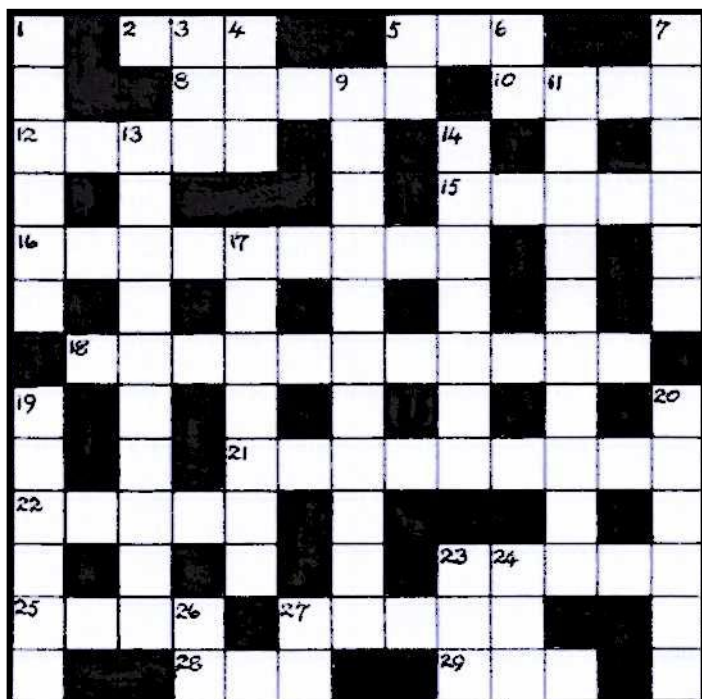


JANUARY CROSSWORD BY ALISA



ACROSS

- 2 Garment (3)
- 5 In the past (3)
- 8 Hair tidiers (5)
- 10 Split (4)
- 12 American coins (5)
- 15 Kingdom (5)
- 16 Not here (9)
- 18 New Year intentions (11)
- 21 Rotating disc (9)
- 22 Snap (5)
- 23 Vapour (5)
- 25 Direction (4)
- 27 Ride a bike (5)
- 28 Insect (3)
- 29 Tree (3)

DOWN

- 1 College (6)
- 3 Card (3)
- 4 Lettuce (3)
- 5 When (2)
- 6 Alternatively (2)
- 7 Part of a flower (6)
- 9 Officialdom (11)
- 11 Able to be visualized (10)
- 13 Strange (10)
- 14 Foretell (7)
- 17 Village near Cumnor (7)
- 19 Meal (6)
- 20 College (6)
- 23 Cunning (3)
- 24 Little support (3)
- 26 Disease (2)
- 27 Religion (10)

SOUTH AND VALE CARERS CENTRE

Are you looking after someone?

Many of you will know that there are people in your Parish who are sick, disabled, elderly or frail. Often their greatest wish is to continue to live in their own homes with as much independence and dignity as their conditions allow. NHS and social and community services are struggling to provide the required level support needed.

For most people in this position it is a relative, neighbour or friend that provides the help they need. These unpaid carers spend many hours every week looking after others; shopping, transporting, cleaning, cooking, washing, and dispensing medication and personal care.

Caring for others can be rewarding but it can also be tiring and stressful. It is important that carers remain strong, fit and healthy if they are to continue helping the person they care for. The South & Vale Carers centre is a local charity that provides support for unpaid carers in your area. We visit people in their homes and ensure that they have access to the advice, benefits, respite and other services they need to do a difficult job. All of our services are confidential and free.

If you are a Carer or you know a Carer who may benefit from these services please contact us on 01235 510212 or write to 5 Lydal Road, Didcot, OX 7HX, or carers@svcarers.org.uk

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DESIGN FOR LIFE – WHAT IS IT?

A project fusing science and art to celebrate the opening of the Harwell Diamond Light source synchrotron building being opened by the Queen in June 2007.

The aim is to create a visually stunning display of 30 textile panels interpreting microscopic images of Diamond scientists' research into diseases, such as malaria, osteoporosis, Alzheimer's and breast cancer.

A collaboration between the Oxford Trust, Diamond Light Source and the Oxon WIs, artists from Oxford and Cherwell Valley College and a leading textile artist and teacher (WI member) Anne Griffiths, designed the images

Eight groups of ladies have been beavering away for weeks on their allocated 'disease' panels using a range of quilting, stitching textile art and embroidery techniques. Each was supplied with Anne's specially chosen and dyed fabrics, thread and a pattern and encouraged to involve as many members as possible.

The 2' x 2' (50 x 50cm) panels have appeared at WI events throughout the County with individuals adding a stitch or two. Several Marcham WI sewers have been creating the 'flu virus'. The stunning blue and green results can be seen on the cover along with a selection from the other amazingly creative panels.

The 30 panel display is now on tour and can be seen at various locations around Oxford including The John Mason School Gallery from Tues 24 April - Sun 13 May, 9-3.30pm Monday to Friday.

In June 2007 they will go on permanent display in the atrium of the Diamond building. An amazing collaborative project involving dozens of talented WI members which can only be fully appreciated 'in the flesh' – don't miss it!

The project is funded by the Wellcome Trust, the world's largest biomedical charity researching into human and animal health.

GRETA GOULDING



Anne Griffiths (right) and Diamond scientist Rohannah Hussain with panel designs and material samples

Diamond Light Source is a new synchrotron facility, under construction in South Oxfordshire (UK), and scheduled to open in early 2007. When Diamond begins operations, it will have 7 experimental stations/beamlines and this will be expanded to 22 beamlines by 2011. This 21st century machine can be described as a series of 'super microscopes', which will be housed in a 235m diameter doughnut-shaped building. Eventually Diamond could provide as many as 40 different scientific experimental stations. A key goal of Diamond is to become a leading UK research base with a unique culture that cross-fertilises ideas from different fields of science.