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Editor's notes...



Hello and welcome to this month's edition of VISIONHornchurch. After being forced to navigate ever-changing lockdown restrictions last year, we can (hopefully) now look forward to enjoying the party season. By the time you read this, Halloween will be over, but as I write, my home has been taken over by an explosion of spooky decorations. It used to be that very few people in the UK bothered to celebrate Halloween, but it's a habit we seem to have now borrowed from our friends in America. Maybe it's because we've been cooped up for so long that we're eager to grasp any opportunity to go big with our celebrations.

Brett Shohet, Editor

If that's the case, I can't wait to see what Christmas will bring. Here's hoping we're able to meet up with friends and family face-to-face once again.

At VISION, we've recently grown our team, welcoming new member of staff, Nadine Stevenson, as our key account manager. We're very glad to have her on board.

Finally, all our thoughts are with the family and friends of Sir David Amess MP, who was killed during a meeting with his constituents last month. Sir David was a welcome contributor to VISIONLeighThorpeBau, and we will miss his kindness and dedication to his role.

Brett Shahet

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HOW HRH PRINCE CHARLES, SOME LEFTOVER WINE AND A CONSTITUENT OF CHEESE ARE HELPING THE PURSUIT OF ECO TRAVEL

t's a fine line between innovation and eccentricity, but HRH Prince Charles appears to have landed the right side of it... just.

The Prince of Wales, who turned 73 in November and is first in line to the throne, has converted his cherished Aston Martin DB6 so that it can run on cheese waste and surplus white wine. His move to decarbonise fits perfectly with a modern revolution in motoring, where electric cars, the future ban of the sale of petrol and diesel vehicles, and various road taxes designed to keep gas-guzzlers out of our city centre spaces are giving our roads a green makeover.

Charles revealed in a recent interview that he was offered the conversion some time ago and did not hesitate to accept.

"I think when opportunities and ideas come your

way, you need to judge them on their own merits," he says.

"Certainly, where classic cars are concerned, there is the temptation to leave them as they are and not tinker with them, but if we all thought like that, we wouldn't make the strides we have, and the strides we need to."

It was Gloucestershire-based firm Green Fuels – the company has since earned a Royal Warrant of Appointment – which suggested it could supply bioethanol produced from a combination of wine and cheese (whey).

Blending the fuel then adding 15 per cent unleaded petrol meant the car was more powerful than before, yet significantly greener.

e your Of course, this isn't

the first time Prince Charles has taken the lead where green and eco matters are concerned. He established The Prince's Trust and The Prince's Rainforests Project and has always been a passionate advocate for initiatives that put the planet's needs first. He became the first member of the royal family to adopt electric cars for official duties in 2018, and has rallied behind his son William's successful efforts with The Earthshot Prize, with its £1million bounty awarded to fund solutions to help tackle climate change.

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However, Charles believes there is much still to be done. He says the world's leaders are big on environmental talk, but rarely take the actions required to back up the platitudes. "It is time for a lot of people, influential people, to stand up and make real decisions," he says. "They have the expertise, they have the wherewithal and they have the resources, so there is no reason why we can't be moving forward much quicker than we are.

"Green initiatives in the past always seemed to come with some sort of cost or inconvenience. A lot of those I see today have no such thing – look at my DB6, it is a better vehicle than it was before."

The classic Aston Martin emerged in 1969 and has been one of Charles's true joys. He even enlisted the services of two-time Formula One world champion, Graham Hill, to teach him how to drive the car to its maximum potential.

He added: "It gives me great pleasure every time I drive it – and to know I can do that while limiting harm to the environment is a wonderful feeling."

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No longer a fashion faux pas, odd socks may be brazen and bold, but they can also be chic and stylish.

WHAT IS ODD SOCKS DAY?

Launched in 2017, Odd Socks Day was created to deter bullying in schools. With the aim of showing children that it is okay to stand out from the crowd and to embrace what makes you different, children and adults alike are being asked to rock odd socks and to appreciate the odd socks worn by others.

HOW TO CELEBRATE ODD SOCKS DAY

Wear your oddest pair of socks. These can be colourful and bright, mismatched or have a wacky pattern. Be sure to wear them proudly and invite your friends and family to join you in your support against bullying.

HOW TO WEAR ODD SOCKS Seen on the likes of Ant and Dec. Emma Willis and Craig David, there are many different ways to wear this fun and frivolous trend. Check out the below top tips which should help you rock this look with confidence:

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- > Embrace bold colours and prints
- > Don't be afraid to wear your odd socks with sandals or sliders
- > Wear long odd socks pulled up to your knees with boots and a statement skirt
- > Mix stripes and spots
- Layer up two pairs of socks with two different colours, one on top of the other
- > Pair neon socks with white trainers
- > Wear clashing colours with skyscraper heels.

POST YOUR SOCKS ON SOCIAL MEDIA

Boost awareness by posting photos of your odd socks on social media with the hashtags #OddSocks and #AntiBullyingWeek.

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oes your hair always fall out when you tie it up? Or perhaps you spend more time detangling your locks than enjoying your updo? If the answer is yes, you could be using the wrong hairband for your hair type.

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Thin hair that is prone to breakage needs a hairband that is gentle on your delicate locks. Opt for a silk hairband that will protect your hair and help to keep flyaway strands in check. When removing a silk hairband, you should notice significantly less pulling on the roots.

For thick hair

If you have thick hair, you are likely to experience both tangles and a struggle to keep your voluminous hair contained. Look for spiral plastic hairbands that are specifically designed for thick heads of hair, as these are easy

to use and remove without your hair becoming tangled in the tie.



Do you feel like no hairband can hold back your big mane of wavy hair? Forget elastic bands and scrunchies and, instead, invest in a hair bungee. Boasting a hook on each end, a hair bungee can be easily wrapped around your hair to keep it in place all day.

For short hair

People with short hairstyles are always going to struggle to pulling their hair back into a ponytail. However, there is a solution. Polybands are great at gripping short hair and staying in place. Small and often clear, they will simply disappear into vour hairstvle.

For straightened hair

Bringing back a blast from the past, if you want to tie your straightened hair back without causing kinks, you need a scrunchie. These hairbands work best directly after a blow-dry to help maintain a smooth and straight look. However, they are also effective at keeping your hair in place while vou sleep.

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Home Spa TREATMENTS

Winter can be harsh on your skin and hair and leave them feeling dry and undernourished. Our DIY treatments, suitable for both men and women, are the ideal remedy for the cold weeks ahead.

Cinnamon Face Mask

Honey is the ideal natural ingredient to remedy dry skin during the winter and the cinnamon has antibacterial properties which help skin complaints.

- > Mix 1 tablespoon of cinnamon with 3 tablespoons of honey
- > Whip into a thick paste
- > Apply to your face
- > Rinse with warm water after 10 minutes

Peppermint Foot Expoliator

This simple foot scrub works in three ways; the brown sugar helps to exfoliate any dead or dry skin, the peppermint offers an instant pick-me -up for tired feet and the coconut oil acts as a hydrating moisturiser.

- Mix ½ cup of coconut oil with 1 cup of brown sugar
 - > Add 3-4 drops of peppermint oil
 - > Massage the mixture into your feet weekly for best results

Vanilla Hair Treatment

If your hair is looking lacklustre, essence of vanilla can make it appear shinier and healthier, as well as helping to promote hair growth. Coconut milk offers a hydrating effect.

- > Add 18 drops of vanilla extract to 1 cup of coconut milk
- > Apply to clean, wet hair
- > Rinse after 15 minutes

Coconut Body Butter

For anyone wanting super soft skin, shea butter should be your go-to product. This miracle ingredient contains high levels of fatty acids and vitamins which both help soften your skin.

- Melt 1 cup of shea butter with ½ cup of coconut oil
- > Cool for 30 minutes
- > Add ½ cup of almond oil and 30 drops of an essential oil. Sandalwood or bergamot work well for men or lavender for women.
- > Freeze for 30 minutes
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3. TO HEAL YOUR FEET: Vicks VapoRub is a popular home remedy for several foot conditions, including athlete's foot and fungal nail infections. The combination of its antimicrobial ingredients and the inclusion of petroleum jelly helps fight bacteria and lock in moisture.

4. TO TREAT SKIN CONDITIONS: If you suffer with either acne or eczema, Vicks VapoRub can be used to calm the skin and clear up your complexion. This is owing to its ingredients like camphor and eucalyptus.

5. TO FADE BRUISES: For minor bruises, Vicks can be used to reduce inflammation and cool the skin. The menthol can also help to reduce any pain you are experiencing.

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You don't need to be a philosopher to know that people can spend their days navigating between a negative inner critic and a more positive and less apparent inner believer. Allowing the latter to express itself more is a key part of healthy living, positive self-image and good self-esteem.

Well, imagine if something as simple as breathing could be the key to being more positive, more confident, less stressed and more physically strong to boot.

Check out these three easy ideas and get started today.

Five deep breaths

If you are feeling stressed or self-critical, take five deep inhalations and exhalations through the nose. Clear your mind and focus on the sensation of breathing. This is part of breaking the negative inner dialogue. Closing your eyes can also help. When ready, you can go back to what you were doing.

Diaphragmatic breathing

Another easy win is to breathe diaphragmatically. This means using the belly muscles to fully fill and empty the lungs with each breath. As well as being calming, this can help with public speaking, as it allows you to control your breath and voice far more effectively.

This breathing also helps the body discharge waste and take in more oxygen, which boosts brain activity.

Quick energy

For a short, sharp boost that will make you feel up for anything, take a deep breath and hold for a second or two, then make a loud 'hmm' sound on breathing out. Not only does this break negative thought patterns, but it will also provide you with a welcome mental lift.

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Self-care

o celebrate National Spa Week, which takes place from November 4-9, we thought we would share with you our top selfcare practices that promise to leave you feeling physically and mentally rejuvenated. Plus, discover why you need to make time for self-care.

What is self-care?

While many believe that self-care is self-indulgent or even selfish, it is in fact a crucial process that allows you to tend to your physical and emotional needs. Essentially, it involves making the time to take care of yourself.

There are said to be eight main areas of self-care that you should focus on:

PhysicalPsychologicalEmotionalSocialProfessionalEnvironmentalSpiritualFinancial

What are the mental health benefits of self-care?

According to recent data from the Office for National Statistics, depression rates have doubled during the COVID-19 pandemic, with concerns growing over a nationwide mental health crisis.

When it comes to looking after your mental health, self-care has the unique ability to:

> Manage your stress levels

Lower your risk of mental health conditions, such as anxiety and depression

- > Increase your overall energy levels
- > Boost your self-esteem
- > Improve your relationships.

Ten simple ways to practise self-care

- 1. Get a good night's sleep ideally between seven and eight hours per night.
- 2. Drinks lots of water up to eight glasses a day.
- 3. Go for a daily brisk walk at least 30 minutes.
- 4. Take a relaxing bath using essential oils.
- **5.** Say no to something you don't have time to do or don't want to do.
- 6. Listen to your favourite music.
- 7. Watch your favourite film.
- **8.** Indulge in a massage.
- 9. Make something healthy and delicious for dinner.
 10. Make a list of five things you like about yourself.

If you are struggling with your mental health, there are several UK charities that can help, including Mind and YoungMinds, which is aimed at children, young people and their parents. To find out more, visit www.mind.org.uk or www.youngminds.org.uk





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How to make flavoured gin Step 1: Choose your gin

hether you want to give the gift

If you want to create a high-quality flavoured gin, you need to pick one that is both clean-tasting and uncomplicated. Any gin that already has a flavour will not mix well, so try to stick with a classic London dry variety.

Step 2: Pick your flavours

As Christmas is fast approaching, you may want to choose a seasonal flavour such as cinnamon, nutmeg or cloves. However, you can pick pretty much any fruit, vegetable or herb that takes your fancy, such as strawberries, damsons, rhubarb, chilli, mint or elderflower.

Step 3: Bottle your gin

Pour your gin into a sterile sealable container, such as a Kilner jar, and then add your chosen infusing ingredient. You can sterilise your glass container either on a hot rinse cycle in the dishwasher or in the oven for 15 minutes at 160°C. Use around 300g of produce per litre of gin.

Step 4: Leave to infuse

Depending on the potency of the fruit or herb you choose to add, you can leave your infusing ingredient in for anywhere from one day to one month.

- Strong flavours such as chilli, vanilla and citrus = less than one day
- Hardy herbs and strong-flavoured fruit such as rhubarb and lavender = five to seven days
- Berries and other potent fruits = three to four weeks
- Milder ingredients like apple or pear = up to one month

Step 5: Strain and store your gin

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HOW TO SAVE MONEY ON YOUR

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hile you may have had the best intentions to save all year for Christmas, unfortunately, real life often scuppers our plans. If you haven't yet managed to put aside some extra cash for your Christmas food shop, the below tips will help you to save big on all those tasty festive

STOCK UP EARLY

Rather than leaving everything to the last minute, why not start stocking up on items such as chocolates, savoury snacks and Christmas liqueurs from now and spread the cost of your food shop over two months rather than one?

GET SOCIAL

If you have a few favourite food brands, now is the perfect time to start following them on social media so that you can pounce on any early Christmas offers as soon as they become available. Don't forget to also sign up to their email newsletters for possible discounts.

MAKE YOUR OWN

While some items are cheaper to buy in store - such as a Christmas pudding, which can be purchased for as little as 99p - there are some foods that are cheaper to make yourself. These include canapés, side dishes such as pigs in blankets, and even

SHARE THE BURDEN

If you are hosting Christmas dinner this year and are concerned about the cost, there is no reason why you shouldn't ask family members to help out. Rather than demand cash, ask each person to bring a different dish or drink.

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atasha's Law

ollowing the tragic death of Natasha Ednan-Laperouse, who died after suffering an allergic reaction to an undeclared ingredient in a prepacked meal, and relentless campaigning by her family, Natasha's Law came into effect on October 1. Almost one in five people in the UK suffers from an allergy. Natasha's Law was created to protect allergy sufferers and give them confidence in buying prepacked food.

What exactly is Natasha's Law?

Natasha's Law requires all food businesses to provide full ingredient lists and allergen labelling on foods that are prepacked for direct sale on their premises. According to the new regulations, Prepacked for Direct Sale (PPDS) foods must clearly display the following information:

- > The name of the food
- > A full ingredient list with allergenic ingredients emphasised. For example, in **bold**, *italic* or a different colour.

How did Natasha's Law come about?

Natasha's Law, also known as the UK Food Information Amendment, was introduced as a result of the actions of a lobbying group led by Tanya, Nadim and Alex Ednan-Laperouse, the family of Natasha, a teenager who died after suffering an allergic reaction to an undeclared ingredient in a prepacked meal.

What allergens need to be declared?

Food businesses are required by this law to tell customers if any food they provide contains any of the below listed allergens as an ingredient:

- > Celery > Eggs > Fish
- > Lupin > Milk
- > Peanuts > Sesame > Soybeans
- > Cereals containing gluten, such as barley or oats
- Crustaceans such as prawns, crabs and lobsters

> Mustard

- Molluscs such as mussels or oysters
- >Sulphur dioxides and sulphites if they are at a
- concentration of more than 10 parts per million
 > Tree nuts such as almonds, hazelnuts, Brazil nuts, etc.

Where to find further guidance on Natasha's Law If your business sells or supplies PPDS food, you can use the Food Standards Agency's online food labelling tool to help you to identify the type of food your business provides and the allergen labelling requirements. This information can be found at www.food.gov.uk



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DAY 2 – ISLANDS OF ADVENTURE – Universal's Islands of Adventure Theme Park – with combined tickets available for around £275 per person – showcases Hogsmeade and Diagon Alley (connected by a ride on the Hogwarts Express), plus everything from *Jurassic Park* to the Hulk. The £265million project is an escape among beloved fantasy characters.

DAY 3-LEGOLAND/DISCOVERY COVE -

This one depends on whether you're a bit of a daredevil or more the chilled-out type. If you're the latter, a semi-rest day at Legoland with the familiarity of some block brilliance is probably the way to go.

Thrill-seekers may prefer Discovery Cove, where diving, snorkeling and sub-aqua pursuits invite visitors to literally immerse themselves in the action. **DAY 4 – MAGIC KINGDOM PARK** – Yes, Orlando is more than Disney World, but that doesn't mean its aptly named Magic Kingdom should be ignored. The theme park, which has more than 40 attractions, is divided into six themed lands, each with a different focus, but all catering to visitors of any age. After arriving at the park by your choice of ferry or monorail, you'll stroll through the gates into Main Street, USA. From there, the majestic land is your oyster – just be sure to head back to Main Street for the iconic fireworks display.

DAY 5 – BUSCH GARDENS – Finally, wrap things up with a trip to Tampa, 90 minutes away. Busch Gardens is a safari wonderland that feels straight out of Africa, yet with that unique Florida twist. It's bigger, better and more pumped up than any animal park you've been to before, with plentiful rollercoasters and rides.

DURATION – Park-to-park passes are available from some agents and can save you money as well as helping you stay organised. Rest time is recommended, as long days in the parks can be tiring.

WHERE TO STAY – Downtown Orlando is a good place to base yourself, combining great hotels with nightlife and shopping. It's also safe, making it suitable for families.



TIME TO APPLY for schools WHAT TO CONSIDER WHEN

pplying for a school place can be a stressful time for parents, filled with worry and apprehension. While the criteria will be different depending on whether you're looking for a primary or a secondary school, what should remain the same are the checks and investigations you undertake before cementing your choices.

CHECK OFSTED RATINGS: Ofsted ratings exist to help schools to improve, while also enabling parents a full view of what level an institution is at. Although inspections are irregular, reports are always full and detailed and often provide a good read, so check them out.

CHECK YOUR SCHOOL RUN: Have a look at the distance and route your child will be taking to school each day - is it practical, are there any hazards, does it fit in with your other morning commitments? Remember, for primary school children, proximity is the lead criteria.

APPLYING FOR A SCHOOL PLACE

CHECK NUMBERS: Being realistic about getting a place also means knowing the school's capacity, so have a look at last year's intake figures in order to give you a better idea of success rates.

SPEAK TO PARENTS: There's nothing quite like the experience of others, so chat to people locally whose kids already attend and gain a first-hand picture of what the school is really like.

CONSIDER SECOND CHOICES: If the worst thing happens and, for whatever reason, you don't land your first choice, look at and imagine your child attending an alternative school. Consider the positives, embrace the opportunity to go somewhere different and convey any optimism you have to your child - it will be vital should things not go to plan.

DO NOT BE LATE: Applying for a school place is essential parenting, so when the process opens, don't delay - get your application in well before the deadline.



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Step two: Using a knife, slice in the shape for your stamp making sure you only go part of the way down. Roll the knife around the edge of the potato where the slices end and lift out the pieces you don't want

Step three: Paint your potato stamp.

Step four: Stamp your potato onto the paper.

Leave for a few hours to dry to ensure that it doesn't smudge when you wrap your presents.

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- > Shake the can thoroughly to activate the formula.
- > Hold the can about 30cm away from the surface and apply.
- > Allow the brake cleaner to soak in and evaporate.
- Reapply to stubborn areas and wipe away any excess dirt with a clean cloth before it
- evaporates. Always wear gloves and use in well-ventilated areas. Do not allow brake cleaner to come into contact with plastic or rubber, and keep away from

To clean windows: With the ability to cut through grease without leaving any residue, apply sparingly when using brake cleaner to achieve streak-free

windows. Wipe with a microfibre cloth for optimum results.

To remove stains from a driveway: Unsightly oil stains can ruin the look of your concrete driveway, but can be easily removed by throwing down some cat litter or sawdust to get rid of the worst of the spill and then applying brake cleaner.

To remove ink and paint: Brake cleaner can effectively remove stains made by permanent markers, paint and nail polish on surfaces such as walls, tables and countertops.

To remove stains from fabrics such as tablecloths: Perchloroethylene, a chemical that is commonly used in chlorinated brake cleaners, is also used by professional dry cleaners to remove food and oil stains. Always test in a non-conspicuous spot first and wash the fabric as usual after application.





t's perhaps peculiar that Dulux waits for the time of year when the summer skies begin to seep away, and the radiant, elegant blueness of those warm months is dissipating, to name its much-heralded Colour of the Year... as blue.

The reveal of Bright Skies as a shade that is set to transform our homes for the next 12 months coincides with an autumnal browning and greying of life outside our windows. Yet the paint expert's choice has been met with approval for its ability to extend our elevated, enlightened view on the year for just a little bit longer, as winter gradually approaches.

Dulux's choice has much to do with the brightness and optimism that is being felt in the wake of the end of lockdown. The brand speaks of uplift and progression, with the colour working as an alternative to the mass of light grey shades that have been so prevalent in offices.

The ability of Bright Skies to blend with all manner of other tones makes it stand up to scrutiny. Its pastel essence draws in other colours instead of repelling them, so use it in living spaces, against light or medium woods, and even on ceilings. Alternatively, pick out the colour on cushions or fabrics.

In the kitchen, a Blue Skies splashback can offer incredible contrast to silver or copper pots and pans; while in the bathroom, ditching formal white for this breathless, brilliant blue will give 'big sky' thinking to every groggy winter morning.

Where, in the past, light blue could feel cold and frosty, particularly when temperatures begin to drop in the winter months, Dulux is asking us to view it from a new angle, accompanying it with textures and tones to help us decorate even the gloomiest of days with bright, sunny, uplifting moments.

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sooner we see the back of 2020 and this dreadful corona virus the better. That said, there are also some heart warming positives that we can take out of this situation. It has often been said that we can only really get to know one another and realise what is truly important in times of crisis. I think few would argue that in this case what has proven to be important is local community spirit.

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an you remember the last time you checked underneath your cooker's hood to see if the exhaust fan filter needed a good clean? If it's been a while, we warn you, this is not going to be a pretty sight.

Fortunately, you can get your filter looking squeaky clean and grease-free in just eight simple steps.

WHAT YOU NEED:

Boiling water | Washing-up liquid | Baking soda | A non-abrasive scrubbing brush | Paper towels or a tea towel

HOW TO CLEAN:

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- > Step 1: REMOVE THE FILTER FROM THE HOOD The filter should easily slide or pop out from underneath the hood.
- > Step 2: FILL A BUCKET WITH BOILING WATER You can use hot water from the tap, but boiling water is more effective.
- > Step 3: ADD BAKING SODA AND WASHING-UP LIQUID Pour 1/4 cup of baking soda and a good squirt

of washing up liquid into your bucket of boiling water and swirl around with a brush. Be careful not to place your hands directly into the water, to prevent burns.

- Step 4: SUBMERGE YOUR FILTER IN THE WATER Make sure the filter is completely covered by the boiling water.
- > Step 5: LEAVE IT TO SOAK

Allow the filter to soak for a minimum of 10 minutes, longer if possible.

- > Step 6: SCRUB THE FILTER
- Once the filter has finished soaking, take it out of the water and scrub with a non-abrasive brush. Add more washing-up liquid to your brush if needed.
- > Step 7: RINSE AND DRY YOUR FILTER

Rinse the filter in hot water and dry with paper towels or a tea towel.

> Step 8: REPLACE THE FILTER

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BEAUTIFUL BLOG LITTLE BIG BELL

he world can be a little bleak sometimes; the last year has shown us that. Therefore, it's refreshing when a ray of sunshine comes into our lives that lifts our spirits and puts a smile on our faces. And that ray of sunshine is Little Big Bell.

Little Big Bell is the interiors blog of Dr Geraldine Tan, whose passion for design is clear to see. Little Big Bell is where Geraldine shares her incredible style, but by day, she's an NHS doctor based in London.

So what makes Little Big Bell's style so popular, and how can you get the look in your own home? Some of the most popular interiors trends at the moment favour muted colours and neutrals - a classic choice, but not everyone's cup of tea. So it's exciting to stumble across a style like Geraldine's. It's fresh, colourful and full of beautiful ideas. Her style is like pop art brought to life, and it's impossible not to smile when you browse through her incredible photos.

- Don't be afraid of colour. Geraldine uses all the colours of the rainbow for her interiors, creating a look that's light, energetic and so much fun.
 - Use bold prints to brighten up your walls. Even if you're not confident enough to go for full-on colour, prints can be a subtle way to add colour to the most neutral of spaces.
 - Go for the mix and match approach. Not everything has to be matchy-matchy - mix up your accessories to create a more interesting look. Geraldine's kitchen is the perfect example of how different types of vases and dinnerware can complement each other, even when they're all different. Using display cabinets can add colour and interest in your kitchen.
 - Geraldine uses accessories such as cushions and rugs to inject some colour while bringing looks together. She uses cushions of the same shape and size in different colour and pattern variations, as well as rugs with complementary colours and patterns, to create a look that is cute and colourful but doesn't look over-the-top or gauche.
 - In the bedrooms, Geraldine mixes muted colours with bolder hues that keep the room looking airy and spacious. A colour block wall is all you need as a starting point, and vou can add furniture and accessories in different colours to create a similar look.
 - Many people shy away from colour in the bathroom, but Geraldine's style provides the perfect inspiration for how pastel shades can make your bathroom look fun and interesting - a space that makes getting ready for the day all the more enjoyable.

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Trendsetting TERRARIUMS

mbrace the green interiors trend and bring a bit of nature indoors with our DIY guide to making your own terrarium.

Essentially a miniature glass plant display, a terrarium is simple to make and easy to look after, and each creation is 100 per cent unique.

YOU WILL NEED:

A glass container such as a jam jar or a large pasta container - with or without a lid Small stones or pebbles Gravel Potting soil - a small handful Activated charcoal - you can buy this online and at some garden centres Decorative items such as moss or marbles | Your chosen plants | A selection of small tools, including a little trowel and a pencil or chopstick.

HOW TO PICK PLANTS:

Ideally, you should choose a slow-growing and small plant for your terrarium. You can consider a range of leafy plants, succulents and cacti depending on whether you are planning on having an open or closed ecosystem. Examples include:

Air plant Nerve plant Meadow spikemoss Polka dot plant Inch plant | Sweet woodruff | Earth Star bromeliad

HOW TO SET UP YOUR TERRARIUM:

- 1. Add 2-3cm of pebbles to a dry and clean glass container. You could vary your design by turning the container on its side.
- 2. Add a scattering of activated charcoal. This will keep the water fresh and prevent bacteria from growing.
- Layer on the potting soil. You need enough to comfortably cover the plant's roots.
- 4. Select your biggest plant first and then make a hole in the soil. Gently place the plant in and fill around it with soil.
- Add any smaller plants that you want to feature in your terrarium.
- Place in some more stones, pebbles, sand or moss.
- Add any finishing touches.

OUR TOP TERRARIUM DESIGN IDEAS:

- > Use a mini glass geometric terrarium container.
- > Create a hanging terrarium wall.
- > Make a miniature waterfall terrarium.
- > Design a lightbulb terrarium.
- > Add candles or fairy lights instead of plants to your container.



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From striking shades to fabulous fluting, tactile textures to durable designs, these five sofa trends for 2022 are anything but boring.

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Bold colours: Moving away from more muted shades such as grey and dark slate blue, 2022 sofas are unabashedly bold and beautiful. Think bright blue and ruby red, as well as more subdued, warm colours such as paprika. Keep your walls neutral and let your sofas do the talking.

Curves and fluting: A key sofa trend that emerged in 2020 and is still going strong as we move into 2022, expect to see more intricate pleating combined with chunky quilting for a cosy yet stylish look. For an added sense of luxury, opt for velvets that perfectly complement the curves of the flutes.

Raw materials: Arguably one of the biggest sofa trends for 2022, the appearance of sofas will become more natural and pared back as people strive to embrace a more simplistic lifestyle. Look out for heavy textures such as bouclé which add softness, and more earthy tones like rust and green that simply scream 'au naturel'.

Sustainability: With consumers becoming increasingly interested in how their goods are made and how it affects the world they live in, ethical sofa designs are becoming much more mainstream. From sofas that are made using 100 per cent recycled fabric to styles that are designed with durability in mind, it has never been easier to buy a stylish sofa that also helps to reduce your carbon footprint.

Mismatched sets: Say goodbye to three-piece suites and hello to more eclectic, mismatched sofa arrangements. With spaces in the home now needing to be both versatile and tactile, regimented furniture schemes are no longer relevant. Instead, embrace different shapes, sizes, colours and patterns in your living room.



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CELEBRATES 10 YEARS ON THE COMEDY CIRCUIT

Ranganathan is evidence personified that it's never too late to change direction in life. The 43 year old is a regular on the live circuit, on chat and panel shows and, from the end of this year, will take on the role of host of *The Weakest Link*. He is vastly experienced, wholly respected and has within his armoury the poise and potential to become one of this generation's stars of modern entertainment. And yet, little more than 10 years ago, the Crawley-born-and-raised comedian was still a maths teacher. While his stock on the stand-up circuit was rising all the time, Ranganathan was another year away from turning professional. Instead, he was teaching at The Beacon School in Banbury and Hazelwick School in his home town, where he was once a student.

Indeed, Romesh – real name Jonathan – owes a lot to the West Sussex town. Rarely has Crawley found itself so namechecked in popular culture, yet Ranganathan has a peculiar affinity with it.

"I've just never seen the point in leaving," he says. "It's where I grew up, it's where my family are, it has a League Two football team. What more can you really ask for?"

The dad-of-three also launched a career as a rapper, under the name Ranga, and made it all the way to the finals of a UK freestyle competition.

The double BAFTA-winning star of his own series *The Ranganation*, *The Misadventures of Romesh Ranganathan* and *The Reluctant Landlord*, to name but three, Romesh's appeal is in his irreverent, somewhat sneering take on the world. In a world of increasing wokery, he's unafraid to examine and celebrate racial and societal differences, always with an undercurrent of self-deprecation.

Yet this is nothing new, nor an act. At school, he was the same, happy to deliver put-downs (or "slap downs" as he would call them), yet just as willing to accept them back from classmates.

"We've got to be able to take the mickey out of ourselves first and foremost," he says. "I think when you meet people who do that, you realise that the conversation is only ever going to be good.

"I often tell people who are easily offended not to come to my gigs. I don't set out to insult people, but I will highlight our failings as human beings – all of us.

"We need to get away from this veil of perfection, or the insinuation that if anyone pokes fun at us they must be racist or sexist or mentally damaged.

"I want us all to get back to having a laugh at ourselves and each other – I'm like a schizophrenic, Asian Jerry Springer. We should all have a set of put-downs ready to fire off at any moment."

There appears little danger that Romesh's refreshing brand of comedy is going to fall by the wayside. As he prepares to celebrate a decade in his entertainment career, his first move into quiz show hosting is an interesting diversion, with *The Weakest Link* returning to our screens after a 10-year absence.

"Obviously I've done stuff like 8 out of 10 Cats and a couple of one-off projects such as *Have I Got News for You*, but this is the big one," he says. "I'm watching old shows with Anne Robinson wondering how I can possibly emulate this institution of TV.

"She's certainly much better than me at put-downs."



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New museum exploring aerodrome's history opens to public

Anew museum commemorating the history of the former Hornchurch Aerodrome has now opened. Air Chief Marshal Sir Michael Gravdon GCB CBE cut the ribbon and gave a speech at the RAF Hornchurch Heritage Centre's recent opening event.

The centre is located at the former Suttons House. which was donated to Hornchurch Aerodrome Historical Trust (HAHT) by Bellway Thames Gateway. It displays memorabilia from the First World War, Second World War and post-war period.

Tony Philpot, chairman of HAHT, said: "The history of Hornchurch Aerodrome can live."

The centre's mission is to educate organisations and schools about the history of the base in Hornchurch up until its closure in 1962.

Tony continued: "The donation of Suttons House from Bellway has gone a long way in ensuring a permanent home for future generations to learn from.

"We were privileged to have Air Chief Marshal Sir Michael Graydon GCB CBE officially open the RAF Hornchurch Heritage Centre. We would like to thank our president. Sir Jain Duncan Smith MP. and vice president, Brendan Finucane QC, along with our patrons and dignitaries, relatives of those who once graced this airfield, along with all of the volunteers.

"I was proud to have the family of the late Ted Exall here to formally open the Ted Exall Education Suite. Ted originally founded the RAF Hornchurch Association and conceived the idea for a dedicated museum all those years ago back in 1980. Sadly, he did not see this project come to fruition, as he passed away in 2004. This day, for me, was about Ted and his dream of seeing a place where RAF Hornchurch could be remembered."

LOCAL Z N N N N

Primary school raises more than £2,000 for hospice

Children from St Mary's Catholic Primary School in Hornchurch have raised money for Saint Francis Hospice by swimming 3,373 lengths.

The primary school "pulled together" for the charity, raising a total of \pounds 1,593 to add to the \pounds 860 raised by swimming teacher at the school, Catherine Ellett, who ran the London Marathon on October 3 in memory of her late father.

Children and staff collectively swam the distance of

to the cancellation of many of its fundraising events. Catherine said: "It was a brilliant whole team effort from children and staff. Teachers jumped in who have never been in the pool before.

"I would like to thank everyone for participating." To donate, visit www.justgiving.com/fundraising/ catherine-ellett

which has struggled during the last 18 months owing

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Plans to replace ambulance stations halted

Plans to close four ambulance stations in East London and build a single hub have been brought to a halt.

The plans included the removal of four East London stations – Hornchurch, Romford, Ilford and Becontree – and replacing them with a new hub or ambulance deployment centre in Dagenham.

The ideas were "closed down" by Daniel Elkeles, the new chief executive of the London Ambulance Service (LAS), to focus on what is likely to be the most difficult winter in the service's history.

Daniel Elkeles said: "While we must upgrade our ageing estate because so much of it is not fit for purpose, we are now going to be able to keep using Romford ambulance station until 2023 at the earliest.

"As we prepare for winter, pausing our plans will also help us cope with the challenging seasonal pressure ahead.

"We will not make any changes to our services which impact on the quality of care we provide to our patients and will ensure the public and other partners get a chance to have a say as we develop our plans."





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JULIA LOPEZ MP



Hornchurch and Upminster

As the MP for Hornchurch and Upminster, I was As incredibly saddened to hear of the death of my predecessor, James Brokenshire, who served the communities of Hornchurch, Elm Park, Wennington and Rainham from 2005 until the Hornchurch constituency was dissolved in 2010. He was kind, good-natured and generous with his time and Hornchurch residents spoke highly of the service he gave the community.

Unfortunately, the loss of James was followed by the fatal stabbing of Sir David Amess MP, who represented the nearby Essex constituency of Southend West. Sir David was a superb public servant and a thoroughly decent man. Both James and Sir David leave proud legacies of public service and will be sorely missed in parliament.

The security of our community continues to be a top priority for me and my team, and we caught up with Inspector Rob McElroy and his officers at Hornchurch Police Station recently to discuss neighbourhood policing. With the drive for 20,000 new police officers, our neighbourhood teams are now fully staffed. Initiatives like Operation Gambler on vehicle theft and burglary have been getting very good results. I have written to the Mayor of London and Met Commissioner, Cressida Dick, to raise my concerns about facilities available to officers in the east and south of the borough, the number of ward teams being diverted to policing central London protests, and the allocation of officers to Havering town centres when compared to other boroughs.

I have had another meeting with local councillors, Thames Water, Havering Council, Transport for London and Network Rail about Abbs Cross Lane flooding problems. Since we first met over the summer, a number of assets have been investigated and cleared, but there is more work to do, and a reporting system for residents has been devised to help get to the bottom of the problem.

In September, I attended the formal opening ceremony of the new RAF Hornchurch Heritage Centre along with Sir Iain Duncan Smith MP, whose father, Wilfred, served at the base, and Air Chief Marshal Sir



Michael Graydon GCB CBE. I would encourage local residents to visit the museum as it is packed full of beautifully told stories.

After Havering College's Harold Hill Quarles site closed, I wanted to check out the new Rainham campus. There is now a fantastic new facility to teach local people in-demand skills like plumbing, electrical installation and construction to fill the thousands of job vacancies in the industry.

I had my second meeting with the new chair and CEO of our local hospital trust, Barking, Havering and Redbridge University Hospitals NHS Trust, which is now collaborating closely with Barts Health Trust to improve care across North East London. I am keen to work with them on improving maternity care and community treatment, particularly as we anticipate the building of the St George's Health and Wellbeing Hub in Hornchurch.

Finally, following my ministerial promotion to the Department of Digital, Culture, Media and Sport, I have been meeting Havering organisations in receipt of Arts Council funding, including Lee Giles (pictured) of the Habbit Factory, whose incredible local theatre company does fantastic work across Hornchurch and Harold Hill to make the arts accessible to people of every age, ability and background. I also visited Queen's Theatre in Hornchurch to see the investment it has made to improve community facilities.

If you need help from me and my team, please do get in contact at julia.lopez.mp@parliament.uk





ANDREW ROSINDELL



It was a true privilege to have known Sir David Amess MP. He was simply one of the best people I've known in my entire life. He was a true friend. He had time for all of us. He looked down on no one: he was everyone's equal. He was kind, generous and sincere. He was a man of principle and courage. He was uncompromising in what he believed to be right.

I knew him for around 40 years. We became friends instantly because we shared the same political views. but also because we came from the same background. I am from Essex - some say East London, but I say Essex – and he knew that our instincts, coming from that neck of the woods, were the same.

We hit it off instantly. Like me, he was a passionate believer in Britain. He was a royalist who was never

afraid to fly the flag and to champion our values. He was a Christian and was proud to uphold our Christian heritage. He also loved animals, as I do.

My heart goes out to Julia and their five children, who are wonderful people. He had a fantastic family and he was dedicated to his constituencies. Basildon and Southend West. He lived for them and sacrificed everything else to put his constituency first.

We must not let our democracy be undermined by such evil. We must stand up to evil, defend our democracy and cherish the freedoms and the liberties that have held our country together for generations.

David was a fine example of a parliamentarian, a magnificent constituency MP, a true friend and a truly wonderful human being. We're going to miss him, but I feel privileged to have known him.



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Fond tributes paid to Tory MP

ellow politicians have paid tribute to Conservative MP for Old Bexley and Sidcup and former cabinet minister. James Brokenshire, who died of cancer last month.

The MP, who served Hornchurch between 2005 and 2010, was diagnosed with lung cancer three years ago and passed away on October 7, 2021, aged 53.

The highly respected Conservative politician served in Theresa May's cabinet as Secretary of State for Northern Ireland from 2016 to 2018, and then as Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government from 2018 to 2019.

His political career was cut short when he was diagnosed with lung cancer.

On October 8, his family said: "It is with deep sadness that we announce the death of James Brokenshire MP at the age of 53.

"James died peacefully at Darent Valley Hospital vesterday evening, with family members by his bedside. He had been in hospital since Sunday after his condition rapidly deteriorated."

Former Prime Minister Theresa May tweeted: "Truly saddened by the death of James Brokenshire. He was an outstanding public servant, a talented minister and



a loval friend.'

Prime Minister Boris Johnson tweeted: "James was the nicest, kindest and most unassuming of politicians, but also extraordinarily effective."

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Mum accepts late son's posthumous university award

Amum from Hornchurch has collected a posthumous award for her son, who died at the age of 22 while playing hockey.

Lisa Wilson attended Nottingham Trent University recently to collect the posthumous award for Services and Outstanding Contribution to Society for her son, Tom Wilson.

She said: "He would be humbled by the recognition." While collecting the award. Lisa talked to an audience

of more than 1,000 graduates and their families and stressed the importance of organ donation and of knowing your next of kin's wishes.

Following Tom's accidental death playing hockey, his

parents discovered that he had signed up to organ donation at a fresher's fair.

Lisa said it brings her "comfort" knowing Tom gave a second chance at life to those who were ill.

Lisa became an ambassador and advocate for organ donation after losing her husband Graham, two months after Tom.

She said: "You hope it will never be a situation you find yourself in, but if you do, it is so important you know what your loved one wants. When faced with important decisions about organ donation, it could be difficult if wishes haven't been shared. So sign the register, but also share your wishes."

Pub application rejected for disorder concerns

avering Council has rejected a Hornchurch pub's application for a rear lounge with bar, outside toilet and smoking area.

The council's Licensing Sub-Committee met on September 28 to consider The Rising Sun pub's application for permission to build a separate lounge area at its site on High Street, Hornchurch.

Saint Andrews Ward councillor Paul Middleton voiced objections on the grounds of the prevention of crime and disorder and public nuisance.

Cllr Middleton informed committee members that allowing patrons to enter and exit the premises from the rear, allowing smoking at the rear and providing toilet facilities at the rear would cause noise pollution.

The premises is situated within a Cumulative Impact Zone, which was implemented to limit the growth of licensed facilities in a problem area.



Unless the applicant could demonstrate that granting the changes would not contribute to existing difficulties, the application wouldn't be considered.

The Licensing Sub-Committee was not satisfied that the proposal would not have a damaging effect and so rejected the application.

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Urchins suffer slender defeat after missed chances

ornchurch FC were left to rue missed chances as They slipped to a 1-0 away defeat at Corinthian-Casuals, continuing their run of poor form.

The loss on Saturday, October 23, was the Urchins' third in four games, leaving them 15th in the Isthmian Premier League with 13 points.

The Urchins squandered numerous first-half chances and were made to pay 10 minutes from time when the hosts were awarded a penalty, which Kieron Cadogan converted.

It wasn't until the half-hour mark that Hornchurch managed to threaten again, when Jili Buyabu sent a fine through ball to Nash, whose shot from a narrow angle was well saved by Bracken.

It was Hornchurch who threatened early in the second half as well, but Casuals were quick to reply, Joe Wright tipping a Ben Cheklit shot over the bar, and Wasiri Williams found space from the corner, but directed his header over the bar.

With 79 minutes on the clock, Jili Buyabu conceded a penalty, and Kieron Cadogan scored the only goal of the game from the 12-yard mark.

The result followed on from Hornhurch's 1-1 draw with Leatherhead the previous weekend (pictured).

Community backs COVID-19 memorial plans

avering Council has received strong public support for its memorial plans to honour those who died as a result of COVID-19. An online survey asked residents for their opinions on plans for a new memorial garden at Hornchurch Country Park, with 85 per cent of respondents supporting the proposal.

The garden is intended to be a living testament to those who lost their lives, family members or loved ones. It will also pay tribute to the significant efforts made by key workers and residents to keep the borough safe during the pandemic.

The council confirmed the memorial garden will include more than 1,000 trees leading from a central memorial stone. It will also include paths to provide accessibility for elderly and disabled residents.

Eighty-nine per cent of respondents to the online survey also supported a series of local individual tree plantings across the borough.

Leader of Havering Council, Damian White, said: "The support for a lasting COVID-19 memorial is really positive. We want to create a number of memorial sites across the borough where our residents will be able to reflect and remember those lost during this awful pandemic."

LOCAL NEWS



A Hornchurch, Romford, Rainham and Dagenham Acare company has received an outstanding rating from the Care Quality Commission (CQC).

Home Instead was rated outstanding - the highest rating available - by CQC, the independent regulator of health and social care services in England.

Home Instead owner, Kiran Agrawal, said: "To get a CQC outstanding rating is an absolute honour.

"Our caregivers have certainly been put through their paces during the pandemic - dealing with PPE and reassuring clients at this worrying time are just two challenges that they've had to contend with.

"I am incredibly proud of the hard work and resilience they have shown throughout the pandemic. We are incredibly lucky to have a team full of compassionate and caring individuals who provide the most wonderful care for older people.

"I can't wait to continue leading our fantastic team and providing guality care across Romford and surrounding areas.

"Seeing the difference we make to older people's lives is truly rewarding, and to be recognised as an outstanding care provider means so much to the whole team."

Home Instead has previously won a number of awards, including three top accolades at the 2020 Home Care Awards and The Queen's Awards for Enterprise.

Unregistered dentist fined for procedure

 Λ Hornchurch man has been found guilty of charges of teeth whitening without Abeing a qualified dentist.

George Patel, formerly of Suttons Avenue, Hornchurch, was convicted for the illegal practice of dentistry at Romford Magistrates' Court on October 5.

The 62 year old was fined £6,900 in total after being convicted of performing a teeth whitening procedure in July 2020 at the Revive Teeth Whitening facility on Western Road, Romford,

It is illegal for non-registered dentists or dental care practitioners to perform any dental treatment.

General Dental Council principal advisory lawyer, Shaun Round, said: "As this case illustrates, the illegal practice of dentistry represents a real risk of harm.

"The clear message to anyone looking to get their teeth whitened is to go and see their dentist in the first instance. They are professionally gualified to correctly assess suitability for treatment and to intervene should an emergency arise."





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News from Councillor Paul Middleton

St Andrews Ward, Hornchurch Residents' Association

We are fast approaching Christmas

By the time you read this, the clocks will have gone back an hour, the mornings are slightly lighter, and the evenings are dark earlier.

Consider a few precautions to take if you are out or not home from work by the time it gets dark. A smart plug or a timer on a couple of lights and a radio in your home can give the

impression that someone is home, whereas curtains open, no lights and no noise can be a good indication that the property is empty. This can attract unwanted attention.

As the temperature gets colder, we often hear about frozen and burst pipes. If you were to have a burst water pipe or a water leak, do you know where your stopcock is for your home? Have you tested the stopcock to make sure it works? The external stopcock to your home usually only needs a half-turn to cut off the water.

Finally, if you are fit and healthy, consider talking to an elderly neighbour in your street. Ask if there is anything you can do to help them. It is a good way to meet the neighbours. You might find out something interesting

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and you could make a whole heap of difference to someone's life.

London in Bloom

Both Langtons Gardens and Elm Park won gold awards from the London in Bloom judges this year. For Elm Park, this was the fourth year in a row.

For Langtons Gardens, this will be down to the hard work of the volunteers, the two dedicated gardeners and the Friends group. Langtons Gardens was also awarded a Green Flag – well done, all.

Abbs Cross Lane flooding

Councillor Gerry O'Sullivan, of the Hornchurch Residents' Association, enlisted the support of our MP, Julia Lopez. Between them they managed to get a working party together from Transport for London, Highways and London Underground, who have been looking into the flooding that occurs near the bridge in Abbs Cross Lane. The drains from the road area pass through at least three different jurisdictions. Let us hope that we can lessen – if not remove – the issues from the future.

Charity challenge raises £5k

An epic sports challenge raised thousands for a Hornchurch-based charity.

Participants in the Million Metre Row helped raise £5,200 by rowing more than 1.3 million metres for charity, Communi-Tea Circle.

The rowing machines did not stop for a complete 24 hours, starting on September 24.

Communi-Tea Circle aims to tackle loneliness among the elderly and those who live alone through social interaction within the local community. The charity was set up just before lockdown, with subsequent restrictions meaning that raising money became almost impossible.

But the Million Metre Row event has given it a welcome boost, raising an impressive £5,251.

Claire, Hilary and Phil, of Communi-Tea Circle, said: "We were delighted to have RAW, one of our local gyms, support our charity and to see its teams work so hard to raise all that money on our behalf.

"The funds raised have made a huge difference to us



and will enable us to help many more elderly members reconnect with the community."

Tom White, RAW Inc Training owner, said: "This was a real team effort, with local businesses, including Sharp Skips, Costa Coffee Upminster, Joe&Jam Doughnuts, Tesco, and Sherry Makeswell, contributing prizes to the charity auction, and the RAW community digging deep to smash the million-metre goal."

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ollowing last month's article on "How to build a raised bed garden", in this edition we are qoing to show you how to turn your raised bed into a cold frame. Ideal for hardening off seedlings, growing cool-weather crops and protecting tender perennials, a cold frame can extend your gardening season well into the winter months.

WHAT IS A COLD FRAME?

Essentially, a cold frame is a removable glass or plastic-covered frame that fits over the ground or over a raised bed garden. It is predominantly used to protect plants from the elements by keeping them warm using natural heat sources.

HOW TO ADD A COLD FRAME TO A RAISED BED

- > Step 1: Find a salvaged window frame that is roughly the same size as your raised bed. If it is slightly bigger, this is fine, but it cannot be smaller. Wooden frames work best as these provide ample space to affix the hinges.
- > Step 2: Drill holes into the window frame and the edge of the raised bed to match the holes on the hinge. Affix either one large hinge or two smaller hinges to the edge.

> Step 3: Affix a handle to the opposite edge so that you can easily open and close the frame. You can find handles for this in your local kitchen design department.

TOP TIPS:

- > Choose a salvaged window that has small panes rather than one large pane if possible, as these are less likely to break.
- > Regularly check your cold frame over winter. If it snows, remove any build-up of snow straight awav.
- > Keep a brick or stick nearby for hot days so that you can prop the lid open and prevent your plants from becoming overheated.
- > Remember to water your plants as they will not receive any rainwater.

b W ho doesn't love going to see a wondrous winter light display in the run-up to Christmas? If you're looking for the most dazzling lights and winter trails the UK has to offer, here we've gathered the best and the brightest.

WADDESDON MANOR, BUCKINGHAMSHIRE

Enjoy a fun-filled, festive day out for all the family at Waddesdon Manor, with a Christmas fair, winter light trail, manor illuminations and an exhibition in the Coach House. Plus, for the first time ever, see the parterre illuminated by a dazzling light show. From November 13 to December 23 and December 27 to January 3.

DUNHAM MASSEY, GREATER MANCHESTER

If you are willing to travel a bit further afield, the after-dark illuminated trail through the festive gardens at Dunham Massey is not to be missed. Marvel at the glittering deer, the gleaming waterside reflections and the multicoloured trees.

Plus, fill your belly with tasty treats from a vast array of seasonal food and drink chalets or toast some marshmallows at one of the purpose-built fire pits. From November 19 to January 2.

WIMPOLE ESTATE, CAMBRIDGESHIRE

Set to be Wimpole Estate's biggest Christmas extravaganza to date, take the kids to Percy the Park Keeper's winter wander trail by day, and enjoy a mesmerising walk through the estate's gardens by night. Expect sparkling lights, giant baubles and illuminated trees. From November 26 to January 2.

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HORTICULTURAL HEROES: Monty Don

ven after almost four decades studying the flora and fauna of our gardens, green-fingered expert Monty Don's passion shows little sign of waning.

A love affair with the outdoors that has lasted a lifetime might be taking its toll physically on the 66-year-old broadcaster and writer Monty Don OBE, who suffered a bout of

peritonitis in 2007 and a stroke that could have killed him a year later. But the everyday rigours of flowering and weeding, pruning and digging have left his body "happily weathered", as he puts it.

"It comes with the territory when you get to my age," he says matter-of-factly. "I'm not going to start complaining – by the very nature of gardening, you are outdoors, filling the lungs up with oxygen and experiencing what it is to be around plants and trees and flowers. If that isn't good for the soul, I don't know what is."

> Monty's garden at Longmeadow in Herefordshire has undoubtedly provided an antidote to seasonal depression, which the presenter has battled with for a long time.

"It's tremendous for clearing away the debris in my mind," he explains. "There is nothing better."

Monty has published 26 books during his career and still pens a number of popular newspaper columns. He became the welcoming, enthusiastic, all-knowing expert on BBC's *Gardeners' World* between 2003 and 2008, returning again in 2011, and is now completing a full decade of stewardship. He also took on lead presenting duties for the flagship Chelsea Flower Show in 2014.

Well dressed in his 'painterly' style and with a sparkling demeanour, Monty's delivery to camera is composed and natural, charismatic yet down to earth, knowledgeable yet easy-going – through to the fact that he refuses to call himself a professional gardener.

"I'm an amateur gardener, that's the truth," he says. "I taught myself how to garden. That's why I say to people, 'Don't worry about the process – do it your way, try it out; just make sure you enjoy yourself'."



e are a nation of pet lovers, so we think you need to know about the following pet laws in the UK. Some are common sense, some are a bit weird, and others are just plain hilarious.

In Daventry, Northamptonshire, you can be issued a £100 fine for not having a spare poo bag, regardless of whether your dog has fouled or not.

2. BURYING YOUR PET IN THE WRONG PLACE

It is illegal to bury your pet anywhere other than the grounds of the home that they lived in. You need to own your home, not just rent it. If you plan to sell, it is not a legal requirement to tell buyers about the burial, but you may want to mention it as a courtesy.

3. NOT SECURING YOUR PET WHEN DRIVING

You can be fined up to £5,000 and have your insurance invalidated if you fail to buckle up your pet when driving. This law applies to all pets, as not only can they act as a distraction, but their wellbeing is also at risk without suitable restraint.

4. RIDING A HORSE OR CATTLE WHILE UNDER

Everyone knows it's illegal to drink and drive, but did you know that this law extends to horses? Yes, under the Licensing Act 1872, it is illegal to be drunk and in charge on any highway or other public place of any carriage, horse or cattle.

5. MATING WITH A ROYAL DOG

Although we admit this scenario is unlikely, if you do stumble upon one of Her Maiesty's corgis while walking your dog, it is illegal for your pet to mate with it without seeking permission first.

OTHER UNUSUAL PET LAWS IN THE UK:

- > You are not allowed a pigsty in front of your house unless it is appropriately hidden
- > It is illegal to run cows through the street during the daytime, although after 7pm is fine
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BRUCEKING on how to sell yourself and what you do

ales mentor and personal growth coach. Bruce King, begins an exclusive monthly column designed to help you organise, improve and maximise everyday life.

It's often said that people do business with people they like and trust, and that's most certainly true.

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Therefore, we need to ask as many questions as possible to identify those problems and opportunities before presenting our products and services.

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never-been-lived-in blank canvas that you can style into your perfect home. However, these types of properties are not without their pitfalls. Here are things to consider before committing to a new build.

SNAGGING: Snagging refers to teething problems in a new build, such as cracks appearing in the walls or loose guttering. Eighty-seven per cent of new build homeowners in the UK have reported snagging issues. Therefore, conduct a snagging survey to ensure everything is fixed ahead of moving in.

LEASEHOLD OR FREEHOLD: Many new build properties are sold as leasehold rather than freehold, although the government is planning to ban the sale of these types of houses (not flats). Leaseholders face maintenance fees, ground rent, annual service charges, a share of the building's insurance and restrictions on renovations. **NEGATIVE EQUITY:** Make sure you do not pay over the odds for your new build. Although you may have seen the price of your preferred property plastered on hoardings around the development site, this is only the asking price, and you can and should negotiate before signing on the dotted line, because your extra costs will not be included.

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TYSON FURY TAKES ANOTHER MAJOR STEP TOWARDS THE ULTIMATE PRIZE

Any judge Tyson Fury as the best British fighter we have, even as the tormentingly long wait for him to prove that – when he steps into the ring with Anthony Joshua – goes on.

And yet, across two weekends, the armchair experts who decreed the Gypsy King as the ultimate number one added considerable weight to their argument.

First, on September 25, at the Tottenham Hotspur Stadium, Anthony Joshua lost his multiple heavyweight belts to Ukrainian Oleksandr Usyk. The manner of the defeat had echoes of Andy Ruiz Jr all over again, with Joshua looking unthreatening, hesitant and stuck in first gear. Subsequently, he lost to a unanimous points decision to take a major step back.

Then, just 14 days later, Tyson Fury stepped up once more against Deontay Wilder. After a draw in the first epic against the brazen American and a comprehensive victory in the first rematch, the 33-year-old Brit was looking to cement his reputation as the leader of the pack. And while, by his own admission, he was "rusty", Fury again showed power, guile, craft and the ability to pick himself up off the canvas as he despatched Wilder, finally seeing off his opponent in the 11th round with a devastating blow.

So over the course of a couple of weekends, we learned a bit more about how the heavyweight division would play out. We also have a new champion in Usyk, although many will speculate his victory had as much to do with the poor performance of Anthony Joshua.

As far as the prospect of a Fury v Joshua fight goes, we still seem some distance away. The most anticipated British heavyweight boxing bout of all time slipped through the promoters' fingers against Usyk. Joshua will need to get past his dogged, clever and unrelenting opponent in the rematch for serious talk of the all-British showdown to restart.

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he days when those looking for an estate agent to sell their house had only one local option to choose are long gone. Today's sellers, buyers and landlords have a wide range of choices, from high street chains to local stalwarts, and an increasing number of online agencies. Launching into the Essex area, Kingsmarq Real Estate was created to offer a fresh way of handling properties with a boutique level of service.

Kingsmarq saw how often homeowners were passed between team members who did not know their property and how this left them feeling unsupported, without experienced advice when they needed it most. There was a gap to launch an agency who could offer a bespoke service level and consistent contact.

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We celebrate 50 years of the Crucible Theatre in Sheffield by remembering one of world snooker's greatest ever matches. To many, he was the quirky, pint-sized Irishman with glasses you'd more readily expect to see on Dame Edna Everage or Sir Elton John, yet Dennis Taylor's doubters were to be silenced on the night of April 28, 1985, when he completed one of the most dramatic fightbacks in sport to defeat Steve Davis and win the Embassy World Snooker Championship.

> With a final stretched out over two days and four sessions, Englishman Davis strode into a commanding lead in the "best of 35 frames" match. The defending champion, who was looking for his fourth world title in five years, found himself 8-0 up and coasting. Taylor fought back in the second session to trail 9-7 overnight. The following day's play saw a cat and mouse battle, with Taylor level at 11-11 and 15-15, but never ahead. When Davis won the next two frames, he required only one more to win the match, but Taylor again responded to level matters, and in the final frame was left needing to pot the black to win. After Davis's thin cut missed, Taylor seized the advantage to clinch the title.

A colossal audience of 18.5 million viewers watched the drama unfold on BBC Two, with the match finally finishing at 12.23am.

Taylor's achievement was made all the more remarkable after his mother's death the previous year had left him unable to muster up the enthusiasm to play.

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And yet, in many ways, with its choral line, "I don't have no time for no monkey business", it provided the perfect posthumous legacy for a man who lived, created and inspired like every day was his last.

Naturally, solo work wasn't ever at the crux of what made Freddie Mercury great. As a founding member of rock bastion Queen, he was a singer, songwriter and producer with a fouroctave range, a breathless flamboyance and a creative lilt that put him in the same bracket as David Bowie, Sir Elton

John, Sir Paul McCartney and others. Born in Zanzibar as Farrokh Bulsara, to Parsi-Indian parents, Freddie spent his early life in India. Having moved back to his place of birth, the family fled Africa when he was 18 as political violence erupted. His arrival in Feltham and subsequent commencement of his studies at Ealing Art College saw him meet bandmates, Brian May and Roger Taylor. Very quickly, an iconic sound was born.

From prog-rock masterpieces such as Bohemian Rhapsody and Killer Queen, to perfect pop songs Bicycle Race and Somebody to

Love, through cross-

genre experimentation – think the Elvis sound of *Crazy Little Thing Called Love* and the electronic essence of *Radio Ga Ga* – Freddie pushed the boundaries of Queen's sound across two and a half decades, 15 albums and 23 Top 10 hits. While flamboyant on stage, the singer was shy and sometimes even reclusive off it, and never more so than when discussing his homosexuality and life partner, Jim Hutton.

Freddie Mercury died of bronchitis resulting from AIDS on November 24, 1991. He was just 45, yet the legacy, influence and admiration that follows his work has never waned.

WIKI-WONDER Celebrating 20 years of Wikipedia

n theory, it just shouldn't work. A global online encyclopaedia created by people who voluntarily update and moderate on every subject imaginable, and in many cases in real time. It is a network for information that's almost unmanageable in its size, and roundly open to the publishing of errors, be they accidental or on the part of pranksters.

And yet, somehow, Wikipedia works. The site has 18 billion web views per month, sees almost 400,000 new topics and articles added each year,

and is a resource so drenched in information on, seemingly, every topic imaginable, that many of us automatically make it a first choice for research.

The site's ubiquitous popularity across different generations, different demographics and the most extreme geographical expanses the world over has even given rise to the 'wiki' prefix becoming embedded in everyday language. The exact definition of 'wiki' is a database for creating, browsing and searching through information, but its usage goes well beyond that.

Wikipedia launched on January 15, 2001, and over the past two decades has worked to deflect countless rumours that the site is dying. After all, it is a non-profitmaking entity that relies on the word of its users for factual accuracy and, in a lot of cases, it does get things wrong. Yet it has never been more popular, and in an online world where nothing can truly be regulated, its worth is impossible to calculate.

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As it stands, there are almost 26,000 electric charging points in the UK. Yet the number of electric and hybrid cars on our roads is doubling every six

months and an estimated 10 times the number of current charging points will be required by 2030, the target date for when petrol and diesel cars will stop being sold in the UK.

In the UK, the cost of charging an electric car from flat battery to full is around $\pounds 7$ (depending on your supplier). For an average vehicle, this would produce a range of around 180 miles. The equivalent petrol or diesel cost would be around two and a half times that amount.

Despite the challenges ahead, the UK is still one of the countries leading the way in the adoption of electric cars. As well as a rapid increase in charger provision, it is investigating moves to make nighttime charging a preferred option for cars – this will ensure users don't overload the grid, and also means they can take advantage of cheaper electricity prices.

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ACROSS: 1.DRAMAS, 4. GOSSIP, 9. MARTINI, 10. SCHEMED, 11. LASSO, 12. RIDGE, 14. AMEND, 15. PECAN,



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DID YOU KNOW?

The acronym ISS stands for International Space Station

Before applying to be an astronaut, a pilot must have completed 1,000 hours of flying time in a iet aircraft

Neil Armstrong was the first human to walk on the surface of the moon

According to NASA, the Space Shuttle travels around 17,600 miles per hour when orbiting the earth

Most of the elements found in the human body originated in stars that have gone supernova

The Space Shuttle makes one complete orbit around the earth approximately every 90 minutes

Alan Shepard hit a golf ball on the moon during the Apollo 14 mission

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WORD LADDER

READ BOOK

THE AIM: Change the word at the top of the ladder one letter at a time to make the word at the bottom.

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HOW TO: Change one letter on each step to make a new word. By the time you reach the end, you should have created the new word.

DO NOT rearrange the order of the letters.

TIP: There is usually more than one way to solve this puzzle.



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- Fascia & Soffits
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