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### Aries

Determined to have your own way regarding a matter close to your heart, you will stop at nothing to achieve your goal. Someone close to you does not agree with your actions. Perhaps they are selfishly thinking only about their own needs rather than yours. A planned holiday will turn out to be enormous fun, better than you anticipated. Someone may twist your arm into parting with some money.

### Taurue

Having second thoughts about either a business arrangement or a situation in your love life? What seemed like a good idea initially is rapidly turning into a nightmare situation. Suddenly you are realising the pitfalls. You are looking for an escape route before it too late. Suddenly you know exactly what you are prepared to put up with and what is totally unacceptable. Keep an eye on your spending. You cannot afford to be reckless with money. Someone new on the scene will catch your eye.

### Gemini

There are certain things you are not prepared to compromise on. You work hard and enjoy playing hard. You may utter romantic and daring words to your lover letting him or her know exactly how you feel and how you see your future together, or not...? Exciting deals could soon be thrashed out over the boardroom table. You will be made an offer that is too good to refuse indicating a complete change of direction.

# Cancer

Initially a task may look tough but if you take a moment and step back you will soon discover an easier way of dealing with the situation. Your love for a certain person will be questioned. You will be asked just how deep does your love go? You will amaze people by revealing a hidden side of your personality.

### Leo

Its time to cut back on your commitments and doing favours for others. When you are utterly exhausted and have run out of steam who is prepared to drop everything and come running to your side? At work, gossip mongers are going into overdrive, but you are smart enough to get the facts, putting you in much stronger position.

### Virgo

Bide your time and sit tight. Something you are hoping to achieve or receive will be yours for the taking and the best bit is, someone else is willingly paying for it. All to often you have worn your heart on your sleeve and its rarely paid off causing you to feel dejected and at a complete loss as to where you have gone wrong. Experience has taught you to keep your ace cards up your sleeve. A deep conversation with a trusted friend confirms that you are on the right track.

### Libra

For the first time ever you are pleasing yourself. Unafraid to cancel social arrangements that you find completely boring and a waste of time, you prefer doing things and taking part in activities that are fulfilling, interesting and rewarding. Avoid confrontation with someone who you know is making a huge mistake in life because even though they ask you for your opinion, its evident they are unprepared to listen, so why waste your breath?

### Scorpio

You see a relationship as worth the effort involved. Usually your tolerance levels are low. You are prone to boredom quickly and find sticking around a complete waste of time and energy. You are attracting more love interest than you think There is more than one admirer on the scene.

### Sagittarius

Someone who in many ways is your opposite could be the key to success in love. Instead of fretting about what to say and getting into a state, just start talking. You can only ever be yourself in these situations. You can, if you wish, put off finishing something that is boring you rigid.

### Capricorn

Loyalty is your middle name. Its even cost you time and money in the past, but once you swear your allegiance, no one could wish for a better friend. Once that trust has been broken, there is no going back. You systematically remove yourself from the situation without comment, explanation or the need to justify your reasons.

### Aquarius

As you start to take yourself and your ambitions more seriously, so will everyone else. A major breakthrough both at work and in your personal life will result in you feeling positive and enthusiastic about your long term prospects. Get your business hat on and bring financial matters into focus.

### Pisces

Your mind is extra sharp and you are thinking and working faster than ever at absorbing new information and putting plans into action. Doubts are starting to disappear and your renewed self belief system is showing in the way you are confidently projecting yourself.











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# Beeston

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# Wollaton

St Leonards Community Centre Bramcote Lane 6.00pm Tel Louise 07974 731277

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# Chilwell

St Barnabas Church, Barncraft (off Inham Rd), 5.00pm & 7.00pm Contact details: see website

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Director and senior Optometrist at John Flynn Opticians, Sheeraz Janjua was recently awarded the degree of Doctor of Optometry from Aston University for his research in Dry eye syndrome. Doctor Janjua is one of only 25 Optometrists in UK with this qualification. He has been at the helm in Beeston since 2016 and leads a small team of Optometrists and long standing Optical Assistants.

In 2018, Dr. Janjua was runner-up in the UK Optician awards for Optometrist of the Year out of over 14,000 optometrists nationwide. New services have been introduced including dry eye and blepharitis appointments and treatment plans in a practice which already uses a state of the art examination suite with Optometric eye testing software. The practice continues to advise and provide a clinically enhanced eye examination and complete eye health checks; using an OCT instrument to produce a macular, retinal and optic nerve scans to aid early diagnosis of various ocular conditions.

# **New Opening Hours**

The practice is now open all day Monday to Saturday. Off street parking is available in the practice own car park. The practice is proud of its FREE home eye examinations. This service involves all the usual staff at the practice. Patients will be able to choose from the same frames and lenses that are available in the practice. Established in Beeston, Nottingham over 80 years ago, John Flynn Opticians is located on the corner of the leafy Devonshire Avenue and Chilwell Road. The aim is to create a warm and welcoming environment within the traditionally furnished surroundings.

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# Dr. Janjua Launches Specialist Lenses for Macular Degeneration (AMD)

The practice dispenses specialist spectacles, tints and coatings which can help people with various daily tasks such as driving, vision in low light level and VDU work. It also supplies Austrian lenses which use 'PinSharp' honeycomb lens technology to improve the vision for those who struggle to see well enough.

Dr. Janjua also introduced specialist lenses from the USA for people with vision loss related to Glaucoma, Retinitis Pigmentosa, Diabetic Retinopathy and macular degeneration (AMD). These special lenses change the direction of light to alternative healthier parts of the retina. Combined with a special filter to improve contrast - they have been a huge success in helping those with visual impairment see better!



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# The Personal Touch In Eye Care

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F. Johnson

I chose John Flynn Optician as it is local to me a well recommended. I like that it is an independent practice and not a large chain. They also have good quality frames and lenses. My eye examination with Dr. Janjua picked up an astigmatism that had not been previously recognised. It made a positive difference to my headaches. All the staff are a delight friendly and helpful. It's a pleasure to visit.

A. Chidlaw

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"I'd heard that the glasses were great quality and the service was great at John Flynn Optician. The staff have been very helpful and gave me all the facts I needed. I love the personal touch and that you don't have to ask for help - it's just given. I love my new glasses - the style, the colour, the quality - everything. Dan and Annette have been brilliant from the minute I walked in the door. They are very friendly and provided perfect service in every way. I will be coming back and will share my experience with others."

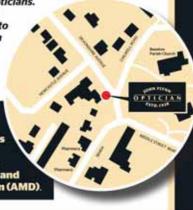


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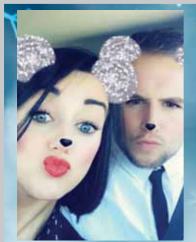




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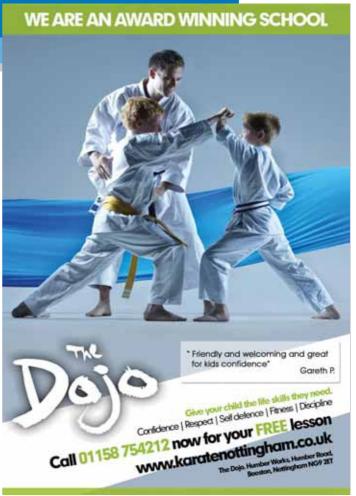
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Five things a financial adviser can do for you:

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Even if you're an experienced investor, it's always a good idea to get a second opinion from a professional

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 An advisor can give you that extra knowledge and expertise you need to help you achieve your goals.

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# 2 Build the right financial plan for you

First and foremost your adviser will focus on you; listening to what you want out of life. Once they know more about you and your hopes, they will then build a long-term financial plan that's right for you.

# 3 Help you make the right decisions

They will make personal recommendations, help you

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The Mulberry Tree Café and the growing collection of fabulous little shops in the Stables Courtyard make for a great day out at Strelley Hall.

In addition to **Created by Hand** (selling high-end locally-made gifts and crafts) and the Mulberry Tree Garden and Gift shop, there is now a Teddy Bear Hospital (Nottingham Teddy Repairs).

Nottingham Teddy Repairs has recently moved to Strelley Hall after trading for more than 10 years, repairing and sympathetically restoring bears of up to 115 years old. Pop in with your old bear and have a chat with Debbie! They also have teddies for sale as well as a large selection of old fashioned sweeties.

Also new to Strelley Hall this year is an **Art Gallery** space in the Game Larder room near to the main Hall building. Tony and Janet have a wide choice of artworks on display that are available to purchase, they also provide a high-quality picture framing service.

Not forgetting the **Pop-Up Craft Market**, a select handful of local makers selling beautiful crafts in the room above the Mulberry Tree Café, running every weekend up to and including 21st/22nd December.

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For adults the aprons (in particular the 'Best BBQ's in Town' apron) are always big sellers in the lead up to Christmas. There is also an 'Order Takeaway Quick' joke apron for those less gifted in the kitchen.

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Tristram's Sales and Lettings was formed by James and Fraser in June 2015, after working together as Landlord and Agent within a corporate company. The idea was for Tristram's to offer an independent and personal service from the start, with an affordable fee for Sales and Lettings services. The service provided by the Tristram's team has been fantastic and is proven by the record number of Google reviews. Found by searching "Tristram's Sales and Lettings" in the Google search bar.

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# breeze gardening

Buying a garden tool as a gift this Christmas? Use our quick guide to help buy something that lasts...

Sadly there are many 'pale imitations' in the tool world so keep your eye out for some of the signs and best avoid if possible:

- · Plain metal: good tools are usually made from plain metal, whilst poor ones are often painted to mask the low quality materials beneath.
- · Stainless steel: for toughness, durability and to avoid rust.
- Forged: tools forged from one piece of steel retain their strength and are less likely to break than cast tools.
- · Brand: it's best to stick with brands that are known for their exceptional craftsmanship and longevity.
- · Wood: the closer the grain, the stronger
- · Fibreglass or tubular steel handles: handles are normally one of the first things to snap, but strong fibreglass or tubular

steel handles can last a lifetime.

**Good makes include:** Burgon and Ball, Spear and Jackson, Felco and Wolf.

One of the big problems with quality and keep things locall tools is that before they break they can seize up if left stored incorrectly. This means keeping moving joints oiled & storing them in a dry place - avoid some damp corner of a storage box or anywhere

you get damp air trapped. If you don't have a place that's dry then consider getting a large airtight box for secateurs etc and placing a large 'dry bag' that contains moisture absorbing silica to ward

A gift idea that is not an 'obvious choice' are the Big Foot welly slippers - sure to raise a smile and useful too when popping in and out of the house in wellies to grab a cuppa or cool drink when digging.

Another unusual gift idea is the bluetooth

plant monitor. There are a variety of makes and they vary in sophistication but generally send detailed



Big Foot welly slippers

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# breeze wildlife

# A YEAR IN THE LIFE OF A WILDLIFE GUIDE - Neil Glenn

# **Monday 16th December**

7.30pm - 9.30pm Trent Vale Infant School Trent Road, Beeston Rylands NG9 1LP £3 including refreshments Children Free

### **About the Author**

Neil Glenn lives in Nottinghamshire where he has been a keen birdwatcher since his teens. His childhood holidays were spent in Norfolk engendering a love of that county, culminating in him writing the critically acclaimed 'Best birdwatching sites in Norfolk' many years later. He is a regular contributor to Bird Watching magazine and his birding has taken him to five continents.

### About the talk

Neil is local to Nottingham but spends his year dashing around the globe showing people wildlife. The variety of species Neil sees in a year is huge. We get a glimpse of some of the best wildlife tourist destinations in the world and what they have to offer!

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# breeze what's on

Budding young musicians are reaching for the stars in a new rock and pop school in Nottingham.

The newly launched Rock Project teaches 7-18-year-olds how to play guitar, bass, drums and to sing before performing together as a band.

Not only do they get to perform the music they love, but they learn at the hands of a real-life "rocketman"!

Guitarist Austin Goode, who worked previously for the European Space Agency, has opened The Rock Project with his partner Louise Weekes in Beechdale Academy, Bilborough.

Austin said: "The Rock Project is all about students learning to play the music they love in a fun, supportive environment.

"There are small group sessions in the student's chosen instrument for one hour, then in the second hour they put what they've learned into practice when everyone comes together to play as a band."

The Bilborough sessions take place every Wednesday and are one of 90 similar schools across the UK.

As a self-taught guitarist, Austin helped his own children develop their musical talents, and has assembled a team of gigging musicians who will tutor the students.

Partner Louise has spent her career working with children, from setting up youth clubs, through to volunteering as a Scout Leader and working with children in a residential setting.

Louise explained her belief in the importance of giving young people the opportunity to learn new skills and develop their self-confidence.

She said: "The Rock Project is part of a nationwide network of schools and has a tried and tested formula to help students learn quickly and develop performance skills at the same time.

"We progressively build their confidence towards the end of year gig, which is a full-scale rock concert in July."

The Rock Project takes place in Bluecoat Beechdale Academy, Harvey Rd, Bilborough every Wednesday.

There are separate sessions for juniors, aged 7-11 (4pm-6pm), and seniors who are 12-18 years-old (6.15pm-8.15pm). All instruments are supplied.





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# breeze appeal

Oxjam Beeston Music Festival - this entirely volunteer led community event just goes from strength to strength! Takeover Day saw people heading to the town in droves to celebrate the best of local music in a carnival atmosphere, bringing the streets of Beeston alive once again.

The Oxjam Beeston team, headed by Heather Greenan, are hugely grateful to the 127 amazing artists and bands for free, a who all performed enthusiastic fantastic crew of volunteers who put in a few hours to make sure this phenomenal event ran to plan, not to mention dedicated sound engineers, 14 quality venues, Headline Sponsor The Star Inn as well as other generous sponsors, and most importantly all the festival goers from far and wide who make the event such a success. The legendary Beeston community spirit is alive and All funds raised go to Oxfam to make a difference to communities in urgent need around the world. Following Takeover the total raised stood at over £25,000 largely from Takeover, but also an Operatic Arias evening and several private house concerts. Well Done to everyone who took part! Can't wait for next year!











# breeze advice

Are you starting to feel slightly panicky about the prospect of Christmas Day arrangements already? Awkward relatives with specific demands, cooped up in the house with everyone expecting a great day without lifting a finger....

Time to get help! Here is the Breeze guide to lowering stress levels and really enjoying Christmas this year.

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Traditionally, Christmas is supposed to be a time to get back to family, friends and forgetting, albeit briefly in some cases, about our worries - even merriment gets a mention!

So why do some people get uptight just at the thought of it? After all it doesn't come without any warning - we all know that date well in advance!

The big killer of Christmas joy and merriment is stress and we all know that, somehow, certain people get more stressed than others.

So how do we deal with the effect that these feelings have on us when, yes there's the knock at the door and it's not the secret police but your elderly relatives, all 'tooled up' with a suitcase of 'absolutely necessary' belongings for their overnight (or maybe even longer) stay.

Well before the great day arrives there is the usual steady drumbeat of preparation leading up to the 25th: Christmas shopping, wrapping up presents and getting them where they should be in time (don't you use Santa's services?), deciding on what kind of food items to have in and getting the best deals on all of this plus the drinks that will most probably be consumed as well.

### Let's take the run up to Christmas:

# **Christmas shopping**

- Local shops and others are on your side and are well aware that they have to offer you realistic prices to attract you they are working hard to earn your business. Furthermore there is a general acceptance that some degree of belt tightening is happening in the current circumstances so you are not likely to be on your own. That said it is the time of year when many simply wish to spread a little happiness and do what they can to still make this Christmas a great one so bargain hunting becomes part of that process.
- Be honest about what you can afford. Do budget for presents, the extra consumption of food, a few luxuries and some recreation, such as day out somewhere maybe a steam train ride in the country or a nice walk followed by a peaceful pub lunch somewhere you find relaxing and don't visit often.

By being mentally and physically prepared in this way you can regain some of the control that you may feel you have lost before you even get to Christmas day itself and this will help maintain composure when dealing with the (sometimes inevitable) stress moments.

# Delegate

If you feel particularly bothered by something (come on, be honest with yourself!) it is well worth looking at getting some help from outside. There are a variety of services available to help you to get things sorted without you doing all the heavy lifting - and with prices becoming ever more competitive you can pick and choose your offers.

Maybe the living room carpet is there somewhere in the back of your mind? Properly cleaned it will look nicer and) dare we say it) smell nicer too. After all, most carpets get quite a lot of wear and tear over a year.

There's a saying that goes 'if you want to make sure you tidy your house up simply invite some guests who you don't see everyday'. How true! So now you issued the invites and guess what? The cooker smells when it gets hot! Yes, I know you didn't mind it so much all this time but give it a break and your sense of smell too - get a professional oven clean and you won't have all that horrible cleaning fluid over your hands and arms. Plus, it will be clean as never before as professionals use industry standard equipment and chemicals

What about the outside of your home? It's lovely to see all those beautiful led Christmas lights we seem to have adopted as the standard adornment to our front gardens but what if you haven't yet got round to clearing up the leaves and cleaning the patio which is looking decidedly slippy? Once again help is on hand with services which offer to clean up your garden and even attend to any niggly problems that need fixing whilst at it such as a broken gate or weed covered block paving. Furthermore many of these services will put your garden lights out for you if you have them higher up or simply haven't the time to do it yourself. You can just plug in and enjoy!

Now we're all prepared we can look forward to....

Here's a Merry Christmas to all Breeze readers!

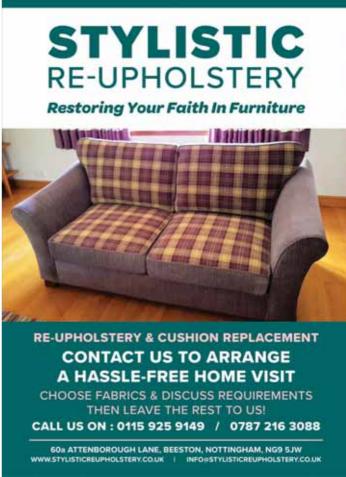
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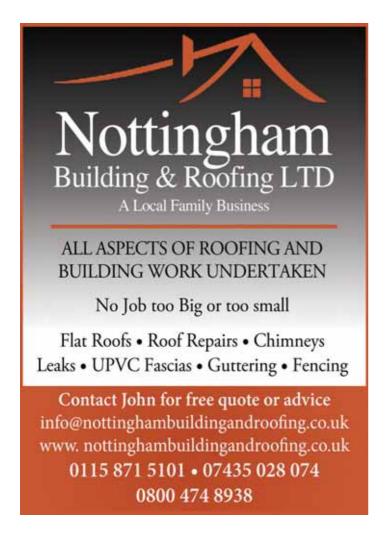
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Sun 8th Sebastian Sun 15th Maddison Sun 22nd L Wood Sun 29th John Halton

# Stumble Inn, Long Eator

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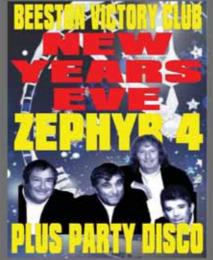
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Zephyr 4 Plus Party Disco

Sun 8th Paul Rhodes (3 - 6pm) 60's to 90's Guitar Vocalist

Sun 15th Chris Bevans (3 - 6pm)

60's to 00's Vocalist Sun 22nd John Halton (3 - 6pm)

60's to 00's Guitar Vocalist Sun 29th Kev Smith Jones (3 - 6pm)

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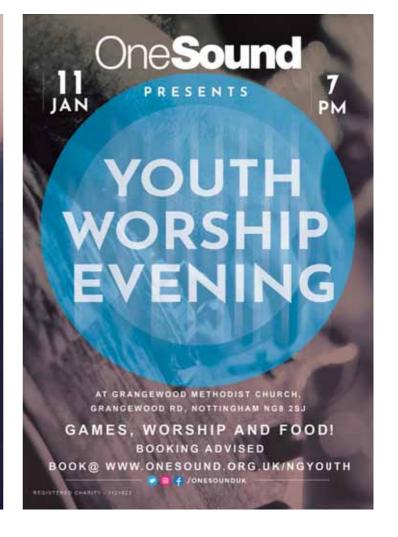
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Add the port and cook until evaporated.

Mix in the seeds, walnuts and herbs, then season to taste.

Transfer to a bowl, cover with kitchen roll and allow to cool down.

Fold out one filo pastry sheet onto a work surface and keep the rest under a damp tea towel to avoid drying out. Brush with butter and layer with another sheet.

Put the cool filling onto the pastry, so it covers the middle third of the pastry, leaving a 6cm gap at the top and bottom. Crumble the cheese over the filling.

Fold the top over the filling, followed by the bottom and sides.

This should leave you with a nicely packed parcel shape. (Don't over fill if you have too much filling.)

Bake in oven for 30-35 minutes, until cooked.

## Ingredients

- 2 tbsp olive oil
- 1 onion, sliced
- 150g mushrooms, sliced
- 1 yellow pepper, chopped 2 cloves garlic, crushed
- 50ml vegetarian port or red wine
- 25g mixture of pumpkin and sunflower seeds, toasted

50g walnuts, broken

A handful of fresh parsley, rosemary and thyme, chopped

Salt and cracked black pepper, to taste

1 packet filo pastry (you will need to use

2 sheets for this recipe)

50g butter or vegan margarine, melted

200g vegetarian Wensleydale cheese with

cranberries or 180g soya cheese with 20g cranberries\*

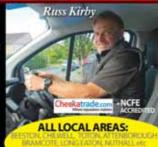
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# breeze what's on

This month on our Notice Board, we bring you everything festive in our area! Whether you fancy a sing-a-long or an afternoon tea, there's something for everyone this season...

Family Carol Concerts
Saturday 21st December 2019,
5:00 pm (note earlier start) and
Monday 23rd December 2019,
7:00 pm, Royal Concert Hall,
Nottingham

Forget the shopping for a while and get in the Christmas mood singing familiar carols with the audience and listening to less familiar but immediately appealing Christmas music from the choir and the Thoresby Colliery Band. Children will be invited to come on stage to play their part in the festivities.

Tickets: £10 - £21 (concessions, student, child and group discounts available; family ticket £25-£52.50)

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Nottingham Cathedral
Friday 13 December 2019
7.30 - 8.45pm

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## CROSSWORD PUZZLE

### Across

- 1 Sad beyond comforting (12)
- 9 Map book (5)
- 10 Headdress worn by a bishop (5)
- 11 Sound made by a dove (3)
- 12 Colour slightly (5)
- 13 Place for young plants (7)
- 14 Frightened (6)
- 16 Disarrange or rumple (6)
- 20 Circus performer (7)
- 22 Conclude by reasoning (5)
- 24 Went faster (3)
- 25 Adjust finely (5)
- 26 Make speeches (5)
- 27 Till which calculates a bill in a shop (4,8)

### Down

- 2 Synthetic fabric (5)
- 3 Lewd (7)
- 4 One sixtieth of a minute (6)
- 5 Madagascan primate (5)
- 6 Swimmers (7)
- 7 Opponent (5)
- 8 Prickly desert plant (6)
- 15 Stuffy (atmosphere) (7)
- 17 Presaging illfortune (7)
- 18 Deserved by one's efforts (6)
- 19 Twine (6)
- 20 Trick (5)
- 21 Bread-maker (5)
- 23 Crystal of snow (5)

# 8 9 10 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27

### SUDOKU

Place a number (from 1 to 9 inclusive) into each square in such a way that every digit appears once in each horizontal row, each vertical column and each box of nine squares.

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9	3		2					
8				5				4
					7		9	5
1		6		8				
	8		3				2	
5		3						

# WORDSEARCH

Can you find the listed words in the grid below? Words may run either forwards or backwards, in either a horizontal, vertical or diagonal direction, but always in a straight line.



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## WORDWHEEL

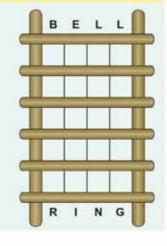
Using the letters in the Wordwheel, you have ten minutes to find as many words as possible of three or more letters, none of which may be plurals, foreign words or proper nouns. Every word must contain the central letter and no letters can be used more

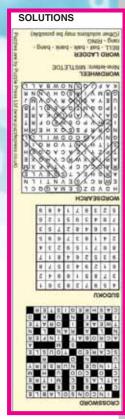


than once per word unless they are in different spokes of the wheel. There is at least one nine-letter word to be found.

## WORD LADDER

Change one letter at a time (but not the position of any letter) to make a new word – and move from the word at the top of the ladder to the word at the bottom using the exact number of rungs provided.





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New Year 'Recycle for Charity' campaign launches in Nottingham helping to raise funds for Nottinghamshire County Council Chairman's Charity Motor Neurone Disease (MND) Association.

In December 2019 and January 2020 Nottinghamshire residents are encouraged to make a recycling resolution by taking their WEEE (waste electrical and electronic equipment) to one of the 12 Recycling Centres in Nottinghamshire. This will help to raise money for Motor Neurone Disease (MND) Association, Nottinghamshire County Council Chairman's chosencharity. The charity works to improve care and support for people with MND, their families and carer as well as funding medical research into the condition.

Throughout December and January, we are donating £5 for every tonne of WEEE taken to the Recycling Centres.

228 tonnes were collected in 2017/18, and 221 tonnes were collected in 2018/19 we have promised to donate an additional  $\mathfrak{L}500$  bonus to the charity if the total reaches 500 tonnes by the end of January this year.

### What is WEEE?

Every year an estimated 2 million tonnes of WEEE items are discarded by householders and companies in the UK\*

WEEE stands for Waste Electrical and Electronic Equipment. It includes everything from electric razors and toothbrushes to vacuums and phone chargers – pretty much every electrical item you find in your home with a plug or battery. Electrical items (including but not limited to those marked with a symbol of a wheeled bin with a cross through it) can be repaired or recycled – saving natural resources and the environment.

Most electrical waste consists of multiple materials, including metal, glass, plastic, precious metals, lead and mercury. This complex and dangerous mix of components means that WEEE from Nottinghamshire households should always be recycled at the Recycling Centres and never put into the kerbside bins.

For the December 2019 / January 2020 Recycle for Charity Campaign the tonnage is based on Small Domestic / Household Appliances. For example this includes items such as: Vacuum cleaners, Irons, Toasters, Clocks, Mobile phones, Kettles, Fans.



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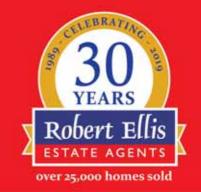


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