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#### All correspondence relating to this newsletter should be forwarded to:

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# CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Tuesday, 17th March, a truly monumental day in the history of Heartbeat. In April 1987 the idea of a cardiac support group was first mooted, discussions took place and finally on 1st October 1987 Heartbeat was officially launched. Over the intervening years it has grown giving support to many people with cardiac problems. The Heart Centre and cardiac wards at Ipswich Hospital have benefitted from our support and members enjoy the various group meeting that are organised. However, because of Covid 19 everything has been brought to a complete stop.

By the time you read this over seven weeks will have passed and I cannot imagine what the situation will be, I hope that your lives have not been disrupted as much as was predicted. The friendships we value and have formed over many years will have stood us in good stead supporting each using technology, telephone or even letters as we continue to be "confined to quarters."

When we see the long-awaited end of this infection I am sure that Heartbeat will, like the legendary "Phoenix", rise again and be stronged and more supportive than before.

# ALL THE "REGULARLY HELD ACTIVITIES" HAVE BEEN SUSPENDED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE.

The June AGM is in doubt so until it can be arranged all trustees will remain in post. The 100+ Club draw will still be made and prizes sent to the lucky winners.

If you require any assistance or support please contact a member of the committee and we will do our best to help you. Please keep happy and healthy until we can be together again.

With All best wishes Mike

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# TREASURER'S REPORT

I cannot believe it is a year since I gave you an update on the Annual Accounts which I am preparing at the moment. It has been a very successful year with donations in excess of £13,000 which I think is an amazing amount given to us by small and large organisations. Some of the donations have been spent over £70,000 in 2018/2019 for equipment for the hospital most of the spending for new equipment that year is for the defibrillators already mentinoned. We are still holding regular meetings with the hospital and the consultants after a very hectic year for them with the Colchester merger. I have no doubt in the very near future there will be request for more. equipment.

We will continue to help with the costs of the activities we put on should they need it. Our monthly meetings are popular and we intend to continue funding them as we believe it is a good social event. We only ask £1 entrance fee and a donation for tea or coffee. (Biscuits are free). Many of you buy lucky draw tickets on the night and buy a book or two or a small gift from John Biggs which all adds up and provides a small income. 100+ Club is also a small money raiser for us but it is run mainly to give people a chance to win one of the 3 cash prizes every month. The outings and holidays are still popular and are self funding with a lot of work put in so we can offer these.

**YVONNE** 

#### **100 CLUB WINNERS**

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	Mrs P Fudger	£11.20		Mr D Double	£11.10

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GETTING OLDER HAS ADVANTAGES

1. Kidnappers are not very interested in you. 2. In a hostage situation you are likely to be released first. 3. No one expects you to run - anywhere. 4. People call at 9pm and ask, "Did I wake you"? 5. People no longer view you as a hypochondriac. 6. There is nothing left to learn the hard way. 7. Things you buy now won't wear out. 8. You can eat supper at 4pm. 9. You can live without sex but not without your glasses. 10. You get into heated arguments about pension plans. 11. You no longer think of speed limits as a challenge. 12. You quit trying to hold your stomach in no matter who walks into the room. 13. Your eyes won't get much worse. 14. Your investment in health insurance if finally beginning to pay off. 15. Your joints are more acccurate meteorologists than the National Weather Service. 16. Your secrets are safe with your friends because they can't remember them either. 17. Your supply of brain cells is finally down to a manageable size. 18. Finally you won't remember reading this list.

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A couple went into a restaurant and when they were seated the waitress went over to ask for their order. The man said he would like a burger. The waitress asked "Is vegan OK?" The man replied "Is Monoply money OK?"

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A Frenchman is staying in an hotel, on holiday in England. He goes down to the reception and says "I would like some pepper sent to my room please". The receiptionist replies "Certainly sir, would you like white pepper or black pepper". The Frenchman looks bemused and says "Toilet pepper".

# They said a mask and gloves were enough to go to the super market - they lied, everybody else had clothes on!

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Anyone want to buy 100 Scotch eggs and 150 bite-size sausage rolls? I misread the headlines and thought everyone was picnic buying.

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All football suspended, so for a change I started to talk to my wife and found out she was made redundant from Woolworths!

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### CROSSWORD - Answers on pages 27



#### ACROSS

- 1 Counting Money (7)
- 5 Formal evening attire (5)
- 8 Not sharp (5)
- 9 Sincere (7)
- 10 Given a command (7)
- 11 Following (5)
- 12 Fine stone (6)
- 14 Harvested (6)
- 17 Captured (5)
- 19 Spoken (7)
- 22 Idlers (7)
- 23 Pleasant Smell (5)
- 24 Float aimlessly (5)
- 25 Disciplined system (7)

### DOWN

- 1 Forbidden (5)
- 2 Wash fabrics (7)
- 3 Bury (5)
- 4 Avaricious (6)
- 5 Row of houses (7)
- 6 Inefficient (5)
- 7 Sewn surgically (7)
- 12 Spotted (7)
- 13 Tolerant (7)
- 15 Act (7)
- 16 School manager (6)
- 18 Military fabric (5)
- 20 Nasal accent (5)
- 21 Pulled (5)

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#### EXERCISE WEDNESDAY 4.30-6 p.m.

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Peter/Diane Marriott (01394) 286037 Mob: 0797 4756 498 (Peter) Mob: 0781 7294 283 (Diane)

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**MEETINGS WILL BE HELD** at Kesgrave Social Club, Edmonton Road, Kesgrave, IP5 1EE usually on the first Teueday of each month commencing at 2p.m All members are welcome.

Futur	e dates a	and speakers	
5th	May	Sharon Lockhart	Reduce/reuse/recycle
			Not a waste of time
2nd	June		Ukulele Band What no Cake
7th	July	Dave Steward	Suffolk Churches
4th	Aug	Colin Hopper	The world of Optical Illusions
1st	Sept	Chris Parfitt	The Waterways of the Russian Tsars
6th	Oct	EWM	Fashion Show
3rd	Nov	Nick Anthony	Customs at Felixstowe
1st	Dec	Annie	Musical Entertainment
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If you belong to any other groups or have heard speakers that you could recommend to our group please get in touch with Doreen Robinson on (01473) 402429

# ALL THE ABOVE AND TRAVEL ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE OR CANCELLATION DUE TO COVID 19

# CAN YOU NAME THE LONDON UNDERGROUND STATIONS?

- 1. A financial institution
- 3. Beatles/Cilla road?
- 5. could be fired in the road
- 7. Famous for its opera house8.
- 9. London's Arc de Triomphe 9.

Answers on page 27

- 2. A New Testament writers garden
- 4. Busy road to get your bread
- 6. Did a farmer leave it up there?
- 8. Home of a squire?
- 10.Using the horn on a wide road

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# SITUATIONS VACANT

#### SECRETARY

With effect from the AGM on 2nd June, Mrs Patricia Tibbs will be standing down from the position of Secretary. Patricia has kindly stated that she will be happy to keep the membership list updated for us. The new secretary will be required to take notes of the monthly committee meetings that are held on the last thursday of each month. Currently the notes are recorded in longhand so shorthand is not necessary. Meetings are held at Ipswich hospital in the education department meeting at 6.45pm for 7pm start and last approximately one and half hours. Please contact the Chairman, Mike Farthing, if you, or someone you know, would be willing to take up the position.

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#### EDITOR

It is, with regret, that after ten years of being the editor of the Pulse magazine I have taken the decision to resign from this position. As some of you are aware my husband had bravely battled several life threatening illnesses over the last ten years but lost his final battle in June 2019. I have thought long and hard over this decision and have come to the conclusion that I wish to make some changes to my life and be free to take any opportunities that may come my way.

I do not wish to see the demise of the magazine as it reaches out to so many members who can no longer get to meetings and also introduces new heart patients to our organisation, sending the message that they are not alone. So I most earnestly ask that if you know of anyone who can carry on the production of the magazine I shall be only too happy to give all the assistance I can.

It is not important that the new editor is a member of heartbeat. It could be a friend or a member of your family (a great opportunity for a young adult who would wish to pursue a career in publishing or advertising perhaps) - it would be a bonus on their c.v.

My last Pulse will be Christmas edition published in November and I would wish to thank the people who have given me support over my tenure.

Ed.

# 'GOOD KARMA' FROM THE DALAI LAMA

1.	Realise that great love and great achievements involve great risk.
2.	When you lose, don't lose the lesson.
3.	Follow the 3Rs: Respect for self, Respect for others, Responsibility for your actions.
4.	Remember that not getting what you want is often a stroke of luck.
5.	Learn the rules so you know how to break them properly.
6.	Don't let a little dispute injure a great relationship.
7.	When you realise you've made a mistake, move to correct it immediately.
8.	Spend some time alone every day.
9.	Open your arms to change but don't let go of your values.
10.	Remember that silence is sometimes the best answer.
11.	Live a good, honourable life. Then when you get older and think back you'll enjoy it a second time.
12.	A loving atmosphere at home is the foundation of your life.
13.	In disagreements with loved ones, deal only with the current situation. Don't bring up the past.
14.	Share your knowledge. It is a way to achieve immortality.
15.	Be gentle with the earth.
16.	Once a year, go somewhere you've never been before.
17.	Remember that the best relationship is one in which your love of each other exceeds your need for each other.
18.	Judge your success by what you had to give up in order to get it.

## OLD GARGE

I've always been a country chap, I'm Suffolk through and through. I'm always up at day break, so many things to do. The missus feeds the chickens, and I just cleans un out. With my old dog to help me, thee knows when his about. I love to let the cattle out, I love to see um free A nibbling at the grassland, Un laying neath a tree. I feed the pigs and 'orses, not time to sit an mope Now mussus she's bin artter me, Ise used up half 'er soap. I takes the 'orses pass the school, the kids shout artter me, "Hi Garge - you bin a muckin?" My dirty boots they see. But I don't mind - them only young, and liked to 'ave a larf But missus she ain't very pleased, as I walked down the path. She has to heat the water up, ready for me scrub. I ain't got no posh bathroom - just an old tin tub. But it's nice and warm and cosy in front a my owd fire I puts on my owd slippers and I doze for half an hour. The missus gets the "Good Book" down and we reads for a while About our Lord and Master, who had walked for many a mile And had no home to go to, nowhere to lay his head He must have felt so very tired, but still the hungry, fed. So, I'm content with what I am, A simple honest chap a good ol' wife - my farm - my dawg - to curl up on my lap. I ain't ever been a scholar, I don't want wealth or fame But the Good Lord has been good to me, and I live to praise his name.



#### CAN YOU WORK OUT WHAT'S ON THE MENU?

#### Soup

The capital in Portugal Amphibian Foolish Person

#### **Fish** Underfoot Fowl's resting place Cash on Delivery What a bride treasures

#### Meat

Women's best weapon What eve was made from On of Noah's sons Artist who painted "The Screaming Popes"

### Fruit

Two of a Kind Adam's downfall Interferring people 1066 - 1812 - 1945

**Game** Grumble Woman's crowning glory A break in the mountain Where carpets come from

#### Vegetables

Cause of a Shipwreck Cause of many a tear Spring colours Time in music

Answers on page 27

An older gentleman was on the operating table awaiting surgery and insisted that he speak with his son, a renowned surgeon, who was to perform the operation. "Yes", Dad, "What is it?" "Don't be nervous, Son; do your best and just remember, if it doesn't go well, If something happens to me, your mother is going to come and live with you and your wife!"

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Some people try to turn back their odometers. Not me, I want people to know 'why' I look this way. I've travelled a long way and some of the roads weren't paved!

One of the many things no one tells you about ageing is that it is such a nice change from being young. Ah, being young is beautiful, but being old is comfortable. First you forget names, then faces, then you forget to pull your zipper up but it's worse when you forget to pull it down!

### **BODY PARTS QUIZ**

- 1. Symbol of St Valentine
- 2. The fruit of the rose
- 3. A red bean
- 4. For coconuts and dates
- 5. Plum extractor
- 6. Did it grow in Eve's garden?
- 7. What? From a stone?
- 8. They are not really green
- 9. Fred and Ginger danced to this
- 10. Knit one purl one, knit on purl one
- 11. Carpenters use them
- 12. Two are big, two are small, six are in-between
- 13. Noddy's friend had big ones
- 14. ... and Daddy's were long
- 15. ... a chain has sixty-six
- 16. ...A clock has only one
- 17. ... while Kojak has none
- 18. ... and poor Jack broke his
- 19. Shylock wanted a pound of it
- 20. A fish
- 21. It's olfactory
- 22. Bovine baby
- 23. Attach with IX
- 24. Meaty cord
- 25. Common to violins, wasps and most ships
- 26. Important channel of transport
- 27. Held by the Beatles
- 28. Luggage box
- 29. Quarter, full or half
- 30. These are deep is daises

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#### THE OLD COFFEE HOUSE - TAVERN STREET

On the eastern corner of Tavern Street and Tower Street there stood, during the 17th and 18th centuries, a large and rather handsome halftimbered structure which was named the Old Coffee House.

At what period this house was built is not known but judging by its magnificent corner post, it was already old when, in the reign of Charles II or his brother James, it bacame a place of public resort in imitation of the London coffee houses, which flourished at that time.

Such places were frequented by persons of the 'better sort' who wished to lounge, exchange news, read or play cards, and were at the same time prepared to drink the coffee, which alone was charged for. Later, when broadsheets and newspapers were permitted, they were often provided by the management as an addded inducement to trade.

The architectural glory of this building was undoubtedly its corner post which was ornately carved at its lower end to represent the "Three Graces" - Faith, Hope and Chirity, and higher up the three masculine virtues of Fortitude, Vigilance and Courage. Both of these grounps were separately surmounted by a Bacchanalian Satyr.

Towards the end of the 18th Century the Old Coffee House seems to have attained a status of high fashion. Assemblies were held here, one of which was attended by no less a personnage than George, Prince of Wales.

This kind of thing did not protect its proprietor, Daniel Banford, from being convicted in 1771 on a charge of allowing billiards to be played in his premises. The conviction was afterwards quashed by the Court of King's Bench and the coffee house was not closed for long.

In 1798 the building was purchased by John Cobbold for £1,300 and later turned into three tenements, each occupying one gable of the house and each having its own entrance. Cont..page 26



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At this time Tavern Street was a notorious accident 'black spot', the roadway at this point being only 19 feet wide, narrowing to where, a little further on, the Post Office and the Great White Horse faced each other with only 12 feet of carriage way between them.

The decision to demolish the Old Coffee House was therefore taken in 1817 and the site was taken over by British Home Stores and is now a clothing store.

# THE DAY WILL DAWN

As I sit and watch TV, my thoughts so often stray To the people who are dear to me, some near, some far away. I think of the many happy hours I spent when everything was grand, Until this dreaded virus forced us all to wash and wash our hands.

But soon there'll come once more a day when hope again will reign, When all the clouds will roll away and the sun will shine again. And when this happy dawn is near, we're released through open door Back to the friends we hold so dear; have fun, and smile once more.

Our British hearts will then rejoice, our prayers were not in vain, For God has sent us back to them, safe from the fear of pain. To see those lovely, lovely friends, and life will make amends, When safe times come once more to stay, with Coronavirus gone away!

> Stan Bull, Aylesbury, Bucks Daily Mail 26/2/2020

WHAT'S ON THE MENU ANSWERS: Soup: Pea, Turtle, Noodle. Fish: Sole, Perch, Cod, Herrings. Game: Grouse, Hare, Turkey, Partridge. Meat: Tounge, Rib, Bacon, Ham. Vegetables: Leak, Onion, Greens, Beet. Fruit: Pear, Apple, Meddlers, Dates.

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**BODY PARTS ANSWERS:** 1. Heart, 2. Hip, 3. Kidney, 4. Palms, 5. Thumb, 6. Adam's apple, 7. Blood, 8. Fingers, 9. Cheek, 10. Rib, 11. Nails, 12, Toes, 13. Ears, 14. Legs, 15. Feet, 16. Face, 17. Hair, 18. Crown. 19. Flesh, 20 Sole, 21. Nose. 22. Calf, 23. Appendix, 24. Hamstring, 25. Waist, 26. Artery or Alimentary Canal, 27. Hand, 28. Trunk, 29 Back, 30. Knee.

**LONDON UNDERGROUND ANSWERS:** 1.Bank, 2. St James Park, 3. Edgware Road, 4. Baker Street, 5. Cannon Street, 6. Harrow on the Hill, 7. Covent Garden, 8. Mansion House, 9. Marble Arch, 10.Tooting Broadway.

I have at last been converted to a piece of modern technology via an "I pad". My daughter who, at the time of writing, is entering into her fourth week of Coronavirus pursuaded me to purchase one so, on Sunday I was able to connect up with her and her three children, all in different locations, both hearing and seeing them all at the same time - amazing! I appreciate that this may not be possible for all readers but if you have family and friends to help guide you over the telephone you would soon get the hang of it.

I am also lucky that I have a garden to provide me with fresh air and exercise, there is always work to do in a garden. My heart goes out to the people who live in flats and apartments without access to their own outdoor space.

I send prayers, love and best wishes to you all and remember "All things will pass". Stay safe and stay well.

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**CROSSWORD ANSWERS:** Across: 1 Telling, 5 Tails, 8 Blunt, 9 Earnest, 10 Ordered, 11 After, 12 Marble 14 Reaped, 17 Taken, 19 Uttered, 22 Loafers, 23 Aroma, 24 Drift, 25 regimen.

**Down:** 1 Taboo, 2 Launder, 3 Inter, 4 Greedy, 5 Terrace, 6 Inept, 7 Sutured, 12 Mottled, 13 Lenient, 15 Perform, 16 Bursar, 18 Khaki, 20 Twang, 21 Drawn.



New addition to the family, Jax, investigating the Japanese garden.