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Editorial



Spring is here! And doesn't it feel good? Always a welcome time of the year, full of promise and new beginnings. A season of daffodils, warm sunshine, Easter (and chocolate!), and above all, hope.

This month, we check in with the Woolton Hill Brownies who continue to meet weekly in the Woolton Hill Village Hall. Run by Maggie, aka Brown Owl, and her two very helpful helpers, the Brownies take part in lots of fun and constructive activities, from cooking and crafts to games and local visits, and taking part in the Remembrance Sunday parade.

We also catch up with St. Thomas' Sunday Club. They have been very busy over the last year and continue to provide local children of primary school age with engaging get-togethers in conjunction with St. Thomas' Church.

Abbie and I are sadly hanging up our Spectrum editing boots after this month. We have both enjoyed being part of such a wonderful team. We thank them and our readers for all the support. We hand over to Mary Gulliver for the March, April, and May editions.

Happy Spring everyone. Until we meet again.

Best wishes.

Sarah.

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Diary of Events March 2023

Wednesday	1 st	EW Short Mat Bowls	EWVH	7.30pm
Friday	3 rd	Woodhay Walkers	WHCH	10.30am
Friday	3 rd	Community Café	St Thomas Church	10-11.30am
Monday	6 th	Evergreens	HVH	2.00-4.15pm
Tuesday	7 th	EW Short Mat Bowls	EWVH	7.30pm
Friday	10 th	Woodhay Walkers	EWVH	10.30am
Friday	10 th	Community Café	St Thomas Church	10-1pm
Tuesday	14 th	EW WI	EWVH	2.30pm
Wednesday	15 th	EW Short Mat Bowls	EWVH	7.30pm
Friday	17 th	Woodhay Walkers	WHCH	10.30am
Friday	17 th	Community Café	St Thomas Church	10-11.30am
Monday	20 th	EWLHS	EWVH	8pm
Tuesday	21 st	Arbor Flora	HVH	2.00pm
Wednesday	22 nd	EW Short Mat Bowls	EWVH	7.30pm
Thursday	23 rd	WH & District Gardeners' Club	WHCH	7.30pm
Friday	24 th	Woodhay Walkers	Snelmore Common	10.30am
Friday	24 th	Community Café	St Thomas Church	10-11.30am
Saturday	25 th	Village Market	Thorngrove School	10.30-1pm
Monday	27 th	EW Parish Council	EWVH	7.30pm
Wednesday	29 th	EW Short Mat Bowls	EWVH	7.30pm
Friday	31 st	Woodhay Walkers	EWVH	10.30am
Friday	31 st	Community Café	St Thomas Church	10-11.30am
April				
Monday	3 rd	Evergreens	HVH	2.00-4.15pm
Tuesday	4 th	EW Short Mat Bowls	EWVH	7.30pm
Friday	7 th	Woodhay Walkers	WHCH	10.30am
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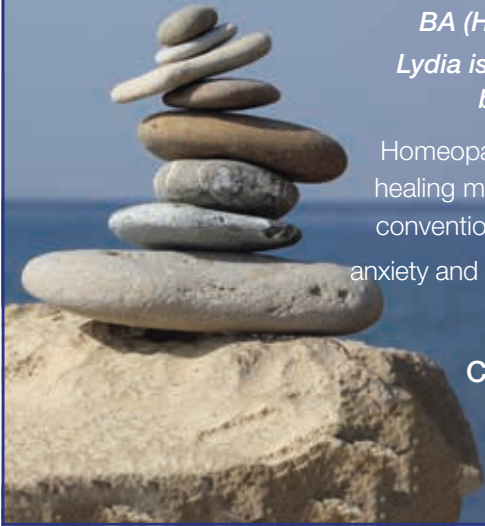
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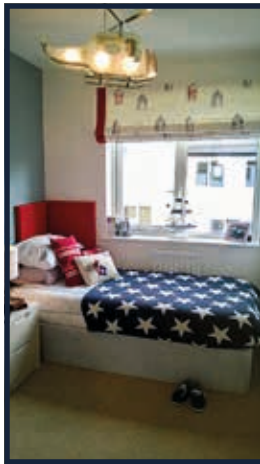
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Many strong branches which spread long and wide,
The tree provides shelter where creatures can hide.
Just like a hotel, every tree has its guests,
Squirrels call in - then bound off to the next.
They bounce in the canopy, darting around
Then - head first - run downwards to play on the ground.

Tree life is quite busy, birds flit to and fro.
Safe in the branches from dangers below.
But insects are settled - there's no need to move;
Handy for birds, though, who seek them for food!
Spiders spin huge webs – insects beware!
Choose a route wisely, avoid being snared.

Disasters can happen with bad winter storms.
An old tree may fall, with the loss of some homes.
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East Woodhay Local History Society



Dave Stubbs came in January to talk about the 'History of Thames Valley Police'. He is, as many will know, a retired Newbury police officer and currently a volunteer at the Police Museum at Sulhamstead.

Dave is a talented speaker who gave us an excellent, entertaining talk on the subject. He started with the medieval origins of a police force where Tything Men and Thief Takers were the early forms plus the origins of 'hue and cry'. It was very much a local system and relied on the community to be involved. After that towns and boroughs had their own

systems but it was not until the Peterloo Massacre in 1819 that Sir Robert Peel brought about legislation that resulted in a police system that we would recognise today.

Newbury had its own force with the Police Station situated in Pelican Lane. Eventually it combined with the Berkshire Police before amalgamating with Oxfordshire, Buckinghamshire, and other areas to become the Thames Valley Police. This has the largest territorial area of any police force in the country, stretching from Newbury to Milton Keynes. Nowadays, there is much more liaising with other forces such as, in our case, Hampshire.

Dave ended with looking at the modern force and how it had changed since he joined in 1968. Types of crime have changed considerably, and many police stations have closed due to more communication being done online. However, the general feeling of the meeting was that we need to get back to more local community liaising as it was long ago.

Our final meeting of this season will be on Monday March 20th at 8pm in Heath End Village Hall. Joy Appleton will be talking about the Boxford History project and how a community dig uncovered the Roman Mosaic.

Chris Dalton (Secretary)



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But the fundraising didn't stop there, and we are delighted to have recently purchased 15 new Chromebooks to aid the learning of our pupils across the school, enabling even more children to have access to computers in class.

In addition, the PTA has also funded a range of new sports equipment – including footballs, basket balls, tennis balls and shuttlecocks – which the children are already putting to good use during PE lessons and at playtime.

Library books are next on the wish list, with the school library in need of an updated selection to suit



all ages from reception to year 6, and following guidelines from the Hampshire Schools Library Service we have collated a list of titles needed to replenish our bookshelves. To make it easy for friends and families to donate, these books are available to buy from Amazon who then send them directly to school. We have already seen several exciting packages arrive!

We believe it's just as important to have fun at our fundraising events as it is to raise money, and our PTA will continue to organise everything from movie nights and summer fetes to school discos and pizza evenings, to benefit the children at St Martin's School.

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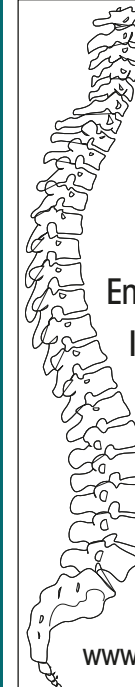
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tion 'Bigger and Closer' and finally the problem of garden moles. The topic of a visit or attraction you have enjoyed enabled us to share many happy memories at our second meeting in January. A 60th birthday celebration to the Bombay Sapphire Distillery, a visit to the Oodi library in Helsinki, a trip to Cape Town to discover a relative's birthplace and another 60th birthday treat to the Canadian Rockies. One member described a trip to Bath without spending any money, another a visit to Shaw House last summer to see the 'Altered States' sculpture exhibition. A trip to Mongolia and a tour of the 40-metre-high Genghis Khan monument was a memorable holiday in a beautiful country. We heard about a challenging visit to Barbados without a credit card, a holiday to Jaywick in the 60s, the beautiful walking routes around Hayling Island, Emsworth and Langstone Harbour, and finally a recommendation for a visit to Drummond Castle Gardens near Crieff in Scotland.



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St.Thomas' Church Sunday Club, Woolton Hill



What a year St Thomas' Sunday Club had in 2022! It's been wonderful meeting face-to-face again and from the get-go, the children have enjoyed a fun-filled programme of activities – from bespoke one-off events to getting together after the monthly All Together services on the first Sunday of every month. A number of new families and children have joined us, bringing with them lots of ideas and enthusiasm. We are very grateful to everyone who has supported Sunday Club over the last twelve months with prayers, cake making and help at events – it has been very much appreciated!



Our events have been enjoyed by many, from a Mother's Day treat afternoon, Easter workshop and making bug hotels to a Harvest 'Bake-Off', a Light Party (alternative to Halloween) and a busy Christmas Craft afternoon! It has been fun to focus on the themes underlying each of these special times of the year.

2023 plans are in full flow with some favourite things returning including an Easter workshop on Good Friday (7th April) at 9.30am in St Thomas' Church and monthly All Together Services. We also hope to introduce new things – maybe a summer holiday club.

Sunday Club is open to children of all Primary School age. If you would like to find out more about the group or would like to come along to an event or our monthly All Together family service, email stthomassundayclub@gmail.com, visit our Facebook page [@stthomassundayclub](https://www.facebook.com/stthomassundayclub) or call Jenny Graham on 07843 238796. Why not come along to our next All Together service at St Thomas' Church on Sunday 5th March at 9.30am?

We would love to see you there!



Woolton Hill Brownies

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We meet at Woolton Hill Church Hall every Monday night from 4.15-5.40pm (during normal school term times). If you are interested and would like to

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Maggie (Brown Owl)



Dear Friends,

We have been much blessed in recent years with a succession of Associate Priests who have joined me to share ministry across our parishes. It was only last July, after four years with us, that Canon Marvin Bamforth retired and shortly after moved to Morecambe where I am glad to say that he and his wife Sue have settled happily into their new home.

Now I am delighted to report that, at the end of March, we are to welcome a new Associate Priest to join our Ministry Team. Please do pray for The Revd Professor Chris Hancock and his wife Suzie as they prepare to move into the Clergy House in Highclere. Chris will be licensed by the Bishop of Basingstoke at a special service in St Michael & All Angels', Highclere, at 7.30pm on Wednesday 29th March.

Chris is the founding Director of Oxford House Research (www.oxfordhousereseach.com) and has engaged with challenging and interesting work over many years. Now he is beginning to step back from this and looking forward to returning to parish ministry in his new role with us. As Associate Priest he will share with me in ministry across our five parishes, working on a part-time basis.

If you would like to meet Chris before his formal licensing then he is kindly leading our Lent reflections this year. By the time you receive the magazine the first of his talks may have taken place, but there will still be two to go! The full list is:

Thursday 23rd February: 'Work' (at St Michael & All Angels', Highclere)

Thursday 9th March: 'Pray' (at St Martin's, East Woodhay)

Thursday 23rd March: 'Witness' (at St Thomas', Woolton Hill)

We gather from 7.15pm for a 7.30pm start each time and everyone is welcome to attend, no need to book!

Everyone is also welcome to join the Licensing Service on 29th March. We look forward very much to welcoming Chris, and Suzie, and to his ministry among us.

With every blessing to you all,
Canon Christine

From the Church Registers: January 2023		
Baptism: we ask God's blessing on the life of....		
8th January	Ivo John Cooper Tomalin	Highclere
Funeral: may they rest in peace		
5th January	Jean Sharp	Woolton Hill
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SUN 5th <i>Lent 2</i>	All Together Matins Parish Communion Evensong	Woolton Hill Highclere East Woodhay Ashmansworth	9.30am 11.00am 11.00am 6.00pm
SUN 12th <i>Lent 3</i>	Holy Communion Parish Communion Matins	East Woodhay Woolton Hill Highclere	8.00am 9.30am 11.00am
SUN 19th <i>Mothering Sunday</i>	Family Communion <i>Mothering Sunday Service</i> <i>Mothering Sunday Service</i> <i>Mothering Sunday Service</i>	Woolton Hill East Woodhay Highclere Ashmansworth	9.30am 11.00am 11.00am 4.00pm
SUN 26th <i>Lent 5</i>	Holy Communion Parish Communion Morning Worship Baptism Evensong	Highclere Woolton Hill East Woodhay Ashmansworth Crux Easton	8.00am 9.30am 9.30am 12noon 5.00pm
Wed 29th	Licensing Service <i>for Revd Chris Hancock as we welcome him to serve as our new Associate Priest</i>	Highclere	7.30pm
WED 1 st March	Holy Communion	St Martin's School Hall	10.00 am
Rector: Revd Canon Christine Dale (Rest day: Friday) 253323 Associate Priest: Vacancy Readers: Suki Coe 07990 755323 Horace Mitchell 254677 Reader Emeritus: Rosemary Cahill 253306			



Sunday 7th May 2023, Coronation Picnic in the Park

Following on from the success of last year's Platinum Jubilee event, we are organising another Picnic in the Park in the Woolton Hill recreation ground. This will be on afternoon Sunday 7th May to celebrate the Coronation of His Majesty, King Charles III, which is taking place the previous day.

We are delighted that Spectrum are kindly sponsoring another hog roast and East Woodhay Silver Band will be playing.

There is more being organised – make sure you have the date in your diary. As a reminder, here is a photos taken by Jim Harrington from last year's picnic event.



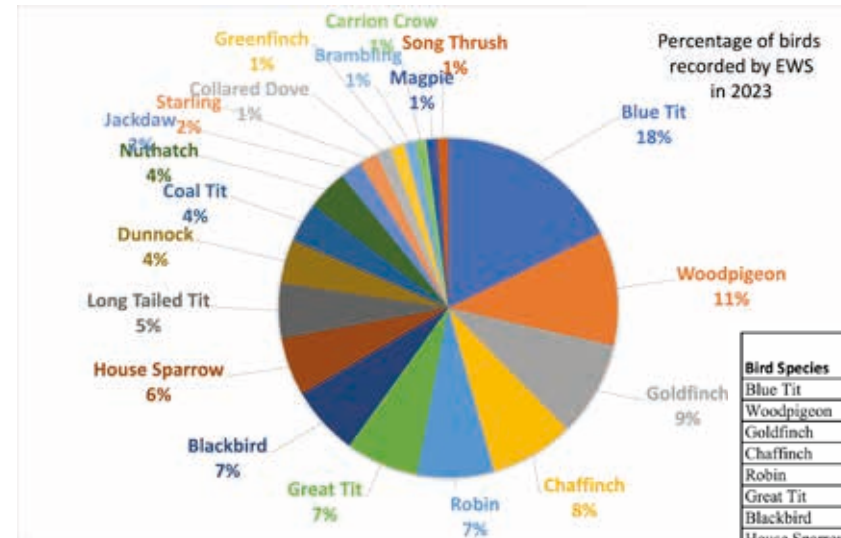
Birdwatch 2023

Thank you to all those who took part in this year's EWS birdwatch, which is run alongside the RSPB January count.

There were 28 different species identified in our gardens and the winner, returning to the top spot is... Blue Tit. Previous winners have also been Chaffinch and Goldfinch.

The top 10 are listed together with the change from last year.

Wood pigeons are now up to the second most popular and the house sparrow was spotted far more than in previous years.



Bird Species	Ranking	Difference from 2022
Blue Tit	1	+1
Woodpigeon	2	+4
Goldfinch	3	0
Chaffinch	4	-3
Robin	5	+4
Great Tit	6	+1
Blackbird	7	-3
House Sparrow	8	+14
Long Tailed Tit	9	+8
Dunnock	10	+1

Woodhay Walkers

Fancy a walk on Friday mornings? Just come along and join us at 10.30am to enjoy the fresh air and a chat. Please wear suitable footwear as it is a muddy time of the year.

Please email woodhaywalkers@gmail.com or see the Woolton Hill website for more detail.

Our plans for March are as below but please email woodhaywalkers@gmail.com if you are planning to join us as there may need to be some last-minute changes given weather and mud conditions.

- Friday 3rd March will be a 3 mile walk from Woolton Hill Church Hall
- Friday 10th March up to 4 miles from East Woodhay Village Hall
- Friday 17th March up to 4 miles from Woolton Hill Church Hall
- Friday 24th March is planning to be a 3.5 mile walk at Snelsmore Common
- Friday 31st March up to 4 miles from East Woodhay Village Hall

2023 Membership

Would you like to find out more about what is happening with EWS, and help support what we are doing? Then just become a member and send me an email to the address below. It is just £10 for a couple, or £6 for an individual.

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East Woodhay Parish Council



The referendum for the East Woodhay Parish Neighbourhood Plan (NP) was held on 19th January. The parish council was delighted with the successful result of the referendum, where 95% voted in favour of the NP. The results of the poll included: 446 votes in favour (95.1%) and 22 votes against (4.7%). The referendum received a turn out of 20.5%. More than 50% of those voting in the referendum voted 'yes' and therefore the NP has become part of the BDBC statutory development plan for the parish.

This great result was the culmination of a number of years of hard work from the plan team, all who were volunteers. The council would like to thank all the people who contributed to the generation of the plan over the years, including members of the community who gave such valuable feedback and ideas throughout the process.

The plan will now be used to determine relevant planning applications in the parish by BDBC planning. The next step is for the plan to be formally 'made' at full BDBC cabinet meeting which is scheduled to happen late in February. After this, the plan will be subject to a 6 week period of legal challenge, managed by BDBC.

Copies of the NP will continue to be found on the EWPC and BDBC websites.

Liz Castle

It is with sadness that I have to report to our readers that Liz passed away on the 30th January.

Those of you who have been long term readers of Spectrum will recall that Liz was an editor of the magazine for over thirty years. When she retired in December 2012, even she couldn't remember when she started to wield her red pen.

She was also a distributor of Spectrum in the North End area for as long as I can remember, sometimes out in the cold and wet to make sure the copies were delivered but on sunny days would stop for a chat to anyone she met on the round.

Liz was a real stalwart of the Spectrum committee and wasn't shy in putting forward her views, giving us all lots to discuss and ponder.

She will be missed by all who had the privilege to know her.

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We are a sociable, enthusiastic group, united to help drive the continued success and development of our schools. We are always looking to add to the team and with some vacancies to fill, due to governors moving on with children moving to secondary school, we'd love to hear from anyone interested.

If you're looking for an opportunity to support your local community, then becoming a Governor for a school can be extremely rewarding.

The benefits of being a school Governor include:

- The knowledge that you are helping your local school and pupils, giving them a great foundation for the rest of their lives
- Feeling satisfaction from giving something back to the community
- A sense of purpose and achievement
- Learning new skills that you can transfer to other places
- Meeting new people and gaining local connections



You may be reading this wondering what responsibilities a school Governor has. The good news is that the strength of a governing body is to have a team of people with a variety of different skills. Whatever knowledge or skills you have, these will be hugely valuable to The Schools of Woolton Hill, whether you're good at administration, have a background in teaching, or a career in finance or marketing. Governors also receive training on relevant skills and subjects.

The main roles and responsibilities of a school Governor are:

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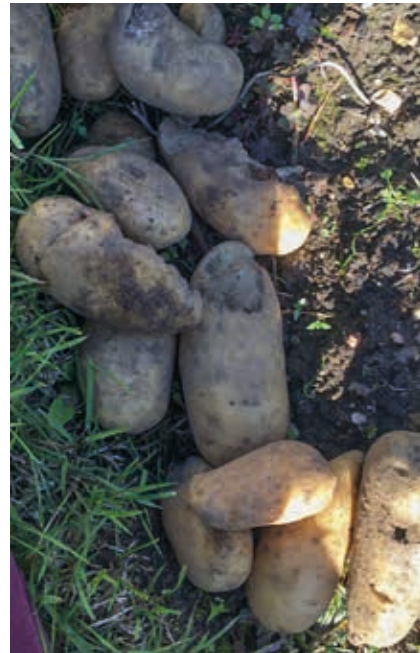
The Vegetable that Changed World History: a talk by Stefan White

There is a very famous painting by Vincent van Gogh of this very vegetable. The painting is called 'The Potato Eaters' and it can be found in the Van Gogh Museum in Amsterdam. Completed in 1885, it is one of van Gogh's earlier figure studies which shows the everyday lives of people who worked on the land. By this date, the potato had become a staple part of the European diet; it is said that Frederick the Great of Prussia put a guard around his potato field which led to his subjects stealing the plants and growing them in their own gardens and that Marie Antoinette wore the flowers of the potato plant in her hair to dispel the myth of it being a poisonous plant.



Van Gogh would be familiar with these tales and of the 'Potato Riots' in Russia in 1844 and the Irish famine caused by the potato blight which was rampaging across Europe in 1841.

I wonder if this 'newsworthy' vegetable was one of van Gogh's favourite to eat! Perhaps the method of cooking invented by Antoine-Augustin Parmentier (1737-1813), which involves cutting the potatoes into 2cm cubes and oven cooking with olive oil, rosemary and garlic would be the top favourite (it is mine), or patatas bravas, a similar dish but served with a warm, paprika and tomato sauce which has been eaten in Madrid as a tapas dish since 1542. Potatoes were first brought to Spain by the Conquistadors in 1533 after being discovered as part of the diet of the Inca civilisation. It is quite incredible that the potato grew in the diverse geographical regions of Chile and Peru, from sub-polar to semi-arid desert and varying heights from sea level to mountains over 1000 metres. It is not surprising that this highly adaptable plant is now grown all over the world.



The potato (*Solanum Tuberosum*) is a member of the Solanum or 'nightshade' genus, which also includes the tomato and the aubergine or egg plant. Parts of the potato are poisonous – the stems, leaves, flowers, green skin, and sprouts – due to the presence of two toxins, solanine and chaconine. There are similar kinds of toxins in the leaves, stems and flowers of tomatoes and aubergines.

Other members of the wider family Solanaceae are belladonna, mandrake, Physalis, Petunia, Nicotiana and all members of the pepper or Capsicum genus. Fortunately, the fruits of Physalis and Capsicums are safe to eat. With tomatoes, aubergines and peppers all being members of the potato family, I'm not sure why van Gogh chose to paint people eating potatoes. I would have chosen people eating tomatoes; far more colourful for a painting!

We have two more evening meetings.

Please join us if you can at 7.30pm for an 8pm start.

Thursday 23rd March

Andrew Halstead on 'How to Encourage Wildlife into Your Garden'

Thursday 27th April

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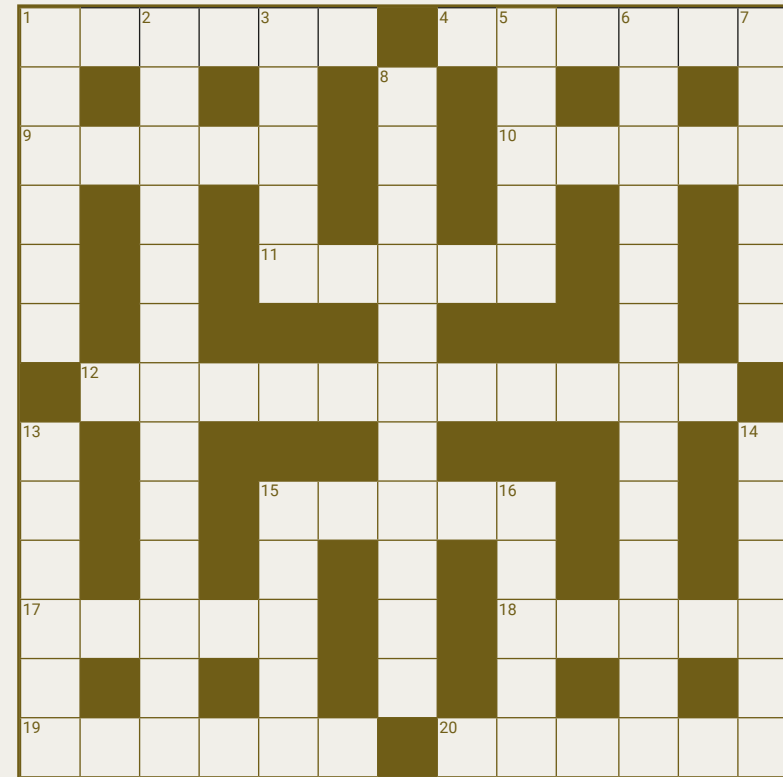
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Answers crossword no 240
Across: 1 Batter, 4 Grouse, 9 Opera, 10 Batch, 11 Talon, 12 Lemon wedges, 15 Bulge, 17 Aisle, 18 Drunk, 19 Riyadh, 20 Frieze
Down: 1 Boomer, 2 Treacherously, 3 Exact, 5 Robin, 6 Up to the minute, 7 Ethnic, 8 Gallowglass, 13 Unifair, 14 Buckle, 15 Bread, 16 Eider

Across

1. My seat is hot and exciting! (6)
4. Fly round half of Berlin looking for bells (6)
9. Terrible fur company on this island (5)
10. Cares about how much land there is (5)
11. Sounds like no bell was discovered by aristocrat (5)
12. Feathers for ancestors? (11)
15. Note rare turn by one who looks after (5)
17. Violent disturbance in the weather causes uproar (5)
18. We hear Ol' Blue Eyes was open about old money (5)
19. Settle comfortably turning steel from pole (6)
20. Right bilge to call rodent a pet (6)

Down

1. Cut slice for a king with this (6)
2. A pottery sale had nothing to plant this month (5,8)
3. Grieve for our heartless man (5)
5. Leave no trace of late queen having been around sea (5)
6. Grown this way for cherub, Brad can provide a tasty pudding (6,7)
7. Agreeing to everything, men say he is weak (3-3)
8. Take care both eat well enough for March competition (3,4,4)
13. Possibly more on offer, but had already picked hard scone (6)
14. Carla's produced a little scamp! (6)
15. Cornish trail had one or two humps (5)
16. Get your gun - no time for trifle! (5)

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