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EDITORS NOTES

Lovely, lovely June. The gateway to summer and a month chock full of National Days. Some of the highlights: ***5th - National Sausage Roll Day | 15th - Beer Day Britain | 23rd - Bring Your Dog To Work Day.*** Lovely stuff. Find the full list inside.

No film show this month due to holidays and much planning for this years fete. Do remember to get involved if you can.

On a personal note myself and Chris Cond are riding this years L'etape du Tour de France with Team Macmillan in July, and details on how to donate to this amazing charity can be found later in the newsletter.

Please remember the cut off for any entries in the July edition is Thursday 22nd June. Send to editor@uberdoodle.com.

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 recently held it's Annual Meeting of the Parish Council and welcomed three new parish councillors, Steve Barker, Colin Parrott and Claire Craig, enabling fair representation on the council from both Long Marston village and Meon Vale.

Members voted for Councillor Ian Johnsey to continue as Chair, and Councillor Richard Whittaker to be Vice Chair. We wish all our Councillors good luck as they work together for the benefit of the community.

Following elections and change in boundary, the parish council welcomed our new District Councillor Stuart Keighley who has been regularly attending our Parish Council meetings. The council also thanked Manuela Perteghella for her tremendous support over the past few years.

This year was the first time our Parish Council has met the criteria for eligibility to exercise the General Power of Competence, namely that the council has a CiLCA qualified Clerk and that the number of elected Councillors (not co-opted), exceeds two thirds of the total number of Councillors. The General Power of Competence is a 'power of first resort' introduced in the Localism Act 2011. The power allows a local authority such as Marston Sicca Parish Council 'to do anything that individuals of full age can legally do' provided they act within the law and within the general principle of reasonableness.
There are a number of projects that remain ongoing with some finally seeing conclusion. The infamous legal battle to get all land at Marston Meadow transferred has been exhausting, but we are now finally seeing reaction from Severn Trent solicitors to conclude on the final transfer. This last delay has been due to a small section of pipe that lies under the entrance to the site. Council members are aware of the poor state of the stile adjacent to the site with plans to replace it once the transfer has been settled.

The refurbishment to the Meon Vale Pavilion and Village Hall has gained pace with the Pavilion now seeing focus as the hall is almost completed. Residents will immediately notice the change in acoustics to the hall and the repositioning of the kitchen area. There will also be conference facilities and separate function room provided in the hall. The pavilion has seen a total transformation from an unused changing room block to a vibrant café, with separate facilities to accommodate events, job club and study support, and a larger, separate space to accommodate food share support. The Parish Council would like to thank St Modwen for all their assistance in helping to achieve these significant transformations.

Residents have raised concerns over speeding with Wellington Avenue continuing to be an issue within Meon Vale and through the Long Marston. Cllr. Davis confirmed the VAS positioned in Long Marston has revealed interesting data with 70% of traffic being within the speed limit. Volume of traffic and speed will continue to be monitored.
The parish council would ask all residents to check on hedges to the front of their properties. The council has requested some owners to reduce the size of hedging as it encroaches on the footpath, with some areas virtually unpassable for some residents.

Planning Matters

223/00107/FUL & 23/00108/LBC Kings Lodge. Decision: No representation but with comments stating the council expect the Conservation Officer to legally consider the listed status of the property and its historic significance.

23/01099/VLBC & 23/03028/LBC Decision: No objection

23/01095/LDP, 2 Perry Orchard. Decision: No objection.

Date of next meeting: June 19th, 7.30pm at Long Marston Village Hall

Debbie Woodliffe
Parish Clerk

Long Marston Neighbourhood Plan

Following the regulation 14 public consultation by the Parish Council, the neighbourhood plan is now entering its regulation 16 consultation. This is a public consultation undertaken by Stratford District Council who are the qualifying body overseeing the plan.
Responses to the regulation 14 consultation were considered in detail, the plan was modified accordingly and then submitted to SDC as the submission draft for the regulation 16 consultation.
Notice from SDC concerning the consultation: -
"Notice is given that Long Marston Town Council as the Qualifying Body has prepared a Neighbourhood Development Plan entitled the 'Long Marston Neighbourhood Plan 2011-2031' for their Town with the help of the local community. The plan sets out a vision for the future of the Town and planning policies which will be used to determine planning applications locally. In accordance with Regulation 16 of Part 5 of The Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012 (as amended), the Local Planning Authority must publicise the draft plan for a minimum 6-week period inviting representations on the plan.
A copy of the Draft Plan and associated documentation can be viewed on the Council website at www.stratford.gov.uk/longmarstonnp or at Stratford-on-Avon District Council's offices, Elizabeth House, Church Street, Stratford-upon-Avon, Stratford-upon-Avon library during normal opening hours. The documents are also available to view at Poppin Village Store, 14 Jackson Orchards, CV37 8RU.
The consultation starts on Thursday 11th May 2023. Representations on the draft Plan may be made to the District Council by no later than 5pm on Friday 23rd June 2023.

You are encouraged to submit your representations electronically. This can be done either by using the on-line form on the website at www.stratford.gov.uk/longmarstonnp or by attaching a form to an email and sending it to planning.policy@stratford-dc.gov.uk

If you want to post your response, please send it to Stratford-on- Avon District Council, Planning Policy Section, Elizabeth House, Church Street, Stratford-upon-Avon, CV37 6HX."

LONG MARSTON LADIES

The Zero Store came along to Long Marston Ladies meeting in May. Charlie explained how she founded the business and the ethics behind the shop. She went on to say how she had survived the pandemic with click and collect and despite supermarket increases in price she had managed to keep her costs down. She sells everything from flour, pasta and store cupboard essentials to shampoo and washing powder, all ethically sustained and as you take your own containers no packaging waste.

ST JAMES THE GREAT CHURCH

At St James the Great Church, Long Marston we have the following Services in June 2023

Sunday 4th June
Avon Vale Churches Holy Communion, at St James
9am With The Rev Helen Askwith

Sunday 18th June
Family Breakfast Service
10.30am - With our Lay Reader Linda Thomas

Everyone welcome especially family groups with young children.

CHURCH NOTICE
Following the great success in 2022, St James Church will be holding Strawbery & Cream Teas in the Churchyard on Sunday July 23rd at 2.30pm.

Church Enquiries
Mike Edwards Tel 07786 483114 | mde.glos@gmail.com

VILLAGE HALL

FETE 2023 July 1st 2 p.m.
Volunteers are still needed to run some of the stalls. If you can spare some time to help please contact ***Sally Hall on 07876 528151***.
Donations for the tombola would be gratefully received and can be left at The Poppin or given to Diane Hodges or June Beazley. Also, raffle prizes would be most welcome and can also be left at The Poppin.
Thank you. Please support the fete wherever you can as this raises much needed funds for St.James Church and the village hall.

MARSTON MOVIES – Due to holidays and other events there will not be a film show in June. Thank you to everyone who has supported the films so far.

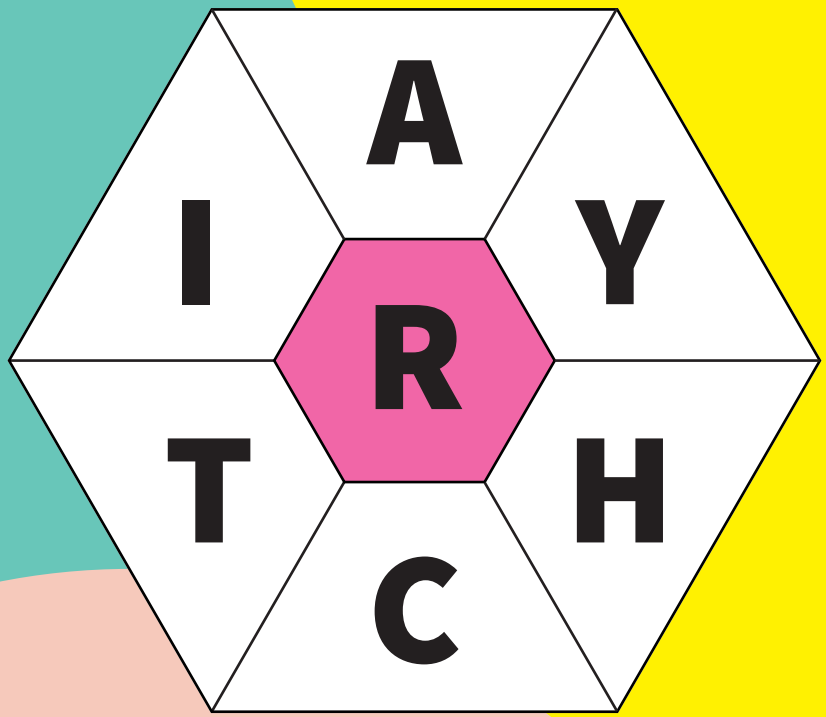
HALL DIARY

June 5th/12th/26th
Line Dancing 7:45 – 8:45 pm
June 6th/13th/20th/27th
Zumba - pm
June 7th/14th/21st/28th
Morris Dancing - afternoons
June 7th
Long Marston Ladies – evening
June 13th
Library & Coffee morning – 10.30 am
June 14th
W.I Meeting –evening
June 16th
Private booking
June 19th
Parish Council Meeting - evening

GARDEN CLUB

On 17th May we visited Highgrove in lovely weather (a bonus this spring). We didn't get off to a good start as Johnsons who were providing a coach had a technical problem and would be arriving 30minutes late! Any other visit wouldn't have mattered but Highgrove allows for no flexibility and the timing we had been given was set in stone. Luckily our driver pulled out all the stops and we were only a little late. We all loved the garden but found our slot of 90minutes very tight and left us with very little to time to appreciate everything. There were a lot of very bossy ladies but polite herding us through the garden! On the 21st June we are visiting KIftsgate and Hidcote with hopefully a guide to tell us all about it. Let Wiggy know if you are joining us for this visit.

PUZZLES



4+ Letter Words

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

achy	city	chair
airy	hair	chart
arch	hart	chary
arty	itch	hairy
cart	racy	itchy
char	rath	ratch
chat	rich	yacht
chia	tach	charity
chit	tray	

JUNE QUIZ QUESTIONS

1. What is June's birthstone?
2. In which year did June Brown first play the role of Dot Cotton, in EastEnders?
3. What in the UK is celebrated on the third Sunday of June?
4. What historical event happened on Tuesday, 6 June 1944?
5. June has two zodiac signs, name both?

CLICK FOR ANSWERS

1. Pearl or alexandrite or moonstone
2. 1985
3. Father's Day
4. Normandy beach landings
5. Gemini (until June 20) Cancer (from June 21 onwards)

KIDS JOKE CORNER

Q: What do you call a monkey at the North Pole?
A: Lost.

Q: What kind of tree fits in your hand?
A: A palm tree.

Q: Would February March?
A: No, but April May.

Q: What does a cloud wear?
A: Thunderwear.



COMPOST BIN

Make a wildlife-friendly compost for woodlice, worms, toads, and grass snakes. Compost heaps are a great way to turn waste material from your garden and kitchen into lovely wholesome compost to put back on your garden.

1. Buy a ready-made wooden compost bin, or make one from pallets.
The ideal bin for wildlife is one made from slatted wood, which means that wildlife can clamber in and out of the heap. Choose one made with sustainable timber – look for the FSC (Forest Stewardship Council) logo.

2. Build your own compost heap
Get hold of four wooden pallets made from sustainable timber (with the FSC logo). Erect them in a square, either by fastening the corners together with strong string (known as lashing), or by nailing them together. At some stage you will want to access the contents of the heap, so it's good to make one side removable. As you fill the heap, it makes it easier for getting material in and out if you have a moveable side.

3. Feed your heap with a mix of green and brown materials.
This the first secret to making great compost quickly.
Aim for a mix of thin alternating layers of green (nitrogen-rich) and brown (carbon-rich) materials. The green includes grass clippings, weeds and uncooked vegetable peelings. Brown includes sticks and dried grass, wood chippings, shredded paper and cardboard.

4. Shred your material thinly.
This is the second rule for making great compost. The finer the material is shredded before it goes on, the quicker it will rot. Get this right and your heap should build up quite a temperature, killing off any weed seeds.

5. What not to compost in a wildlife-friendly bin:
Don't include meat, cooked food (bread, cooked rice, leftovers etc.), dairy products or pet waste. Avoid these, and the risk of rats using your heap are very small. If they do visit, cut out the vegetable peelings.

6. Keep the heap moist but not sodden.
Water it if necessary in dry weather, and cover your heap with wood or woollen carpet to keep in heat and moisture without it becoming sodden. Uncovered heaps will rot slower than covered ones. Turning the contents with a fork can help speed up the decomposition, but be careful not to disturb or spike slow-worms or toads in the process. Use plastic leaf grabbers and only turn in spring and autumn to minimise disruption.

7. What you'll see:
Lift your carpet lid gently to look for legions of woodlice, scurrying centipedes, tiny, leaping springtails and even slow-worms.



MACMILLAN CANCER SUPPORT

On July 9th I 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.

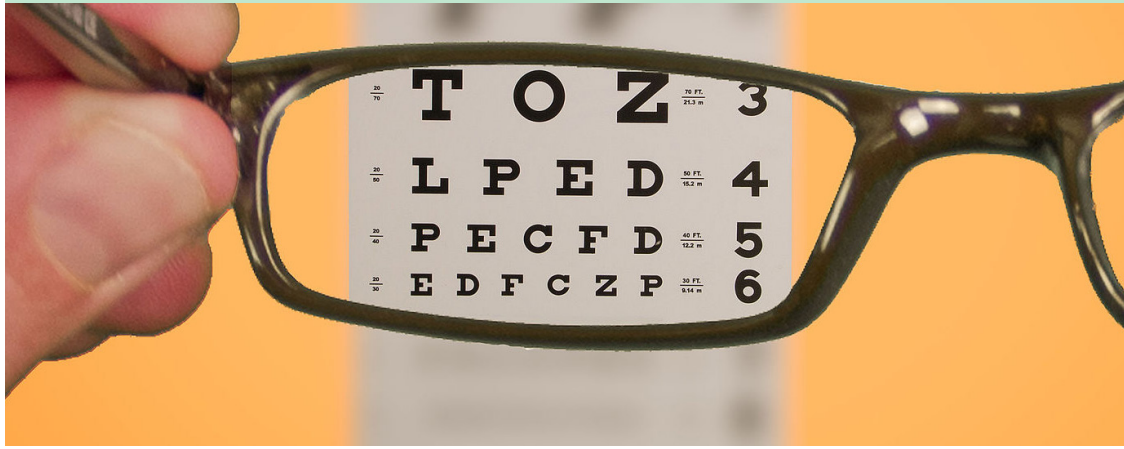
Simon Hanagarth
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Chris Cond
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Many, many thanks.

NATIONAL DAYS

1st – 7th Volunteers Week
2nd – National Fish & Chip Day
5th – World Environment Day
5th – National Sausage Roll Day
5th – 11th Child Safety Week
5th – 11th Bike Week 100
8th – 11th Download Festival 2023
10th – World Gin Day
11th – LEAF Open Farm Sunday
12th – 18th Men's Health Week
15th – Beer Day Britain
15th – 18th Isle of Wight Festival
15th – 18th US Golf Open
18th – Father's Day
21st – International Day of Yoga
21st – Summer Solstice
21st – 25th – Glastonbury Festival
23rd – Bring your Dog to Work Day
24th – Armed Forces Day
27th – National Sunglasses Day
30th – National Cream Tea Day
30th – World Social Media Day



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Ingredients (Serves 10-12)

150g butter
150g light brown soft sugar
4 tbsp honey (we used heather honey)
300g porridge oats
100g frozen raspberries

Method

1. Heat oven to 200C/180C fan/gas 6 and line a 20 x 20cm baking tin with parchment. Melt the butter, sugar, honey and a pinch of salt in a pan. Once the mixture is bubbling and combined, stir in the oats.

2. Tip the oat mixture into the lined baking tin and press down with the back of a spoon. Scatter over the raspberries, then lightly press them into the oat mixture. Bake for 25-30 mins until golden brown. Leave to cool, then cut into 9 or 12 flapjacks.





SMOKY PAPRIKA CHICKEN TRAYBAKE

Ingredients (Serves 2)

4 skin-on bone-in chicken thighs
300 g miniature new potatoes
1 large red pepper, deseeded and cut into large chunks
1 tbsp. olive oil
3 garlic cloves, crushed
2 tsp. smoked paprika (sweet or hot)
150 g cherry tomatoes
1 lemon, cut into 6 wedges
4 thyme sprigs

Method

1. Preheat oven to 200°C (180°C fan) mark 6. In a medium roasting tin, mix the chicken thighs, potatoes, pepper, oil, garlic, paprika and some seasoning. Spread into a single layer (with chicken skin-side up). Roast for 30min.

2. Add tomatoes, lemon wedges and thyme to the tin and stir gently. Return to the oven for a further 25-30min, until chicken is cooked through and potatoes are golden and tender. Serve.

Ingredients (Serves 6)

400g black beans, drained
2 large handfuls baby spinach leaves, roughly chopped
500g heritage tomatoes, chopped into large chunks
½ cucumber, halved lengthways, seeds scooped out and sliced on an angle
1 mango, peeled and chopped into chunks
1 large red onion, halved and finely sliced

For the dressing
large bunch mint
small bunch coriander
small bunch basil
1 fat green chilli, deseeded and chopped
1 small garlic clove
100ml extra virgin olive oil or rapeseed oil
2 limes, zested and juiced
2 tbsp white wine vinegar
2 tsp honey
6-8 radishes, sliced
2 avocados, peeled and sliced
100g feta, crumbled
handful of herbs (reserved from the dressing)

Method

1. Make the dressing by blending all of the ingredients in a food processor (or very finely chop them), saving a few herb leaves for the salad. You can make the dressing up to 24 hrs before serving.

2. Scatter the beans and spinach over a large platter. Arrange the tomatoes, cucumber, mango, onion and radishes on top and gently toss together with your hands. Top the salad with the avocados, feta and herbs, and serve the dressing on the side.



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