

# BURY CROQUET CLUB KEEPING CONNECTED issue 1

Well we have had some response to the call for Keeping Connected. **Francois Garcia** has certainly been busy spring cleaning.....

"I have been cleaning my kitchen and doing it extremely thoroughly a shelf at a time, cleaning absolutely everything. I have plenty of shelves because my landlord doesn't provide me with cupboards, and in my cleaning so far, not because I have been stockpiling but unbeknown to me I found I had eight bottles unopened of high-quality vanilla essence, four bottles of balsamic vinegar unopened and nine bottles of virgin olive oil unopened. Every time I had gone to TK Max I had purchased a bottle over the years and not realised, and the vanilla essence I seem to have bought when I went to Sainsbury's in the past few years and had some spare cash. Not sure what recipe I could make with those three items, ha. "

"However I have no tin goods, or excess pasta you will be pleased to hear. When I wanted to make some humous recently it took me three weeks before I could get 2 tins of chick peas. What are people doing with all these tins?"



Well Francois, is this for fighting the spring clean dust or COVID-19??  
**Very impressive gear!**

**Messages from Richard Harvey**

**Joke**

Sherlock Holmes and Dr. Watson decide to go on a camping trip. After dinner and a bottle of wine, they lay down for the night, and go to sleep. Some hours later, Holmes awoke and nudged his faithful friend.

"Watson, look up at the sky and tell me what you see."

Watson replied, "I see millions of stars."

"What does that tell you?"

Watson pondered for a minute.

"Astronomically, it tells me that there are millions of galaxies and potentially billions of planets."

"Astrologically, I observe that Saturn is in Leo."

"Horologically, I deduce that the time is approximately a quarter past three."

"Theologically, I can see that God is all powerful and that we are small and insignificant."

"Meteorologically, I suspect that we will have a beautiful day tomorrow."

"What does it tell you, Holmes?"

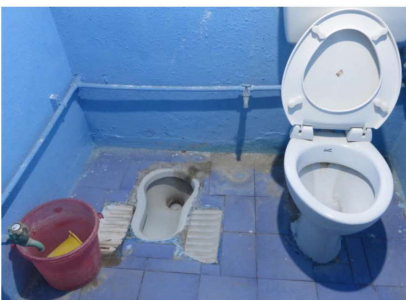


Holmes was silent for a minute, then spoke: "Watson, you idiot. Someone has stolen our tent!"

Bet the words Spring Clean never had such meaning before,  
And tasteful photographs of the park just down from my front door,  
with only one person in sight!



Or to lower the tone with an Indian toilet!



In sharp contrast Richard, I see your Indian Toilet and raise you a Japanese one! The seats are warm and they even have music to disguise the noises made by delicate ladies!! 😂



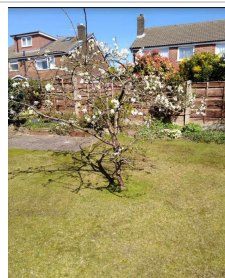
**Barbara Young has been utilising her time in the garden:**

Here is a picture of my cherry tree in bloom. Hoping for a good crop again this year. I tried to get me in the photo as well but I don't know how to do that.

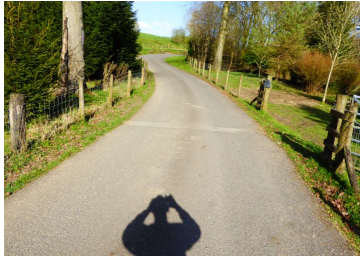
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Barbara

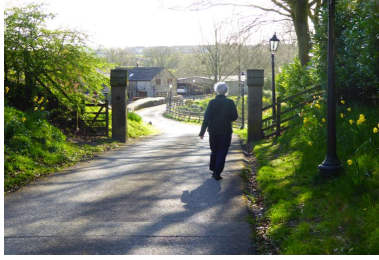
Yes it does - nice piccie Barbara!



Meanwhile Hilary and Derek have been taking in the beautiful scenery around them:



Derek



Hilary



Better view point from the dinner!

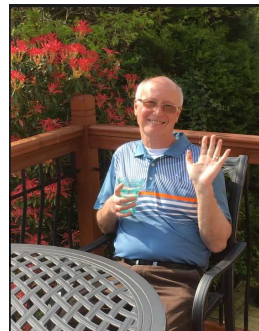
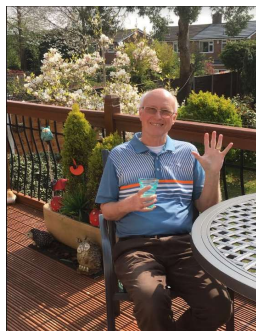
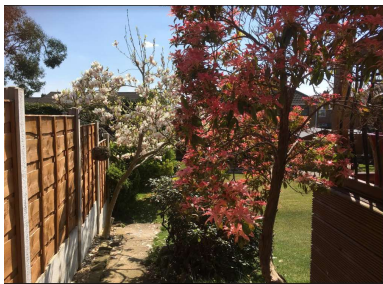
Derek explains: Hilary and I take our daily exercise walk to Springside Farm and back. Today we took some pictures on the walk and the link below will allow you to view them from Dropbox.

<https://www.dropbox.com/sh/7fnqpxuzyc242j/AADkt83Pfc5TeKkU2m5ldvQya?dl=0>

Janet finding time to relax!



Hello from Helena and Phil!





Jean O trying to get sneaky practice in with One Ball. No wonder she always wins everything!!



Roy tried to get some croquet in but the wildlife had other ideas so he gave up and blobbed instead!!  
"You asked for pictures of what we are doing- NOTHING! Xx"



Goshawk downed a pigeon on my Croquet lawn!



Not strictly during these last weeks but we can dream and this is the team in happier times in Portugal 2019.



**Another joke from Richard:** 😊

Donald Trump met with the Queen of England, and he asked her, "Your Majesty, how do you run such an efficient government? Are there any tips you can give me?"

"Well," replied the Queen, "the most important thing is to surround yourself with intelligent people."

Trump frowned, and then asked, "But how do I know the people around you are really intelligent?"

The Queen took a sip of tea. "Oh, that's easy; you just ask them to answer an intelligent riddle."

The Queen pushed a button on her intercom. "Please send Boris Johnson in here, would you?"

The Prime Minister walked into the room and said, "Yes, Your Majesty?"

The Queen smiled and said, "Answer me this, if you would, Boris. Your mother and father have a child. It is not your brother and it is not your sister. Who is it?"

Without pausing for a moment, he answered, "That would be me."

"Yes! Very good," said the Queen.

Trump went back home to ask Mike Pence the same question. "Mike, answer this for me. Your mother and your father have a child. It's not your brother and it's not your sister. Who is it?"

"I'm not sure," said Pence. "Let me get back to you on that one." He went to his advisers and asked everyone, but none could give him an answer.

Finally, Pence ran in to his friend Jack Murphy in a restaurant the next night. Pence asked, "Jack, can you answer this for me? Your mother and father have a child and it's not your brother or your sister. Who is it?"

Jack Murphy answered right back, "That's easy, it's me!"

Pence smiled, and said, "Thanks!"

Pence then went back to speak with Trump. "Say, I did some research and I have the answer to that riddle: It's my friend Jack Murphy!"

Trump got up, stomped over to Pence, and angrily yelled, "No, you idiot! It's Boris Johnson!"

**KEEP THEM COMING RICHARD!!**