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The Hallowe'en party was a great success. Thanks to all the hard work done by the Flemming Family who worked for weeks to make it the success that it was - probably the best one yet. Many, many thanks are also due to Christine and John Bentham and their family and PDQ Labels who donated the whole of the Sausage Sizzle - how generous! And how much appreciated. Thanks to Larry and Leslie who worked on the Sausage Sizzle and to everyone else who helped in any way on the night. Workers are few and far between. Thanks too to Tahmoor Garden Centre who donated gift vouchers and who always support whatever we are doing and of course to Craig and Morrie Hurley for their donation of wood for the raffle, they too never fail us. Thanks a million guys.

Hallowe'en although a very ancient celebration (if you could call it a celebration) when people were genuinely afraid to go out anywhere on that night for fear of meeting up with some ghoul in the street and really believed that all the souls in Hell were to be let out for a night's rioting before being sent back to the fires for another year,

Fortunately, nowadays we make fun of such beliefs and these parties are a way of celebrating these old ideas and it is certainly a different kind of party but a lot of fun.

The Christmas Party (what a difference!) will be held on Sunday 20th December, this year starting at 4pm there will be games with prizes for the winners – face painting - a Sausage Sizzle at 5.30pm. Santa Claus will arrive about 630pm. and Carols at about 7pm then Supper and lots of gossip (bring a plate if you can) this gives the little ones time to get their part over early and get home to bed (if that's what they want) though last year they seemed to stay on till the end. The children have been given the job of decorating the tree for the last couple of parties; they love doing it and this year they might like to bring along some decorations of their own to put on the tree – just a thought.

We hope to make it a more entertaining party than previously though it has always been a success, so come along bring the little ones or send the older ones but just come! Come in fancy dress as a Christmas character if you like to add to the fun. (There will be a group photo opportunity).

Christmas was coming and the goose was getting fat

I put it on the Atkins Diet and it had a heart attack!

When my friend John King was staying with me he broke his newly capped front tooth so he went to my dentist. The receptionist filled in his details as follows:

Name; King John

Complaint; Lost his crown.

Miljana's Health and Beauty

Hello. It's newsletter time and I absolutely love these tips

We all need encouragement to look after ourselves

We all need to love our bodies, because this is the only one we will have

I have three healthy beauty tips I can share with you.

The first is getting whiter teeth without the expense of dentists and it's a pantry cupboard goodie.

Half a teaspoon of baking soda

Half a teaspoon of hydrogen peroxide

Half a teaspoon of water - mix it in a paste!!!

And brush your teeth.

The second is a beauty for all us girls especially with summer just weeks away - and that is getting rid of the dreaded cellulite.

Depending on what area you may want to treat you may want to adjust the quantity.

The first ingredient is coffee - half a cup.

Salt, three tablespoons,

Coconut Oil, three teaspoons

Lavender Oil, one teaspoon

Mix it in well and apply by rubbing it into the area you want to treat.

The third is treating skin that is red with fresh scare from acne,

Again, baking soda, half a teaspoon.

Half a teaspoon distilled water

Mix it to a paste and apply on the skin,

Leave it on for five minutes and then rinse off. Hope you enjoy your pantry and the goodness you will receive by just taking time to love yourself a little more

Riddle-Me-Ree

1. A murderer is condemned to death; he has to choose between three rooms-
The first is full of raging fires, the second is full of assassins with loaded guns and the third is full of lions that haven't eaten in three years. Which room is safest for him?
 2. A woman shoots her husband, then she holds him under water for over 5 minutes, finally, she hangs him, but 5 minutes later they both go out together and enjoy a wonderful dinner together. How can this be?
 3. What is black when you buy it, red when you use it and grey when you throw it away?
 4. Can you name three consecutive days without using the words Wednesday, Friday or Sunday?
 5. This is an unusual paragraph. I'm curious as to how quickly you can find out what is unusual about it. It looks so ordinary and plain that you would think nothing was wrong with it. In fact, nothing is wrong with it. It is highly unusual though. Study it and think about it but you still may not find anything odd. But if you work at it a bit you might find out. Try to do so without any coaching!
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Answers:

The third room. Lions that haven't eaten in three years are dead,

That one was easy, right?

2. The woman was a photographer. She shot a picture of her husband, developed it and hung it up to dry (shot, held under water, and hung)
3. Charcoal as it is used in barbecuing.
4. Try yesterday, today and tomorrow.
5. The letter "e" is the most common letter used in the English language does not appear even once in the paragraph.

COOKERY NOOK

Christmas Drinks

Fruit Punch

2 cups Water	2 cups Sugar	1 cup Pineapple
1 cup Strawberries	1 cup Raspberries	1 cup Bananas
1 cup white Grapes	1 cup maraschino Cherries	
Juice of 6 Oranges	Juice of 6 Lemons	8-10 bottles Soda Water

Boil the water and sugar for ten minutes. Cool and add other ingredients but crush the fruits before adding and reserve the soda water. Chill thoroughly and add soda water before serving.

Tropicana Punch

1 small glass Brandy, 1 small glass Curacao, 1 slice Orange
5 thin slices Pineapple, 6-8 Maraschino Cherries, 5 cups Claret,
3-4 teaspoons Sugar, 5 cups Lemonade or Soda Water, Dash of Maraschino, juice of 1 lemon.
Mix together in a large bowl with plenty of ice.

Champagne Cocktail

Place a sugar loaf in each glass. On the sugar pour $\frac{1}{2}$ teaspoon Brandy and a dash of bitters. Let stand for at least 10 minutes. Fill with icy cold Champagne.

Ruby Punch

$\frac{3}{4}$ cup Water	$\frac{3}{4}$ cup Sugar	6 sticks Cinnamon
1 teaspoon whole Cloves	2 cups chilled Burgundy	
5 cups Apple Juice chilled.		

Place Water, Sugar, Cinnamon and cloves in a saucepan and bring to the boil. Simmer mixture on low heat for about 10 minutes. Strain and chill – add the Wine and Apple Juice and serve chilled.

Poet's Corner

Mildred went to the Post Office
To buy stamps for her Christmas Cards,
"What denomination do you want?"
Asked Mr Everard.
"That's political correctness gone mad
Has it come to this?" said she
"You'd better give me a book of Catholic
And one of C of E!"

Why? Why? Why?

Why do croutons come in airtight packets? Aren't they just stale bread anyway?

If people from Poland are called Poles, then why aren't people from Holland called Holes?

If a pig loses its voice is it disgruntled?

If a person who plays a piano is called a pianist why isn't someone who drives racing cars called a racist?

Do Lipton Tea employees take coffee breaks?

If it's true that we are here to help others, then what exactly are the others here for?

If 4 out of 5 people suffer from diarrhoea... does that mean that 1 out of every 5 actually enjoy it?

Why isn't the number 11 pronounced onety-one?

In Your Garden

Thanks to Naomi from the Tahmoor Garden Centre

Hello Village gardeners.

Summer is here again, it's time to prepare your garden for the hot months ahead. If you have not yet mulched it's your last chance to do so. Try applying a wetting agent first before you mulch to help keep the moisture in.

If you fed your lawn in spring it may be looking for a little extra feeding this time of the year to strengthen its roots to take up all the nutrients to stay green through the heat, organic fertilisers such as dynamic lifter are the best to use this time of the year as they don't require much water to release these important nutrients. Try to raise your cut on the mower as if you take too much off your lawn through the heat it will yellow off and the weeds will take over

In your vege patch, keep an eye on your veges as the bugs are all active at this time of the year and as the humid weather comes be careful you don't water too much of the foliage on your tomatoes, cucumbers and pumpkins as all are prone to fungal diseases such as powdery mildew and rust - keeping plants watered in the early hours of the day or later in the evenings will help stop this occurring.

We hope your holidays are full of fun and stay safe,

Happy gardening and Merry Christmas from all of us at
Tahmoor Garden Centre

Need help in the garden? Or a handyman? Then ring Geoff Dark on 0456 268 357 for a great job at a reasonable price.

Kid's Korner

Q. What do you give a man who has everything?

A. Antibiotics

Q. How did a man drown in a bowl of muesli?

A. A strong current pulled him in.

Q. Why can't you play cards in the jungle?

A. Because there are too many cheetahs.

Q. What do acrobats drink?

A. Anything in a tumbler

Q. What flavor potato chips do airline pilots prefer?

A. Plain.

Q. Where do gnomes go when they are sick?

A. To the elf centre.

Q. What did the mayonnaise say to the fridge?

A. Shut the door. I'm dressing!

Q. What did the Martian say to the petrol pump?

A. Take your finger out of your ear when I'm talking to you!

Q. What is yellow and white and goes down a train track at 100 miles an hour?

A. A train driver's egg sandwich.

Q. What do you call a litter of young dogs who have just come in out of the snow?

A. Slush Puppies.

Q. What gets harder to catch the faster you run?

A. Your breath.
