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Hello Readers,

Welcome to the May 2024 Issue of Look Local Magazine.

Spring has finally sprung and summer fayres and festival season will soon be upon us. So, I'm excited to let you all know that **BEACON'S FESTIVAL** returns in June and we have **TWO WEEKEND TICKETS** to give away. Turn to page 16 for more information about this years Summer Solstice festival and how you can enter the competition. And for theatre goers, we have our regular **Thame Player Theatre Competition** on page 14.

There's still time to get tickets to this months **Abingdon Air & Country Show** - turn to page 15 - and congratulations to our five lucky competition winners from our April competition! I know you'll enjoy a fabulous day out!

Another fun-filled family day out returning on **Saturday 1st June** is **Sydenham Fayre**. The long-established event, co-ordinated and run entirely by villagers, raises funds for local groups and causes, supporting schools, community organisations and facilities in the surrounding area. Last year it raised over £9,000 for local causes. The Fayre centres around the picturesque village green from 12:30pm - 4:00pm and this year visitors can enjoy live entertainment, children's games, a dog show, vintage cars, a BBQ, the tearoom and a huge variety of stalls selling quality gifts and goodies from local producers, plus there'll be the ever-popular Bottle Tombola, Coconut Shy, Plate Smash, Plant Sale, Bric-A-Brac, Jewellery, Vintage Clothing and Tarot reader.

Something else I wanted to draw attention to, after receiving a Press Release from Local **home care company, Home Instead** (Witney). They recently commissioned a survey of family carers and found 29% of them in Oxfordshire are at breaking point due to feeling highly stressed and isolated. It also concluded that a concerning 64% of them are neglecting their own health and well-being. As a company that supports older people in their own homes, Home Instead sees countless families in a desperate state as they seek to give their loved one the best life possible. If you are one of these people I urge you to reach out to them, or similar local organisations, to help you lighten the load. The full press release can be found on my website along with contact information and tips that may help you and your loved ones.

Until next month, enjoy reading...

Love Emma x

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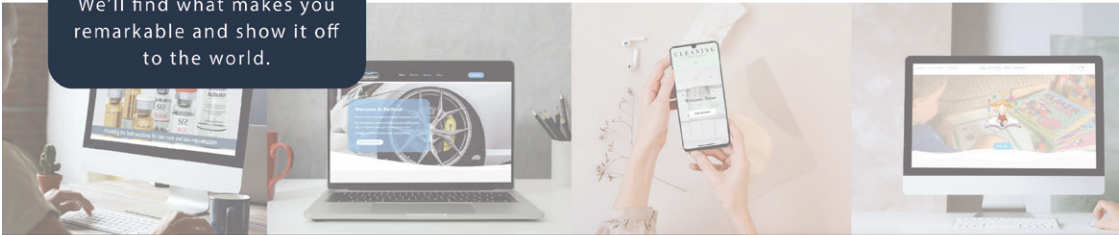
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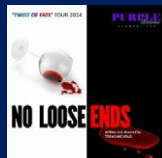


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Across three stages and a dedicated busking area, Beacon Festival 2024 features a wide range of bands from across the musical spectrum: from hard rock to ska, and indie to folk. Other artists on the festival's 2024 line-up include Birmingham-based world rock band, Punch the Sky, who will be returning after an electric performance at Beacon 2019, and the hugely popular 7-piece SkaSouls UK. The festival's full line-up will be announced in the coming weeks.

This year, Beacon has partnered with Sparkle Vegan Events to put on the festival's Sparkle Vegan Village – a one-stop shop for plant-based street food, drinks, and local artists. As an eco-conscious event, and in line with the ethos of Watlington Hill Farm Sanctuary where the festival is held, Beacon Festival will continue to offer a purely plant-based food selection for 2024. In true festival spirit there'll also be a real ales, local ciders and artisan cocktails to be enjoyed.

As with every year, Beacon will continue to offer kids under 14 free entry to the festival. The popular Kids Zone – offering a range of workshops and activities for children – is set to be bigger and better than ever, whilst the Feel Good wellbeing area will relax and rejuvenate festival-goers.

To enter to WIN A WEEKEND TICKET answer the following question:

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Beacon Festival will take place on the 21st and 22nd June 2024, at Hill Farm, Watlington Hill, Christmas Common, Watlington, OX49 5HS. Further information and tickets can be found at <https://www.beaconfestival.net>.

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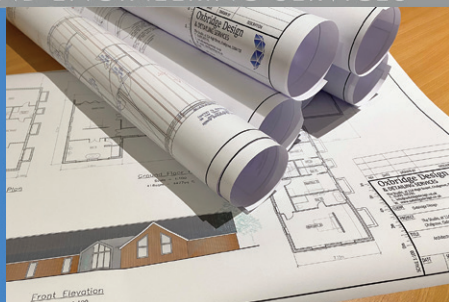
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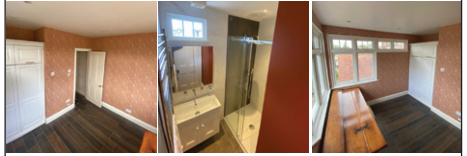
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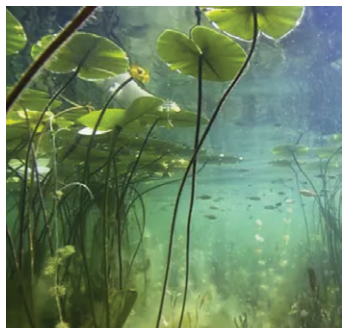
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Look locally over the garden gate with Lucie Giselle Ponsford



Hello, and in this May edition of Look Local Over the Garden Gate, we're going to be diving deep into how plants adapt and looking at hydrophytes. They are plants that live in water: bog plants, water plants, plants that will live in your pond, streams, and the sea.

As we have been looking at the different plant environments, I wanted to reflect on this particular adaptation because it starts to reveal details about all the other adaptations.

We've discussed some of the technical terms within a plant, and one of them was the cuticle, which is the surface layer of the leaves—their skin. In water plants, there is no waxy cuticle; in other plants this adaptation reduces water loss. It doesn't need to hold water within its systems because it's submerged in water!

The plant has to have ways to release water to ensure that the vascular systems can still perform. It also, therefore, has many stomata on the upper surface. These little holes release gas and allow water vapour to leave the plant, mainly seen in plants that float on the surface like the water lily. Also, broad, flat leaves help plants absorb as much light as possible. We see this adaptation in plants that like shady environments as they try to capture maximum light through the woodland canopy. But water plants have only one surface to use. They're just trying to get maximum light from above and can be in full sun. Their root systems, which anchor them from floating off, are often small compared to herbaceous or shrubby plants. This is partly because the plant can diffuse nutrients straight into the stem. The plant does not need a structure to withstand winds and be self-supporting because it is supported by the water. It also has air sacs to help it float to the surface. If you notice the flowers too they are held above the water to allow pollinating insects to find them.

What is so fascinating about these plants is that they are entirely different. You can see how they really won't survive out of water. It is wonderful to consider the extremities of plant life. There are plants for every environment, and no environment couldn't be colonized. It might start with mosses, lichen, woody plants, grasses, cactus, or lush tropical plants. There is always a plant to get the process of succession going. It's comforting, actually, in our climate-threatening times! I do hope you liked this underwater exploration.

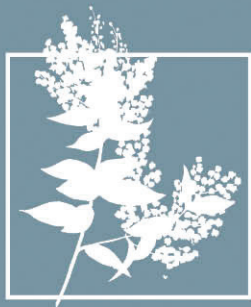
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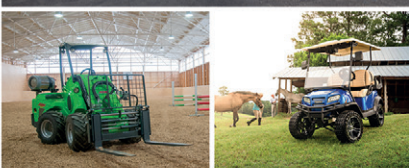
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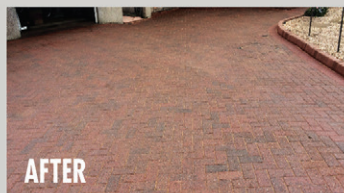
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