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All Saints' Church Parish Magazine

# LEEK WOOTTON LINK

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## EDITORIAL

Welcome to the September issue of *The Link*.

We have just come across a lovely message on the community Facebook group ([www.facebook.com/groups/LWandGCLocals/](http://www.facebook.com/groups/LWandGCLocals/)) to which numerous residents have responded (many on behalf of their dogs!).

*"Dear all*

*I met you through delivering parcels in Leek Wootton and Hill Wootton since the start of lockdown.*

*Now that I have left the UK, I wanted to*

*say thank you all for your kindness. It was a real pleasure to work in what I consider real England.*

*Best wishes and take care. Céline (Evri)"*

Put together with Jim's words in his letter from The Vicarage (and with *Community Live!* on the horizon) we thought of just how lucky we are to live where we do.

Please come on 7 September and support all of the volunteers who work so hard to make our community really LIVE!

Helen & Lesley Eldridge  
The Editorial Team

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*"Waiting for our leads"* by Katie Kingston.



## FROM THE VICARAGE

### Community (a)Live



Another Olympics is over, and the baton has been passed on to Los Angeles for 2028. Speaking of batons, the saddest moment of the Olympics for me was in the last track event, after the second Jamaican athlete in the 4x400m relay dropped the baton, after a moment of carelessness when she hit it against another athlete. I say,

'after' rather than 'when', because it was the third athlete in the team who I really felt for - she never even got the chance to start, let alone finish. She just stood there beside the track, watching all the others go past, knowing that the all important baton was never going to come to her, or to her other teammate.

I suppose the idea of 'passing on the baton' is in the forefront of my mind as my retirement at the end of January approaches. I don't know what will happen once I leave - but I really want to make sure that I hand the baton on well, to give the All Saints 'team' the best chance of future success.



Through much of this year, we've been thinking in our acts of Sunday worship about the teaching of Jesus in the Bible where he told his disciples that they should 'Love one another' - but beyond this, he set the bar very high (to use another athletics metaphor): "*As I have loved you, so you should love one another!*" That is self-sacrificial, costly love.

Fortunately, there are many more 'one another' passages in the Bible which help to unpack what it means to love one another to this standard, and we have been thinking about different phrases, week by week, for the past couple of months and will continue to do so through September and October.

Our September themes really focus on our life as a community, which fits well with the Parish Council's *Community Live!* event. In particular, that same weekend, we will be thinking of the call to 'Encourage One Another'.

One of the joys of having lived and served in this parish for these past 16 years has been the strong sense of community. There has been something really special about Leek Wootton because of it. Yet there is always the danger of this really special part of our village life being lost as the years go on, and the life of every resident will be much poorer if this happens.

For generations, new residents have taken their place in community life and maintained that special character. They've received the baton from those who have faithfully carried community leadership and run with it. The *Leek Wootton Link* seeks to highlight the many opportunities for community activity, and *Community Live!* will do the same. It deserves to have a MASSIVE turnout from the people of this parish - young and old, and those somewhere in between. Not only might you find something to interest you, but you might find a challenge to

get more involved so that this community may continue to flourish into the future. Maybe you will notice a 'gap in the market' of community events that you and others could get together to try and fill by beginning something new.

Please don't be the one who drops the baton, simply by being careless with something that is so important for the future. Let's all play our part in keeping this community alive and flourishing, encouraging one another and playing our own part in making sure that those who are still to come, are able to participate too.

*Jim Perryman*



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## ALL SAINTS' CHURCH

### CHURCH SERVICES / EVENTS FOR SEPTEMBER

**Most 10:00am Sunday services will be 'hybrid' with a live stream, enabling the housebound, the holidaymaker, or anyone else who is not able to attend in person, to still be part of the congregation.**

#### Sunday, 1 September

8:45am Holy Communion (BCP)  
10:00am All Age Worship – *Livestreamed on Zoom*  
3:00pm Church Teas *until 5:00pm*

#### Wednesday, 4 September

8:45pm Compline Online - *Livestreamed on Zoom ONLY*

#### Sunday, 8 September

10:00am Holy Communion + MOSAIC - *Livestreamed on Zoom*

#### Wednesday, 11 September

8:45pm Compline Online - *Livestreamed on Zoom ONLY*

#### Sunday, 15 September

10:00am All Age Worship: Faith and Life - *Livestreamed on Zoom*  
*with guest speaker, Peter Rand, from 'Friends of the Holy Land'*

#### Wednesday, 18 September

10:30am Midweek Holy Communion  
7:30pm PCC Meeting

#### Sunday, 22 September

10:00am All Age Holy Communion + MOSAIC - *Livestreamed on Zoom*

#### Wednesday, 25 September

8:45pm Compline Online - *Livestreamed on Zoom ONLY*

#### Sunday, 29 September

10:00am HARVEST FESTIVAL - *NOT Livestreamed*

**TO JOIN US ON ZOOM, EITHER** follow the 'LIVESTREAMS' link on the menu of the church website, where you will also find the order of service for the day, **OR** use the link: [www.cv35.uk/lwzoom](http://www.cv35.uk/lwzoom), **OR** use the Zoom Cloud Meeting App with Meeting ID **645 991 3128**. The Passcode is **110720**.

## VOLUNTEERING FOR LEEK WOOTTON BABY & TODDLER GROUP

This group, which meets at the Village Hall is for families, is run by the community and is advertised in the *Link* magazine. Volunteers help by opening up for each session and occasionally, usually due to holidays, we call on others to take a turn. If you could help with this, please let Janet know. Thank you.

### RISE UP! 2024:

#### What can we do about Domestic & Gender-based Violence?

Wednesday, 4 September, 7:30pm St John's Church Hall



real people making  
a real difference

### T4U SHOEBOXES

Should anyone wish to contribute in any way, some ideas are:

#### **Craft Afternoon** (making items)

Thursday, 19 September, 2:00pm  
St John's Church Hall

**Knitting scarves for children:** double knitting wool, size 8 needles, 40 stiches, garter stitch 1m.



### **Collecting Items:**

Any of the items suggested below may be brought to the Village Hall on Toddler Group mornings:  
12, 19, 26 September between 10:00am and 11:30am.

#### **Toys**

Small jigsaws  
Travel games (chess, draughts)  
Playing cards, marbles  
Small balls  
Small dolls  
Glove puppets  
Skipping ropes  
Cars, dinosaurs, farm animals  
Cracker toys (keep them for next year!)

#### **Accessories**

Hats, gloves, scarves, mitts, handwarmers  
Hair grips, hair bands, etc.  
Small purses, wallets  
Keyrings  
Jewellery  
Bead sets to make up  
Solar calculators  
Drawstring sports bags  
Pocket binoculars

#### **Stationery**

Stickers  
Crayons, pencils, pens  
Felt pens (new)  
Rubbers, pencil sharpeners  
Pencil cases  
Glue sticks  
Scrap paper, note pads, incl. part used  
Colouring books  
Toddler picture books  
Sellotape  
Elastic bands  
Treasury tags

#### **Miscellaneous**

Wrapped bags of sweets in date to March  
Sewing items  
Small tools – screwdriver, pliers  
Tea towels  
Dishwashing pads  
Candles  
Compact mirrors

#### **Hygiene**

##### **ALL NEW PLEASE**

Bar of soap  
Toothbrush (can be multipacks)  
Tube of toothpaste  
Flannel  
Socks and pants (boys and girls)  
Hairbrush and comb



Thank you



www.coventrycathedral.org.uk

# COVENTRY CATHEDRAL MATTERS

Mary Robins

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Continuing excerpts from

## COVENTRY CAMEOS by Eric Benjamin Bramwell. 1977:

“A Benedictine monastery, to house an abbot and twenty-four monks, was founded in 1043 by Leofric, Earl of Mercia, and his countess Godiva, on land to the north of the present Priory Row.\*

The abbey church of the monastery was so richly decorated with gold, silver and precious stones that it was said the walls were too narrow to contain all the treasure. Early writers claimed that it was without equal in the whole of England.



Externally, all that is known is that it had two porches, under one of which the Earl of Leofric was buried in 1057\*\*. Afgar, Loefric's son, is stated to be interred within the church. Godiva, who died in 1067 was also buried there. There is no doubt that Coventry began its rise to prominence from the founding of Leofric and Godiva's monastery and abbey church.

After the Conquest, the bishopric of this part of the Midlands was transferred from Lichfield to Chester and, in 1102, Bishop Robert de Limesey, having obtained the authority of the Pope, moved his stall from Chester to the abbey church of Coventry. Bishop Limesey, and subsequent bishops of the diocese, whether living in Coventry or Lichfield, now became head of the monastery; and its working superior was given the title of Prior of the Benedictine Monastery attached to the cathedral church. Thus, the abbey church of Godiva became Coventry's first Cathedral.”

...to be continued in October's LINK.

\* Consequently, Coventry was, for nearly three hundred years, divided into two halves, one as the 'Prior's Half' and one as the 'Earl's Half'.

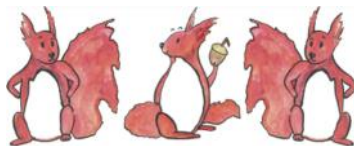
\*\* Another source states that Leofric was buried under the High Altar of Priory Church.

Image: King Edward the Confessor and Earl Leofric of Mercia see the face of Christ appear in the Eucharistic host; below: the return of a ring given to a beggar who was John the Baptist in disguise. Thirteenth-century abridgement of Domesday Book

## SUMMER OF SQUIRRELS

Until 3 September during opening hours

Explore the Family Trail and solve the clues, with help from the furry squirrels. Available during Cathedral opening hours during the Coventry schools holidays.



## TRIBUTE TO HANS ZIMMER & JOHN WILLIAMS ILLUMINATED: COVENTRY LATE SHOW

Friday, 27 September, 8:45pm-10:00pm

Experience cinema's most iconic music performed by The London Film Music Orchestra illuminated! This chamber orchestra will perform an hour of music

from ET, Jurassic Park, Jaws, Schindler's List, Harry Potter, Star Wars, Superman, Indiana Jones and many other well-known themes.

**COME AND SING STANFORD EVENSONG WITH ORCHESTRA**

Saturday, 28 September, start time 1:00pm | service time 6:00pm | finish 7:00pm

A wonderful opportunity to sing along with the Coventry Cathedral Choir, accompanied by the Warwickshire Symphony Orchestra.

Marking 100 years since the death of the composer C V Stanford, the music and singing will include his Magnificat and Nunc Dimittis in A. The singing fee will

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## MU:A September Prayer for Families

Dear God

We pray for families at the start of the school year.  
 For youngsters in our communities and others we know.  
 Some are starting at their school, some are in the final year,  
 For all, there are changes and new experiences.

We pray for their families and school communities  
 as they guide them, and may family members work together  
 with the new challenges that come their way.



Amen

Leek Wootton & Guy's Cliffe Parish Council

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The Parish Council met on Wednesday, 3 July 2024 (the eve of the General Election), at Leek Wootton Village Hall. Discussion included the following:

## NEW WEB AND EMAIL ADDRESSES

Parish Councils nationwide are being encouraged to adopt .gov.uk domains and Leek Wootton & Guy's Cliffe PC has been looking into combining this with improving the organisation of its IT. The website leekwootton.org.uk was purchased in 2000 and has also been the Clerk's email since then. In 2018 Councillors' email addresses were set up with a different provider using the lwandgc-parishcouncil.co.uk domain. These email addresses and the website are now brought together in the new domain:

**leekwoottonandguyscliffeparish.gov.uk**

Being a government purchased/sanctioned domain we were not allowed to use the PC's initials, hence the long address. Emails sent to the old addresses will be forwarded and the old website will redirect automatically.

## DEVELOPMENT AT WOODCOTE (POLICE HQ)

At the time of the ordinary Parish Council meeting the PC was still awaiting a detailed planning application from CALA Homes (Cotswolds). This arrived on 29 July with a consultation period running until 19 August. The PC & Leek Wootton Focus Group [LWFG] promptly organised a Community Meeting at All Saints' Church on 4 August, which was well attended despite it being in the middle of the summer break.

The Parish Council, along with LWFG, was invited to a meeting with CALA to present the application and had the opportunity to ask questions. The PC also held an Extraordinary PC Meeting on 15 August at the Church to discuss the application and decide on the Parish Council's response. This, and all responses, may be viewed online at **http://planningdocuments.warwickdc.gov.uk/** (Application No. **W/24/1006**).

The Parish Council would like to thank everyone who came to the Community Meeting and has taken the time to submit responses to the consultation, especially in the middle of the holiday season!

Please see article on page 15 for a fuller update.

The Parish Council has now also submitted a claim for costs to Warwick District Council in relation to the Planning Inquiry, which led to the granting of permission for outline planning permission in May.

## COMMUNITY RIGHT TO BID / ASSETS OF COMMUNITY VALUE

Community organisations have the right to identify assets they believe are of

value to their community and nominate them to be listed on the District Council's Register of Assets of Community Value. ([https://www.warwickdc.gov.uk/info/20599/community\\_and\\_social\\_issues/448/community\\_right\\_to\\_bid](https://www.warwickdc.gov.uk/info/20599/community_and_social_issues/448/community_right_to_bid))

The Anchor Inn had previously been registered and has now been renewed for 5 years, with the PC agreeing that it should be renewed on an ongoing basis. Should the property come onto the open market in the future, the community will have six months to explore public interest in raising the capital to purchase it and run it.

In addition, other assets in the community that may benefit from being similarly listed were discussed and considered for possible future addition.

### LEEK WOOTTON WAR MEMORIAL RECREATION GROUND CAR PARK

The visibility of the bay markings in the car park has been an issue for a year now and the PC has been investigating possible methods for improvement. A contrasting white gravel, with some reflective properties, is being used to improve visibility of the markings, which will also help with night-parking.

### EVENTS

- **7 September 2024: Community Live! 2024**  
1–4pm at the Village Hall  
Bringing together various clubs, groups and societies with members of the community, will run from 1:00–4:00pm. The **LW&GC Children's Landscape Artist of the Year** competition will also run from 1:00–2:30pm. Read more on pages 24 & 25
- **10,12,17 & 18 October 2024: Emergency Life Skills Training**  
Four sessions with Kenilworth Heartsafe for you to learn crucial life-saving skills. See page 35 for more information
- **8 May 2025: VE Day 80**  
The Parish Council discussed some ideas for the 80<sup>th</sup> anniversary of VE Day. It is hard to believe it is nearly 5 years since we celebrated VE75 with socially distanced street parties, but if you, or any organisations you are involved with would like to put forward ideas for how the day could be commemorated, please contact:  
**clerk@leekwoottonandguyscliffeparish.gov.uk**

### PLANNING ISSUES

The Parish Council raised an issue with Warwick District Council's Planning Enforcement and The Warwickshire about the appearance of the new 'Strike Shack'. Situated west of the Clubhouse and car park in the centre of the golf course, planning permission was sought and granted for a new covered driving range, with conditions that would ensure it was sympathetic to its location in the heart of the greenbelt. However, in July a temporary structure was observed from the footpath near Stone Edge, with green 'canvas' and extremely large white letters proclaiming STRIKE SHACK. The PC felt this was not appropriate and, following investigation, the Enforcement Officer requested removal of the lettering, but the temporary structure could remain for

the ‘life’ of the granted full planning permission (planning applications require work to begin within 3 years of the date of permission, which in this case was 17 February 2023).

## COMMUNITY MAINTENANCE

The PC continues to pursue several community maintenance issues with the District Council and, in the case of Highways, the County Council. We have had a mostly dry August, but the rain will surely return, and when it does the PC will be observing and where necessary reporting any issues with surface water drainage.

The PC has received confirmation that both the beech hedges on Woodcote Lane and ivy overhanging the pavement near the Anchor would be cut back after the bird-nesting season was over. However, as a general rule, occupants of properties are responsible for ensuring that hedges, trees and vegetation do not encroach onto the public highway (roads or footpaths) outside their properties. Now that the bird-nesting season is over, the PC would reiterate its comments made in the July issue of the *Link* about sightlines and overgrown pedestrian footways which are also increasingly an issue.

- Pedestrians should be able to walk on pavements and footpaths, without having to duck and dodge bushes and branches – ideally a double buggy should be able to pass.
- Hedges near junctions may also affect sightlines for drivers using those junctions.
- Trees may obscure street lighting.
- Falling leaves or wilting plants on footpaths will begin to cause hazards as we approach the autumn, when wet weather may contribute to make walking surfaces slippery.

**PLEASE** take a moment to stop and look at your property from the public highway (including pavement) and consider whether you could improve pedestrian and vehicular access.

**DRIVERS PLEASE** also take a moment to consider pedestrians when parking – ensure there is enough room for them to walk safely on the pavement - ideally a double buggy should be able to pass.

## NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the Parish Council will be at 7:30pm on Wednesday, 4 September 2024, at Leek Wootton Village Hall.

*Minutes of all Parish Council meetings, when signed, are published on the website at [www.leekwoottonandguyscliffeparish.gov.uk](http://www.leekwoottonandguyscliffeparish.gov.uk). Any local issues can always be raised at meetings under Public Question Time or by contacting any of the Parish Councillors or the Clerk, details of whom are listed on all noticeboards, the Parish Council website, in the Parish Directory and the Bulletin.*

From the

# Parish Registers

Sunday, 30 June 2024

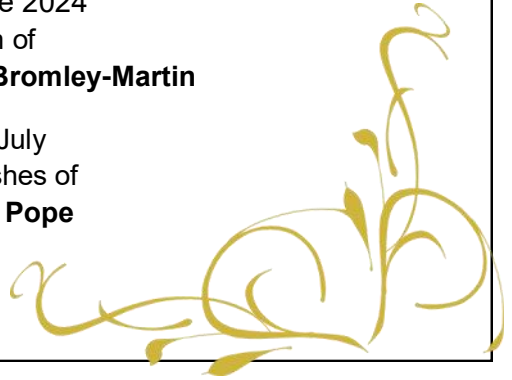
The Baptism of

**Bear Arthur Lancaster Bromley-Martin**

Tuesday, 23 July

The Burial of Ashes of

**Anthony John Pope**



Warwick District Foodbank is part of The Trussell Trust's UK-wide foodbank network. It is supported by local churches, businesses, community groups, and individuals. The foodbank provides emergency food supplies and support to people in crisis in Warwick, Leamington and Kenilworth.

At our Harvest Festival service on Sunday, 29 September, we will be seeking donations to support the foodbank as a sign of our thankfulness for all we enjoy, and our care and concern for those less fortunate. While these gifts may not be what we might see as 'traditional', they are meeting great need. According to the Warwick District Foodbank website, some things are 'most needed' and others they have good supplies of already, so here are their lists:

**Most needed items include**

Tinned Tomatoes  
 Tinned Vegetables  
 Instant Mash  
 Long Life Milk/Fruit Juice  
 Tinned Custard  
 Jam  
 Tinned Rice Pudding  
 Crisps  
 Squash

**We've got plenty of**

Baked Beans  
 Tinned Soup  
 Tea  
 Cereal

**We can't accept**

Fresh fruit  
 Bread/Cake etc  
 Infant Formula Milk

We would love you to join us at our Harvest Festival service, and to offer your gifts there but, if you can't make it, please bring gifts to the church during the preceding week and leave them around the bottom of the font, directly opposite the main door. Thank you.

## OBITUARIES

We publish here brief obituaries for members of the community who have died recently. We send condolences to their relatives, and to all who have recently been bereaved.



**Sue Wood**

1942-2024

Sue Wood was adopted as a baby into a loving and happy family in Welford on Avon and she enjoyed village life - fêtes, fancy dress, maypole dancing et al. Schooling was in Stratford and then at King's High in Warwick before college in Leicester where she trained to be a Home Economics teacher. She only held one teaching position, but her pleasure and her passion for cooking were well and truly fulfilled when catering for the many friends that Sue

made and kept throughout her life. With her husband, Richard, and their two daughters she first lived in Bedfordshire but when they returned to Warwickshire, to Haseley and then Kites Nest Farm in Beausale, they joined Ladies Circle and Round Table respectively, and embraced a new circle of friends through the church, school and wider community.

Richard died in 2015 very shortly after their Golden Wedding anniversary and Sue moved to Leek Wootton where she could be near to friends and to The Warwickshire where she was a constant at its aqua classes. Sue had long term health issues, and she loved those aqua classes as well as the friends and social life that the Club afforded her. She was a regular at All Saints', latterly attending services via Zoom.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS



**Margot Prince (1930-2024)**

Margot died at the end of June only a matter of days before her 94<sup>th</sup> birthday. With her husband Jack and their children, she was a resident of Leek Wootton for many years, and her daughter, Trudy was married at All Saints'. She and Jack returned to home territory, i.e. Kenilworth, before Jack's final illness, but Margot had retained an affinity with the community and latterly joined the mid-week Communion services at All Saints'.

**Derek Cooknell (1949-2024)**

Derek was Warwick born and bred and moved to Leek Wootton in 1985 where his two young daughters, Nicola and Georgina were raised. His photography business specialised in industrial and commercial work, and railways were a passion. Another love was music and he and Graham Stevens led several of the annual fundraising Christmas Carol events at The Anchor (see photo). Despite illness in the last few years Derek was able to enjoy the exploits and joys of a young grandson and granddaughter as well as the company of wider family and of his friends.



*Derek (right), Anchor Carols, 2012*



# THE LINK QUIZ

By Norman Rogers

(answers on page 47)

## World Geography

1. The Nile (Africa) and Amazon (South America) are the 2 longest rivers in the world. What is the 3<sup>rd</sup> longest? It's in Asia.
2. What are the longest rivers on the other 3 continents?
3. What is the longest mountain range in the World?
4. What are the highest mountains in each of the 6 Continents?
5. What is the lowest point on earth (not in the oceans), but it is under water?
6. Not counting Australia, what is the largest island in the world, and what is the 2<sup>nd</sup> largest?
7. What are the 2 largest countries, by area, in the world?
8. Not counting the Poles, which are the 2 largest deserts by area in the world?
9. What is the largest city by area in the world, and by population?
10. What is the highest mountain and longest river in the U.K.?



*Heritage Open Days*

6 - 15 SEPTEMBER 2024

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## Parish Council Update on the Woodcote Development

With the success of its Appeal, it was with some surprise that the Parish Council learnt that CALA Homes had submitted yet another new application **W/24/1006**, this time for 70 homes on the paddock and tennis courts on the Woodcote estate.

Whilst it was pleasing to see the reduction in numbers, there were nevertheless continuing issues with the size and spacing of garages, the number and positioning of visitor parking spaces and the number of trees and hedges being retained or removed. The Parish Council therefore objected to the application.

However, the Council has been determined to keep a dialogue going and meetings with representatives from CALA have taken place where our concerns have been voiced. CALA in turn has stated its awareness of the sensitivity of the development and pledged to work co-operatively with us. This will be particularly pertinent during the construction phase when there will be maximum noise, dust and traffic inconvenience. The PC has also been in touch with the WDC Enforcement Officer who said it was particularly important to make sure CALA met all building pre-commencement conditions. CALA has said it recognises the importance of liaising with us during these phases.

There is further concern over the part of The Lunch woodland which has been granted to CALA by the Police on a 999-year lease to provide the recreational space for the new development. In theory, along with other open spaces in the development, this area will be tended and looked after by a management committee of new residents. Each new home will be subject to a levy to pay for this. In practice it is recognised that this scheme could be fraught with complications, not least the size of the levy and how it would increase year on year.

This brings into focus the rest of the woodland still owned by the Police. The PC sees an opportunity now to engage in a wider conversation with both the Police and the District Council over this precious and pristine environment and how it can be enhanced and protected on into the future. We look forward to setting up meetings in the autumn.

*Richard Coates, Chair, Leek Wootton & Guy's Cliffe Parish Council*





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## AWARDS & SPECIAL PRIZE LIST

**The Jim Perkins Salver** ..... Marie Jane Roberts  
Best exhibit in the Show

**Banksian Medal** (provided by RHS) ..... Peter Clubb  
Most points in Classes 1-36 (Floral, Fruit & Vegetable Sections)

**The D S Mitchell Cup** ..... Rita Devlin  
Most points in Classes 1-13 (Floral Section)

**The Lady Waller Challenge Cup** ..... Jim Barr (right)  
Most points in Classes 14-36 (Fruit & Vegetable Sections)

**The Elizabeth Bright Silver Challenge Cup** ..... Jean Singleton  
Most points in Classes 37-52  
(Floral Art, Craft Section & Household Classes)

**The Charles Nettleship Memorial Rose Bowl**  
Best exhibit in Classes 37-52  
(Floral Art, Craft Section & Household Classes)

..... Diane Poole



**The Barry & Audrey Gillitt Salver** ..... Rita Devlin  
Best exhibit in Classes 10 & 11

**The Children's Cup** ..... Alfred Webster  
Best exhibit in Children's Classes (56-58)

**The R L Jones Award** ..... Peter Clubb  
Most points awarded in the Show

**The T K Meredith Award** ..... Marie Jane Roberts  
Best exhibit in Classes 1-13 (Floral Section)

**The P J Wartnaby Award** ..... Moss Devlin  
Best exhibit in Classes 14-36 (Fruit & Vegetable Sections)

**The Don Ellwood Award** ..... Jean Singleton  
Best exhibit in Classes 41 & 42

**The Fred Wilson Children's Awards**  
Best exhibit in children's classes (55-58)

(up to and including 8 years) ..... Olivia Hassan  
(9 to 14 years) ..... Alfred Webster



### PHOTOGRAPHIC SECTION

Class 53 'DAILY LIFE IN LEEK WOOTTON' (see cover) ..... Katie Kingston

Class 54 'WILDLIFE IN YOUR GARDEN' (above right) ..... Charles Yeomanson

### GOLF

Junior ..... Ralph Handler  
Adult ..... Cathy Cooke

### SKITTLES

Junior ..... Ada  
Adult ..... Jim Perryman

**LOST PROPERTY:** I have a white dinner plate and tin of crayons left from the Show, if the owner(s) would like to contact me to collect.

*Steph Jones*



## Leek Wootton and Kenilworth District Scout Summer Camps

Leek Wootton Scout group may finish at Cubs, but Leek Woottoners do not! Scouts, Lily and Jelena, went on District Camp; Explorers, Ilya and Pavle, went to Paris; Explorer, Andrew, went to an International Jamboree in Essex, and; member of Network and a Leader, David, went to Norway. Here are their reports:



### KENILWORTH DISTRICT CAMP by Lily and Jelena

In July Kenilworth District Scouts went on the annual summer camp to Beaudesert Activity Centre, Rugeley in South Staffordshire. A few former Leek Wootton Cubs (now Scouts in Kenilworth) and a former Leek Wootton Scout leader took part in this camp. Site activities included: raft building, via ferrata, archery, wood chopping, backwoods cooking, patrol meals, Jacob's ladder and campfire. The off-site activities

were a hike to Cannock Chase, and visits to the RAF museum and the Black Country Living Museum. Our favourite activities were Jacob's ladder, via ferrata, the Black Country Living Museum and wood chopping.

The Scouts were divided into six patrols. Each patrol had to cook breakfast and dinner every day for themselves and one of the leaders with ingredients provided, and also do the washing up afterwards. The patrols were assessed on their hospitality and quality of food and presentation. The winning patrol was announced and awarded on the last day of the camp.

We very much enjoyed the camp as it was a great experience and lots of fun.

### ESSEX INTERNATIONAL JAMBOREE by Andrew

"The Essex International Jamboree occurred at the end of July and was attended by 8,000 (Scouts) and volunteers from over 40 different countries from across the world.



During the day participants did activities in zones across the site and as

staff it was my responsibility to run some of these activities. The evenings saw a wide range of further entertainment with barn dances and band nights alongside the traditional opening and closing ceremonies. It was a brilliant experience, and I would recommend to anyone to attend as staff or participant."

Andrew went to Korea last year and volunteered at the Essex International Jamboree for his Gold Duke of Edinburgh Residential.





### PARIS TWINNING VISIT by Pavle

"From Friday, 21 June to Sunday, 23 June, six Explorers from Kenilworth's Castle Lake and Phoenix units had the honour of representing the Kenilworth Twinning Association at the Bourg-La-Reine Mini Olympic Games. Among the team were Pavle & Ilija, with leaders Lesley & David, all from Leek Wootton.

On arrival they ventured into Paris, where they visited iconic landmarks such as the Louvre and Notre Dame Cathedral, tracing what was to become the Olympic torch route.

The event brought together participants from Bourg-La-Reine's twin towns, Kenilworth, Monheim-am-Rhein, and Sulejówek. The festivities kicked off on Friday evening with a grand opening ceremony, featuring live music, local cuisine, and a lively party atmosphere where we met our competitors and hosts.

On Saturday and Sunday morning, the Kenilworth team competed in football, volleyball, and pétanque and a relay race in the sports stadium of Bourg-La-Reine. Despite facing tough competition, including a nail-biting 11-10 victory over Monheim-am-Rhein in pétanque, the team ultimately secured a commendable fourth place. In addition to the sporting events, the French hosts treated the Explorers to a nighttime tour of Paris, showcasing the city's iconic landmarks and culinary delights.

Sunday afternoon began with a meeting with the local Scout unit in Bourg-La-Reine. The Explorers joined the local Scout unit in various activities and games at a local park. The day concluded with a delicious evening meal, generously funded by a grant from the Lions before the team made their way back across the Channel home."



### ROVERWAY by David

"Roverway is a European event for Scouts aged between 16 and 22 years of age. Patrols from all over the UK headed to Norway for 2 weeks, starting off with a 'path' where, along with many other patrols from all parts of Europe, we got to experience the scenery and adventure Norway had to offer, canoeing on the lake where we were staying, and singing songs around a campfire.

After 5 days, everyone headed from their path to the main site, where around 5,000 Scouts met up to continue the adventure, including live music on the main stage, activities all over the site, spending a day exploring the nearby city of Stavanger, and experiencing many other cultures on international day.

We wrapped up Roverway with a brilliant closing ceremony - but for the UK contingent, that also meant the start of the



post event! We had a very sunny day on the beach, before heading to Copenhagen by overnight ferry, where we visited museums, palaces, street food markets and much more, before we eventually headed home.”

**If you want to find out more we will be at *Community Live!***

Or contact Jo Elsy for Beavers and Cubs,  
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# CHURCHYARD MATTERS

Contact : Jonathan Kingston, Churchwarden

## Churchyard Working Party

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After four or five days of really good weather, I woke up on the appointed day to a dull, overcast sky with drizzle. Fortunately, by 9:00am the wet stuff had abated, the kettle was on, and I was ready to receive nine keen helpers from the Paragon Bank PLC in Solihull.

They were at All Saints' as part their company's community engagement programme, and were soon put to work pruning, tidying graves and putting in a border to the main path where the edge has been slowly getting wider and wider. After a really good morning's work, what do you do? Go to the Anchor!

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# KENILWORTH PROBUS I CLUB

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After some brief Club business at our July meeting, we had a talk by Richard Clifford from Kenilworth Probus 2 entitled "HS2 Construction". His interest in HS2 began during the first lockdown (Spring 2020), when he would see the work going on whilst cycling along the Kenilworth Greenway.

He opened his talk by stating that he is not involved with HS2 and is neither for nor against the project. He asked for a show of hands on the feeling of his audience to the project, which resulted in a heavy vote against.

He then explained that as he hadn't flown his drone for a while, he thought it would be the perfect opportunity to view the workings from above, the results of which he started posting on YouTube, and he now have several hundred 'followers'.

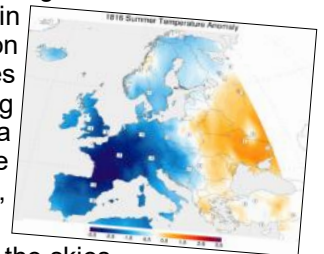


He explained the history of the railways from West Midlands to London, how the project has been scaled back by governments, how the cost compares with other large railway projects, why it is so expensive and showed drone pictures of the construction works and maps of the project. It is now only some 140miles long and 62 miles will be in various tunnels. When complete it is likely to reduce services on other existing routes to facilitate freight movements.

The talk ended with a further test of opinions but there were no changes, it is still not popular with our members. To see the videos taken by Richard Clifford search: HS2 videos Mark Thrushton.

On 23 July a party of members enjoyed a visit to Church Farm Brewery at Budbrook.

Our August meeting was at LWSC as usual on the 20<sup>th</sup> of the month. Again, the meeting began with brief Club business and then moved on to the talk by David Morse entitled "1816 The Year Without a Summer". This dealt with the catastrophic effects of the eruption of Mount Tambora in Indonesia in 1815. This volcanic eruption was so enormous that the top of the mountain was reduced from about 4,300 to 2,850 metres (14,110 to 9,350 feet). The heavy volcanic ash particles buried houses, people (at least 71,000), crops etc. over a wide area, and the explosion was heard more than 1,600 miles away. Due to microscopic particles being thrown high into the upper atmosphere the global climate in the northern hemisphere was affected, and the temperatures in the summer of 1816 in Europe were the coldest of any on record between 1766 and 2000, resulting in crop failures and major food shortages with riots and famine becoming common. There were snow falls in eastern North America in the summer months causing crop failures and people moved in search of better farming opportunities, contributing to westward expansion.



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Our visit to Burghley House proved to be a great success. After a very interesting introduction to the history of the house and the family we were free to explore the house and magnificent gardens... a real treat for us all.

The reading group continued to meet throughout the summer as well as the walking group. However, the WI resumes its full programme with its meeting on Tuesday, 17 September when Dr Gillian White will be talking to us about Robert Dudley, Queen Elizabeth I and the Kenilworth Entertainment of 1575.



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## LEEK WOOTTON HEDGEHOGS

Contact: Sally Ellis

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It's been a while since I managed to get time to write anything for the magazine and it's just a brief one this time. My hog rescue has been extremely busy again this year and numbers have already surpassed those from last year. The mixed weather over the year so far has given us, and the hogs, different challenges. The hogs have struggled with the wet weather and the lack of good food sources. It really seems like the insect population has dwindled over the last few years.



I have also experienced a very high number of nests disturbed by dogs. Fortunately, most of the hoglets were found with mum present. However, one mum had only given birth the night before and I was extremely worried that she would reject her 5 babies due to the stress of being disturbed and being moved, but with some peace and quiet, she took them back and they are now almost 5 weeks old. I have had to convert my outside hutches into a maternity wing!

As Autumn approaches and you tend to your gardens or communal areas, please consider leaving an undisturbed corner, a messy corner in a quiet, shaded spot. It's not just hogs that will benefit, but also frogs, newts and lots of insects. Log piles are a fantastic idea too.

If you want to check your hog houses, now is a good time to do it and you might want to take the chance to clean them out as long as they're not occupied! Please just use hot soapy water or an animal safe (not household) disinfectant. You can fill them with dry barley straw afterwards. Watch out for tick nests in the hog houses. If you find one, then boiling water is the best way to kill them. Please avoid squishing them, leaving their remains can contaminate the area.

Halloween and Bonfire Night are on the horizon. Please make sure you recycle any pumpkins in the garden recycling bins rather than in the garden. Eating a large amount of vegetable matter can cause a hog to have extremely bad tummy problems and can quickly kill them.

I know not many people have bonfires in their gardens these days, but if you

do, please check for wildlife at the base before you light it.

Remember, if you find a hog out in the day 'it's not OK' – please contact me or one of the Warwickshire Hedgehog Rescue team. You should act quickly if the hog is wobbly, being pestered by flies or birds, sunbathing or if they are injured or looking thin (a dipped neck or shaped like a rugby ball rather than a football).



Please continue to support hogs with a shallow dish of water and where possible, some kitten or hedgehog biscuits.

Thank you.

Sally



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## Big Butterfly Count Results 2024

The counting took place between 12 July and 4 August. Thank you to all those parish members who took part in our second annual survey.

Fifteen counts from the parish were submitted to the UK's Butterfly Conservation Group.

Fourteen different species were seen with a total of 101 butterflies counted.

This is down from last year when a total of 146 butterflies were counted. The unusually wet spring may have accounted for the drop. As our weather becomes more erratic it is important we do all we can to nurture and support our butterfly populations.

This year's top parish butterflies were the Large White (23) and the Peacock (18).



Large White male



Large White female



Large White male

The Large White caterpillars feed on wild or cultivated species of the Cruciferae or Cabbage family and the Peacock caterpillars feed on the Common Nettle.

## Community Live!

Please come and see us at the parish *Community Live!* event on Saturday, 7 September, 1:00pm -4:00pm. Find out what we have been doing this year. On that day, we will also present and look at some of the work undertaken on the Recreation Ground, including: the new tree planting, wildflower area and animal habitats.



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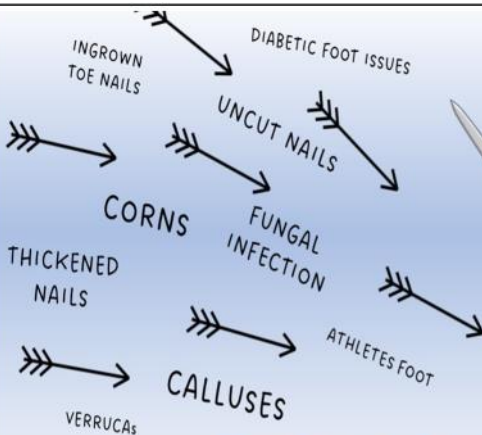
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Bump2babyReality	Sally Seddon e: sally@bump2babyreality.co.uk m: 07960 323874	Wednesday 10:00
Kenny Art Group	Barbara Kenny e: skbk267@yahoo.co.uk t: 01926 852413	Wednesday 13:30
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## Update from the Chairman

So, we approach another turning of the seasons and the Sports Club once again prepares to turn over from one main sport to another – the Cricket Club will hand-over the ground to the Football Club ready for their first home matches on 7 September.

Tim Dart's Cricket section update elsewhere in the magazine is the best place to get details on how the teams fared this season, so all I will say is that it has been a real pleasure to see so many people enjoying the sport over the last few months – both adults and juniors.

It was also great to see the quality of the pitch and facilities that Graeme Couchman and Elliott Haynes-Sorrell prepare be recognised by the Warwickshire Junior teams as they chose our ground to host matches for their U13s team. That was a real honour for the Club.

But the greatest honour for me personally came on Friday, 19 July when I got to oversee a short, but meaningful, ceremony as we officially renamed the pavilion. It is now "The Tony O'Toole Pavilion".

Tony, or "Totty" to his friends, has been a stalwart of the Sports Club for many years and was personally responsible for much of the work that was done in 1989 / 1990 when the old Working Men's Club was purchased and refitted to become the pavilion that we know today.

Whilst we acknowledge that there is a lot of work needs to be done around the pavilion now (more on that in a minute), we are all indebted to the work he did back then and the huge amount of other work both he and Sandra (his wife and the Club's current President) have put into LWSC over the years.

To be a part of paying this small tribute to such a huge contribution was a privilege.

Whilst on the topic of improvements to the Club, we are currently planning to totally refurbish the toilets and expect this work to complete over the Autumn, so watch this space...

Finally, we will be having a stall at the *Community Live!* event on 7 September, so if you want to learn any more about the Sports Club or have any suggestions about what you would like us to do more of in the future then please do stop by to see us and have a chat.





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# LEEK WOOTTON CRICKET CLUB

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## July/August update

Yet another season is coming to its conclusion in the blink of an eye but there have been many individual and team performances to be proud of over the past couple of months.

The 1st XI finds itself in fifth place, safe in the knowledge they will play Cotswold Hills League Premier Division cricket in 2025. Individual highlights include:

- Graeme Couchman 4-19 and Yash Sharma 46 v Kineton
- Matt Edwards 3-25 v Bretforton
- Graeme Couchman 5-35, Mark Hadden 3-22 and S Murthy 60 not out v Lapworth
- Ally Garman 4-54 and Barney Dillow 56 v Shipston-on-Stour
- Vikas Soni 98 (in just his second appearance for the Club), Yash Sharma 51 and Aasheesh Talwar 46 v Wellesbourne
- Sandeep Murthy 152 (off 84 balls with 13 fours and 12 sixes!) and Sam Walton 4-33 v Long Itchington
- Vikas Soni 70 and Yash Sharma 46 v Tanworth & Camp Hill
- Barney Dillow 61 not out and Yash Sharma 72 v Elmley Castle

For the second year running, the 2nd XI finds itself in a promotion battle, currently third in Cotswold Hills League Division Two and could be in Division One next year, just one division below the 1st team, if results go their way over the last couple of fixtures. Individual highlights include:

- Sam Walton 4-37, Mike Allison 76 not out and Shanks Rakesh 97 v Mickleton
- Zain Ansari 52 not out v Kineton 2s
- Andy McAvan 62 and Zain Ansari 6-20 v Moreton-in-Marsh
- Isaac Budd 82 (maiden fifty for Leek Wootton in league cricket for the 16-year-old) v Woodbourne
- Lewis Couchman 108 (maiden century in all cricket for the 16 year old, it was his maiden fifty too!), Andy McAvan 82, Venkat Bhaskar Sarma 4-9 and Tim Dart 3-9 v Norton Lindsey 2s
- Matt Earl 106 not out (his first hundred for Leek Wootton) and VB Sarma 5-13 v Long Itchington 2s
- Zain Ansari 3-38, Jayesh Chafekar 3-35 and Shanks Rakesh 60 v Southam
- Mike Allison 44 v Stoneleigh

The Sunday and Midweek teams have had some good performances too, but availability has been challenging. Any keen and/or casual cricketers in the parish are encouraged to get in touch. Individual highlights include:

- Matt Earl 46 and Matt Edwards 48 retired v All Saints' School
- Sandeep Murthy 41 and George Blakeman 45 v Wanderers CC (Leicestershire)
- Sam Cox 65 not out (maiden fifty for the 15-year-old) v Kenilworth Wardens
- VB Sarma 3-20 v Stoneleigh
- Kash Choudhry 47 not out, Matt Holt 41 and Ally Garman 3-12 v Hunningham
- Aasheesh Talwar 75 and James Cox 3-38 v Barford (Sunday game)
- Shanks Rakesh 68 and Tony Howe 3-24 v Barford (Midweek game)
- Kash Choudhry 42 not out and Sandeep Murthy 45 v Stoneleigh
- Lee Farndon 52 not out and Connor Bailey 3-42 v Great Alne
- Ally Garman 5-35, Kash Choudhry 100 retired and Lewis Couchman 56 v Marton Village

In more social circles, the annual 6-a-side tournament on Sunday, 7 July treated the Club to yet another fun day. Congratulations to the team entered from the Kenilworth Wardens who took away the trophy.

Away from adult cricket, the War Memorial Recreation Ground has hosted junior county matches for Warwickshire over the past few weeks. Congratulations and thanks to Graeme Couchman, Elliott Haynes-Sorrell and Shaun Clifford (and to all others who have helped) to get the ground to such a great standard. We hope to host further matches in the future.

Our junior section completed its season training at the end of July. Thanks, as ever, to Club legend Ian Cox for his continued work on the junior section and to the various coaches who have helped with the Friday night training, but also those who have helped to run the junior matches too. As we've seen from the highlights above, many of our recent juniors have made big contributions over the past couple of months. We hope this good work continues to find the next cohort of Wootton players to take the Club forward.

*Tim Dart*

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See main articles for further details

- Every Monday -  
**Young at Heart**  
*14:00 at the Sports Club*

- Every Wednesday -  
**LWSC: Bridge Group**  
*10:00 at the Sports Club*

- Every Friday -  
**LWSC: Chess Club**  
*17:30 at the Sports Club*

**LWSC: Bootcamp Fitness**  
*18:00 at the Sports Club*

- Every 2nd and last Wednesday -  
**LWSC: Bingo Night**  
*20:00 at the Sports Club*

Sunday, 1 September  
**American Car Show 2024**  
*14:00-17:00 at The Sydni Centre, Leamington*

**Church Teas**  
*15:00-17:00 at All Saints' Church*

Wednesday, 4 September  
**Parish Council Meeting**  
*19:30 at the Village Hall*

6-15 September  
**Heritage Open Days**  
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Guy's Cliffe Open: 7 & 8 Sep  
Guy's Cliffe Walled Garden: 14 & 15 Sep

Saturday, 7 September  
**Community Live!**  
*13:00-16:00 at the Village Hall*

Sunday, 8 September  
**Kenilworth Half Marathon**  
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Saturday, 14 September  
Warwick: **Sausage & Cider Festival**  
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Sunday, 15 September  
Warwick: **Summer in Nashville Country Music Festival**  
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Wednesday, 18 September  
**PCC Meeting**  
*19:30 at All Saints' Church*

Tuesday, 20 September  
**Probus Meeting**  
*See page 23*

**Leek Wootton WI**  
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Sunday, 29 September  
**Harvest Festival**

**Warwick Autumn Food Festival**  
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30 September - 6 October  
**Warwick Words History Festival**  
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10-18 October (various dates)  
**Emergency Life Skills Training**  
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Friday, 11 October  
**Macmillan Coffee Morning**  
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Friday, 18 October  
**NSPCC: Splinter**  
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Friday, 25 October  
**CRUK: Afternoon Tea with Music**  
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# JULY & AUGUST IN PICTURES...

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Image: Hilary David



← Stalwart Church cleaner, Hilary's view of the churchyard from the stairs

➔ Brownies & Guides summer activities at Leamington Boat Centre, 16 Jul

The full moon setting at Warwick Castle ↓

↙ To keep the courses open during the wet winter months 1300 tonnes of sand was spread across the fairways, semi rough and tees, 6 Aug

➔ A car was 'stung' with a stinger in Leek

Wootton, but only brought to a stop near the Green Man, Kenilworth, 18 Aug

↙ Guy's Cliffe had a visit from Kathleen Ann Ball PhD, a professor from the USA and a widely acclaimed artist, author and documentary maker. She was extremely interested in the statue of Sir Guy and also the monuments and cliffs. Kathleen has done a lot of work researching the Knights Templar and their travels to Brazil... her verdict of Guys Cliffe: "Its blown my socks off!", 15 Aug

↘ Getting ready for Heritage Weekend with a spot of weeding at the campfire circle, Guy's Cliffe, 15 Aug

↘ Kenilworth is the latest town to get a brilliant new piece of street art on one of its walls



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