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Editorial



Once again I must remind myself of how fortunate we are to live in North West Hampshire. If we have to be partially confined to barracks and have our movements limited where better could we be? Beautiful scenery, singing birds, an enterprising village shop, a garden centre with a fine cafeteria, two public houses with mouth-watering food, a multitude of very capable tradespeople, well-maintained churches, village halls and schools, an excellent doctors' surgery and polite and friendly village people. The covid19 pandemic will come to an end one day and when that happens we will still be here enjoying all the good things about the area and continuing to be more friendly and polite to each other than ever before. Let's look forward to those days and be thankful.

JH

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Further changes within the Parish Council are marked by the arrival of Martin Hainge as our latest councillor. This brings us back to almost full strength.

Meetings continue to be virtual using Zoom but there will not have been a full council meeting in the month of August as is the usual practice. The planning sub committee will continue to meet in August however.

We are getting complaints about vehicles parked along Greenways near the junction with Tile Barn Row. The source of the vehicles is uncertain but they are potentially causing an increase in danger on Greenways so we would ask that people think carefully where they park and if at all possible use the parking bays on or associated with their

own properties.

Potholes We remind everyone that there is a dedicated site for reporting potholes on the Hampshire CC website. <https://www.hants.gov.uk/transport/roadmaintenance/roadproblems> Any problems with roads and footpaths, even floods, can be reported on this site and the more people who complain the more likely it is that remedial action will take place.

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Phil Jarvis



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Letter to the Editor

Re: East Woodhay Parish Charities

I was very sad to see that the Parish Charities fields have been offered for sale. Whilst I appreciate that the deed of gift, which has stood for over 200 years allows for this sale, it also states that the revenue from this sale has to be reinvested to give an income. As we all know the rates of interest currently are set at an all time low therefore in my opinion this proposed sale comes at the worst possible time. I must question the wisdom of this proposal. I feel that I must also make the point that the Trustees are duty bound to do their best for all the Parishioners of the Parish, as the Charity Commissioners may have a view on their actions.

The land is stated to have equestrian use but this is not so as there has been no change of use application submitted or approved. The company that is offering this land for sale on behalf of East Woodhay Parish Charities specifically stated in their 1990 tenancy Agreement that the only use was for Agricultural Grazing. This agreement also stated that it was not even to be used for allotments.

It is worth noting that horses now come within the scope of recreational animals apart from some shire horses. I therefore believe that our generation are destined to preside over the demise of this age old charity. This has, in the past generations done a great deal of good within our parish.

These fields recently have not been managed well and are in a very poor condition. This I believe is due to a lack of expertise and commitment. The trees adjoining the public footpath are dead and are in a dangerous condition. Also, the hedges are overgrown with the grassland being weed infested.

A considerable sum of money would be needed to bring this back to a usable state. Once the land is sold the Charities have no principal asset.

If I allowed my 20 acres in North End to become as poorly maintained as these fields are, I am sure that I would receive considerable justified criticism from not only the local community but of course DEFRA. I have to abide by quite rigorous standards as do all the agricultural community as we are constantly monitored for the condition and use of our land. It is worth noting that when these generous gifts were made to the parish by these benefactors my forbears were heavily involved in farming within this parish.

It would be a nice idea to give the history of these charities for the newer members of our community.

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Bulb Challenge

A long time ago as far back as February, we set our members a challenge to grow three summer flowering bulbs in a pot. This was not to be a competition but just a challenge. The plan was that we would bring our efforts to the Summer Cheese and Wine Party on 14th August and share our successes and trials.

The Summer Party has sadly had to be abandoned but hopefully bulb planting has



not. I planted three lily bulbs in March but as nothing appeared for a long time, I was not very hopeful. I spoke nicely to them, brought them inside when it seemed as if it would be a cold night but no sign for a long time. However, gradually shoots appeared in the pot from two of the bulbs and then a third came up at a jaunty angle to the other two. They grew and grew and finally buds appeared and then magically these beautiful flowers. I had completely forgotten what type I had planted so they were a wonderful surprise.

Any of you Gardeners' Club members who took up the bulb challenge, do send your photos to me (mary@harcourt2.co.uk) and then we can share them with other members.

Mary

John Heritage MMus GGSM LTCL

I first met John in the foyer at the Guildhall School of Music and Drama. It was September 1980 and I was a new undergraduate. John was in his final year on the Graduate course and was 'the' trumpet player at college. If there was a solo to be played in a Mahler symphony or a very high trumpet needed for Bach's B Minor Mass, John was your man!

John left college in 1982 and we lost touch until a chance meet up on Facebook brought about lots of chatty conversations and when he came to visit on the 28th of April 2015 he surprised me by proposing that very same day. We were married at Shaw House and we recently celebrated our 'wood' anniversary after five very happy (and very musical) years together.

When John left college his first appointment was Head of Brass and Instrumental Studies at nearby Pangbourne College and in 1989 he became Director of Music at Felsted School in Essex. By this time John was married to Linzi and they had three young children, so when he was 'head-hunted' to take the post of Director at Clifton College John jumped at the chance but tragedy lay ahead. In 1994 (after six months of tests) John was diagnosed with multiple sclerosis. His elder sister, Christine, had

already been diagnosed with MS and so rare was it for siblings to suffer this appalling auto-immune disease they were featured in all the MS journals. Needless to say their parents were devastated but thankfully John has what's known as RRMS (relapsing remitting MS) and to this day some days are awful and some are not so bad, although it has meant his having to retire as an examiner for the Associated Board of the Royal Schools of Music, a post he enjoyed for over a quarter of a century.

John was born at 19 Chandos Road in Newbury on the 22nd of April 1960 so it's a wonderful coincidence that he has finally come full circle and moved back to his home town. His

mum, Betty, was a Seward before marrying Charles Heritage and John's uncle still lives in the family home near the town centre. We both sing with Newbury Spring Festival Chorus and The Cecilia Consort and John has played cornet and tenor horn with Hungerford Town Band (as did his granddad, Reginald Seward). John is Musical Director for both Test Valley Brass and Corsham Band; brass bands are a particular passion for John who played principal cornet for the legendary Luton Band in the 1970s and 80s.

Fate has played its part – welcome home John!

Fiona Bennett-Heritage





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Who Would Want To Be An Aphid? by Mike Robinson

Aphids are one of the great survivors in the insect world. They have a very interesting, complicated and successful life style and, in addition to the damage caused to crops, they provide a food source for many other insects and small birds. They are in effect at the very bottom of the food chain.

Aphids are capable of producing eggs which can become the over wintering element in their lives. However, many can survive in the adult form in sheltered situations such as grasses and hedgerows for which they have a specific over wintering alternative plant. For instance the rose/grain aphid will over winter on

Rose – grain aphid *(Metopolophium dirhodum (Walker))*



wild and garden roses and spend the summer having migrated on to cereals and grasses.

Eggs hatching in the Spring produce winged forms to allow them to migrate, and set up a new colony. At that point live young which are already pregnant are born at an enormous rate. These new young aphids then produce their own already pregnant live young

after 10 days which are wingless to hugely increase the colony. As time progresses and food supplies become scarce they then produce new winged forms which fly off to establish new colonies. In practice the average life of an aphid is approximately 4 weeks.

Their appetite for nutrient is enormous and they normally congregate at the growing point of the plant such as a wheat ear or a rose bud where sap flow is at its peak. This sap is mostly made up of plant sugars and to obtain all of the nutrients aphids require, vast amounts of surplus sticky liquid known as exudate is produced. This becomes a perfect food for ants and it is often thought that ants effectively use aphids as a form of a dairy farm! Also it is a perfect substrate for black moulds such as Cladosporium and Alternaria growing on wheat ears. Woolly Aphids affecting oilseed rape crops can produce an oily exudate which results in a high risk of combine harvester fires.

Some years ago on a small but important crop of wheat a huge aphid infestation was matched by an equally large population of ladybirds and ladybird larvae. The wheat ears blackened as a result of disease and a period of very hot weather reduced sap flow to almost nil. The net result was total elimination of all the aphids and the ground covered by thousands of ladybirds. The wheat crop also yielded virtually nothing which was a disaster from all points of view.

That experience was an indication of the limitations of biological control where a predator is used to control pest infestations. It can work in sealed environments such as greenhouses, but the Cane

Toad experience in Australia where they were released into the environment for pest control purposes created huge problems over large areas. Subsequently very safe, specific aphicides and fungicides were produced to control the problem.

At the time these were applied by air using pilots mainly from Australia and New Zealand who had ex-military low flying experience who travelled the world to carry out this work. They were amazing to watch and offered us the opportunity to fly with them which was rarely accepted! As they were used to wide open spaces the risk of overspraying gardens close to fields was always possible and this form of application stopped in about the early 1980s. These treatments are now carried out using large and very efficient ground sprayers operated by the farmers involved. It is incredible to think that the flexibility and survival of the aphid species is exceptional in the insect world.



Woolton Hill Junior School My Final Days



Hello again readers. I have been back at school for 4 weeks, the highlights for me were based mainly around the PE activities. It is fabulous to be able to see my friends again after this unusual period. School has been extremely fun due to the fact that we take part in sports lessons three times a week. Also, as a bonus every Friday is a half day so I can enjoy a longer weekend spent on photography. I never appreciated school as much before as I now do after 12 weeks of home-schooling. My four years at the Junior school have gone extremely fast and I am grateful we are back at school, despite only in the form of 'bubbles', so we can say some sort of goodbye to our time here.

I hope you all have lovely summer holidays; this is going to be the last time I write for you as I am moving on to a secondary school in September.

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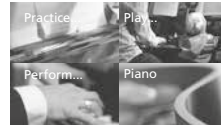
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September 2020 marks the 80th Anniversary of the Battle of Britain – a momentous period of dramatic history in the life of our nation. 15th September 1940 saw the decisive climax of an aerial struggle fought over southern England between The Royal Air Force and the Nazi Luftwaffe – with the R.A.F. just about coming through on top.

The context during the early summer of 1940 is important in our understanding of what took place 80 years ago. Following the occupation of much of continental Europe by the Nazi regime and allies, culminating in the fall of France in May 1940, the German High Command had expected the U.K. government to seek peace terms to end the war but, after heated arguments in the recently formed government of Prime Minister Winston Churchill, the decision was made that we would fight on alone. Potentially this could mean that the invasion of mainland Britain would follow in possibly only a few weeks. However, the German High Command knew that, in order to successfully invade the U.K., it was necessary to neutralize the Royal Air Force and destroy airfields in the south east of England so that an invasion fleet could safely cross the English Channel. So the scene was set for the Nazi regime to clear away these two obstacles in their aim of invading our islands; which would lead to their victory in the Second World War. As we all know the Luftwaffe was defeated and the invasion plan was shelved. This momentous period in World War II was the first defeat for the Nazi regime and gave new determination to our nation.

In a speech to the House of Commons on 20th August 1945 the Prime Minister, Winston Churchill, paid tribute to the men and women who, in all kinds of ways, contributed to the defeat of the Luftwaffe in the almost four months of the Battle of Britain. In thanking the air crews, the ground crews (of which my father was a part giving particular personal significance to me of this day), the coastal observers, the radar operatives, the ground gunners and those who tracked the ebb and flow of the battle at H.Q., the Prime Minister expressed his gift of inspiring eloquence in his famous words: "never in the field of human conflict was so much owed by so many to so few".

The people involved in the conflict in the early summer to the early autumn in 1940 were indeed heroes and so in this 80th anniversary year we honour them and remember them with immense thanksgiving.

Canon Marvin

From the Church Registers: July 2020

Funeral: may they rest in peace

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A note about worship: during the complete lockdown online worship using 'Zoom' was well attended and appreciated by many. In July and August we began worshipping again in our church buildings. Feedback tells us that going forward we need a mix of online and 'in church' services and so we are providing both in September. If you would like details about the **online services** please ask to join the Rector's regular e-mail update for details by sending your e-mail to coordinator.nwhb@outlook.com. Please note that **worship in church** is a bit different as we observe current regulations and that wearing a face covering in church is now mandatory. Despite all these things most importantly our prayer continues... and everyone is welcome... please join us!

SUN 6th Sept <i>Trinity 13</i>	All Together (<i>a family service</i>) Benefice Communion	<i>online 'zoom'</i> East Woodhay	9.30am 11.00am
SUN 13th <i>Trinity 14</i>	Benefice Communion Morning Worship Evensong	Woolton Hill <i>online 'zoom'</i> Ashmansworth	9.30am 11.00am 6.00pm
SUN 20th <i>Trinity 15</i>	Morning Worship Benefice Communion	<i>online 'zoom'</i> Highclere	9.30am 11.00am
SUN 27th <i>Trinity 16</i>	Holy Communion (BCP) Benefice Communion Harvest Evensong	Highclere <i>online 'zoom'</i> East Woodhay	8.00am 10.00am 6.00pm
SUN 4th Oct <i>Trinity 17</i>	Harvest Family Service Harvest Benefice Communion	<i>online 'zoom'</i> Highclere	9.30am 11.00am

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East Woodhay Women's Institute



Every September the ladies of the East Woodhay WI have a harvest meeting. This includes a harvest arrangement competition and an auction of produce. The floral arrangements are set out for everyone to judge by placing coins next to their choices. After judging, the one with the most coins is declared the winner. The arrangements are colourful and have been seen displayed in vases, bowls, jugs and baskets. Beautifully arranged in an array of colours, sometimes with added fruit and

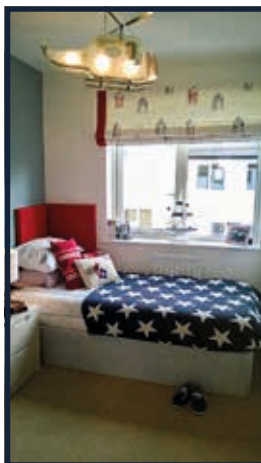
of the bidder and the amount to be collected later. Occasionally we will hear, "who made the lovely cake" or "who grew red and yellow tomatoes," but no time to answer now the bidding is hotting up and the hand is about to come down. Everyone is looking pleased as they all have something by their side. The last two items are sold and now it's time for tea and answers to those questions. The winner of the harvest arrangement is announced and we are pleased



vegetables and the occasional small loaf. The auction is a more humorous affair with one of the members acting as the auctioneer who grabs our attention with, "What will you bid for this lovely bunch of carrots; bag of apples; tray of tomatoes; wrapped runner beans; jar of marmalade; sponge cake, etc., etc." All done with good humour while the Treasurer makes a note of the name

when the accolade goes to a new lady prompting more competition for next year. After tea the result of the raffle is announced but another item is on the table. Is it resting or is it a prize? The President calls the last raffle number, "Number 54 and the prize is the winning harvest arrangement."

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More School Bus Tales!

Bertha's entertaining article reminiscing on her school bus journeys brought back my own memories of travelling from St. Ives, across the tip of the Cornish peninsula, to Penzance on the Southern coast to attend the girls' grammar school. St. Ives boasted a secondary school but the study of foreign language was not available; I am grateful now for my knowledge of French. Pupils from the local Secondary referred to us as "Grammar Sows," the Cornish words for wood lice. Interestingly, the boys' school was named The Humphry Davy Grammar School in recognition of a past pupil, the inventor of the Humphry Davy miners' safety lamp.

So – to tales of bus journeys! Frequently I recall missing the morning bus, running home to rouse my father who, in his pyjamas, would drive my brother and I in pursuit of the bus—sometimes with other cars in the same race! The drivers would then exchange exasperated words as they turned homewards muttering about this disruption to the start of their day. The journey took us through open countryside and one winter the bus became stuck in snow, a rare occurrence, so was unable to proceed. We all joyfully headed home on foot, sliding down icy roads sitting on our satchels!

As to behaviour on the bus—the older boys occupied the rear seats of the top deck singing bawdy rugby songs to the embarrassment no doubt of the conductor at the foot of the stairs and his lower deck passengers! We girls were no angels though. On one occasion the driver left his cabin and angrily confronted us to complain of the noise our feet were making on his "roof" (we always sat in the front seats) and I do remember walking to and fro admiring the passing scenery. I recall a minor accident when an overhanging branch smashed a small sliding window, showering splinters of broken glass over my friend but luckily causing no serious injuries. In due time we became bus prefects and were supposed to ensure berets and caps were worn for the entire journey; they were not!

Echoing Bertha's comments, this was an ideal environment to gain experience of mixing with boys, as were the joint Scout and Guide Christmas parties and dances in the Salvation Army hall. Great times!

Moyra Harkness

Name That Shop quiz answers

- 1.Boots 2.Wickes 3.Etam 4.Zara 5.Subway 6.Poundstretcher 7.Selfridges 8.Aldi
- 9.John Lewis 10.Lidl 11.McDonalds 12.Next 13.New Look 14.Wetherspoons 15.Sports Direct 16.Coop 17.Thorntons 18.Lakeland 19.River Island 20.Superdrug 21.Greggs
- 22.Early Learning Centre 23.Comet 24.Iceland 25.Monsoon 26.Littlewoods
- 27.Primark 28.Jewson 29.Waitrose 30.Waterstones 31.Happy Shopper 32.Currys
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**St Martin's Guild
Autumn Harvest Fete - 10 October 2020**

Due to the cancellation of the annual Summer Fete, St Martin's Guild is planning to hold a Harvest Fete on 10 October, provisionally at East Woodhay Village Hall, from 2-4pm.

More information will be available in next month's Spectrum, and on the website, www.eastwoodhayfete.org.uk so please mark this community event in your diary and keep your fingers crossed that we shall be able to go ahead with this event as we shall of course be subject to Government advice and restrictions.

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The Woolton Hill branch was born when in February 2008 Angie Maxwell put a notice in Spectrum inviting ladies to join a new local NWR group. She explained that she had been a member of NWR for 25 years and was currently a regular member at the Andover group. She was delighted by the response. Twelve ladies showed great interest and enthusiasm for a local group so Angie set up a meeting at her house and Woolton Hill NWR has never looked back.

Over the last 12 years the group has almost doubled its membership. Apart from the usual twice-monthly Wednesday meetings in members' homes to discuss broadly ranging topics,

it has gradually widened its horizons to include:

- A summer walk followed by a pub supper
- A garden visit
- A summer party and a Christmas party
- A 3-day autumn mini break

With lockdown in March, our programme in tatters, we decided to use Zoom to carry on meeting, albeit

virtually. Having mastered the technology, we 'met' weekly to start with as it was the only thing in our diaries! We've also kept in touch via e-mail and our WhatsApp group, sharing the 'funnies' of the day and keeping spirits up. Our final meeting was a socially distanced coffee on the Recreation Ground in two groups of six—a welcome chance to chat and see each other face to face.



Angie Maxwell

Moving on into the autumn, we will meet in the Church Hall, which gives us all enough space to be present and socially distanced, for one meeting a month. We'll continue to use Zoom for the other meeting. Our first reunion gives us the chance to share thoughts on our summer reads in a book review evening.

A big thank you to Angie from all members past and present for setting up this very welcoming and friendly group.

East Woodhay Society



Every week, from the middle of March to the end of August, many groups, including East Woodhay Society, came together to produce a weekly 'Coronavirus Support Newsletter'. We started these newsletters as a way of keeping the community informed of the rapid changes to the Coronavirus guidelines, especially around lockdown and how people could find support. We thought that after a few weeks things would 'settle down' and, in the early stages, that maybe the following week might be the last newsletter as there wouldn't be anything new to write. How wrong we were and, by the end of July, 20 were written.

However, at the time of writing these notes we had found there was less to write and consequently we will not be producing these newsletters until something radically changes for our area. We will then look to see what is required and communicate this to you.

We understand though that it is difficult to keep track of the latest instructions, and so, in the newsletter at the end of July, we included a summary of all the latest Coronavirus guidelines, plus how to obtain Neighbourcare support for those who need help with shopping, medical prescriptions, wellbeing and to attend medical appointments. That newsletter, along with all the others, can be found on the www.wooltonhill.com website under the 'Community Area'. There is also a direct link on the front page of the website.



This [wooltonhill.com](http://www.wooltonhill.com) website banner was created by EWS member and photographer, John Priest

Please do look regularly at the www.wooltonhill.com website as we will post the latest news from the area as to whether things are opening up (or not)

depending on the coronavirus situation. For those on Facebook, additional information will be posted on the @WooltonHill Facebook page.

For those looking to book the Woolton Hill Church Hall, please note that the email address has changed. This is now:

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All the latest information regarding the hall will be posted on the Woolton Hill website.

The East Woodhay Society (EWS) monthly newsletters were put on hold whilst the Coronavirus Support newsletters were being issued. These EWS monthly updates, containing local news, will now continue.

If you are not a member of EWS and would like to find out more, please contact me on the email address below.

A big thanks to EWS member, Teresa Munn who raised £130 for our nominated local charity Young People & Children First by creating and selling ten "Seeds of Hope" pods (see picture).

The charity, which supports care leavers with accommodation and life skills, is raising funds to help keep going during lockdown and also for a third house.

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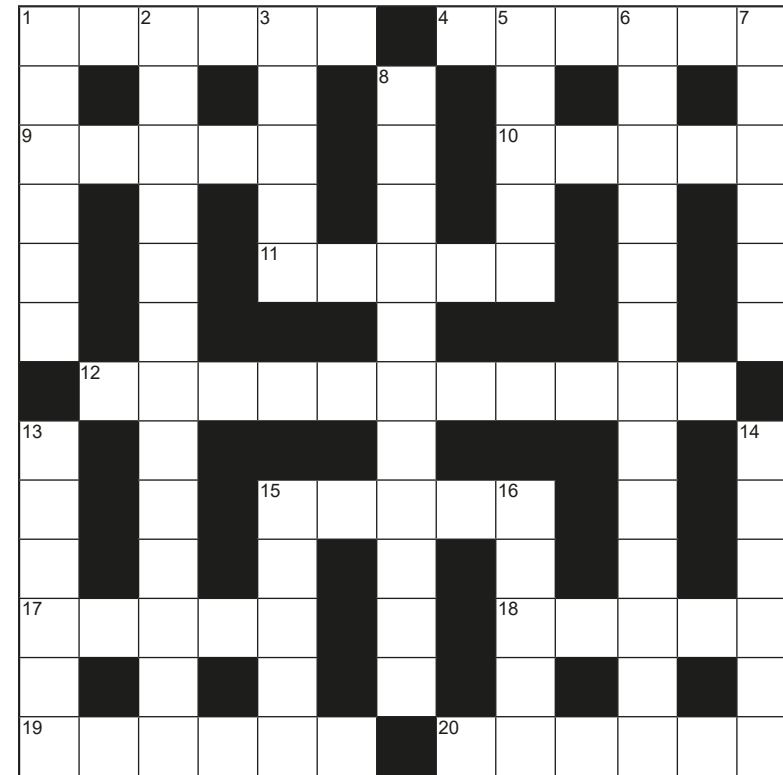
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 Down: 1 Scores, 2 Imaginatively, 3 Abyss, 5 Aesop, 6 Purple emperor, 7 Expire, 8 Accusations, 13 Fungus, 14 Trowel, 15 Flesh, 16 Ghana

Across

1. Elgar's favourite hunter? (6)
4. Bacon sounds more risky (6)
9. See lizard go around topless deck (5)
10. Say hello and pop round to see animal informally (5)
11. Party with pole for bird in the tower (5)
12. Poet who dreamed of foe racing through dry lanes, riding, riding (6,5)
15. Roughly hitting it out when day has past (5)
17. Roman hundred ride around for a drink (5)
18. Bind learner so that he cannot see (5)
19. Resting place for night worker perhaps (6)
20. Mother and son go together for fruit (6)

Down

1. Valuable piece of information regarding small chunk of gold (6)
2. I may clash with dame later this month (10,3)
3. Smell coming from inside brood ourselves produced (5)
5. Pale, like chicken (5)
6. He prays Pommie will look back on this time with fondness (5,8)
7. Bird that is a new member (6)
8. I'd gag verger before he turns on cemetery worker (5,6)
13. Have end of crisp iced to make it tastier and more exciting (6)
14. Ned looks back on nothing but a lime tree (6)
15. Throw runes to see who will look after you (5)
16. First class bit of body found below the knee (5)



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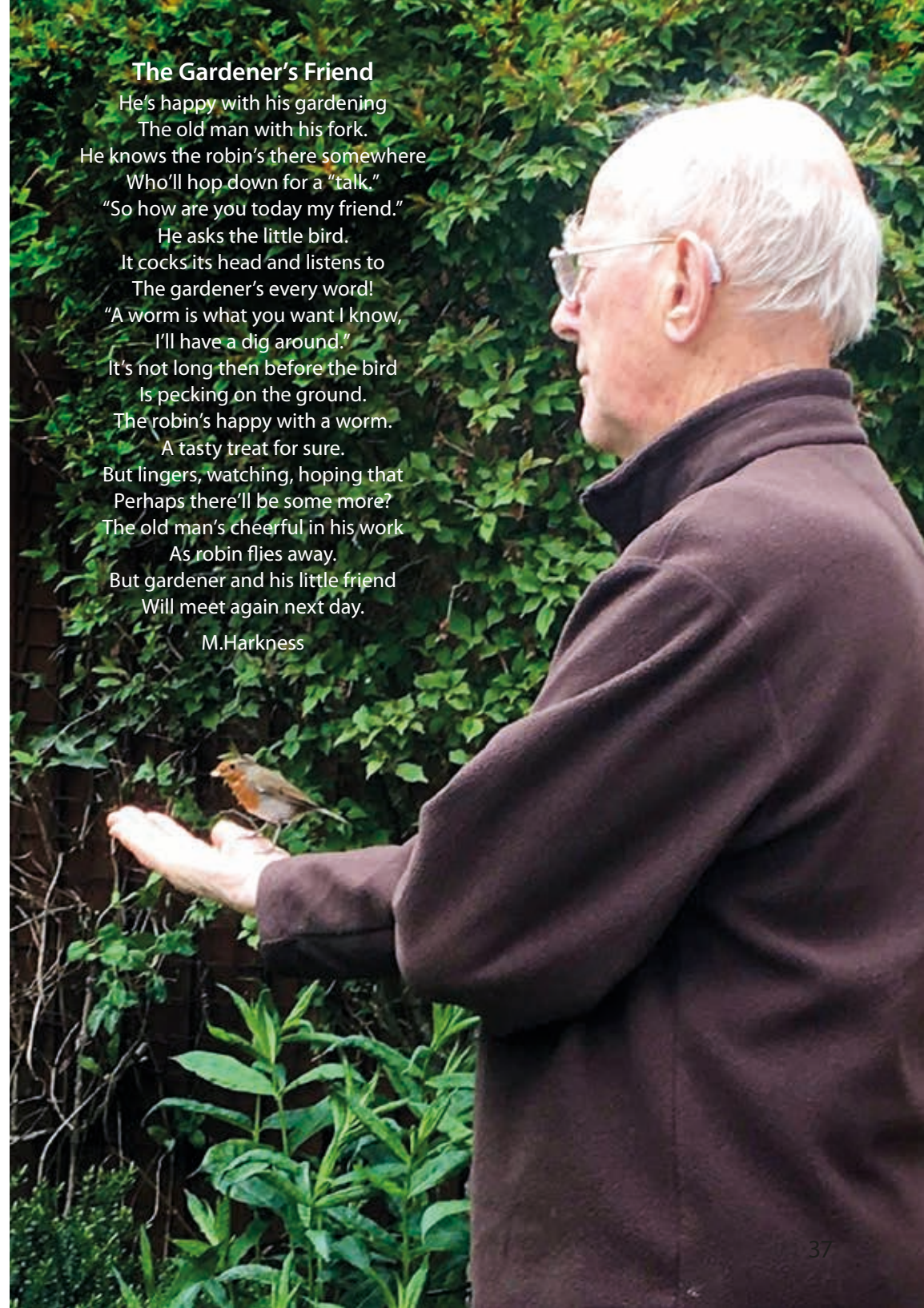

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"A worm is what you want I know,
I'll have a dig around."
It's not long then before the bird
Is pecking on the ground.
The robin's happy with a worm.
A tasty treat for sure.
But lingers, watching, hoping that
Perhaps there'll be some more?
The old man's cheerful in his work
As robin flies away.
But gardener and his little friend
Will meet again next day.

M.Harkness

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