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Easter Bunny Spotted in Hall End



**Milton Parish Council
Annual Parish Meeting**
Monday April 28th
at
The Bowls Pavilion
7.30pm

Milton Week of Action

From Monday 17th - Thursday 20th March there has been an organised effort to impact on the reduction of crime in the village. This has seen the Primary School run a competition amongst its students to design a crime prevention hanger that could be placed inside a vehicle hanging on the interior mirror to warn potential thieves that there is nothing of value in the vehicle.

This winning design has been mass produced thanks to South Cambs Crime and Disorder Prevention (CDRP) unit funding the production. These hangers have been distributed to every parent at the school and at the 'Roadshow' held on the 20th March at Tesco.

On Monday we held an Environmental Visual Audit (EVA) with partner agencies like the Fire Service, DVLA, South Cambs Environment Agency, Parish Council and the Police to identify areas that could be impacted on to improve the village. The whole village was covered during the walk by all agencies with a number of items around the village removed by the Environment Agency as they had been dumped.

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Roadshow at Tesco

I'm dreaming of a white... Easter?



A few hardy souls braved the snow early on Easter morning for an Easter celebration service at 7am in the Country Park. Outdoor services at Easter commemorate Jesus' followers going to the tomb in the garden and finding that Jesus had risen. We had a great time and then headed to the church hall to thaw out with tea and hot cross buns.



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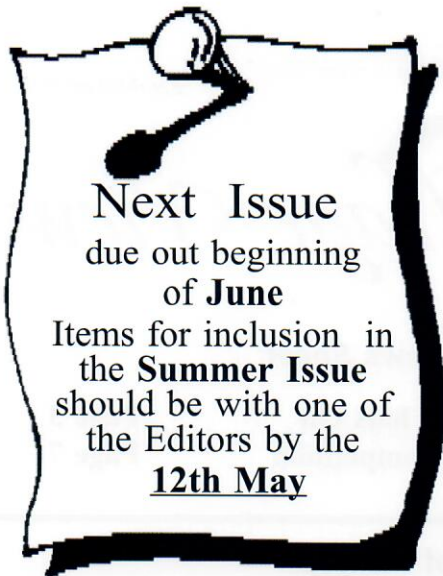
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Be Warned

There is a bicycle thief in Milton and unfortunately I was one of their victims. This person comes on your property when you are actually in the house and takes your bicycle off your drive. I was silly enough not to lock mine as it was outside my back door in full view of the road. So be very careful to lock yours as this has now cost me a new bicycle. It only took minutes for it to be taken so take minutes to lock yours and do not become a victim of this thief.

(Name and address supplied)

Vacancy

A vacancy has arisen for the post of Clerk to Milton Parochial Charities, as the current Clerk is stepping down after five years.

Have you got a few hours to spare each month to help a worthwhile local Charity within the village? The Charity helps individuals and groups that fall into the Charity's wide ranging criteria. It would be a great advantage to be computer literate and have an internet connection as the administration system has been updated to meet the needs of the modern electronic age for ease of use and quickness of reply. An ability to liaise with people of all ages is a must, but especially senior citizens who are supplied with lifeline alarms from the Charity.

If you feel you are this sort of person please contact Mrs Beryl Waterson (Chair of Trustees) on 423124 in the first instance. Ample training will be given by the outgoing clerk for what is an interesting and important job.

Barry Jefferson

Breakthrough in Breast Cancer

Over the past few years we have raised money for Breakthrough in Breast Cancer by having a stall at the Village Fayre. We do this in memory of Tracey Maltby who was a well loved village lady and as many of you know Tracy was also our daughter/sister and we still miss her dearly. We are hoping to raise more funds for this charity to assist with research and equipment.

We will be having a Tombola Stall again at this years Fayre and would be grateful of any donations. These must be new items but can be anything from a tin of beans, wine, smellies, unwanted gifts etc. You can take these to Alice at 6 Recreation Close or phone Karen on 07808520576 who will collect them. Thank you!

Alice Hall & Karen Northfield

History of Milton Primary

The school in Butt Lane is now 50 years old. We hope to publish local stories in the June issue. If you can help by sending us photos or information about life in the old school and the move to the new site in Butt Lane / Humphries Way we would be pleased to hear from you. Please contact one of the editors.

Outstanding Place to Learn

The College of West Anglia land-based provision - based at Milton, Cambridge and Wisbech near Peterborough - has been graded outstanding and ranked among the best in the country after its latest Ofsted inspection.

The College offers a variety of full-time and part-time courses in Agriculture, Countryside Management, Game-Keeping, Horticulture, Floristry, Equine, Animal Management, Dog Grooming and Veterinary Nursing. The land-based activities have access to excellent resources, as demonstrated by their use as the practical teaching centre for Cambridge University Veterinary School and the Anglia Ruskin University, Cambridge Animal Husbandry course.

Leprosy

Thank you to all those people who regularly contribute to the Leprosy Mission. The total collected in 2007 was £329.64.

Should anyone wish to have a collection box in their home please contact Daphne Linsey on 862804

Daphne Linsey

Nora Hall

Many of you will remember Nora Hall who lived in Fen Road for most of her married life. Nora died peacefully in her sleep at the age of 91 years on the 14th February 2008.

Nora was an active member of the Baptist Chapel which she and her husband Charlie attended for many years including helping at the Sunday School. She worked at the primary school in Milton for many years as a dinner lady and had a great affection for all the children who attended the school.

After the death of her husband Charlie Nora moved to Falmouth in Cornwall to live with her daughter.

Nora will be sadly missed by her family and the many friends she made in both Milton and Cornwall.

Veronica & Susan

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Boogie Pete Coming to Milton

Those of you with small children, or grandchildren, will know of Pete from the CBeebies programme, Boogie Beebies.

On Saturday May 10, Pete will be coming to Milton to do two shows with the children.

The first show is at 10:30am and the second at 1pm.

Tickets for children are £10 with accompanying adults free (all children must be supervised by an adult).

This event is being co-sponsored by Cygnets Milton Pre-School and Landbeach Busytots and Playgroup. All proceeds will go towards both charities.

For tickets and information, contact Michelle on 07850243088 or Lisa on 07877 317361.

Scrabble

In the Church Hall

Second Friday at 7.30pm

Admission 50p

Where else could you have an evening out playing scrabble with pleasant company, a few nibbles and prizes – you even get a prize if you are at the bottom and all this for only 50p

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Whist Drives

Fourth Tuesday in the month
7.30 at the Community Centre

Admission £1.50

Enjoyed by all who come

Dates for your diaries

Milton Summer Fayre 2008
Saturday 12th July 1.30 - 6pm

East Anglia's Children's Hospices

Gala Day

Saturday 21st of June

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Tel: 01223 860829

College of West Anglia

Open Day

at the Milton Campus:

Saturday 17th May 10.00 - 14.00

Family Fun Open Day

(Fun and activities for all the family)

The Farmland Museum

Denny Abbey, Ely Rd, Waterbeach
Tel 860988 (Office) 863036 (Education)

Garden Willow Workshop

April 12/13, 10am - 5pm

Japanese Felting Workshop

April 20th, 10 - 5pm

Life Drawing Workshop

April 27th, 10am - 1pm

Please contact the museum for booking, costs and more information

Milton Parish Council Annual Parish Meeting

Monday April 28th

at

The Bowls Pavilion

Coles Road, Milton

7.30pm

Park & Ride

Butt Lane

Guest Speaker

**Alistair Frost from
Cambridgeshire County
Council will be giving
an update and taking
questions**

All Welcome

Party in the Park

on Landbeach Recreation Ground

Saturday 19th July 2008

A full evening of entertainment from 6.00 – 11.45 pm including

children's entertainment, jazz band, belly dancers, acrobatic rock'n'roll and fantastic live band – The Soul Searchers.

Tickets include a Hog Roast and are on sale from 2nd June

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Milton Week of Action *Continued from page 1*

The DVLA parked on the A10 with their Automatic Number Plate Recognition (ANPR) system that recorded all the vehicles that passed them. In 3 hours 2300 vehicles passed with 23 of them being driven without any road tax. These offences will be followed up by the DVLA.

Also one foreign vehicle owner has been reported for not registering his vehicle whilst residing here.

One driver has been reported for driving in the village with no tax.

Eight vehicles were investigated as showing out of date tax but they were off the Highway and declared SORN.



Local residents turned out on a dull afternoon to help litter pick on the western edge of the village. They cleared 10 black sacks of rubbish from the bund north of Butt Lane, and another 10 from the southern bund and around the Sycamores recreation ground. There were also 4 wrecks of bikes, 3 of which came out of the ditch at The Sycamores, and 3 police cones.

in the number of Police Officers in both uniform and plain clothes patrolling the village. So far there have been no crimes or reports of anti social behaviour in the village.

Scott Evans 7210

Police Community Support Officer, Histon Police station
mobile: 07921094946 email: scott.evans@cambs.pnn.police.uk



Fire Service advice at the Roadshow

One vehicle had to be removed by Environment Agency.

Several areas in the village have been identified as having graffiti from the EVA and the Probation Service came out on Tuesday to remove it. If you have been a victim of graffiti and you would like it removed please get in contact with the Parish Council as a disclaimer needs to be completed prior to the graffiti being removed. The probation team also carried out a litter pick at the Sycamores Rec. and Fen Road and 40 bags of rubbish were collected.

Also on Tuesday a 'drop in' was held at the Country Park and members of the public had their property such as mobile phones and bikes registered free of charge on www.immobilise.com.

The Fire service has been visiting houses during the week to offer free Fire Safety Checks.

Thursday saw the Roadshow being held at Tesco where members of the Police, DVLA, CDRP, Environment Agency and the County Council Truancy Team were able to provide information to members of the Public. Nine youths were caught playing truant at Tesco.

The week has also seen an increase



Volunteers help clear areas near the Sycamores Recreation Ground

Milton W I Jam and Jerusalem?



Members enjoying lunch at the Lion and Lamb

Yes – some of us still do make jam and marmalade and cakes – and on very rare occasions sing Jerusalem but in no way does that awful T.V. programme with Dawn French and Jennifer Saunders bear any resemblance to our W.I.

Milton W.I. was started in 1925 and despite popular belief only one of our members is old enough to have joined then! The rest of us vary from old established members to relative new comers. We meet on the third Tuesday of the month in the lounge at the Community Centre. Our meetings are friendly, happy and relaxed. Every month we have a guest speaker. Recently we have been bewitched and spooked by the local Historian Mike Petty who regaled us with stories and slides about local witches and ghosts, being shown beauty products and tips by Body Shop at Home and moved by the experiences of Alison Rowbotham whose young son George was cared for at Milton Children's Hospice.

Speakers for the next few months are; April – Gareth Sandhem, Gardener Anglesey Abbey, May – John Coston, My cycle ride Coast to

Coast, June – Dan Johnson, Underwater Diving, July – Rita Smith, Mabel Lucy Atwell. Those of us who wish can become involved with issues promoted by the National Federation, such as excess packaging, closure of local hospitals and fare prices for farmers but there is no pressure to join any of the campaigns. Anyone wishing to join us will be most welcome. Why not come along to a meeting as a visitor. Try before you buy! We look forward to making some new friends.

Veronica Hinchliffe (Secretary)

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Parish Council Meeting Dates 2008

Apr-07 COUNCIL
Apr-28 Annual Parish Meeting & Planning
May-12 APCM [May 5 Bank Holiday]
May-19 Finance (and Planning)
The Parish Council meet in the Bowls Pavilion, Coles Road.
Please see Parish Council notice boards or visit the web site for further details.
Copies of agendas and minutes can be found on the notice boards, in the Community Centre and on the web.
www.miltonvillage.org.uk

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Easter Egg Hunt Milton Country Park



The Bonus Family looking at the clues

Country Park Update

South Cambs. District Council have announced that they expect to hand over the Country Park to the Sport Lakes Trust at the end of March.

Milton Flower Arranging Club



Back – Linda Tiplady, Lorna Sheen, Veronica Hinchliffe, Wendy Stanley, Margaret Mansel, Ann Kayne, Sheila Richell
Front – Mella Ball, Ruth Overall, Doreen Keen, Shirley Proctor, Joan Sleep, Lily Proctor, Karena Rix

The ladies from the flower club meet every Tuesday morning. We first got together three and a half years ago.

We find flower arranging is both relaxing and very rewarding. We like a chat and a coffee, as we are a very friendly group. Unfortunately we have no vacancies at the moment.

Shirley Proctor

Knitted Last Supper



One of three sets knitted by Daphne Linsey depicting the "Last Supper" on display at All Saints Church over the Easter period

Milton CE Primary School

Cinders

The year 3 and 4 children at Milton School performed 'Cinders' to packed audiences on 17th and 18th March.

The children worked extremely hard to produce a fantastic and memorable show, which everyone thoroughly enjoyed. All the actors, dancers and singers did themselves proud. The highlight of the evening for many was the dance to the 'time warp' during the King's Ball!



School Travel Plan

Here at Milton school we have been developing our School Travel Plan. We have surveyed the children as well as parents and carers to find out about ways in which children currently travel to school and any issues surrounding this. The responses have been very informative and it is quite clear that the health and safety of the children is the paramount concern. The main issues that have been identified are: speeding traffic, safe crossing places and the safety of the entrances into school, lack of cycle routes, cycle racks. Taking these into consideration our Travel Plan will be focusing on:

- Increasing the number of children who walk or cycle to school
- Reducing car travel and improving road safety
- Promoting safe travel to and from school

This is a five-year plan and we will keep you informed of any developments.

Alison Lycett
Deputy Head teacher

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For details and application form contact Milton Community Centre Coles Road Milton or telephone 01223 862763.

Parish Plan Household Survey

The Numbers

- 1- Idea ('a Parish Plan would be a good idea!')
- 2- Public Meetings
- 7- Members of the Steering Group
- 12- Drafts of the survey before it was printed
- 30- Helpers to distribute and collect surveys.
- 1700- Surveys distributed to households in Milton.

Thank you.

Thank you to everyone who took the time to complete and return the survey.

(Late returns can still be delivered to the Parish Office – up to the end of April.)

AND a very special thanks to the 30 people who walked the 'highways and byways' – the steering group is very grateful to everyone who got involved – especially because otherwise it would have been very difficult to carry out its consultation exercise.

The returns are currently being collated and counted. The return rate is about 55% – which means we will have the views of over half the population of the village.

The exact figures will be published with the report. Contact will be made with businesses and other areas of the 'parish' after the Easter break.

We will carry out the 'prize draw' as soon as the back pages are available – results will be published in the next copy of the Village View.

Some personal remarks -

It was a very interesting going to strange houses on a dark, cold, windy evening. Sometimes it was difficult to find the door bell – sometimes it could not be heard to ring – I was surprised by the number who use door knockers but that is a learning point for me! What made it ok was the fact that people were polite and friendly, even when they did not want to complete the survey. As an ex-teacher I know all about excuses for not doing homework – it felt like that sometimes! I enjoyed having contact with lots of people who live in the village – it has reaffirmed my feeling that it is an 'all right place to live'.

Phil Badley

(Chair of Parish Plan Steering Group)

Congratulations

Maria & George Davis

60th Wedding Anniversary

Love from all the family

Landbeach and Milton Baptist Church

Sunday Services

10.30 am Family Service
6.30 pm Evening worship

Midweek Home groups

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If you would like him to call on you ring him on 07702830308.

He is in the village from around 1 - 2.30p.m.

Puzzle Corner

The puzzle this time is to find a proverb. Coiled in the grid below is a proverb. To spell it out, start with one letter and move to another adjacent letter in any direction.

A	C	Y	N	O
N	U	O	E	T
T	G	D	F	S
T	E	O	R	A
B	L	O	O	M

(Hint: start with a letter in the top row). Send the answer to Michael Spooner, 43a Old School Lane, Milton, Cambridge CB24 6BS by the 7th of May. If you prefer to use email then send to mjsmilton@tesco.net. There will be prizes for the first two correct entries out of the hat!

Michael Spooner

Milton Football Club

Milton Sunday FC has reached the Cambs. FA Millennium Cup Final to be played on Sunday 20 April at Soham Town Rangers FC Ground where they will play Gamlingay United Sunday FC. The match is a 2.30pm KO and the club would welcome your support. They defeated Banyers FC from Royston 4-1 in the semi-final.

At the time of going to press (18/03/08) the team are top of the league with just two matches to play.

If you would like to play for Milton Football Club or would like to get involved on the non playing side please contact the Club Secretary Fraser Confrey 07763 351490. The club is always on the look out for new sponsors or patrons – if you are interested in helping the club in this way please contact the secretary in the first instance.

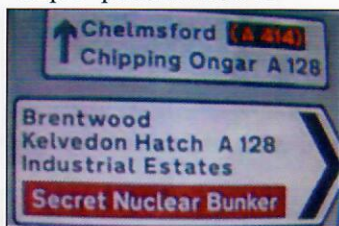
Fraser Confrey

More Silly Signs



Sign of things to come?

Day Barr sent us this photo showing the prices for fuel advertised outside Tesco, Milton late on the night of the 10th Feb. Although blurry it seems to offer Petrol at £4.03.9, Diesel at £8.09.9 and "Super" petrol £4.08.9 !!



Not so Secret Bunker!

This sign was spotted by local resident Debbie Gee.

Send us your fun photos for publication. Snowmen pictures also welcome! You can email them to us at vv@miltonvillage.org.uk or drop the in at 67 Coles Road.

New look to Milton Summer Fayre!!!!

This event is on Saturday 12 July 1.30 onwards (not Sunday as previous years) . This year we will be carrying on in the evening with The Wayback Band (outside if weather permits - inside if not) .There will be a real ale bar and an ordinary bar plus a childrens bar and a barbeque for the early part of the evening - going on until around 10 p.m. Put this date in your diary - it's going to be a good event!!!!!!

Milton Summer Fayre 2008

Milton Community Centre and Recreation Grounds
Coles Road, Milton, Cambridge, CB4 6BL

SUMMER FAYRE 2008 AT COLES ROAD RECREATION GROUND
Saturday 12th July 1.30 P.M- 6 P.M.

You are invited as a member of our community to participate in the village fayre.

You may wish to display your group or club by having a display stand, or you may like to take the opportunity of running a stall, organising a game or activity to raise funds. Due to feedback received in previous years, we would like to see a few more family games to run alongside your tombolas.

A standard pitch is 4 metres wide. If you require more than a standard pitch please state your requirements and we will try to accommodate you. The price for a pitch is as follows:

Local charity stalls£7, Village Non-Charitable Stalls£15, Commercial Vans£30

To assist us in clearing up after the Fayre please;

- Return any tables (Cleaned) to the side double doors of the Main Hall
- Tidy up your area please. A bin bag will be provided and please take any rubbish straight to the skip provided, situated by the garage.
- PLEASE NOTE, ALL STALLS TO BE SET UP BY 12.30P.M AND FOR
- HEALTH & SAFETY REASONS, NO VEHICLES TO BE MOVED FROM THE ARENA BETWEEN 1.30p.m and 6.00p.m.
- Any queries please contact 01223 862763 (Milton Community Centre) or alternatively you can Email Rebecca Aldhouse (Milton Summer Fayre Committee) at MiltonFayre@yahoo.co.uk

Village Fayre Booking Form

Please return this booking form to Milton Community Centre, Coles Road, Milton, Cambridge CB4 6BL. Cheques payable to Milton Village Fayre.

No. of pitches required _____

Type of stall/activity _____

Do you require a trestle table? Please provide your own chairs _____

Signed _____

Name of Group/or other in caps _____

Address _____

E-mail address _____ Telephone No. _____

From each group we must have one member who will stay behind afterwards to help clear the rec. Please sign here: _____

History of the Summer Fayre

The organisers of this year's Summer Fayre in July would like to have a stand on the history of the Fayre. If you have any photos or stories about the village and the Fayre particularly since the 2nd World War, the organisers would be grateful to receive them. Please take them to Jim Daniels at the Parish Council Office in Coles Road. If not copies of originals and you want them back, please clearly label them with your name and address and also grant permission for copying as necessary for exclusive use as archive material in the possession of the Parish Council.

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Milton Outdoor Bowls Club

The Milton Outdoor Bowls Club season commences on Monday 21st April 2008, when the green will be open for use by members and the public. This winter there has been a major refurbishment of the green and the ditches. The old wooden ditches, which were rotting and dangerous, have been replaced by new glass reinforced concrete ditches. The Club wishes to thank the people and organisations named below, for their generous contributions towards the cost (just under £10,000) of purchasing and installing the new ditches.

South Cambridgeshire District Council
Milton Community Centre
The Foundation for the Sports and the Arts
Milton Parish Council
The Jean Gallagher Trust
Dennis Beldon



The photograph shows Club members working hard at removing the old wooden ditches, which took 3 days and saved almost £4,000 by not employing a contractor.

The Club is a friendly and sociable organisation that is looking for new members, whatever their age or gender. We play in the local leagues as well as friendly matches and Club competitions. With this in mind we are holding an **Open Day on Sunday 4th May 2008, from 2pm to 4pm** for any one who would like to try the game of bowls. Flat shoes or trainers to be worn and bowls will be provided. Members will be on hand to help and give advice where needed. Drinks and biscuits will be provided after the event free of charge.

Bob Waters

Milton Tennis Club

The tennis courts are situated on Coles Road Recreation Ground, near the Community Centre and Doctors Surgery. Our season officially begins on 1st April – the first club night (for adults) is Wednesday 2nd April from 6pm. Membership rates are Family £36, Adult £18, Junior £8, Corporate (off-peak) £75. We will be running subsidised coaching sessions for both adults and juniors for current members. Junior coaching sessions will take place on Tuesdays from 6.30 during June/July. Adult coaching sessions will be on various Saturdays throughout the season. For all information contact Sue Griffin, Secretary – e-mail seg37@cam.ac.uk, Tel. 01223 562878 or see website www.miltonvillage.org.uk/mtc

(Website will be updated with information for 2008 within the next few weeks).
Sue Griffin, Secretary

Milton Colts Valentines Ball

It was Saturday February 16th, at 7.30p.m. Six ladies were very nervous as 6 months of preparation towards the Valentines Ball had come to an end and the evening lay ahead of us.

We watched as cars came & went and greeted the guests. The men looking very smart in their dinner jackets and suits and the ladies in their evening dresses. A champagne reception welcomed them and a photographer took photos of each couple on arrival so that they would remember the evening. We had many positive comments about how well the hall and the tables had been decorated. Next stage was to get everyone seated for the four course meal. Would everyone be where they wanted to be and seated with who they requested to be seated with. One slight hiccup, but with a quick removal and replacement of a table everyone was happy.

We played a quick game of Heads and Tails (If your not sure what this is you'll have to come to the next one to find out) before we ate, which raised £270. This got everyone in the mood for a great night ahead.

The food was delicious! Many thanks to Clare and Beryl Waterson (Barn House Country Kitchens) for preparing the food and working so hard on the night. Also our waiter/waitresses who volunteered their help and did a great job in bringing the food to the tables very professionally.

The hamper raffle followed and then onto the dancing, and we could relax and enjoy the evening. Thank you to The Wayback Band for entertaining us all. It was fantastic to have such a mixture of music which suited everyone.

It was now 1.00a.m on Sunday 17th February. It's all over too quick. Thank you to everyone who helped clear up afterwards, it certainly was a lot quicker taking down the decorations than it was putting them up!

The Milton Colts fund raising committee would like to say a big thank you to all who were involved in helping us make the Valentines Ball a great success! The evening raised a total of £1479.73 for the Milton Colts football teams. Thank you for everyone's support.

The committee are: Charlotte Collen, Heather Wallis, Clare White, Caroline Twinn, Sarah Brooke, Rebecca Aldhouse

Onto next year:- Watch this space

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