephenie Hillier (07720 975023) or Jane Batchelor (07522 559865).**

**All inquiries and conversations are strictly confidential.**

If you would like to donate food towards **The Community Food Share there will be a collection box outside The Poppin, Long Marston.**

**Thank you.**





# PARISH COUNCIL

The Parish Council welcomed a resident from Fernleigh Park (Long Marston Airfield Development) who discussed the concerns of a planning amendment for the site. The Parish Council are viewing the points and will respond in due course. Currently the initial phases of development to Fernleigh Park fall under Quinton PC but as the site develops, new phases will be under Marston Sicca. Both councils already work well together for Meon Vale and see the same cooperation continuing with Fernleigh Park.

County Councillor Daren Pemberton confirmed the ***closure of the bridge in Welford on Avon from August 7th and is expected to be closed until March 2024***. The Parish Council noted the condition of Milcote Lane including damage to the verges due to heavy vehicles. This would need to be tackled prior to the bridge closure. Diversion details will be posted on the parish council website once we have the details.
District Councillor Stuart Keighley noted the new administration in Stratford District had changed with people settling into their new roles. It is the intention of reinstating Stratford concessionary parking for those over 66 asap.

The Parish Council read a report received regarding the closure of Wyre Lane to facilitate repairs by Severn Trent Water. STW are carrying out sewer replacement and remediation works within the village of Long Marston which are due to commence in Autumn 2023. This will require a temporary access route from The Brickall to Wyre Lane.

- STW will be replacing the stretch of sewer pipe within Wyre Lane, from the T-Junction on Welford Road to the start of the residential houses along Wyre Lane. Due to the current location of the pipe, STW will require shutting the road for a period of approximately 2 months to carry out these works. Therefore, no access traffic will be allowed down Wyre Lane, due to the available width excluding the working area.

- Over the last 12 months, STW have been reviewing route options that could temporarily be utilised to allow access for residents and

public service vehicles to the properties at the end of Wyre Lane for the duration of the road closure.

- The Brickall to Wyre Lane through a private field is the most suitable and viable option. The works for this option are due to commence in October 2023 and will be in place for a total of approx. 2 months. The temporary route will be built to a highway spec that can take the load of a fire engine (largest anticipated vehicle to use road) in the event of it being required. This access route is temporary and therefore will be removed from the field once the works have been completed and the land and hedge rows/ trees will be fully reinstated. To confirm, this temporary road is for residential and public service vehicle use only, no scheme works traffic will be able to use the temporary access road. In order to progress this option, STW will be serving the relevant Water Industry Act 1991 notices to confirm the legal right for the works to take place.

STW are planning on holding a Community Meeting for the residents of The Brickall in July to explain the works in full and taking mitigation proposals from the residents for the temporary access route that will help improve public safety, manage traffic and speed whilst the road is in use.

The transfer of key Meon Vale assets from St Modwen to Marston Sicca Parish Council and Quinton Parish Council (jointly owned) will conclude on July 14th. The village hall has been transformed with a significantly better layout and acoustics. An asset management committee comprising members from both councils have been set up to manage the assets and will be liaising with the village hall committee once the transfer is finalised. The Pavilion should be reopening around the third week of July due to a small delay in getting the new kitchen fitted. We are looking forward to opening the doors to an exciting new building with a new menu and community led projects.

The Parish Council reviewed the Big Green Day event and the excellent range of exhibits and talks organised for the day. As a regular feature on the Parish Council agenda, the event was organised to engage the community on this important topic. It was a combined effort of the PC and the Biodiversity Group with support from St Modwen, Trinity Grange Primary School, Involve, SDC and WCC. We hope to hold smaller events in the coming months alongside biodiversity projects.



**Planning Matters**

23/01271/FUL - 4 Larch Road, Meon Vale – Side extension with relocated side entrance. Decision: No objection

23/01215/FUL - Chestnut Corner, Long Marston – Convert part of one garage and first floor above into a living annexe. Decision: No objection

23/01310/Vary - Phase 4D, Meon Vale – Variation of condition 1 of planning permission 22/01464/FUL, to allow for the extension to the temporary planning permission from a period of 12 months to 36 months for marketing suite and associated parking. Decision: No objection

22/01345/FUL - Bear Cottage, Long Marston – Demolition of existing prefabricated concrete 2-bay garage and erection of new brick built 3-bay garage. The Parish Council submitted a no objection to the initial application, but this was refused by SDC.
The applicant has submitted an appeal, ref.APP/J3720/D/23/3316433.

Next Meeting – July 17th Meon Vale (if the Pavilion is not ready, MV Village Hall will be used).

***Debbie Woodliffe***
***Parish Clerk***

# LIBRARY AND COFFEE MORNING

The Library van will be in the Masons' car park on Tuesday July 4th and Tuesday 25th July. Everyone welcome. Come in and join the friendly chatter in the Village hall from 10.30 am. Tea, coffee and biscuits just a donation large or small is appreciated.
All donation's go to local charities. Hope to see you there.

***Chris Rathbone***

# VILLAGE HALL



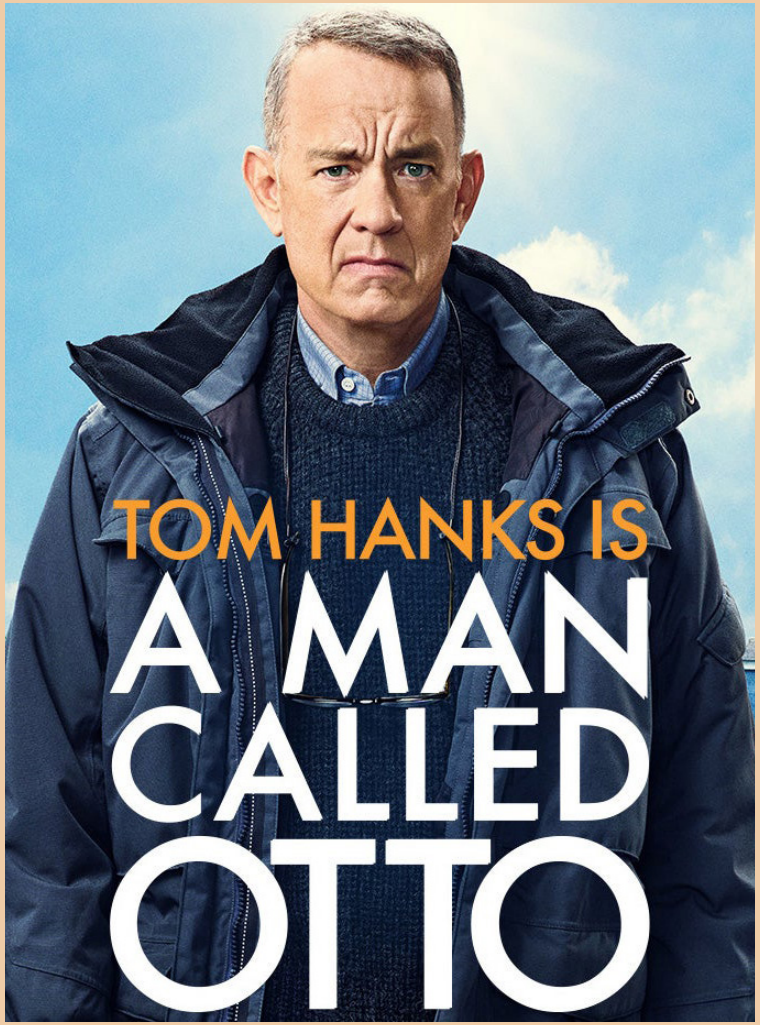
**MARSTON MOVIES**
Marston Movies will resume on Friday, July 21st showing “A Man Called Otto” starring Tom Hanks. Tickets £3 – 7.30 pm - with bar and snacks available as usual.

The Village Hall Committee still remains below strength and would welcome new members to assist in the care and running of the hall. I*nterested? Please contact Diana Rippin 01789 720536.*

**VILLAGE HALL DIARY**

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| **July 3rd/10th/24th/31st** | Line Dancing 7.45 – 8.45 pm |
| **July 4th/11th/18th/25th** | Zumba pm |
| **July 7th** | Private Booking |
| **July 8th/15th/22nd 29th** | Zumba am |
| **July 4th /25th** | Library & Coffee Morning 10.30 |
| **July 5th /12th/19th/26th** | Morris Dancing - afternoons |
| **July 5th** | Long Marston Ladies - evening |
| **July 12th** | W.I. evening |
| **July 17th** | Village Hall Committee 5.00 pm |
| **July 17th** | Parish Council meeting 7.30 pm |
| **July 21st** | Marston Movies 7.30 pm |






**FRIDAY 21st July - 7:30PM**
**Licensed Bar | Snacks | Ices**
**Only £3 on the door**
**Bring a cushion!**

**Why not hire our hall for a family and friends event. We have very reasonable prices and AIR PURIFIERS to help keep you safe. Phone Anne on 01789 720368**

# LONG MARSTON VILLAGE FLOWER & PRODUCE SHOW

## Saturday 16th September 2023

## SCHEDULE OF CLASSES

**Produce**
1. 5 Potatoes
2. 3 Onions
3. 5 Tomatoes
4. 3 Courgettes
5. 5 Runner Beans
6. 3 Root Vegetables
7. 3 Orchard Fruits
8. You've grown it - Let's see it
9. Collection of vegetables (minimum of 5)

**Cut Flowers** in a jam jar
10. Single Rose
11. 3 Cut Flowers (same variety)
12. 5 Flowers (any variety)
13. Branch of flowering or fruiting shrub
14. Selection of herbs

**Pot Plants** (Best overall for Pat Robbins Trophy)
15. Flowering
16. Foliage

**Flower Arrangements** (Accessories allowed)
17. Arrangement in your favourite container
18. Autumn Glory
19. Table decoration
20. Petite arrangement (not to exceed 7" in any direction)
21. Hand Held Posy



**Domestic Classes**
22. Tray bake (5 pieces) - Chris Jackson Cup
23. Victoria Sandwich Cake
24. Ginger Cake
25. Savoury Quiche
26. Fruit Cake
27. Chocolate Brownies (5 squares)
28. Jar of Jam
29. Jar of Chutney

**Handicrafts**
30. Painting (any medium)
31. Handicraft item (Miss Sanders Memorial Trophy)

**Photographs** (Not to exceed 8x6 inches)
32. Architectural Interest
33. The Wonder of Nature
34. Insects at Work
35. A Funny Moment
36. Character Study

**Children's Classes** (Please state age on entry form)
37. A Model (asny medium)
38. 3 Decorated Fairy Cakes
39. Picture (any medium)

**Fun Classes**
40. Limerick on Royal Family Member
41. Vegetable, Animal or Person (2 classes - under 12, and over 12)
42. An invitation

# LONG MARSTON LADIES

In June the Ladies were treated to a talk from Carl at Charlecote Mill and it's history. The current mill was built in 1752 with two water mills. The Osborne family was the first to own it, followed by the Witherington family. By the early 1900s traditional mills were in decline as new techniques came into play. It survived the wars and was used for filming Mill on the Floss. It is now one of only 26 mills left in the country. The ladies were able to buy the flour in the evening so we expect many cakes to be made.

# LONG MARSTON WI

The May Meeting was held at thee Mason Arms Skittle Alley. The National W.I. Resolution this year is for 'Clean Rivers for People and Wild Life'. A discussion was held re pros and cons and the Motion was carried in Favour. The system is that our vote is passed to WFWI and thence taken to the NFWI AFM held in Cardiff to be joined in a National W.I. vote and was passed by 84%. W.I. energies will be put together to maintain pressure on achieving this outcome.

Supper and a game of Skittles followed from which Lisa Armstrong became the overall winner.
June Meeting was held in the Village Hall. Ginny Davies came to give one of her informative and entertaining speeches on 'To the Fringe and Beyond'. Ginny told us of her experiences as a Barrister, in particular the purpose of the clothing and wig warn. She felt unfulfilled in this role and so turned her love of whit, laughter and writing into solo play acting. One of her initial great experiences was at The Edinburgh Fringe Festival – the challenge of making her performance a success stimulated her into making it a lifetime business.

The next Meeting is on Wednesday 12th July 7.30pm, Village Hall…… 'Influential Women Gardeners' with Frances Freeman

***Liz Marcuse***



# PAVILION UPDATE

THE PAVILION
COFFEE SHOP & COMMUNITY SPACE

The Pavilion Café will shortly be opening its doors. Work is still in progress following significant remodelling to the internal layout. The Pavilion will offer some exciting changes to the café area – both in appearance and menu and hope customers will enjoy their new community space.
Remember, profits go towards community projects and as the big store says 'every little helps'.
We will also open our remodelled meeting room to host clubs and support services along with our food share scheme that has continued to operate during the closure from the Village Hall – many thanks to our volunteers to tirelessly keep the service running.
Working collectively with St Modwen who have provided us with tremendous support, we are preparing a new chapter for the pavilion and the wider community.
Our open day will be posted asap!

# GARDEN CLUB

On Wednesday 21st June we visited Kiftsgate and Hidcote gardens which should have been easy, but the Rail Event caused most of us stuck in stationary traffic in the village! However, we got there at the best time of year to view these gardens. Our members thought Kiftsgate the best Garden ever with fantastic views over Warwickshire. Unfortunately the National Trust were unable to produce a guided tour around Hidcote but this didn't deter from an enjoyable wander amongst a beautiful garden in the height of summer in glorious weather.
I am working on the next few months so keep an eye out for notification. To help you plan I normally aim for the third Wednesday of the month.

***Wiggy Taylor***

# GREAT BIG GREEN DAY




The event was extremely well attended and attracted overwhelming positive community support and feedback.

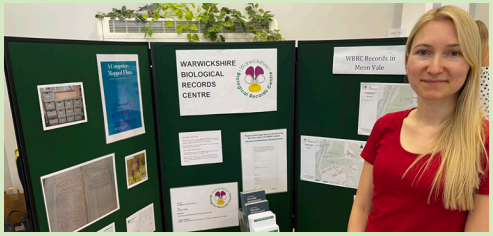
There were over 15 exhibitors on a variety of subjects including climate change, loss of biodiversity, Zero store from the town centre, displays of badgers, hedge hogs, bats etc together with representation from both Stratford District Council and Warwickshire County Council.

The three speakers proved popular with good audiences on leading topics:

- Explaining biodiversity in your back garden.
- The importance of Swifts and the hope that future developers will incorporate swift bricks in their new builds.
- The problems of food and other waste and the impact on environment.

The new village hall with its improved sound attenuation, new kitchen and hall layout, including a suite of offices/rooms for rent by the hour when it reopens in July, proved to be an ideal setting for the event.

Tyler Grange's Rebecca Freeman, ecologist, gave an enthusiastic tour of the woodland. She has been working on this site with the landowners for the past 7 years, again the feedback from people on the walk was tremendous, we hope to repeat the tour later in the year or early 2024 to also include the wetlands.




The event allowed us to invest in a dozen exhibition display boards and other vital equipment, including projector and screen, which will allow the parish council and village hall committee to hold future public events with greater effect. Special thanks to the management team are in order that brought the event to fruition after 4 months of planning, giving up their time and included: Debbie Woodliffe, Rachel Woodliffe, Dominika Stockham, Claire Craige, and Stephenie Hillier.

We are looking for suggestions for the next public event on a theme connected to the environment & nature if you have any ideas please email gbgd@marstonsicca-pc.gov.uk

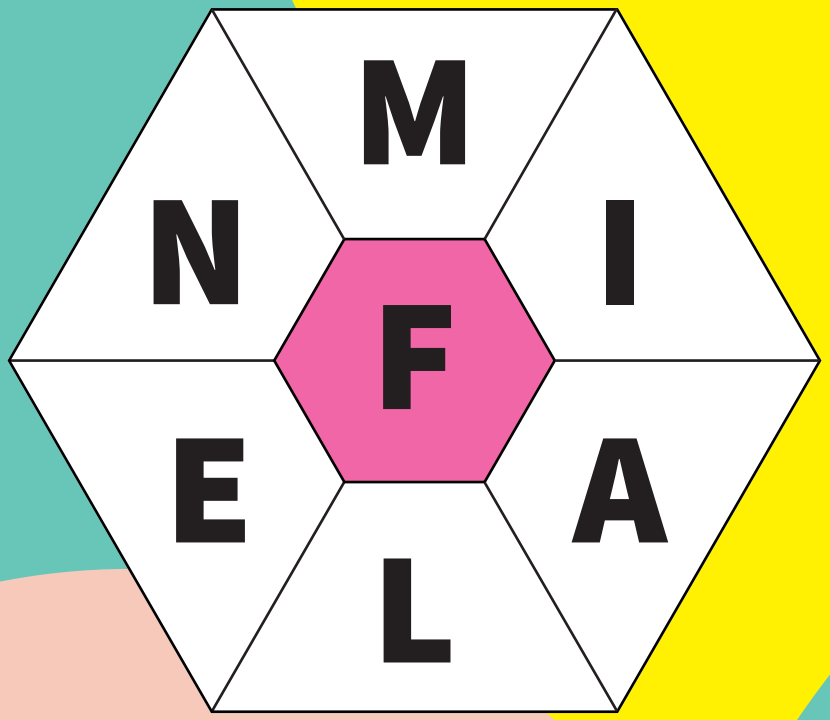
**Further Reading and Activities**

If you would like to explore follow-up activities on similar themes, these can easily be found by searching online, but also please try the following links:

https://www.wildlifetrusts.org/actions
https://www.wildlifetrusts.org/30-days-wild-homeschooling
https://www.rspb.org.uk/fun-and-learning/for-families/
https://www.gloucestershirewildlifetrust.co.uk/events
https://www.warwickshirewildlifetrust.org.uk/30DaysWild



# PUZZLES




### 3+ Letter Words

**Grab pen and paper! Using the letters above how many words can you make, always including the central letter.**

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| elf | fen | flame |
| elfin | fie | flamen |
| fail | file | flan |
| fain | film | flea |
| fale | fin | inflame |
| fame | final | leaf |
| famine | finale | lief |
| fan | fine | life |
| fane | flam | naif |



## JULY & AUGUST QUIZ QUESTIONS

1. Which battle took place on 1 July 1690?
2. The '20 July plot' was the attempted assassination of whom?
3. Bastille Day is celebrated in France on which date?
4. 'August' is the tenth solo studio album by which musician?
5. What made news headlines on August the 8th, 1963?

CLICK FOR ANSWERS

1. Battle of the Boyne
2. Hitler
3. 14th of July
4. Eric Clapton
5. The Great Train Robery



# MACMILLAN CANCER SUPPORT

On July 9th we will be taking part in L'etape du Tour de France with fellow villager, and running and bike nut Chris Cond.

The Etape du Tour gives amateur cyclists a chance to ride stage 14 of the Tour de France, just days before the pros. This year features an iconic 152 km with over 4,000m of climbing from Annemasse, right by Geneva, finishing atop the Col du Joux Plane in Morzine.

We are part of Team Macmillan and would be incredibly grateful - if you are in a position to - to donate to this amazing charity that means so much to me and I'm sure many of you.
If you or someone you love are diagnosed, your worries are Macmillan's worries. Macmillan's doing whatever it takes, but without your help they can't support everyone who needs them. Please find below links to our JustGiving pages where donating is simple, fast and secure. Once you donate, they'll send your money directly to the charity. It's the most efficient way to donate - saving time and cutting costs.

**Simon Hanagarth**
https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/simonhanagarthletape

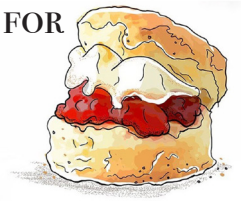
**Chris Cond**
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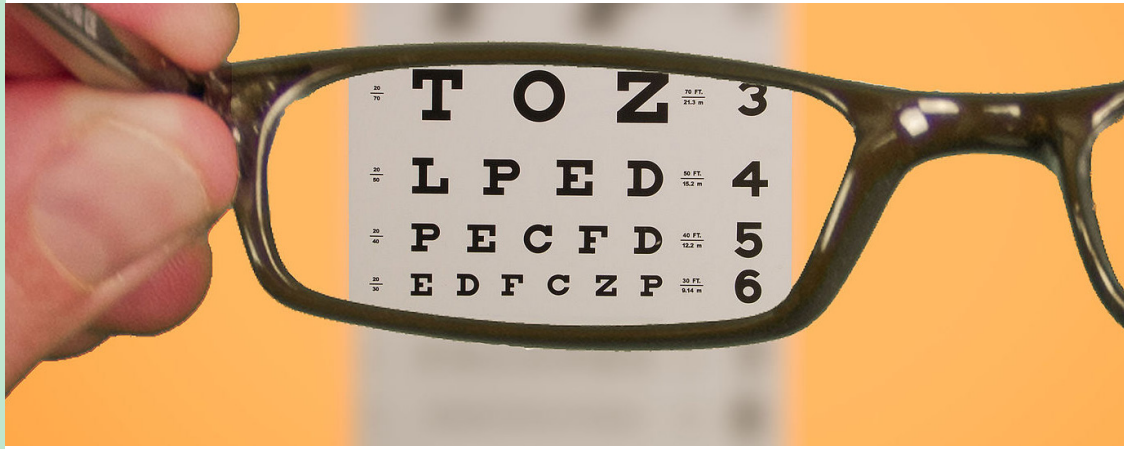


# ST JAMES THE GREAT CHURCH



Join us for
Strawberry and Cream Teas
July 23rd at 2:30pm
All proceeds to the Fabric Fund for
our beautiful Parish Church






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**Ingredients (Serves 4)**

4 boneless, skinless salmon fillets cut into chunks
2 tbsp Thai red curry paste
Thumb-size piece fresh root ginger, grated
1 tsp soy sauce
1 bunch coriander, half chopped, half leaves picked
1 tsp vegetable oil
Llemon wedges, to serve

**For the salad**
2 carrots
half large or 1 small cucumber
2 tbsp white wine vinegar
1 tsp golden caster sugar

**Method**

1. Tip the salmon into a food processor with the paste, ginger, soy and chopped coriander. Pulse until roughly minced. Tip out the mix and shape into 4 burgers. Heat the oil in a non-stick frying pan, then fry the burgers for 4-5 mins on each side, turning until crisp and cooked through

2. Meanwhile, use a swivel peeler to peel strips of carrot and cucumber into a bowl. Toss with the vinegar and sugar until the sugar has dissolved, then toss through the coriander leaves. Divide the salad between 4 plates. Serve with the burgers and rice.










**Ingredients (Serves 4)**

1 tbsp rapeseed oil
12 meatballs (300g)
1 onion, finely chopped
3 garlic cloves, finely chopped
2 tbsp ketchup
2 x 400g cans chopped tomatoes
1 large bunch of basil, finely chopped, plus a few whole leaves
225g dried spaghetti

**Method**

1. Heat the oil in a deep, wide frying pan or casserole dish over a medium-high heat. Tip in the meatballs and cook for 5 mins, turning until browned all over. Add the onion and garlic, and fry for 8 more mins until softened.

2. Add the ketchup, chopped tomatoes, chopped basil and 400ml water to the pan and bring to the boil. Add the spaghetti and cook for 10-12 mins, stirring occasionally. When the pasta is cooked and the sauce has reduced, season and sprinkle with the basil leaves to serve.

**Ingredients (Serves 12-14)**

2 large eggs
2 tsp vanilla extract
175g fruit, stoned and diced weight
140g granulated sugar
1-2 tbsp citrus juice - lemon, lime or orange
175g very soft butter, plus extra for greasing
175g golden caster sugar
250g self-raising flour

**Method**

1. Heat oven to 180C/160C fan/gas 4. Grease a 900g/2lb loaf tin and line the base and ends with a long strip of baking parchment. Put the butter, caster sugar, flour, eggs and vanilla extract into a large bowl and beat with an electric hand mixer for 5 mins until pale and creamy – the mixture will be very thick.

2. Spread one-third of the cake mix into the tin, then scatter over 50g of the fruit. Carefully dot and spread another third of the cake mix on top, and scatter with another 50g fruit. Finally dot the rest of the cake mix over and gently spread with the back of a spoon. Bake for 1 hr, until an inserted skewer comes out clean.

3. Poke the cake all over with a skewer. Put remaining 75g fruit into a bowl with the granulated sugar. Stir in 1 tbsp of the citrus juice first with a fork, mashing a little of the fruit as you go. If it's a bit dry, add a splash more juice and spoon over the cake. Leave in the tin until the cake is cool and the topping is set and crisp.





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A 999 call giving the location will provide a code and method of use.

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