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The newsletter for the
Walking and Cycling Section
of the Camping and Caravanning Club



Afternoon Tea at the Church Farm, Sixpenny Handley AGM meet



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Francines WAC-*Keynotes*

What a start to the camping season weatherwise.... we've had blizzards, rain, gales and the odd ray of sunshine, hopefully the sun will be less shy as the season progresses. Our very successful Festival of Walking & Cycling alongside the Section AGM was recently held at Sixpenny Handley Dorset, very well hosted by the Wessex Area Team. After the torrential rain late on arrival day the weather improved and members were able to take advantage of all the led walks, cycle rides and the social get togethers. The Caravan & Camping Club's Community Editor Rosie Clack- Walsh joined us at the meet, details of which will be shared in a future edition of the Club Magazine.

I am very pleased to share the news that the Section now has a new President ...Les Morton, he has been a stalwart of our Section for many years and I am so pleased that he has agreed to take on this very important role going forward.

All three areas have formed committees at their AGM's and a full program of meets has been arranged for the most up to date information being available on our website :- walkingandcycling.org.uk

So get out there and join in, you will be warmly welcomed at our meets.

Wishing you all a very pleasant camping season.

Francine Nutt

Walking and Cycling Section Chairman

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discharge time**

Person held Medical Cards in case of emergencies

The Walking & Cycling Section have purchased a supply of medical cards, it is recommended that these be filled in and carried by each person, so that in the event of emergency appropriate first aid can be commenced, vital information shared and contact made with the casualties named contacts in a timely way. A supply will be available at each meet should members wish to utilise them.

The Great Potato Theft

It all started in a small unassuming Derbyshire village when a group of vagabonds descended on a field just outside the said village, masquerading as tourists in a profusion of different leisure vehicles. Suspicion was first aroused when three giants were observed drinking pints in a local hostelry. When approached and asked where the W.C.s were their answer... “down the corridor second on the right” was later revealed to have been a ruse or delaying tactic. What was actually



taking place was a carefully planned, covert operation. The group were disguised as ramblers, someone even mentioned wolves in sheep's clothing, however, investigation revealed plenty of fleeces and jackets, a smattering of Rohan, Rab, Montane and Craghoppers but apart from a few cute little canines whose barks were worse than their bites, no wolves were found.

The vagabonds, unbeknown to themselves, were being watched by a local farmer. In an interview later, said farmer who requested to remain anonymous in case of reprisals said this.... “There were swarms of them, they



came down on MAS; there was nothing I could do, every available rucksack was bulging, some of the felons were wobbling under the weight; even the stragglers were seen to stoop down close to the ground.”



Extra special expert and correspondent on MAS - Mr L Morton (see photograph) was able to disprove the said allegations stating ' that MAS had been

disbanded a while ago, although he was aware of a splinter organisation believed to be known as the WC's. At one point it was thought Mr Morton and his accomplice who at this moment in time shall be known as Jean were quite high ranking officers. This will be handed over to our cold case officers for further investigation.



Later, detectives questioned a certain A Stone who denied leaving her Mark but was later photographed with her arms around King Edward. Her Mark didn't think it was King Edwards' fault but probably the

Dauphin was guilty!



Another major suspect in this hideous crime was a Mrs E Grayson who openly admitted her involvement with Robin and had tried to avoid capture by repackaging the said stolen goods. Not wanting to show her

face to the press it was left to her husband to display the said items. See exhibit A. I put it to the jury is this the face of an innocent man?

Two Jersey Royals were quickly discounted from the investigation after forensics were able to confirm that the bone china cups and tea pot used for high tea were still hot at the the



approximate time of the alleged offence.



A Mr & Mrs Mason also denied being part of this terrible gang, saying "We're just Walkers not ramblers. Look at us—do we look like ramblers? Look at him" said Mrs Mason pointing at Mr Mason "He's not even grown out of his short trousers yet!".



They were acting suspiciously and it was later revealed they had sold their story to the press for an undisclosed sum.

Later that evening a vehicle was seen leaving the gang's hide out. The unidentified driver was followed to a safe house - if any one recognises this photo fit please come forward to help with our enquiries. It is believed the said suspect or possible accessory entered the safe house and changed their clothing to help avoid capture. They proceeded in a Northerly direction towards Sheffield where it is presumed laundering of the stolen goods took place, exchanging them for chips and then spending the rest of the evening in a gaming hall waffling with friends; returning to the gangs' hide out the next morning where she received a roasting from her husband.



Cake and crumb samples were collected at the lair and our forensics team were able to identify ginger cake ingredients, and although we know there is a connection to other crime scenes a full specimen has never been found. If this person comes forward we may consider lighter sentencing in exchange for the recipe.

The following morning around 10.00 hrs, after splitting into two groups in an attempt to avoid surveillance, they left the hide out, one group



heading in an Easterly direction, the other in a Westerly, obviously in search of more plunder and leaving a rear guard to secure the camp.



This innocent looking suspect Sue, code named Charlotte, seen here obviously trying to hide her identity, had infiltrated the gang to relay information back to us, but turned out to be a double agent after our handler couldn't find the expected memory stick in the bottom of her gas bottle locker.

Our secret agent Michelle, aka Maris Piper, was able to get a message out to us with an excuse about meeting her father at a local hostelry for an evening meal, safe in the knowledge that none of the suspected gang could afford to follow them.

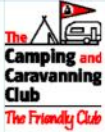


Swat teams were being assembled but on Sunday afternoon the gang were seen fleeing in different directions. Unfortunately no arrests were made at the time, but rest assured a close eye will be kept on them.

There is always a next time... In the meantime keep your eyes peeled for any suspicious behaviour. Anybody caught will be wedged into a corner and we will smash the case



Brass Lucas, Peakland Area



The Camping and Caravanning Club
 Walking and Cycling Section
FESTIVAL OF WALKING AND CYCLING
 AT
CHURCH FARM, SIXPENNY HANDLEY
APRIL 27 – MAY 4TH 2023



The Annual General Meeting of the Walking and Cycling Section was held at Church Farm, Sixpenny Handley, on Saturday 29th of April, during the Festival of Walking and Cycling. That all sounds like a rather grandiose title cum introduction, but it covers the fact the meeting at the seven-day Temporary Holiday Site was just that – a festival and celebration of those activities. Apart from Thursday afternoon when it rained hard while people were arriving, the weather was pretty good. Arrivals were met by a well organised team who recorded their presence, dished out leaflets and black bags for rubbish and passed them on to the placement team. These lucky individuals spent the

afternoon dressed up in fluorescent jackets running round getting the new arrivals to park next to the pegs laid out the day before. There was a total of 60 units by the end of the event, including several who came along to see what Walking and Cycling is about.

There were a couple of good sunny days, the odd spot of drizzle, but the weather was mostly warm enough and bright enough to walk and cycle in comfort and enjoy the countryside. The campsite had Hanlega's, a café/bar where cooked breakfasts and other mid-day and evening meals were available (plenty of fish and chips on Friday!) and access to some very good showers.

The AGM was held on Saturday evening in the Village Hall (a whole 200



Chester hoping to share the team's cake!



yards walk away!) and after the business part of the evening was completed it was followed by a Bring and Share supper, which everyone seemed to enjoy enormously. On Sunday evening there was a social evening set up in the village hall, with the inevitable Feely Bag competition from Deb Masters and a pub type quiz masterminded by John Gerner. A book swap had been set up with a charge of 50p for every book exchanged to go to the RNLI, and a few extra items were “auctioned” during the social evening, with Deb being flabbergasted by the amount someone was willing to pay for the “Quillow” (a quilt that folded up into a 15” square pillow!!) that she had made and donated.



A surprised but happy Deb!



Walkers and cyclists ready to go

There were four walks with leaders organised each day, varying from 6½ to 12 ¼ miles, and two cycle rides. Maps

and routes for self-guided walks and rides were also available, and those who wanted to do their own thing got on with it. Access to the footpath network from the site is very good, and the walks varied from relatively flat to having a good few hills. Almost all of them went through a bluebell wood at some stage, and the green of early crops growing, the yellow of the oil seed rape and the blue of the woods provided a feast for the eyes. There were hares to see rushing across some of the fields and deer were spotted on several occasions.



Market Cross in Salisbury

The local three times a day bus route enabled people to travel to Blandford and Weymouth in one direction and to Salisbury in the other, and several people new to the area used their cars to visit these semi local attractions—apparently one can walk up to 6 miles visiting many of the charity shops in Salisbury!!.

There was also a concert (Simply Cecilia) in the church next to the site on



Welsh Flower Arrangement

Tuesday evening which several people went to and thoroughly enjoyed. The church had been decorated with flower arrangements celebrating various nations and themes, including the impending coronation.

The actual village of Sixpenny Handley has, like so many other communities round the country, lost some of its

facilities due to the COVID lockdown and general progress over the years—there is no longer a pub, and the two tearooms have closed down. Fortunately the mini Budgens shop at the bottom of the village is still open and seems to be doing well, and the butcher’s shop is also thriving. The village has exceedingly good outdoor facilities—a spacious children’s playground, a football field and a cricket field, the village hall and the cricket pavilion. The locals’



The butcher's shop

response to the closure of the pub was to create The Penny Tap, a small bar in the cricket pavilion (with fairly short opening hours!), which several of us visited and enjoyed.



Music and cider in The Penny Tap.

All in all, It was a very good meeting—old friends meeting up again, new people turning up and enjoying the company, and official business sorted out too.

Toni Reynaud

Peakland Report

A successful start to the season starting with two well supported winter walks - Sandra and Roger leading the January walk from Baslow and yours truly and Christine leading the February walk from Kimberley and taking in the recently restored cycle/walk route across Bennerley Viaduct, both finishing off with a pub meal afterwards.

We started the camping season with a meet at the Alton Club site. Despite the wintry weather we had a good turnout, with some making the full five days and others not being able to get off their drives.

Our AGM meet was held at the Ashover showground. A successful meeting and a full committee was formed with two new members joining us. Thank you to all committee members for all their hard work making the area what it is today.



Our Easter meet was a joint meet with Derbyshire DA at Lees Meadow Farm, Middleton. We had a social evening in the village hall on Saturday with quizzes and games from the stewards, Angela and Dave. We had plenty of walks and cycle rides leaving from the site, and finished the weekend with a meal at the local pub where 21 people dined.

May I take this opportunity to thank all those involved in organising the walks and cycle rides and stewards, making our meets a great success.

We are seeing new faces attending our meets so if you haven't joined us yet come along and give us a try.

Graham Mason
Peakland Chair

Photos from Facebook Peakland group



Pierrepont Farm, Frensham Easter Meet

Our field was right next door to the Rural Life Living Museum, of which more later. It was a cold weekend with variable weather (frost, heavy rain, strong wind, fog, thunder, sun....but this is England!). Putting the large group shelter up was fun: we'd got the poles sorted out and had just got the top on when there was a torrential downpour with water gushing off the top, which we were all huddled under! The field entrance got rather muddy, catching out a twin axle motorhome but Debs & Trevor



The shelter at tea-time



Typical walk scenery

worked hard with their “magic” ladder mats to move it out of the entrance.

Friday was cold but sunny and Trevor led a 9 mile walk through pine woods and across sandy heaths: entertainment was provided by 3 trailbikers crossing a muddy ford with difficulty.

Saturday was the

Museum’s 50th Founders Day and the entrance fee was 20p per adult/10p per child as that was the fee 50 years ago – a real result as today’s price is £10.75. Most of us had a good wander around the extensive site which is very well laid out with lots of huts to go in and out of, all containing well laid out memorabilia, a Polish refugee’s hut, Anderson shelter, pre-fab bungalow plus 2 magnificent working steam



In the museum

engines: a good refreshments place too.

John led us on a 6 mile walk in the afternoon where we encountered 2 1000cc motorbikes working out how to get through the difficult ford, providing us with more entertainment.



Dog and swan in the pond

Sunday started foggy and cold but the sun came out and Jenny led a large group off site, soon to split up with the majority going with John for the long walk; a few of us enjoyed a lovely relaxed walk around Frensham Little Pond, with coffee and sausage rolls at the NT café: dogs were everywhere around and in the pond having a wonderful time.



What a lovely gate

Monday started rainy, as forecast. Several people decided to leave early, some having to be towed off. As an alternative to leaving or walking in the rain, a good English breakfast was enjoyed by some at the nearby Squires Garden Centre. A short walk was tried early afternoon but shelter had to be found under

a large holly bush when another downpour occurred accompanied by thunder! The few of us left managed tea outside in windy sunny conditions. There were no problems getting off the field on Tuesday morning as the wind had done a good job of drying the ground. It was a very enjoyable meet.

Tricia Anderson

Wessex Area

Main Contact John - [07734 852656](tel:07734852656)

Announcement: ADVANCE BOOKING ESSENTIAL for all meets. No entry to meets before 12 noon on the first day. 1pm earliest arrival time applies each day to meets held on Club sites. Look for direction signs with the W&CS logo when travelling to meets. What3words references can be used as a guide to show where you leave the public road to reach a rally field. Own sanitation essential. For information contact John on 07734 852 656 or stewards.

Date & Time	Location	Stewards	Notes
11 May 16 May Start: 12:00	Venue: Kilima Farm, Naish Hill, Lacock, Chippenham, Wiltshire, SN15 2QH. Map Ref: ST939692	Don & Lesley 07794 131795	ADVANCE BOOKING ESSENTIAL, phone stewards to book. £12.00 per unit night.
25 May 30 May Start: 12:00	Venue: Mount Farm Park, Batchelors Lane, Ratley, Warwickshire, OX15 6DW. Map Ref: SP383476 what3words: ///bookshelf.occupy.cricket	Alan & Clare 07964 008082	ADVANCE BOOKING ESSENTIAL, phone stewards to book. £12.00 per unit night.
8 Jun 13 Jun Start: 12:00	Venue: Ebdon Bow Campsite, Wick Saint Lawrence, Weston-Super-Mare, Somerset, BS22 9NZ. Map Ref: ST365654	Pat & Dave 07746 468375	ADVANCE BOOKING ESSENTIAL, phone stewards to book. £12.00 per unit night.
22 Jun 27 Jun Start: 12:00	Venue: Pont Kemys, Chainbridge, Abergavenny, Monmouthshire, NP7 9DS. Map Ref: SO347058 what3words: ///tram.obeyed.recording	Alan & Lynne 07790 189 115	ADVANCE BOOKING ESSENTIAL, phone stewards to book. £8.40 per unit night.
6 Jul 11 Jul Start: 12:00	Venue: Leylands, Undershore, Lymington, Hampshire, SO41 5QA. Map Ref: SZ328964 what3words: ///glades.engraving.during	Tricia & Jenny 07753 613180	ADVANCE BOOKING ESSENTIAL, phone stewards to book. £9.00 per unit night.

Date & Time	Location	Stewards	Notes
20 Jul 25 Jul Start: 12:00	Venue: Goulders Farm, Cockpole Green, Wargrave, Reading, Berkshire, RG10 8NT. Map Ref: SU799812	Jan & Rod 07891 324614	ADVANCE BOOKING ESSENTIAL, phone stewards to book. £12.00 per unit night.
10 Aug 15 Aug Start: 12:00	Venue: The Stable, Shiphay Farm, Colyton, Devon, EX24 6EU. Map Ref: SY249944	Chris & Bridget 07477 117619	ADVANCE BOOKING ESSENTIAL, phone stewards to book. £8.40 per unit night.
24 Aug 29 Aug Start: 12:00	Venue: Cwrt-Isaf Farm, Llangattock, Crickhowell, Powys, NP8 1PH. Map Ref: SO211182 what3words: ///lifeboats.freezers.librarian	Mick & Lindie 07811 883552	Bank holiday weekend. ADVANCE BOOKING ESSENTIAL, phone stewards to book. £10.50 per unit night.
7 Sep 12 Sep Start: 12:00	Venue: Hilltops, High Ham, Langport, Somerset TA10 9DN. Map Ref: ST428303	Colin & Debbie 07752 689597	ADVANCE BOOKING ESSENTIAL, phone stewards to book. £10.80 per unit night.
21 Sep 26 Sep Start: 12:00	Venue: Eastnor Castle Deer Park, Ledbury, Herefordshire, HR8 1EN. Map Ref: SO742377 what3words: ///offstage.supple.plunge	Pauline 07983 976405	ADVANCE BOOKING ESSENTIAL, phone steward to book. £11.00 per unit night
5 Oct 10 Oct Start: 13:00	Venue: Salisbury C&CC Site, Hudson's Field, Castle Road, Salisbury, Wiltshire, SP1 3SA. Map Ref: SU140320 what3words: ///steps.walking.fetching	Jon & Anne £13.90 per unit night.	ADVANCE BOOKING ESSENTIAL, booking procedure to be confirmed. Club site rules apply - no arrivals before 1:00 pm on each day of the meet, leave before noon on day of departure.
19 Oct 24 Oct Start: 13:00	Venue: Verwood C&CC Site, Sutton Hill, Wimborne BH21 8NQ. Map Ref: SU067096 what3words: ///basic.slip.masterful	To be confirmed £15.50 per unit night.	

16 year old's exam questions and answers:

Q. What guarantees may a mortgage company insist on

A If you are buying a house they will insist that you are well endowed

Peakland Area Main Contact Hazel Caldwell - [07785 746857](tel:07785746857)

Announcement: Meets start at 2pm unless stated otherwise. Own sanitation essential. ADVANCE BOOKING ESSENTIAL Contact Hazel on 07785-746857 or via email: peaklandbookings@hotmail.com Please pay site fees in cash on arrival, correct amount appreciated to avoid giving change

Date & Time	Location	Stewards	Notes
25 May To: 30 May	Venue: Tadpole Fields, Eardisland, Nr Leominster HR6 9BJ Map Ref: 149/418581 what3words: ///married.easygoing.valve	Geoff Dixon 07902267776	Five night meet £9pupn. Two pubs & a tearoom in walking distance. Excellent walking & cycling direct from site. Flat well drained field ADVANCE BOOKING ESSENTIAL Contact Hazel: 07785746857: peaklandbookings@hotmail.com
29 Jun To: 4 Jul	Venue: Low Hall Farm, Kettlewell, Skipton BD23 5RB Map Ref: 98/969722 what3words: ///video.dream.mailers	Elaine & Robin Grayson 07399570796	Five night meet.... can follow on to Lodge Barn Meet commencing 04/07/23 to enjoy the Dales National Park in all its glory £10.50pupn. ADVANCE BOOKING ESSENTIAL Contact Hazel: 07785746857: peaklandbookings@hotmail.com
4 Jul To: 9 Jul	Venue: Lodge Barn, Lodge Road, Langcliffe, Settle North Yorkshire BD24 9LT Map Ref: 98/818647 what3words: ///promoting.decorator.constants	Malcolm & Melvyn 07772716664	Follow on five night meet from Low Hall Farm £11.50 pupn. ADVANCE BOOKING ESSENTIAL Contact Hazel: 07785746857: peaklandbookings@hotmail.com
27 Jul To: 1 Aug	Venue: Thurlmoor Farm, Brook Hill Lane, Carlecotes, Dunford Bridge S36 4TD Map Ref: 110/177033 what3words: ///behalf.spinning.afflict	Yvonne & Colin Plevy 07413293198	Five night meet. ADVANCE BOOKING ESSENTIAL Contact Hazel: 07785746857: peaklandbookings@hotmail.com

Cowboys in the old west used to hang lanterns on their saddles to help them find their way home. It was an early form of saddle light navigation.



Date & Time	Location	Stewards	Notes
24 Aug To: 29 Aug	Venue: Four Acres, Hope Road, Thornhill Hope Valley Derbyshire S33 0AL Map Ref: 110/196827 what3words: ///trophy.liners.humans	Elaine & Robin Grayson 07399570796	Five night meet in the beautiful Hope Valley. £9.50pupn. August Bank Holiday ADVANCE BOOKING ESSENTIAL Contact Hazel: 07785746857;peaklandbookings@hotmail.com
14 Sep To: 19 Sep	Venue: Cloverfields Farm, Kniveton, Nr Ashbourne, Derbyshire DE6 1JF what3words: ///strictly.keepers.skyrocket	Nick & Isobel 07925727279	Five night meet. £8pupn. ADVANCE BOOKING ESSENTIAL Contact Hazel: 07785746857;peaklandbookings@hotmail.com
28 Sep To: 3 Oct	Venue: Knowle Hill Farm, Ingleby Lane, Ticknall, Derbyshire DE73 7JQ Map Ref: 128/346254 what3words: ///toasters.recovery.catapult	Robert & Lillian Robinson 07730567001	Five night meet. £10pupn. ADVANCE BOOKING ESSENTIAL Contact Hazel: 07785746857; peaklandbookings@hotmail.com
13 Oct To: 17 Oct	Venue: Stanley Villa, Main St, Biggin, Derbyshire SK17 0DL Map Ref: 119/152595 what3words: ///averages.dissolves.fault	Alan & Christine 07967979081	Four night meet. £8pupn. Field opposite village pub. Close to the Tissington Trail. ADVANCE BOOKING ESSENTIAL Contact Hazel: 07785746857; peaklandbookings@hotmail.com
27 Oct To: 30 Oct	Venue: Peak Rail Rowsley Station, Rowsley, Derbyshire, DE4 2HX Map Ref: 119/262643 what3words: ///emulating.scooped.shifting	Martin Spindler 07985262286	Three night closing meet of . £9pupn. All hard standing at Peak Rail. Advance booking essential to:- peaklandbookings@hotmail.com or telephone contact:07785746857

16 year old's exam questions and answers:

Q. What causes the tides in the oceans

A. The tides are a fight between the earth and the moon. All water tends to flow towards the moon, because there is no water on the moon, and nature abhors a vacuum. I forget where the sun joins the fight

Northern Area Main Contact
To Be Confirmed

Announcement: Advance Booking Essential at all meets. Bookings open 2 months before the meet opening date. No arrivals before 2pm please and book with stewards , unless otherwise stated. Own sanitation essential.

Date & Time	Location and Stewards	Notes
19 May To: 23 May Start: 14:00	Venue: Silloth House, Austwick Map Ref: 98/778692 what3words: ///giant.sensitive.lawfully NELDA	Invite from NELDA. See NELDA entry in Out & About. Booked Meet as limited numbers. Bookings to bookwithnelda@gmail.com
25 May To: 4 Jun Start: 14:00	Venue: Kemplerigg, Gosforth. Map Ref: 89/088023 what3words: ///crank.skills.return Steve & Lesley	THS Western Lakes. Booked meet. Booking opens 25/03/23
15 Jun To: 20 Jun Start: 14:00	Venue: High Straggleton Farm, Whitby. Map Ref: 94/875116 what3words: ///removals.prompting.luck Yvonne & John	Yorkshire Coast. Booked meet. Bookings open 15/04/23
6 Jul To: 11 Jul Start: 14:00	Venue: Castlerigg Farm, Keswick. what3words: ///mason.faced.tightrope Lorraine and Steve	Northern Lakes. Booked meet. Bookings open 06/05/23



**Does it mean our very placid
Walking Group dogs aren't
welcome!
Rod and Chris Ford**

Date & Time	Location and Stewards	Notes
3 Aug To: 8 Aug Start: 14:00	Venue: Silver Sapling Girl Guide Camp, Silverdale. Map Ref: 97/470758 what3words: ///blankets.monorail.craftsman Dave & Gill 07443 939245	South Lakes. Booked meet. Bookings open 03/06/23
7 Sep To: 12 Sep Start: 14:00	Venue: Low Hall Farm, Kettlewell. Map Ref: 98/969722 what3words: ///breakfast.harps.clustered Andrew & Catriona	Yorkshire Dales. Booked meet. Bookings open 07/07/23. Phone Andrew 07456996614 to book
26 Oct To: 29 Oct Start: 14:00	Venue: Rolls Royce Sports & Social Club, Barnoldswick. Map Ref: 103/881471 what3words: ///pizzas.flexed.tutorial Chris & Colin 07968 226598	East Lancashire. Booked Meet. Booking opens 26/10/23

16 year old's exam questions and answers:

Q. In a democratic society, how important are elections

A. Very important. Sex can only happen when a male gets an election

Q. What are steroids

A. Things for keeping carpets still on the stairs (Shoot yourself now , there is little hope)

Q.. What happens to your body as you age

A. When you get old, so do your bowels and you get intercontinental

Q. What happens to a boy when he reaches puberty

A. He says goodbye to his boyhood and looks forward to his adultery (So true)

A few useful names. More contact information can be found on the website
<https://walkingandcycling.org.uk/Contacts>

Position	Name
Chairman	Francine Nutt
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Peakland Area Secretary	Sandra Wain
Wessex Area Secretary	John Gerner
Northern Area PRO	Margaret Allen
Peakland Area PRO	Chris Williams
Wessex Area PRO	Deb Masters

16 year old's exam questions and answers:

Q. Name the four seasons

A. Salt, pepper, mustard and vinegar

Q. Explain one of the processes by which water can be made safe to drink

A. Flirtation makes water safe to drink because it removes large pollutants like grit, sand, dead sheep and canoeists

The Joys of the Countryside

I am very lucky to have open fields at the back of my house. As I live in the South East it is arable so no animals to watch just some game birds that the farmer breeds, we won't dwell on their fate.

Anyway on Coronation Sunday the weather was lovely and lots of gardening was required. It was time to finish and I was going towards the open kitchen door when two Partridges trotted in front of me. To my horror they went straight indoors.



I was yelling 'don't go in there, come out' but they took no notice. I hurried in after them to see one go into the cloakroom and the other decided to go upstairs. He did not fly but hopped from stair to stair as if he owned the place. I was in near panic! After taking a breath I opened the front door then I decided to tackle the downstairs one first, the poor

thing was battering itself against the cloakroom window which I could not open. The window sill was covered in clutter, pots, artificial flower arrangement etc..

Each time the partridge smashed around more things crashed down. I grabbed a large towel and tried to throw it over the bird but no success.

Eventually it sensed the fresh air turned and flew to the floor and trotted up to the front door and outside. Phew, one down.

Upstairs all was quiet. The

bathroom was empty but when I went into my bedroom number 2 started crashing around behind the dressing table mirror. Better luck this time as I could open the windows and out it flew.

A stiff drink was now called for to help me get over the several minutes of panicking!!



Jenny

Life is too short to wake up in the morning with regrets. So, love the people who treat you right, forgive the ones who don't and believe that everything happens for a reason.

If you get the chance, take it.

If it changes your life, let it.

Nobody said it would be easy, they just promised it would be worth it.

- Dr. Seuss

ENJOY THE LITTLE THINGS
IN LIFE BECAUSE
ONE DAY
YOU WILL LOOK BACK
AND REALISE THEY WERE
BIG THINGS

Street golf



This could soon be coming to a street near you!!!

People say that drinking milk makes you stronger.

Drink 5 glasses of milk and try to move a wall.

Can't?

Now drink 5 glasses of wine.

The wall moves all by itself!



I've started investing in stocks: beef, chicken, and vegetable... One day I hope to be a bouillonaire.

Why I Love Retirement

How many days in a week? *6 Saturdays, 1 Sunday*

When is a retiree's bedtime?
Three hours after he falls asleep on the couch.

How many retirees does it take to change a light bulb?
Only one, but it might take all day.

What's the biggest gripe of retirees?
Not enough time to get everything done.

Why don't retirees mind being called "senior citizens?"
The term comes with a discount.

What is considered formal attire among retirees?
Shoes with laces.

Why do retirees count pennies?
They have the time.

What is the common term for someone who enjoys work and refuses to retire?
Nuts!

Why are retirees so slow to clean out the basement, attic or garage?
As soon as they do, one of their kids will want to store stuff there.

What do retirees call a long lunch?
Normal.

What is the best way to describe retirement?
The neverending coffee break.

What's the biggest advantage of going back to school as a retiree?
If you cut classes, no one calls your parents.

Why does a retiree often say he doesn't miss work, but misses the people he used to work with?
He is too polite to tell the whole truth.

What do you do all week?
Monday to Friday, nothing; Saturdays and Sundays, I rest!

Editor's bit

Hello All, My thanks to all those who sent contributions in. For those who think there isn't enough of their section news in here, please feel free to add to future editions—I can only fill the pages with what YOU send me!! My email address is tonibr@btinternet.com - send any articles, notes, photos, letters and thoughts there.



AND FINALLY.....

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