



The Rooster

MOTHERING SUNDAY - *MOTHER'S DAY*

The phrase "Mother's Day" was trademarked in 1912 in America by Anna Jarvis, and should not to be confused with Mothering Sunday. The modern Mother's Day holiday was created by Anna in Grafton, West Virginia, as a day to honour mothers and motherhood, especially within the context of families, and family relationships. It is now celebrated on various days in many parts of the world, often in May, some of which have a much older tradition than the modern holiday (e.g. dating to the 16th century in the UK).

The holiday eventually became so commercialised that many, including its founder, Anna Jarvis, considered it a "Hallmark Holiday", i.e. one with an overwhelming commercial purpose. Anna eventually ended up opposing the holiday she had helped to create.

Mothering Sunday is a Christian festival celebrated throughout Europe. Secularly it is used as a celebration of motherhood, and is synonymous with Mother's Day as celebrated in other countries; the latter name is also increasingly used.

A religious festival celebrating motherhood has been existent in Europe since neolithic times. In the Roman religion the festival was in honour of the mother goddess Cybele and it took place during mid-March. As the Roman Empire and Europe converted to Christianity, Mothering Sunday celebrations became part of the liturgical calendar as Laetare Sunday, the fourth Sunday in Lent to honour the Virgin Mary and the "mother church".

During the sixteenth century, people returned to their mother church for a service to be held on Laetare Sunday. This was either a large local church, or more often the nearest Cathedral. Anyone who did this was commonly said to have gone "a-mothering", although whether this preceded the term Mothering Sunday is unclear. It was often the only time that whole families could gather together, if prevented by conflicting working hours.

It is one of the few opportunities for children to say 'thank you' to their Mothers for all the love and care given to them throughout the year. This 'thank you' often takes the form of a small gift, a spray of flowers or a greetings card.

This tradition lives on and many local churches give a small spray of flowers to the children in the congregation to give to their Mothers as a token of their love and respect.

Another name attributed to this festival is Simnel Sunday. Simnel Sunday is named after the practice of baking Simnel Cakes to celebrate the reuniting of families during the austerity of Lent.

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Another tradition associated with Mothering Sunday is the practice of "clipping the church", whereby the congregation form a ring around their church building and, holding hands, embrace it.

In later times, Mothering Sunday became a day when domestic servants were given a day off to visit their mothers and other family members.

Simmel cake is a light fruit cake, similar to a Christmas cake, covered in marzipan, and eaten during Lent or at Easter in Great Britain, Ireland, and some other countries. A layer of marzipan or almond paste is also baked into the middle of the cake. On the top of the cake, around the edge, are eleven marzipan balls to represent the true disciples of Jesus; Judas is omitted. In some variations Christ is also represented, by a ball placed at the centre.

The cake is made from these ingredients: white flour, sugar, butter, eggs, fragrant spices, dried fruits, zest and candied peel.

Simmel cakes have been known since mediaeval times, and were originally a Mothering Sunday tradition, when young girls in service would make one to be taken home to their mothers on their day off. The word *simnel* probably derived from the Latin word *simila*, meaning fine, wheaten flour with which the cakes were made.

See Cookery Corner page 8 for Simnel cake recipe

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Rooster Association Annual General Meeting

On 25th February seventeen donor-members met in the Black Horse dining room for what proved an enjoyable and profitable meeting.

The Chairman, Alec Dodson, greeted the company and briefly reviewed the Association's four-year history. He then outlined the pattern of the evening : a session for informal discussion of the newsletter, a break for refreshments and then the AGM proper.

Discussion session : Topics raised

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| <u>Profiles</u> | Gerard Baker thought that profiles should include some younger residents. |
| <u>Archive items</u> | <p>Gerard could offer details of village shops at the end of World War 1. Willis Ainley said that there were materials on the parish website and that he had old photographs on his computer. Leslie Helliwell also had photographs, some already used in <i>The Rooster</i>, and there must be many more in people's homes. He said that County Archives had many old documents about Roos, especially about All Saints' church.</p> <p>Gerard suggested an Archives Day for residents to display their photographs and old documents. Willis said such materials could be copied and stored electronically - but who should initiate the event? – Was it an appropriate role for the Association?</p> <p>Other members thought it was and approved an Archives Committee comprising the following volunteers : Willis Ainley, Gerard Baker, Alec Dodson (Convenor), Margaret Dodson, Steve Pearson.</p> |
| <u>Parish Council</u> | Alec Dodson said that the newsletter's reports were unsatisfactory. The Parish Council Minutes were not available until a month after each meeting and were too long to print in full. Instead, summarised extracts were printed – and late. No solution was suggested. |
| <u>Illustrations</u> | Leslie Helliwell wished some local artist could offer cartoons on local issues. Ann Coupe mentioned the current prize competition for Roos pupils to submit pictures about Easter. |

The AGM proper

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| <u>Chairman</u> | <p>Alec Dodson reported welcoming Tim Newton back to the Committee and thanked all members for their support, especially Ann Coupe and Lawson Lewis who bore the brunt of producing <i>The Rooster</i> and managing deliveries. He thanked the volunteers who delivered copies in all weathers throughout the year and The Black Horse – Ron and Denise Symes, later Paul and Steph Kitchen – for allowing the premises to be used for meetings. He thanked Ann Coupe and Margaret Dodson for organising the evening's refreshments.</p> <p>He reminded members that items for printing should be passed to him or Ann Coupe and <i>not</i> be left with donations at the Roos Store.</p> |
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Treasurer

Ken Cross's Report had been printed in February's newsletter. He said that from July 2007 to December 2009 the laser printer had saved £1,264.79 over previous costs. A replacement would be expensive but the cost was affordable.

There had been an increase in income from both advertisements and donations, though the number of donors had dropped : fewer donors had contributed more.

Gary Collinson said that the Roos Flying Club would probably be willing to make a substantial donation. Ann Coupe said that an article about the club would be appropriate.

Elections

There were no new nominations for Officers and Committee. Re-elected :

<u>Chairman</u>	Alec Dodson	<u>Treasurer</u>	Ken Cross
<u>Vice-Chair</u>	Ann Coupe	<u>Secretary</u>	Leslie Helliwell
Willis Ainley	Margaret Dodson	Alicja Feetom	Lawson Lewis
Tim Newton	Tracey Proby		

Other business

Leslie Helliwell said that 49 AGM invitation letters had been issued, 10 of them posted. In all, 57 persons were invited; 17 attended. He wondered if the time and expense were justified. A few members thought personal invitations were effective but most thought them wasteful : a slip in *The Rooster* inviting donors to attend would suffice.

Next AGM

February 2011, the venue and precise date to be decided by the Committee.

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Happy Easter

Once again the children of Roos School were asked to draw their interpretation of Easter. Unfortunately only the five and six year olds took part. The picture below drawn by Keziah Tara Gomme was selected as the winner and second place went to Loula Smith.

The winner will receive a £10.00 W H Smith gift token and the runner-up a £5 gift token. Competition sponsored by GreyCode Ltd. IT Consultants.



Roos Women's Institute

The March meeting was chaired by Mrs Pat Brown, who welcomed members and in particular our President Mrs Boynton, wishing her well in her convalescence.

Following the minutes of the last meeting, items from the Newsletter were read and included notice of an excursion to Ireland in May and details of Denman College Bursaries for W.I. Members. Details of a special 'Women of Courage' award invited members to nominate a suitable candidate who may deserve such an award.

Mrs Smith read a letter from DVAP - an organisation which provides support for victims of domestic violence - giving information on leaflets available and a Helpline phone number.

A dinner was held recently at the Roos Arms and as next year will be the 90th Anniversary of Roos W.I., members were asked to put forward ideas as to how this could be celebrated.

The Group Rally is to be held at Bilton on 1st June and ladies wishing to enter were asked to give their names to Mrs M Pittock. A new 'Book Swap' stall is to be organised for future meetings by Mrs B Travis - a 'novel' way of re-cycling our paperbacks!

Our speaker for the evening was unable to attend due to her car breaking down en route and so a General Knowledge Quiz and a welcome cup of tea rounded off the evening.

The competition for a Pasta Collage was won by Mrs M Pittock. 2nd was Mrs A Robinson. A display of spring flowers of the month was won by Mrs H Smith with snowdrops. 2nd was Mrs B Travis with hellebores.

New members are invited to join us and would be very welcome.

Tunstall News

During late February the coastal part of the village experienced the annual spring tides. This year they were accompanied by extremely rough seas. But over the last six months there has been a steady build up of sand at Sand-Le-Mere and this has protected the coast from serious erosion by preventing the destructive waves from pounding the base of the soft boulder clay cliffs. This however could only be temporary and if the pattern of sea currents changes this sand could disappear in a matter of days. Unfortunately the erosion to the north at Hilston, and to the south towards Waxholme has continued unabated. In fact on March 2nd at 5.46pm, when the tide was at its highest, the waves could be seen breaking right over the top of the cliffs down the coast towards Withernsea. I have been informed that the construction of the barrier to protect Tunstall Drain from the sea will commence in May. This will be a substantial structure across the valley and is intended to protect Roos flooding from that particular direction.

To the east of the barrier a salt marsh will eventually form, but here there could be an unsightly environmental problem. For some reason, not easily explained, objects made of expanded polystyrene and plastic, from large industrial barrels to the smallest water bottle, collect here having travelled many miles down the coast and from out at sea. Let's hope that in years to come the salt marsh becomes a tourist attraction, and not one huge unsightly plastic depository.

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Cookery Corner by Ann Coupe

Simnel Cake

Serves 10 - 12

Ingredients

110g/4oz butter or margarine	55g/2oz chopped mixed peel
110g/4oz soft brown sugar	½ lemon, grated rind only
3 eggs, beaten	1-2 tbsp apricot jam
150g/5oz plain flour	1 egg, beaten for glazing
Pinch of salt	For almond paste: (Marzipan)
½ tsp ground mixed spice (optional)	125g/4½oz caster sugar
350g/12oz mixed raisins, currants and sultanas	125g/4½oz ground almonds
	1 egg, beaten
	½ tsp almond essence

Method

1. **To make the almond paste.** Place the sugar and ground almonds in a bowl. Add enough beaten egg to give a fairly soft consistency. Add the almond essence and knead for a minute until the paste is smooth and pliable. Roll out a third of the almond paste to make a circle 18cm/7in in diameter and reserve the remainder for topping of the cake.
2. Preheat oven to 140°C/275°F, Fan 120/ Gas 1. **To make the cake.** Cream the butter and sugar together until pale and fluffy. Gradually beat in the eggs until well incorporated and then sift in the flour, salt and spice (if using) a little at a time. Finally add the dried fruit, peel and grated lemon rind and mix well.
3. Put half the mixture in a greased and lined 18cm/7in cake tin. Smooth the top and cover with the circle of almond paste. Add the rest of the cake mixture and smooth the top leaving a slight dip in the centre to allow for the cake to rise. Bake in the preheated oven for 1½ hours. Once baked, remove from the oven and leave to cool.
4. When you are ready to decorate the cake, preheat the oven to 180°C/350°F, Fan 160/ Gas 4. Brush the top of the cooled cake with the apricot jam. Divide the remainder of the almond paste into two. Roll out a circle to cover the top of the cake with one half and form 11 small balls with the other half.
5. Place the circle of paste on the jam and set the balls round the edge. Brush all the top with a little beaten egg.
6. Return the cake to the preheated oven for about 10 minutes or long enough for the almond paste to brown.

**The absolute deadline for items to be
included in next month's issue is Friday
9th April**

Alec's Patch ... By Alec Dodson

Spring is in the air, or nearly!! The lengthening daylight and sunshine encourages gardeners to venture out after the longest cold spell for many years. Take advantage of sheltered areas of the garden and the sun to carry out the following traditional tasks.

Rose pruning. For all roses use sharp clean secateurs. If yours are old and worn, invest in new ones. It will make the job easier and will result in cleaner cuts. Remember the three 'Ds' - dead, diseased and dying - and remove these first followed by any crossing or rubbing branches. When making a cut just above a bud imagine a new shoot growing from there. Will it crowd the inside of the bush or cause crossing branches? Aim to keep the centre of the bush open. Hybrid Teas are pruned to about 8" - 10" and floribundas to about 12".

Shrubs. Those that flower in the summer such as Buddleia, Lavatera and Cornus (Dogwood) are also pruned now.

Perennials. These can be divided and replanted if necessary. At the end of the month Snowdrops can also be separated and replanted. They benefit from being moved 'in the green' i.e. straight after flowering.

Greenhouse. If you have one check it over now as the winter weather may have caused glass to slip or problems to develop. If you winter Geraniums and Fuchsias, increase watering gradually. Remove dead leaves and cut back damaged stems. Ventilate the greenhouse on good days.

Gerard Baker *Cookery*

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From: the Rev Pam Burdon.

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Dear Rooster readers,

Lent is now well under way in our church calendar. I'm told you can spend Lent with TOM ('Take-on-more') or with GUS ('Give-up-something'). The purpose of choosing to live a little differently during Lent is to help us be ready for a really great Easter celebration. I would already like to wish you all a really Happy Easter as we will be well into our celebrations by the time you receive the April Rooster.

The 40-plus days of Lent are brightened by Mothering Sunday. I recently found a piece about family life which I share with you here. It is of course a different version of 1 Corinthians chapter 13, which you may like to read as well.

If I live in a house of spotless beauty, with everything in its place, but have not love, I am a housekeeper not a homemaker.

If I have time for waxing, polishing and decorative achievements, but have not love, my children learn cleanliness not godliness.

Love leaves the dust in search of a child's laugh.

Love smiles at the tiny fingerprints on a newly-cleaned window.

Love wipes away the tears before it wipes up the spilled milk.

Love picks up the child before it picks up the toys.

Love is present through the trials.

Love reprimands, reproves and is responsive.

Love crawls with the baby, walks with the toddler, runs with the child and then stands aside to let the youth walk into adulthood.

Love is the key that opens the message of God's love to a child's heart.

Before I became a parent, I took glory in my house of perfection. Now I glory in God's perfection of my child.

As a parent there is much I must teach my child, but the greatest of these is love.

With good wishes to you all,

Pam Burdon

FUTURE SERVICES IN THE BENEFICE

MARCH CALENDAR

14th	Sunday	MOTHERING SUNDAY			
		09.00	Tunstall	Holy Communion	Rev Tony Burdon
		11.00	Roos	Holy Communion	Rev J Heale
		15.00	Garton	Evening Prayer	Rev Tony Burdon

21st	Sunday	10.00	Garton	Morning Prayer	Mr P Oakes
		11.00	Roos	Holy Communion	Rev Pam Burdon
		15.00	Hilston	Holy Communion	Rev Tony Burdon
28th	PALM SUNDAY				
		09.00	Tunstall	Morning Prayer	Mr K Thorogood
		11.00	Roos	Holy Communion	Rev Phillip Moate
		15.00	Garton	Evening Prayer	Rev S Deas

APRIL CALENDAR

2nd	GOOD FRIDAY				
	Friday	14.00	Roos	Hymns & Prayers	ALL WELCOME
3rd	EASTER EVE				
	Saturday	18.30	Garton	Holy Communion	Rev Tony Burdon
4th	EASTER DAY				
	Sunday	09.00	Tunstall	Holy Communion	Rev J Waud
		11.00	Roos	Holy Communion	Rev Pam Burdon
11th	Sunday	09.00	Tunstall	Holy Communion	Rev J Waud
		11.00	Roos	United Service Morning Prayer	Rev Pam Burdon
		18.30	Garton	Evening Prayer	Mr P Oakes
18th	Sunday	10.00	Garton	Morning Prayer	Mrs H Wastling
		11.00	Roos	Holy Communion	Rev P Moate
		15.00	Hilston	Holy Communion	Rev J Campbell
25th	Sunday	09.00	Tunstall	Holy Communion	Rev Tony Burdon
		11.00	Roos	Morning Prayer	Mr C Reid
		18.30	Garton	Evening Prayer	Rev Tony Burdon

Methodist services

Roos Memorial Institute

MARCH CALENDAR

14th	Sunday	10.30-11.30	Morning Service	Mr M Cox
21st	(No Service)			
28th	Sunday	10.30-11.30	The Lord's Supper	Rev J Brown

APRIL CALENDAR

4th	Sunday	10.30-11.30		Mr J Richardson
11th	Sunday	11.00	United Service at Roos Parish Church	
18th	(No Service)			
25th	Sunday	10.30-11.30		Rev J Brown

A friendly welcome is assured for all members of the village and visitors.

Roos Parish Council Meeting 8th March 2010

Apologies from Councillor Ken Grant.

The January minutes were approved. Summary below.

Proposed allotments in Roos

Councillor Ward reported that a meeting was to take place shortly of interested residents to determine whether there was still a requirement for allotments.

Safe routes to school programme

It was agreed to press ERYC further in pursuing the joint developers of Greenacre Park to ensure early completion of the highway improvement works.

Carriageway at Rectory Road

It was reported that ERYC had improved the carriageway width at the problem location near North Farm and it was agreed to monitor the situation in the future.

Roos Playing Fields

A reply was received from the Chairman of the Playing Field Association stating that it was hoped to install a series of speed bumps when finances were available.

Flooding and related matters

The tree trunk which had fallen into the open beck below Lamb Lane had now moved downstream to the grille near Mr Beal's property in Dove Lane. Water was flowing freely and attempts to remove it would take place in the near future. Grading, levelling and tree-stump uprooting works had now been completed at the access area to the grille on the beck north of Lamb Lane with seeding to follow in springtime.

A possible bund storage scheme for Rectory Road prepared by Mr Frisby of ERYC was circulated which it was intended to submit to ERYC for inclusion in its programme of works in the next financial year.

Planning

Applications

Erection of car port at 8 Hinch Garth Roos

It was agreed to raise no objections to the above proposal.

Decisions

Discharge of section 106 legal agreement from application relating to occupancy at Owstwick Grange Cottage Fitling Road Owstwick

It was reported that ERYC had refused the above application.

Appeals

The public inquiry into the appeal by Renewable Energy Systems against ERYC's refusal to grant planning permission for the erection of 9 no. wind turbines and associated works at land west of Ivy House, Rectory Road, Roos, would take place at County Hall on the 9th March at 10am with a local session at Roos Memorial Institute on the 16th March at 5.00pm.

It was reported that the Secretary of State had allowed the appeal by E. On UK Plc against ERYC's refusal to grant planning permission for 3 no. wind turbines

and associated works at land south of Pilmar Lane, Roos.

Parish Plan

An e-mail from Stephen Robinson of ERYC stated that it was hoped to undertake hedgerow planting along the northern boundary of Roos Playing Field when funding became available.

Treasurer's Report

Approval was given for payment of the following accounts:-

Avondale Landscapes – maintenance works on parish paths - £310.00

R R Smales Ltd – improvement works at north side of beck area Lamb Lane - £750.00 plus vat

Any other business

Parish paths

Councillor Dodson reported that he had met the Countryside Access Officer of ERYC to discuss a programme of proposed works on the paths in the next financial year.

Highway matters

It was agreed to refer to the Area Engineer of ERYC, overgrown hedges on Rostun Road, the damaged footpath on Pilmar Lane leading into Beechwood Views and a pothole at the edge of the carriageway on Burton Pidsea Road near the junction with the road to Owstwick, for attention.

Derelict farm building at South End

It was agreed to ask Mr Quarmby to attend to the unstable roof which was flapping around in the wind.

New 30 mph signs

Councillor Cheeseman referred to the new signs which were causing concern to motorists as there is now no speed limit sign on the left, when approaching the school along main street from north end and the Chairman confirmed that ERYC would be surveying the signage in the near future and reporting its findings back to him.

**Next Parish Council Meeting Monday 12th
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Local Events

Playing Field Association

The next meeting will be held in the Playing Field Pavilion on Tuesday 30th of March to discuss securing the future of the building and field.

All welcome

Friends of Roos School (FORS) Events for your calendar 2010

FORS already have several fund-raising and fun family events coming up for this year so here are a few details and dates for your calendar. All events will be further publicised beforehand.

FAMILY FUN QUIZ

Sunday 21st March 2pm Black Horse, Roos.

Family Quiz. Entry fee £5.00 per team (max 6 persons per team). Small cash prize for winners.

EASTER FAYRE

Saturday 10th April 10am - 2pm Memorial Institute.

This will include a number of Easter themed stalls, tea/coffee and light refreshments.

COFFEE MORNING

Saturday 17th April 10am - 1pm Memorial Institute.

Coffee, Tea and of course cake too!

FUN DAY

Saturday 12th June at Roos School. Start time will be publicised later.

Instead of the pet show this year's fun day will start off with the much loved scarecrow trail in the morning, to be followed with events and stalls on the School field (notice to all footie fans! There are no matches that afternoon, we've already checked. So no excuses for sitting in front of the TV, especially if the sun is shining!

We do hope that you will come and support these events. Don't forget it is the children at the school that benefit.

Tracey Proby

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**Sunday 2nd May in Roos
Playing Fields**

**Please see next months Rooster for
final details.**





ROOS SPRING SHOW

The Roos and District Horticultural Society's 55th Annual Spring Show will be held on Saturday 10th April in the Memorial Institute, Roos, at 2pm.

Mrs K Barker will present the Cups and Rosettes at 3pm

There are classes for floral art, spring flowers, plants and bulbs, vegetables and fruit, eggs and the popular photography section. The children's classes include flower-arranging, painting, cookery, making a scarecrow and a photographic class.

Entries to be in by 11.30am on the day of the Show

Schedules are now available from Mrs J Grant Tel: 670576, so come along and support ***the only Spring Show in the area.***

Our Summer Show is on July 3rd at Burton Pidsea so if you would like a Charity, Craft or Table-Top stall please contact Mrs J Grant.



RACE NIGHT

Held at the Black Horse, Roos on Friday 26th February @ 7.30pm



On the night the meeting raised £661 pounds for the Roos Playing Field. The evening consisted of eight races with eight horses in each race. The winners were:-

Race 1.	Aladdin's Lamp	No.8	Race 5.	Linguini	No.5
Race 2.	Banana Republic	No.4	Race 6.	Miss Demeana	No.4
Race 3.	Whoof Whoof	No.2	Race 7.	By A Nose	No.5
Race 4.	Lord Sauron	No.2	Race 8.	Deely Boppers	No.1

Raffle prizes were donated by Mr & Mrs W Evison, Greycode Ltd and Paul & Steph. The committee thanks them all and especially Paul & Steph for their hospitality.

A good night was had by all.

Ann Coupe

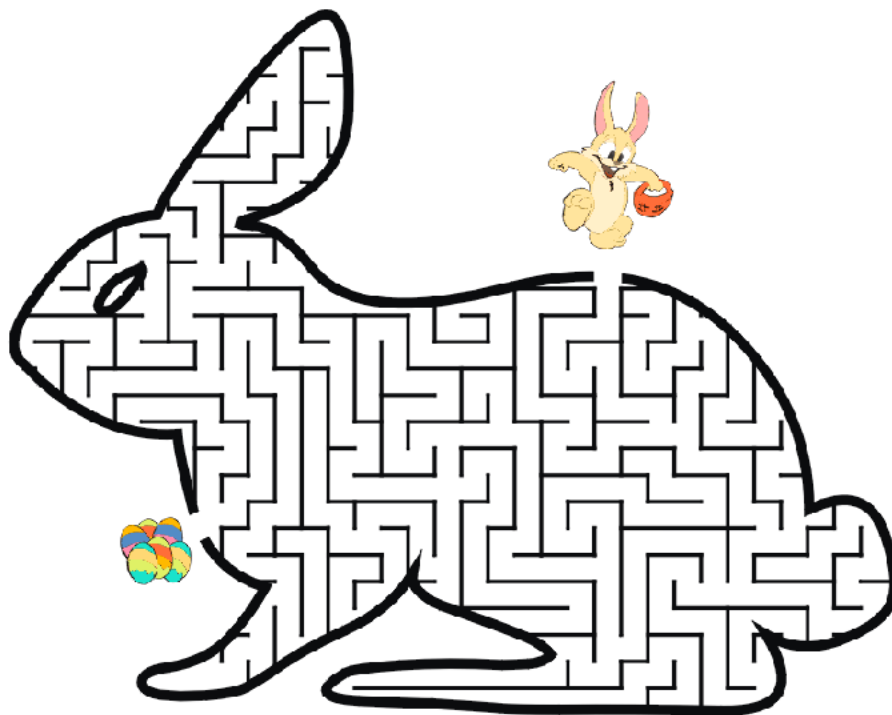
FUNDRAISING FOR HAITI

Organisers of the fund-raising event for Haiti on the 20th February in the Memorial Institute, Roos, would like to thank everyone who attended the event and helped raise a total of £776. Many of those who popped in took the opportunity to sit down and catch up with others over a cuppa and a piece of cake. Huge thanks also need to go to the small army of volunteers who helped on the day and everyone who gave either baking, books, monetary donations or simply their time, all of which helped raise such a large amount of money.

Lesley Slow & Sally Spikings

Puzzle Corner **FOR THE KIDS**

Can you guide the Easter Bunny to his eggs?



SUDOKU

Place the numbers 1 - 9 in each empty cell in such a way that each row, each column and each 3 x 3 box contains all of the numbers 1 - 9. (This means that no single digit can appear twice in any one row, column or 3 x 3 box) Solution next month.

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	3			2			9	
	4		1		7		3	
	2		9		4		7	

Solution to the February Puzzle

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