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Committee Meeting Dates for 2022 are:

9th November; 14th December.

PLEASE NOTE: Meetings are to be held via Zoom until further notice.

Observer Team Meeting – 1st November 2022 via Zoom

We will warmly welcome nominations for anyone who would like to join our committee

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Welcome..... to November!

Where has this year gone?..... Just under 7 weeks, and it's Christmas Day! I hope that unlike me, you are on top of your Christmas shopping and looking forward to the festivities and of course we've just had Halloween Night. But before all the Christmas stuff, there's Bonfire Night with all the cracks and bangs of the fireworks which the children and some adults will love. However, a lot of animals get spooked by the loud noises and can be very frightened. If you have a pet who is like this, I'm sure that like us, you take every precaution to stop them being too scared.

We've had a couple of ADC test passes this month a Fellow and a National Observer Re-Qualification which is excellent news - you can see who has done what inside.



It was our **Social Night** at the Redbourne Club in Scunthorpe on the 26th of October and we were up against the Lincoln Bikers and the Lincoln Motorists in the yearly **Barry Heath Quiz Night**. However, our fantastic, brilliant, intelligent, out of this world team **WON!!!** You can see Terry is very proudly holding the trophy which is back where it belongs. *Congratulations* and very many thanks to the whole team for such fabulous effort.



Right ok, I'll leave you to get on and read through the rest of this months' newsletter – I'm sure there is something for you.....



Chairman's Chatter -

Hi folks,

Well since my last chatter, our dear queen has passed away and we now have King Charles running the monarchy. Regarding Prime Ministers well who knows how many more we'll have before my next chatter!! We might be in double figures by then!

Some good news is that we have had three more test passes. Many congratulations to Dmitry Ilyusha (Obs. Ian Greenbeck), Glen Lake (Obs. Sue Harris) and fellows member John Dicker (Obs. Paul Cassell). John also gained yet another first pass. Ian Greenbeck has also completed his National observer re-test. Well done to all.

We still have a few more members under guidance, and everything is going well so hopefully some more test passes to come before too long. We are always looking for more people to join us and Sainsbury's seems to be a good place to recruit from. We currently have one under training, recruited from there and on our last visit two more potential members, so fingers crossed.

Our social evening this month the "Barrie Heath Quiz night" was one of the best we've had for a while. Almost 40 people attended and enjoyed a fun night with a nice buffet. Question master was Phil Niner from the bike group and Phil managed to achieve the perfect balance of hard and slightly easier questions. With the audience listening intently at the half way mark the scores were Lincolnshire (cars) 28, SAGAM 26 and Lincs Bikers 26. The second half became more intense and at the finish the final scores were Lincs Bikers 44, Lincs Cars 51.5, and SAGAM 55.

Well done to all the teams taking part. I had the proud duty of presenting the Barrie Heath trophy to the winning team. It was a brilliant evening, and I offer my sincere thanks to everyone there.

A question to you all now, can you think of anyone, that would benefit by the IAM course?

Is it possible that you could help persuade them? At the moment our price is discounted to £95, and is exceptional value for money. You get exactly

the same as if you'd paid the new IAM price of £175. It's plain to see that that is a really fantastic price, we have to keep in mind, **it won't be that price forever !**

Thanks everyone for your continued commitment and support, stay safe and stay happy.

Kind regards,
Terry Heath
Chairman & NO

Observer Team News

Hello All, welcome to our November update.

During the past 12 months or so the National Observers have been carrying out their reassessments all with success. The reassessments are due every five years, however, because of our LOA status, they are carried out every three years. It is a two part test comprising checks of driving and observing skills. So, congratulations and well done to all.

We have had two successful ADC passes and one Fellows reassessment this month. Again, congratulations to all. I am sure your names can be found in the main newsletter.

Our Mobile display unit could be seen flying the flag at Sainsbury's Scunthorpe again on 22 October. We had some interest with some introduction packs handed out and we were allowed to show the unit in a more prominent space this time so that helped. A big thank you to Sainsburys for allowing us to be there.

Our quarterly Observer Team meeting on Zoom is arranged for Tuesday 1st November, where, along with other subjects we shall be discussing the advanced driver and automatic gears.

Finally and as usual, the team are always pleased to help if you have any questions regarding driving, advanced or other-wise. Contact numbers can be found in the newsletter.

Best wishes to all SAGAM members from the Observer Team.
Safe driving,

Paul Cassell,
Chief Observer.

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Did You Know? – The Gunpowder Plot and Bonfire Night

GUY FAWKES WASN'T THE RINGLEADER



While Guy Fawkes is the name synonymous with the 1605 Gunpowder Plot, the charismatic mastermind behind it all was Robert Catesby. Catesby was a devout Catholic, invested in converting England from Protestant to Catholicism. He was also a participant in the failed 1601 Essex rebellion and shared Guy Fawkes' fanatical Catholicism. Fawkes' role in the Gunpowder Plot was to light the fuse, detonating the 36 barrels of gunpowder. His knowledge of explosives came from fighting in Spain against its Protestant enemies. The Spanish was is also where he adopted the Itikianised version of his name, Guido. It was under this name that he signed his confession.

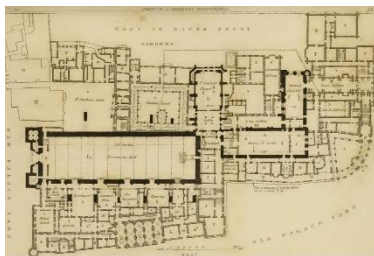
UNLUCKY THIRTEEN

The participants of the Gunpowder Plot were predominantly members of the gentry with a shared devotion to Catholicism. But included in their number was Catesby's servant, Thomas Bates, who stumbled across the plot and took their number to a rather ominous thirteen.

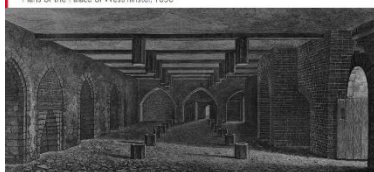
The plotters were angered by King James' signing of a peace treaty with Catholic Spain. In their eyes, this was a monumental blow to their hopes that Spain would invade England and restore Catholicism. The gathered plotters swore an oath on a prayer book and schemed to blow up the entire Houses of Parliament. They hoped that by killing King James I and his heir Prince Henry they could launch a pro-Catholic uprising. The next stage of the plan was to indoctrinate James' young daughter Elizabeth – installing her on the throne with Catholic noblemen ruling on her behalf. Picture right names: Bates, R. Winter, C Wright, J Wright, Percy, Fawkes, Catesby, T Winter



ALTERATIONS TO THE HOUSES OF PARLIAMENT GAVE THE PLOTTERS THEIR CHANCE



The original 11th-century building had undergone many alterations and extensions. This resulted in a mismatch of meeting rooms, apartments, shops and even taverns within its walls. At the time of the Gunpowder Plot, the room the large room the Lords met in was originally built in the 13th Century as the Queen's bed-chamber.

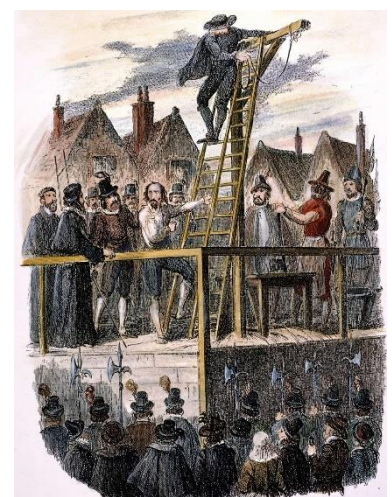


This multitude of clashing people and businesses resulted in minimal security. In March of 1605; an under-croft below the House of Lords became available. The plotters found gunpowder easy to obtain due to the end of the war with Spain, so Guy Fawkes assumed the identity of 'John Johnson' and began to transfer the gunpowder.

THE PLOT BEGAN TO UNRAVEL SEVERAL DAYS BEFORE THE 5TH OF NOVEMBER

A few days before the plot was due to take place Lord Monteagle - a Catholic sympathiser - received a cryptic letter. This letter discouraged him from attending Parliament citing 'they shall receive a terrible blow'. He took it to King James' right-hand man, the Earl of Salisbury. Despite the King now knowing of a proposed plot, Robert Catesby decided to proceed in the belief that the letter was too vague.

With heightened suspicions, the King ordered searches of Parliament. Guy Fawkes was discovered on the 4th of November with a suspicious amount of firewood. The gunpowder was found in the early hours of the 5th, prompting Fawkes' arrest and subsequent torture. Days of gruelling torment resulted in a confession and an order for his execution. With the



names of the other plotters uncovered, investigators moved quickly to arrest them. Eight plotters made a final stand against 200 men at Holbeach House in Staffordshire; most were killed or wounded, while the few remaining survivors were hung, drawn and quartered.

THE GUY ON THE BONFIRE WAS ORIGINALLY THE POPE

The Gunpowder Plot became infamous and fuelled anti-Catholic sentiment. In 1606, it became mandatory for all English churches to host a service on the 5th of November. Soon, other forms of celebration began, taking the form of bonfires, puppet shows and official artillery salutes. In 1673, crowds began the practice of parading around an effigy and stringing it up above a bonfire - initially in the form of the Pope. It was during the 1800s that the figure burnt above a bonfire became the familiar Guy Fawkes of today.



These days, Bonfire Night celebrations are stripped of their anti-Catholic sentiment. Guy Fawkes now seems to hold a more sympathetic anti-hero role in today's popular culture, while the fireworks, bonfire and revelry take centre stage.

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Tracing your family tree?

Over a number of years, we have delved into several genealogy sites and found some extremely interesting information about one member of my husbands' family. We believe this lady married her mothers' widow.....wow... that's intriguing. Below, you will find many research sources, most of which are free although there are some that have a nominal charge but if like us you want to know more, then it's worth it! Have a go - you never know what you might find.....

Family history can be an obsession but it is still a hobby, and all hobbies cost money! However, there are ways of preventing the costs from getting you down. An annual subscription to any of the major online providers of censuses and parish records can seem costly, but that cost should be set against the accrued expenses if you opt to travel to use resources. Before you decide to purchase a subscription, examine carefully what each provider has – each has contracts with different local archives. Have you investigated what is available at your local library? You should! Many UK libraries have access to Ancestry and/or FindMyPast. Some libraries also have the British Newspaper Archive available. Also, many larger family history societies have a research facility where members can access major online sources as well as local material.

There are many online sources. The following are a few of the free websites for you to explore for resources or that have links to other free sites. They are listed in no particular order. Get clicking and explore – you never know what may pop up.

Family History Federation

The website does not contain data, but has links to all member societies within the Federation so that you can contact and join the one where you live, and also that where your forebears lived. The website resources section has guides on research topics.

FamilySearch

FamilySearch is a vast website with millions of entries. It has UK parish records and indexes to such as workhouse records, land tax, school registers, and more. Online you can access transcriptions and images of some originals. You need to register on the site, but it is free. Local LDS Family History Centres provide free access to the full range of material. In addition, it has an extensive worldwide wiki.

Free UK Genealogy

Free UK Genealogy is a not-for-profit organisation. Volunteers transcribe material which is then made available free of charge. It encompasses FreeBMD (covering England and Wales civil birth, marriage and death registration indexes); FreeREG (parish register transcriptions) and FreeCEN (census transcriptions).

Explore Your Genealogy

A new website to add to your armoury. From autumn of 2022 this site provides information, access and links aimed at British genealogy. It is part of the Family History Federation and free to use. Family history societies are encouraged to promote their work through this site.

Online Parish Clerks

Online Parish Clerks (OPCs) are family history volunteers grouped by county who create websites with searchable transcriptions of records from their local parishes. These volunteers will look material up for you from their own resources.

UKBMD

UKBMD has indexes of local civil registration entries for a number of areas plus links to other websites and sources. Links are to free or subscription sites, but you can find sites you may not otherwise locate. Its sister sites are UKGDL for directories, electoral rolls, etc., and UKMFH for links related to military research.

National Library of Scotland

The NLS has the most incredible free online access to mapping for the entire British Isles. Their Ordnance Survey mapping is extremely useful for research as maps of different eras are available. Access is totally free.

Commonwealth War Graves Commission

We all use this free site which commemorates over 1.7 million members of Commonwealth forces who died in either WWI or WWII, but delve deeper to find details of burial grounds or about the individual commemorated.

GenUKI

GENUKI is a great free resource for anyone researching UK or Irish genealogy. Again, this is run by volunteers. Many links to material, listed clearly area-by-area. Excerpts from directories for many places. It has a listing of upcoming genealogical events, too.

General Register Office

If you are ordering copy certificates, this is the site for ordering birth, marriage and death copy certificates for England and Wales (unless you access online indexing for the local registrar's office – see UKBMD). The indexing is only for birth and deaths, but on births the mother's maiden name has been added back to 1837. On deaths, the age at death has also been added. The site requires free registration. Be canny and selective so you avoid ordering incorrect certificates.

Newspapers

While the British Newspaper Archive is not free, you can search the indexing for free and then use your findings to quickly locate an entry when you visit a library. There are totally free access offerings from Australia (Trove) and for New Zealand (Papers Past). Early Canadian papers are coming online courtesy of University of Toronto. FamilySearch has a listing of online newspaper sources – not all free.

The Gazette

The official publication of record has been scanned from 1665 to the present and placed online. A valuable resource for military personnel who were mentioned in dispatches, etc., but also for bankruptcy, probate, cessation of partnerships and more which all contain names.

The National Archives

Some material is periodically free to download, but the profusion of free guides on many subjects is a good source of learning!

England's Immigrants 1330-1550

A searchable database of over 64,000 people known to have come here 1330-1550. Drawn from alien subsidy returns and letters of denization. Useful to those fortunate enough to have traced ancestors to the period, or to those curious about unusual surnames.



China's electric car market is booming but can it last?

If you want to understand how governments can fuel the rise of new technologies, look no further than the taxi fleets of Beijing. Five years ago, the city revealed plans to ban the introduction of fossil fuel-powered taxis. Today, thousands of the cars run on batteries instead. And the drivers of these electric vehicles (EVs)



don't have to worry about wasting time at charging stations, either. **The city of Beijing wants all its taxis to switch from fossil fuels (Picture left)**

Many electric taxis in Beijing, and dozens of other Chinese cities, just go to a battery-swapping station where a machine plucks out the depleted battery and installs a charged one in mere minutes. *"They want to drive out there and earn some money so they definitely don't want to wait two hours for EV charging,"* explains

I-Yun Lisa Hsieh from National Taiwan University.

This is just one facet of the increasingly diverse and booming market for electric cars in China. Members of the public are also snapping up EVs in unprecedented numbers. In July, the China Passenger Car Association predicted that 6 million new EVs would be registered in the country in 2022 - a revision of its previous forecast of 5.5 million EVs to be sold this year. **Half of the world's electric cars are made in China (picture right).** Tesla had its best ever month in China in September, according to its most recent figures, selling 83,135 cars.



Nearly a quarter of all cars newly registered in China are now electric or plug-in hybrid vehicles, meaning that the country is ahead of Europe and well ahead of the US in adoption of these technologies. *“Half the world’s EVs are sold in China. And this is largely driven by government mandates and incentives,”* says Mr Hsieh. For more than a decade, the Chinese government has subsidised EV purchases. The value of these subsidies has fallen over time, and they are due to end by 2023, but there are still plenty of reasons why buying an electric car is a financial no-brainer. Many buyers of new fossil fuel vehicles in China have to pay out, not only for the car, but the licence plate as well. *“It’s really expensive,”* says Mr Hsieh. A new licence plate in Shanghai costs nearly 100,000 yuan (£12,500; \$14,000). There are other perks if you opt for an EV instead, though they differ from city to city. In Liuzhou, authorities have allowed EV owners to drive in bus lanes. And they get access to free parking spaces as well. Then there is the potentially irresistible price tag of some vehicles. The Wuling Hong Guang Mini EV bucks the trend of EVs being a relatively expensive option.



Affordable electric cars like this Wuling Hong Guang Mini EV have helped boost the Chinese market. (Image Left)

“The entry-level version of this dinky, no-frills car costs the equivalent of just £4,200 and appeals to city-dwellers and first-time car owners, says Jon Hykawy, president and director of Stormcrow Capital, a consulting and research firm. “These are vehicles that could be sold through a big chunk of Asia as well,” he adds.

The Hong Guang Mini is currently China's most popular EV.

But there are a host of options at the other end of the price scale, such as Tesla's Model Y (£49,000) or Xpeng's P7 (£30,410). Both are in the list of top 10 best-selling EVs in China.

The Chinese EV market is enormously competitive and lots of companies are vying for a place in it. Even an airline, Juneyao, wants to start making electric cars, according to a recent report from the Reuters news agency.

“It’s a very good environment for these manufacturers to develop technology,” says Pedro Pacheco, an analyst at Gartner, noting that the range offered by some battery EVs in China is particularly good.

And manufacturers are filling higher-end EVs with infotainment systems and other gadgetry in a further attempt to woo consumers.



High-end cars like this Lotus are selling well (Picture left)

But two big questions hover over the frenzy for electric cars in China. Firstly, will it last? And secondly, how will it shape the global EV market?

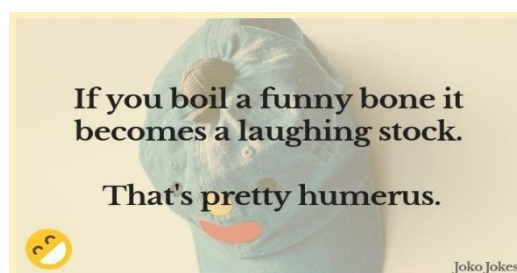
Ana Nicholls, director of industry analysis at the Economist Intelligence Unit, says she has been *“surprised at just how quickly EVs have flown out of dealerships in China lately but argues that, with the removal of subsidies for purchasers of new vehicles, the appetite for EVs could wane.”*

“It’s hard to see how the EV market can carry on expanding at quite this rate in the future,” she says.

Charging infrastructure remains unevenly distributed and subject to supply issues - some charging stations were curtailed recently thanks to a fall in electricity production caused by the mega drought affecting parts of China.

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Laughter is most definitely the best medicine.....





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A little bit of what you fancy... Jean Marples’ scrumptious Parkin

There are many food items that are associated with Bonfire Night. Toffee apples, treacle toffee, parkin and even the jacket potato, are traditionally eaten around Bonfire Night in parts of England. Here is Jeans’ Parkin recipe. She was a cousin of my husband and her parkin was well.....just the best!!

Ingredients

- 8oz syrup
- 8oz demerara sugar
- 8oz margarine
- 8oz self-rising flour
- 4oz medium oatmeal
- 4oz fine oatmeal
- 4 level teaspoons of ginger
- 2 large eggs
- 2 tablespoons of milk

Method

- 1 Melt together the syrup, demerara sugar and margarine in a saucepan and leave to cool
- 2 Meanwhile, sift together the flour, oatmeal and ginger
- 3 Beat the egg and milk together
- 4 When the syrup mixture has cooled slightly, make a well in the centre of the dry ingredients and pour in the cooled mixture along with the beaten egg and milk
- 5 Mix well together then pour into greased baking tin and bake in the middle of the oven for approximately 1 hour on gas mark 4 or 160 fan





Caught My Eye – Vauxhall Corsa

There are still a couple months to go before the Vauxhall Corsa is crowned as Britain's best-selling car for 2022, but it continues to hold its own. However, the Nissan Qashqai has delivered some big numbers lately, which could make it a considerable threat as we approach the end of the year.

The latest Vauxhall Corsa is miles better than the car it replaced, offering a much more convincing blend of performance, economy, comfort and driving pleasure. It looks good, boasts one of the best petrol engines in its class and has benefited hugely from the thoroughly modern underpinnings shared with the latest Peugeot 208. All of the technology on-board is bang up-to-date too, but we can't help feeling the whole package is a little overpriced; key rivals like the Ford Fiesta and Renault Clio are similarly rounded, but better to drive and cheaper to buy.

About the Vauxhall Corsa

Vauxhall's newest Corsa was one of the first products to arrive in the wake of the British brand's takeover by the PSA Group. Under the Corsa's all-new bodywork is a platform that's shared with the Peugeot 208, along with an all-new petrol engine that's also shared with the Corsa's French cousin.

There's plenty to separate the two closely linked cars, however. Inside and out, the Vauxhall looks and feels unique; sharp, modern lines mean the Corsa looks better than it ever has, while the comfortable interior boasts plenty of good-quality trim and up-to-date tech.

Vauxhall has trimmed the extensive equipment levels previously on offer, although there is still a choice of three specifications, including entry-level Design, sporty GS Line and top-of-the range Ultimate. The Corsa-e all-electric model has a slightly different trim line-up with just the GS Line and Ultimate. While the range starts at around £17,000, it's possible to push the price to more than £29,000 for a top-spec electric car.



Petrol-engined options include a 74bhp 1.2-litre, three-cylinder unit, or a 1.2 turbocharged powerplant with either 99bhp or 128bhp. The 99bhp PSA unit won Engine of the Year in 2018 and with good reason; it's our pick thanks to its balance of surprisingly punchy performance and a 1.5-litre diesel engine was also previously offered in the range, delivering 101bhp, but it's no longer available to order, while those prioritising lower running costs may find the 134bhp all-electric Corsa-e holds more appeal.

A five-speed manual gearbox is standard on the 74bhp petrol variant, while a six-speed manual 'box is featured on the 99bhp petrol and 101bhp diesel cars. An eight-speed automatic transmission is offered as an option for the 99bhp petrol version, although standard with the 128bhp model.

The Corsa has been completely reworked from the ground up to take on its rivals in what is one of the most hotly contested market segments. Its closest rivals are the excellent Ford Fiesta and Renault Clio (our Supermini of the Year), both of which sit at the very top of the class as fantastic all-rounders, while other capable rivals include the slightly larger Volkswagen Polo, its SEAT Ibiza relative and, naturally, the Peugeot 208 that shares so much of its mechanicals with the Corsa.

Used and nearly new

Since its introduction in the UK in 1993 the Vauxhall Corsa has achieved over two million sales, so there should be a ready supply of used or nearly new examples to choose from. It was actually the Vauxhall Nova that was the first supermini to wear the Griffin badge, with the Corsa introduced to appeal to a wider range of buyers. Sporty three-door models are less practical than the family-friendly five-door versions, but if you're after something racy, then the GSi and VXR variants may appeal.

Vauxhall Corsa History

Vauxhall Corsa Mk4: 2014-2020

The 2014 fourth-generation Corsa (Corsa E) was not an all-new car, but a heavily reworked version of the 2006 model (Corsa D). This meant it



maintained its roomy, spacious interior and choice of decent petrol and diesel engines. Equipment levels were enhanced with tech such as Apple CarPlay and Android Auto included, while you could also specify luxury items like a heated steering wheel, heated seats and automatic climate control.

Third-generation, three-door Vauxhall Corsa models were marked out with sportier trim, while the five-door cars offered more space for the family. The 2006 model grew a little in length to just shy of four metres, and Vauxhall introduced its efficient ecoFLEX engine technology with a fuel-saving start/stop system.

Corsa C: 2000 to 2006

The 2000 Corsa model range was similar in style to the previous line-up, although Vauxhall increased dimensions over the original Corsa B, which meant buyers benefitted from extra interior space. The body was now fully galvanised, while an improved four-valve Ecotec petrol and new direct-injection turbo diesel engine option offered increased power, reduced fuel consumption and better CO2 emissions.

Corsa B: 1993 to 2000

With its curvier design, the first Vauxhall Corsa looked altogether more sophisticated and modern than the Nova supermini. It offered more interior space, too, and brought in new tech which helped it compete against the likes of the Ford Fiesta, Volkswagen Polo and Peugeot 205. ABS brakes, front airbags and side-impact protection meant it offered new levels of safety, while the 16v GSi model and turbocharged diesel cars also appealed to buyers.

Under Stellantis ownership, Vauxhall has been able to access the group's CMP small car platform. In contrast to the underpinnings of the previous Corsa that dated back to the early 2000's, the latest architecture is bang up to date. The chassis is both over 15 per cent more rigid than the old car's and 40kg lighter. Add up the other weight saving measures – lighter seats front and rear, an aluminium bonnet, lighter engines – and the new Corsa weighs up to 108kg less than an equivalent version of the old car.

This brings benefits to the way the Corsa accelerates, brakes and handles, plus how much fuel it uses. Predictably then, the Corsa driving experience takes a giant leap forward.

Vauxhall Corsa vs Renault Clio vs Volkswagen Polo

Around corners it feels agile and responsive, and body control and grip are both strong. It's not quite as much fun as a Ford Fiesta – the slightly numb steering lets it down a little - but it's above the class average. It's certainly firmer than the previous Corsa, but it's by no means uncomfortable. The likes of the Renault Clio and the Volkswagen Polo ride more smoothly, but the Corsa isn't far behind. Refinement was always a Corsa plus-point, but the more rigid body structure means that the cabin is more hushed than ever. The best news is that in everyday driving the Corsa remains very easy to drive. The steering and the other controls all feel light at low speeds.

In a move which, Peugeot 208 aside, is unique to the supermini class, the Corsa is available with petrol, diesel, and electric powertrains. So regardless of your driving habits, there should be a Corsa for you. The petrol options use a 1.2-litre three-cylinder that's available with a turbo (99bhp) or without (74bhp) and these will make the most sense to most buyers. Alternatively, there was a 1.5-litre diesel with 101bhp and a hefty 250Nm of torque, but this has now been dropped from the range. The entry-level petrol is paired with a five-speed manual gearbox, the diesel gets a six-speed manual, while the most powerful petrol



gets a choice of six-speed manual or eight-speed automatic.

Doing away with a conventional transmission altogether is the Corsa-e. Here, drive is taken care of by a 134bhp electric motor which, combined with a 50kWh battery, results in a 200-mile-plus zero emission range.

Models higher up in the range – both combustion and electric - are available with a selectable driving mode. By switching to Sport mode, petrol models get an artificial engine note piped into the cabin, plus extra weighting to the steering. Prodding the Sport button in the Corsa-e allows the driver full access to the 134bhp on offer.

Engines, 0-60 acceleration and top speed

The Corsa's weight saving measures compared to the last one haven't just resulted in raised performance levels well beyond those of the old car, they've shunted the Corsa towards the top of the supermini class. Even the entry-level 74bhp petrol doesn't feel out of its depth on the road: officially it'll cover the 0-62mph dash in 12.4 seconds and go on to a 108mph top speed. The turbocharged petrol offers up 99bhp and 205Nm of torque, and slashes those numbers to 9.3 seconds and 121mph. By contrast, a Volkswagen Polo with just 5bhp less needs 10.8 seconds to get to 62mph, and has a top speed of 115mph. When paired with the eight-speed auto gearbox, the 1.2 petrol's figures drop slightly, with 0-62mph taking 10.2 seconds and a 119mph top speed.

Turbocharged or not, the 1.2 petrol is a sweet unit. Power delivery is smooth and predictable, and these units only make their presence felt audibly under hard acceleration. Most three-cylinder units are a little thrummy, and this one is no exception - but the cabin and the controls are well insulated against vibrations. The diesel performs just as impressively. Boasting 101bhp and 250Nm, the 1.5-litre four-cylinder takes 9.6 seconds to accelerate from 0-62mph and has a top speed of 117mph.

As the electric version is the most powerful - the single motor makes 134bhp and 260Nm - it's also the quickest Corsa. 0-62mph takes just 7.6 seconds, while the instant throttle response means that, particularly at urban speeds, it feels much quicker than that.

MPG, CO2 and running costs

Brilliant fuel consumption figures are possible, but Corsa depreciates faster than some rivals. One of the benefits of PSA's latest CMP platform is weight - specifically a lack of it. Aided by what Vauxhall claims is class-leading aerodynamic efficiency, the Corsa should offer up some of the best real-world fuel consumption figures in the class.

Based on the WLTP testing procedure, the 74bhp petrol achieves 53.3mpg. The turbocharged version isn't far behind at 52.3mpg. Based on our time with the 99bhp petrol, these numbers seem entirely plausible, depending on the sort of driving you do.

The diesel is more frugal still. Officially, the 1.5-litre, 101bhp unit should be capable of 70.6mpg - a remarkable figure for a non-hybrid car. However, given that it cost roughly £1,200 more than the turbo petrol when it was still in the configurator, it was only a worthwhile choice for those covering high mileages.

The diesel provided the lowest emissions at 109g/km, while the turbo and non-turbo petrol engines both produce 117-134g/km when mated to their respective five- and six-speed manual transmissions. The turbocharged petrol auto version is the most polluting with up to 136g/km of CO2.

Particulate emissions are kept to a minimum in the diesel thanks to an exhaust system which features a passive oxidation catalyst/NOx absorber, AdBlue tech, and a Diesel Particulate Filter (DPF). Of course, there's also the fully electric version, the Corsa-e, which emits 0g/km.

Electric range, battery life and charge time

The Corsa-e is equipped with a 50kWh lithium-ion battery, which results in a WLTP-certified range of up to 222 miles. This depends on the driving mode you've selected however: the official figure is based on the 'Normal' setting, but Sport mode will cause this to decrease (by around 10 per cent, says Vauxhall) while drivers looking to eke out a little extra range can do so in Eco mode.

The Corsa-e can accept rapid charging through a CCS port at up to 100kW. In optimal conditions, this means that charging from zero to 80 percent (about 170 miles of range) takes 30 minutes. Based on a 7.4kW home wallbox, a full charge from empty takes seven-and-a-half hours.

Insurance groups

The Corsa should be a cheap car to insure. Entry-level SE models with the non-turbo engine start in group 10, while the cheapest Turbo model starts in group 16. Diesels start in group 20.

By contrast the Ford Fiesta starts in insurance group 5 for Trend models with the entry 1.1-litre petrol engine; the more powerful 1.0-litre EcoBoost models start in group 10.

Depreciation

Cars that sell in numbers as vast as the Corsa tend not to be that great at holding onto their value. Combine this with the fact that the Corsa has an asking price that's higher than the class average, and it means that the Vauxhall is generally behind rivals in terms of depreciation.

However, the used market is exceptionally strong of late and, depending on the model, the combustion-powered Corsa should retain roughly 49 per cent of their value after three years and 36,000-miles of motoring. The all-electric Corsa-e is more expensive to buy than a petrol model, but doesn't hold much more of its value - around 50-51 per cent over the same three-year period.

Interior, design and technology



Improved design inside and out, but infotainment system and in-car tach lag behind the best in class

As in so many other areas, the latest Corsa has taken a big leap design-wise over its predecessor – a car that was based heavily on a design and technology that first hit showrooms all the way back in 2006. Using the PSA group CMP platform – also used

by the Peugeot 208 and 2008, among others – the new model is 19mm wider and 44mm lower than the previous Corsa, which makes it look more squat and sporty on the road. The design is nothing revolutionary, but it's well-proportioned and looks smart in the metal.

There's a lively colour palette to choose from, too: alongside the predictable greys and silvers, the likes of Voltaic Blue and Power Orange offer buyers more eye-catching options. Some colours are available with a contrasting black roof and door mirrors, too. Entry-level Design cars come with 16-inch alloys, while all other trims feature bigger 17-inch rims.

Step inside, and the Corsa's tidy if unremarkable design theme continues. The dashboard is neatly laid out, with a familiar Vauxhall steering wheel sitting beside a new PSA-derived infotainment system. Unlike the Peugeot 208, however, the Corsa still sticks with physical controls for the air conditioning system, which will be a welcome decision for many buyers.

As standard, the Corsa gets a pair of large analogue dials with a small LCD screen between them, but top spec models get a full-digital readout. It's bright and easy to read, but the square seven-inch display looks like an afterthought within the instrument binnacle.



Sat-nav, stereo and infotainment

Carrying over the infotainment setup from new parent group Stellantis comes with its pros and cons. For starters, the Corsa's new touchscreen display looks great; whether it's fitted with the 10-inch display used



by top spec models or the 7-inch touchscreen that's standard throughout the rest of the range, they both boast bright colours and clear graphics. Apple CarPlay and Android Auto are also standard, and there's a cubby at the base of the dash which allows you to connect a smartphone via a USB port.

However, it's not the easiest system to use. The menu layout isn't as logical as the systems you'll find in rivals from the Volkswagen or Hyundai groups, and overall it just seems a little fiddly to use. There are some physical controls – including

the climate functions – to help with some options though, so the system is less of a pain than it is in the Peugeot 208. Ultimate models benefit from a panoramic reversing camera to make parking manoeuvres less stressful.

Practicality, comfort and boot space

The Corsa is comfortable and refined, but below average interior and boot space. Unlike previous Corsa which was offered with a choice of three and five doors, the latest model comes exclusively in a single five-door body style. Up front, it's a comfy place to be. The supportive seats have plenty of adjustment, while all round visibility is pretty decent.

Storage is fine, rather than spectacular for the class. The front door bins can each hold a big-ish bottle, while there's a pair of cupholders in the centre console ahead of a small closed storage bin. The smartphone tray ahead of the gear selector is big enough and positioned in a way that devices shouldn't fall out when you accelerate or brake. The glovebox is small, though – a result of making it as flat as possible to maximise knee room for the front passenger.

Size

The latest Corsa measures 4,060mm long. That's 39mm longer than its predecessor, and 7mm longer than a Volkswagen Polo. At 1,765mm wide (not including mirrors) and 1,435mm tall, it's grown 19mm wider and dropped 44mm lower than before. The wheelbase measures 2,538mm – 13mm less than the Polo.

Leg room, head room & passenger space

Even before you've got in, things start to become a little tricky. The doors' openings are quite narrow - particularly at the back - which means that it's not only harder to get in than some rivals, but more difficult to install a child seat.



Once you've squeezed through the back doors, things aren't much better. Compared to rivals like the SEAT Ibiza, Hyundai i20 and even its predecessor to a degree, the Corsa feels cramped. The low roof means that anyone nudging six foot tall will brush their head against the ceiling, while knee room isn't great either. The seats themselves are comfy, though.

Boot

The Corsa's boot measures 309 litres. That's 24 litres more than the old car, and 17 more than you get in a Ford Fiesta. However, the Hyundai i20 (326 litres), SEAT Ibiza (355 litres) and particularly the Renault Clio (391 litres) are all much more generous. The opening itself is fairly small, too, with quite a high loading lip to lift heavy items over. The rear seat backs fold in a 60:40

Reliability and safety
Despite featuring good levels of safety kit, the Corsa misses out on a top Euro NCAP rating

The latest Vauxhall Corsa achieved a four-star rating (out of a possible five) from Euro NCAP in its crash tests, with scores of 84 and 86 per cent respectively for adult and child occupant protection. Poor whiplash protection for rear-seat passengers brought the overall score down, meaning the Corsa trails five-star rivals like the Ford Fiesta and Renault Clio.

Every Corsa comes with a lane departure warning and lane-keep assist system, speed sign recognition and automatic emergency braking as standard, while top-spec Ultimate cars add adaptive cruise control, front and rear parking sensors and a panoramic rear-view camera.



The latest Corsa finished in 42nd place (out of 75 cars) in our Driver Power customer satisfaction survey, while Vauxhall itself showed continued improvement in the manufacturers poll, moving up from a disappointing 29th out of 30 brands in 2020, to 24th spot in 2021 and up to 19th position in 2022.

Warranty



All Vauxhall cars are covered by a three-year, 100,000-mile warranty. This is more or less par for the course, matching that offered on the Volkswagen Polo and Ford Fiesta, but lagging behind the five-year coverage offered by Hyundai and Toyota on the i20 and Yaris respectively.

Servicing

Vauxhall offers a range of servicing packages; Vauxhall Care is the most comprehensive, offering three years servicing, two years roadside assistance and a free MoT when your car needs it. Standalone fixed-price services are also available, including all parts and labour with no hidden costs, plus a 12-month warranty on any work.

Vauxhall Corsa Review: The Vauxhall Corsa is fun to drive, well-equipped and a great all-rounder, but uncompetitive pricing may hold it back

Engines, performance and drive: Strong engines and low weight mean sprightly performance, but there are both more fun and more comfortable alternatives

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Laughter is Always the Best Eva Medicine.....

A police officer jumps into his police car and calls the station. "I have an interesting case here," he says. "A woman shot her husband for stepping on the floor she just mopped." "Have you arrested her?" asks the sergeant. "No, not yet. The floor's still wet."



A woman noticed her husband standing on the bathroom scale, sucking in his stomach. "Ha! That's not going to help," she said. "It sure does," he said. "It's the only way I can see the numbers."



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St Andrew ~ Patron of Scotland.



Earlier this year we looked at the three saints, David, Patrick and George, known as the patrons of Wales, Ireland and England. Now as St. Andrew's Day approaches (30th November), let us look into the life and background of the patron of Scotland.

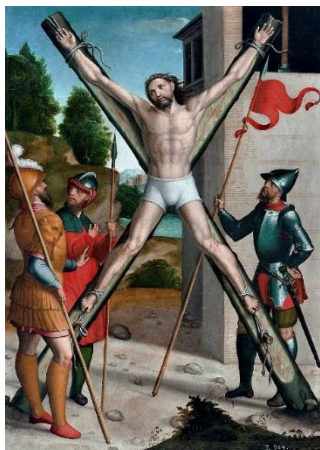
Unique amongst the four, St. Andrew was a contemporary of Jesus; the brother of St. Peter, he was indeed one of the original twelve disciples. Less clear is how he came to have a Hellenic name, although this is possibly due to the heavy Greek influence and the cosmopolitan nature of the area of Galilee where he was born.



How he came to be associated with Scotland is another story. He initially travelled to the Dneipre delta, where the river enters the Black Sea, and he is broadly credited with introducing Christianity to Central Europe. Indeed he is said to have erected a Cross in Kiev, where St. Andrew's Church now stands.

This led to several relics of his life being left in Kiev, but subsequently moved to Constantinople in later troubled political times. It is said that some of these were later relocated to the Scottish town of St. Andrews.

Andrew was martyred for his faith at Patras in the year 60AD. It is likely that he was crucified on a "Roman X" cross; this in turn resulted in his followers adopting the diagonal cross or Saltire.



In 832AD Óengus II lead an army of Scots in battle against the troublesome Angles. On the eve of battle, two lines of white cloud formed a diagonal cross in the sky. This led Óengus to promise that if he were victorious, then St. Andrew would become Patron Saint of the young Scottish Nation. Óengus kept his word, and thus the Saltire, a white cross on a blue background was established along with St. Andrew as the Patron of Scotland.

Picture 1 - The Saltire. **Picture 2** - St. Andrew's Church, Kiev. **Picture 3** - The crucifixion of St. Andrew, by Juan Correa de Vivar (1540-154)

Very many thanks to John Wigmore for providing the above article

Policy and Research

FIA meetings in Brussels

Neil Greig, IAM RoadSmart Policy & Research Director, attended a virtual session of the FIA Transport and Mobility Working Group in Brussels in September with an additional seminar on the cost of motoring. Motoring clubs from across Europe are all facing the same challenges as here in the UK. Spiralling fuel prices and pressure on household and business budgets are making life difficult for drivers and riders across Europe. At least virtual meetings save us a lot of hassle and cost! Some of you may have seen the latest FIA road safety campaign “Respect each other” on social media. Their hashtag #DRIVEWITHCARE is something we can all support and they have some resources anyone can use [here](#).

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New Series — English Springer Spaniel

The **English Springer** is a [breed](#) of [gun dog](#) in the [Spaniel](#) group traditionally used for flushing and retrieving game. It is an affectionate, excitable breed with a typical lifespan of twelve to fourteen years. They are very similar to the Welsh Springer Spaniel and are descended from the [Norfolk](#) or Shropshire Spaniels of the mid-19th century; the breed has diverged into separate show and working lines. The breed suffers from average health complaints. The show-bred version of the breed has been linked to "[rage syndrome](#)", although the disorder is very rare. It is closely related to the Welsh Springer Spaniel and very closely to the [English Cocker Spaniel](#); less than a century ago, springers and cockers would come from the same litter. The smaller "cockers" hunted woodcock while the larger littermates were used to flush, or "spring", game. In 1902, [The Kennel Club](#) recognized the English Springer Spaniel as a distinct breed. They are used as sniffer dogs on a widespread basis. The term *Springer* comes from the historic hunting role, where the dog would flush (spring) birds into the air.



Description



The English Springer Spaniel is a medium-sized compact dog. Its coat is moderately long with feathering on the legs and tail. It is a well-proportioned, balanced dog with a gentle expression and a friendly wagging tail. This breed represents perhaps the greatest divergence between working and show lines of any breed of dog. A field-bred dog and a show-bred dog appear to be different breeds but are registered together. The gene pools are almost completely segregated and have been for at least 70 years. A field-bred dog (left) would not be competitive in a modern dog show, while a show dog would not have the speed or stamina to succeed in a field trial.

The English Springer Spaniel field-bred dogs tend to have shorter, coarser coats than show-bred dogs. The ears are less pendulous. Field-bred dogs are wiry and have more of a feral look than those bred for showing. The tail of the field-bred dog may be docked a few inches in comparison to the show dog. Field-bred dogs are selected for their sense of smell, hunting ability, and response to training rather than appearance.

Show dogs (right) have longer fur and more pendant ears, dewlaps and dangling flews. The tail is docked to a short stub in those countries that permit docking. They are generally more thickly boned and heavier than field-bred springers.



Coat and colours

Field-bred dogs tend to have shorter, coarser coats than the longer furred show-bred dogs. They normally only shed in summer and spring months but shed occasionally in the autumn. The coat comes in black or liver (dark brown) with white markings or predominantly white with black or liver markings; Tricolour: black and white or liver and white with tan markings, usually found on eyebrows, cheeks, inside of ears and under the tail. Any white portion of the coat may be flecked with ticking.

Temperament



The typical Spaniel is friendly, eager to please, quick to learn and willing to obey. In the right circumstances, it can be an affectionate and easy-going family dog. Its alertness and attentiveness make it a good hunting companion. A typical Springer Spaniel will often choose one person in the family to be most loyal to and stick with that person as much as possible; they are often referred to as a "velcro dog". The English Springer

is considered an excellent working dog. It has exceptional stamina and needs moderate amounts of activity, to focus its mind and to provide exercise, although this is different for each dog. Its long-legged build makes it among the fastest of the spaniels.

It is a sociable breed that enjoys the company of children and handles the company of other pets well. The hunting breed may not get along well with cats, however. If left alone for too long, they can become destructive and mischievous through boredom.

Health

The English Springer Spaniel has a typical lifespan of 10.5 to 15 years. As in most breeds, some health problems are more likely to occur. Hip dysplasia and progressive retinal atrophy (PRA) (a degeneration of the retina causing vision loss leading to blindness) are two such diseases for which veterinarians are working on genetic markers to determine carriers. Another problem can be elbow dysplasia. Retinal dysplasia (RD), which can cause blindness and Phosphofructokinase deficiency (PFK), which is a genetic deficiency that impairs the ability of cells using carbohydrates for energy are two other hereditary conditions for which both lines of the English springer spaniel should be screened before breeding. Health issues are usually similar in both types of English Springer however phosphofructokinase deficiency, in particular, can appear more in field lines, however, carriers in show lines have been identified.

As with most spaniels and floppy-eared dogs, they are prone to ear infections. There are several types of common infections, and treatment typically includes oral antibiotics and cleaning the ear canal daily with a solvent that will also leave the ear in an acidic state to slow the growth of yeast and bacteria. Other health problems include autoimmune diseases, which include allergies and other sensitivities to the environment. They can also be susceptible to various eye problems including inward or outward curling eyelashes or even an additional row of eyelashes, all of which can require corrective surgery. English Springer Spaniels tend to gain weight easily, and owners need to be careful about their food consumption. The English Springer Spaniel weight ranges from 44 to 45 pounds. A healthy Springer Spaniel should eat about 1,353 calories per day.

History

The English physician [John Caius](#) described the spaniel in his book the *Treatise of Englishe Dogs* published in 1576. His book was the first work to describe the various British breeds by function. By 1801, Sydenham Edwards explained in the *Cynographia Britannica* that the land spaniel should be split into two kinds, the Springing, Hawking Spaniel, or Starter; and the Cocking or Cocker Spaniel.

At this point, both cocker spaniels and springer spaniels were born in the same litters. The purpose of the breed was to serve as a hunting dog. The smaller cockers were used to hunt woodcock, while their larger littermates, the springer spaniels, would "spring"—or flush—the gamebird into the air where a trained falcon or hawk would bring it to the handler.

Many spaniel breeds were developed during the 19th century, and often named after the counties in which they were developed, or after their owners, who were usually nobility. Two strains of larger land spaniel were predominant and were said to have been of "true springer type." These were the Norfolk and the Shropshire spaniels, and by the 1850s, these were shown under the breed name of Norfolk spaniel.

In January 1899, the Spaniel Club of England and the Sporting Spaniel Society held their trials together for the first time. Three years later, in 1902, a combination of the physical standard from the Spaniel Club of England and the ability standard from the Sporting Spaniel Society led to the English Springer Spaniel breed being officially recognized by the [English Kennel Club](#). The [American Kennel Club](#) followed in 1910. In 1914, the first English Field Champion was crowned, FTC Rivington Sam, whose dam was a registered cocker spaniel, Rivington Riband. Sam is considered one of the foundation sires for modern field lines.

Skills

An English Springer Spaniel is foremost an upland flushing dog. There are several skills that breeders train the dog to perform for their occupation.

Retrieve to Hand: Most hunters and all hunt test or field trial judges require that a dog deliver a bird to hand, meaning that a dog will hold the bird until told to give it to the hunter directly.

Soft Mouth: Springers are taught to deliver game with a soft mouth, meaning he does not puncture it with his teeth. The game should always be *fit for the table*. If a springer damages the bird, it may be hard-mouthed. This is a serious fault, but it can be difficult to determine whether it may have been genetic or caused by poor training methods. Breeders generally avoid using any springer that is hard-mouthed.

Quarter: A flushing spaniel's primary role is often as an upland flushing dog. Dogs must work in a zig-zag pattern in front of the hunter seeking upland game birds. The dog is taught to stay within gun range to avoid flushing a bird outside shooting distance. This pattern is one of the primary criteria used to judge a dog in a field trial.

Scenting: Having the ability to scent game is of vital importance to the hunter. A springer should have a good nose in both wet and dry conditions. A dog with a good nose will learn to use the wind as it quests for game, ever adjusting its pattern according to the nuances of the wind.

Flushing: The springer should have a positive flush. It should not hesitate or point when encountering game. Some field trial dogs will often get airborne during a flush. This is exciting to watch but is not necessary to win. Most hunters prefer that their dog not flush in that style, as it can present a risk to the dog.

Hup: This is the traditional command to sit and stay. When hupped the dog can be given direction called by the handler. The ability to hup a dog actively working a running bird allows the handler and any gunners to keep up without having to run.

Follow Hand Signals: Upland hunting involves pursuing wild game in its native habitat. Gun dogs must investigate likely covers for upland game birds. The dog must be responsive to hand signals for the hunter to be able to direct the dog into areas of particular interest.

Steady: When hunting upland birds, a flushing dog should be steady to wing and shot, meaning that he sits when a bird rises or a gun is fired. He does this to mark the fall and to avoid flushing other birds when pursuing a missed bird.

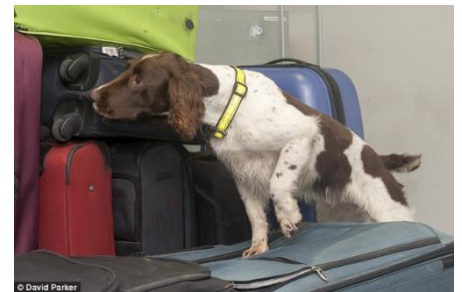
Blind Retrieve: An adequately trained and experienced working springer can be expected to use all of the aforementioned attributes to be conducted by hand, whistle and command to a position whereby an unmarked lost game bird can be picked and retrieved to hand.

Detection Dog

The Springer Spaniel is used as a sniffer dog. Notable search dogs have included Buster, a Dickin Medal recipient, Royal Army Veterinary Corps arms and explosives search dog serving with the Duke of Wellington's Regiment in Iraq, for finding an extremist group's hidden arsenal of weapons and explosives. Another example is Jake, aka Hubble Keck People's Dispensary for Sick Animals Gold Medal and Blue Cross Animal Hospital Medal recipient, a London Metropolitan Police explosives search dog. He was deployed at Tavistock Square, Russell Square and King's Cross following the 7 July 2005 London bombings..

The Springer is not limited to detecting explosives. Other varied uses for the Springer can include sniffing out bumblebee nests, illegal immigrants, blood and the superbug *C. difficile*. Springers are used for drug detection in the United States, United Kingdom, Sweden, Finland, Isle of Man, Ireland, Canada CBSA and Qatar. Pictured to the right, is Megan who is the most successful drugs dog having detected over £3m worth of cocaine!

The Springer Spaniel is also used as a search and rescue dog by mountain rescue and Lowland Rescue teams, where their willingness to work and cover rough terrain makes them an excellent choice.



Above article taken from Wikipedia

Laughter is always the best medicine.....

What do you call a duck who likes watching fireworks? - Fire Quacker



A policeman arrested two people on Bonfire Night - one for drinking battery acid, the other for eating fireworks - He charged one and let the other one off



What was Guy Fawkes' favourite meal? - Bangers and mash



A pyrotechnic expert friend of mine lost his job after the fireworks did not go off in the right sequence - That's bang out of order





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Dates in November 2022

Guy Fawkes Night

5th Nov 2022

When the British celebrate the Gunpowder Plot conspirators failure to blow up the Houses of Parliament. Also known as Bonfire Night or Fireworks Night.

[All About Guy Fawkes Night](#)

National Saxophone Day

6th Nov 2022

Celebrated annually on the birthday of Belgian instrument maker, Adolphe Sax who was the inventor of the saxophone.

World Numbat Day

6th Nov 2022

The numbat is native to Australia and is unique, sharing no relation to any living species. But it's also critically endangered. There are fewer than 1,000 of its kind left in the wild.

Number Confidence Week

7th Nov to 11th Nov 2022

Improving number confidence improves opportunities and life chances for all. The week includes a series of livestreams and online activities to make the UK to feel more confident in understanding and working with numbers.

Remembrance Day

11th Nov 2022

The day when we remember those members of the armed forces who gave their lives in conflict. The date was chosen to commemorate the end of hostilities of the First World War on 11th November 1918.

[Website](#)

Singles Day**11th Nov 2022**

Singles Day is the fastest-growing shopping holiday across Asia, when single people receive gifts, or buy for themselves.

World Kindness Day**13th Nov 2022**

A day to celebrate and promote kindness in all its forms.

Anti Bullying Week**14th Nov to 18th Nov 2022**

A week for learning about the causes of bullying, identifying bullying and encouraging people to speak up against bullying, both children and adults.

[Website](#)

Road Safety Week**14th Nov to 20th Nov 2022**

The campaign aims to inspire thousands of schools, organisations and communities to take action on road safety and to promote life-saving messages.

[Website](#)

Odd Socks Day**14th Nov 2022**

Odd Socks Day marks the beginning of Anti-Bullying Week. Wear odd socks to school or work.

Steve Irwin Day**15th Nov 2022**

Celebrated each year on 15 November, Steve Irwin Day is an annual international event honouring the life and legacy of the one and only Crocodile Hunter, and to highlight his passion of animal conservation.

[Website](#)

Children In Need**18th Nov 2022**

The BBC's annual fundraising day which raises moneys for children's charities across the UK, fund local charities and projects who help remove the barriers that are facing children and young people, so that they can thrive.

[Website](#)

Universal Children's Day**20th Nov 2022**

United Nations Universal Children's Day was established to promote international togetherness, awareness among children worldwide, and improving children's welfare.

FIFA World Cup 2022**21st Nov to 18th Dec 2022**

Held every four years, the 22nd World cup will be held in Qatar.

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St. Andrew's Day**30th Nov 2022**

Celebration of the patron saint of Scotland, St. Andrew.




I'm tall when I'm young and I'm short when I'm old.

Last Months' Answer - I am a Shadow!

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BONFIRE	CATESBY	CRACKLE
DISPLAYS	EXPLODE	FAILURE
FAWKES	FIREWORKS	FLAMES
GUNPOWDER	GUY	JACKET
KING	NOVEMBER	PLOT
POP	POTATO	REMEMBER
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Have a Fabulous and Safe Bonfire Night!