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New Year's Eve, where auld acquaintance be forgot,
Unless of course, those tests come back positive!

It's New Year's Day Hurray! Hurray!
The old year's past and gone away.
We'll raise our glasses and make a toast,
Because Now and Present is what means the most.

A brand New Year could be considered the seed, and
your goals could be the buds. But taking action and
achieving your dreams, well that is the flower.
May your New Year be your seed and may you have
lots of flowers to inspire you

Lock Down & Leisure

What do we do to keep ourselves occupied during
lock downs?
Well for a start we really miss Allara meetings to keep
up with all our friends plus the U3A groups we belong
to. So what do we do now that everything is shut down?
The most important thing we decided was to try to keep
ourselves fit by walking every morning. In the summer
this was so easy and very pleasant walking in the
sunshine, leaving the car standing in the drive, and
setting off. Not so good in this weather now, but we
have kept going. Amazing how many friendly people
we see on our walks, all keeping our safe distance from
each other.
When the corona virus landed in this country, I decided
to keep a daily diary for future generations to read. I
write how it is affecting our personal lives. I try to keep
politics out of it as I'm sure there are lots of books at
this moment being written by famous authors with all
that stuff in it. I started writing it on 1st March 2020
and continue each day still. It is in a hard back exercise
book and hope it will be of some interest to someone in
many years to come when all this has long been
forgotten.
Hope we can all meet up again one day soon.

Marjorie Doe

Kids returning to school after Corona.



Quizzical

1. Who played the title character in the BBC series 'Jonathan Creek'?
2. Who succeeded Henry 11 as king of England?
3. What was Baroness Thatcher's middle name?
4. What is 15% of two thousand?
5. What is the name of the mythological monster that had nine heads?
6. What is the world's largest land mammal?
7. The Godfather was released in 1972; who played the title role?
8. Who was Prime Minister when Britain joined the European Union?
9. Zn is the symbol of which chemical element?
10. The traditional Claret Jug is the trophy awarded to which annual sporting event?
11. What is the art of stuffing animals for preservation called?
12. What does a Geiger Counter measure?
13. Eric Carie wrote a series of children's books about A Very Hungry.... what?
14. What type of clothing is a Glengarry?
15. In the phonetic alphabet what word is used to denote the letter K?
16. The wood of a cricket bat is traditionally made from what tree?

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Nothing Changes Does it?

“On hearing ill rumour that Londoners may soon be urged into their lodgings by Her Majesty's men, I looked upon the street to see a gagggle of striplings making fair merry, and no doubt spreading the plague well about. Not a care had these rogues for the health of their elders”

Samuel Pepys Diaries - London 1664

Verry Trenndy

Inspired by the TV advert for Money Supermaaaarket, the latest idea is to emphasise words in a sentence. Thus - It's been a Verry Looong Yeeear. This idea of accentuating a sentence is logically called accentencing.

Know Your Virus

It won't affect people at a wedding... unless there's more than 15 people. But it won't also infect anyone at a funeral, as long as there's no more than 30 people. So not only can the virus count, it can also differentiate between a wedding and a funeral. It does spread in pubs, but only after 10pm and not before. It also only infects if you are in a group of more than 6... but not any weddings or funerals obviously. Masks do work, that's why people will be fined for not wearing them... but not in pubs, because as already discovered, the virus doesn't infect pub goers until after 10pm. Cinemas, gyms etc. are also immune from the virus 'cos the virus can't afford cinema tickets or gym memberships. Schools where kids gather in large groups are also immune as the virus doesn't like learning... but these same large groups of kids can't meet outside of school gates 'cos that's when the virus will get them as it waits outside the school gates. The elderly should be isolated and protected from the virus... unless they're needed to baby sit. So grandparents can't see their grand kids socially as it's not safe, but can baby sit them cos the virus knows the difference. The virus will definitely get at you at home too if you meet up with family and friends in a controlled environment, but not in a pub where you can meet up with those same family and friends in an environment you can't control, with many other strangers ... well up to 10pm anyway. The virus also sticks to specific postcodes, this is why some areas have stricter rules than others. Oh, and grouse hunting is perfectly fine in large groups regardless of any rules. As are protests as the virus is PC!
TOTAL MADNESS!

Groanarhythms

I just got the sack from the Calendar factory - All I did was take the day off!!
A friend of mine got knocked down by a mobile library - he was lying in the road screaming, the driver got out and said shhhhhh!!
I said to the gym instructor can you teach me to do the splits, he said "how flexible are you?", I said "I can make Tuesdays!!
I have just found out I am colour blind - it has come completely out of the purple!!
Yesterday I saw a man spreading scrabble pieces on the ground - walked over and said "What's the word on the street?"
My wife just found out I replaced our bed with a trampoline - she hit the ceiling!!

B.D.



Got up this morning and ran around the block 5 times. Then I got tired, so I picked up the block and put it back in the toy box.

Just off to knock down the pyramids, because the Egyptians had slaves 5000 years ago!

During the Middle Ages they celebrated the end of the plague with wine and orgies. Does anyone know if they have anything like that planned when this one ends?

What is a New Year's resolution?
Something that goes in one year and out the other.

What happened to the man who thought about the evils of drinking in the New Year? - He gave up thinking.

What's the problem with jogging in the New Year?
The ice falls out of your drink.

I was going to quit all my bad habits for the New Year - Then I remembered that nobody likes a quitter.

My resolution was to read more. So I put sub titles on my TV.

My wife still hasn't told me what my New Year's resolutions are!

May all your troubles last as long as your New Year's resolutions.

Santa didn't come at Christmas because he would have broken the rule of 6 with 8 reindeer.

Quizzical Answers

1. Alan Davies 2. Richard the Lionheart 3. Hilda
4. 300 5. Hydra 6. Elephant 7. Marlon Brando
8. Ted Heath 9. Zinc 10. British Open Golf
Championship 11. Taxidermy 12. Radiation
13. Caterpillar 14. Hat or bonnet 15. Kilo
16. Willow