Men's Hockey League Conference North
Sunday – 10th February 2013
Olton & W.W. v Preston
Push Back – 1:30 pm

A very warm welcome to Grange Road to our opponents today – Preston – and to our umpires, match officials and all supporters for what will hopefully be another action-packed afternoon of entertaining hockey.

Spectators

To ensure that umpires, officials, ball boys/girls and players are not impeded in any way, can **all** spectators who wish to view the game from within the pitch area please use the blue seats at the side of the pitch opposite the dugouts.
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Please feel free to use the bar in the clubhouse and if you wish to bring your drink to the pitch side, let the bar staff know and they will give you a plastic glass – and please tidy-up as you leave, it helps everyone. Thank You.

Enjoy the Match

to Grange Road

to the Olton Match-Day Programme

Welcome to game number twelve of the 2012-2013 season in the Men's Hockey League Conference North.

I hope that you all had a very enjoyable Christmas and New Year and have settled back into the demands of a new year with renewed enthusiasm. There may even be some Resolutions which are still being adhered to and if so, well done.

It is eleven weeks since we last played a National League game at Grange Road, due to the fact that hockey focuses on the Indoor game through what is considered to be the part of winter when the English weather may be at its worst. In reality this is not always the case - although two of our three "warm up" games scheduled for January were cancelled because of snow and ice. Hopefully if you are reading this it means that the game is going ahead and the forecast of more snow has not proved accurate. Fingers crossed !!

Last week we resumed our league campaign by making the long trip up to Durham, which given the time of year and the early start time of 12:00 noon required us to travel up the night before. Fortunately it is the only away fixture for which we have to do this but it is a shame that it happens in mid winter, as Durham is a beautiful city to visit. It is made even worse when you make the long return trip with no points to show for your efforts, but it was a hard fought game which could, in the end, have gone either way.

Today we welcome the players and officials from Preston Hockey Club, who themselves will have spent a few hours travelling up and down the M6 by the time they return home tonight. Preston are a very hospitable club and have made us very welcome on the two occasions that we have visited them. Last season we drew the away game and won our home game and this season we came away from Preston with a narrow 4-3 victory. All three games have been full of good open hockey and I am sure that today's game will prove to be another exciting and entertaining 70 minutes.

Our Match Sponsor today is once again our very good friend Bob Malden of Leisure Care Promotions. There is very little that I can say about Bob that I haven't already said on the two previous occasions that Bob has been kind enough to sponsor a home game, and so I will just say: Thank You Bob for the support that you give to Olton Hockey Club. It really is appreciated.

We have been fortunate this season to have the services of Cathy McNally as our physiotherapist and she has managed to keep most of the squad in pretty good shape so far. Unfortunately, for my part, three weeks ago I had to go under the surgeon's knife to have a discectomy and spinal fusion which will result in me being unable to carry out the manager's duties for the next few weeks. Dave Nicholas and Ian Hill have kindly offered to stand in for me and I thank them for their support. If I can convince Lynn that I can really manage it, I hope to watch the second half of today's game from the car park. It is far too traumatic waiting for the score to be texted through !

Enjoy the game and thank you for your support.

Howard Wilson

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Weekly Newsletter - Monday 4 February 2013

As the Premier Division prepares to return to action, leaders Beeston line up against eighth placed Hampstead & Westminster on Sunday. Despite the score ending 4-1 in Beeston's favour earlier in the season, however, the two sides met in the Cup this weekend with Hampstead & Westminster emerging victors. Canterbury travels to Loughborough Students having won just once in their last four outings but retaining the second position in the table. Loughborough, on the other hand, heads into the match up undefeated in their past two fixtures prior to the winter break. Cannock travels to Reading with the home side pushing for a spot in the Championships places sitting four points behind their opponents. Brooklands MU hosts East Grinstead with the two sides separated by three points and Brooklands occupying the relegation play-off spot. However, with a run of form, either side could swiftly move up the table towards the Championships places. In the final game of the division bottom side Southgate travels to sixth placed Surbiton; the scores between the two sides ended level 4-4 at the end of September so the London derby could prove interesting.

A late goal from Gareth Carr wasn't enough to stop Holcombe dropping points to Indian Gymkhana for the second time this season in Conference East. Despite taking an early lead through Carr's first penalty corner, goals from Warren D'Souza, Francisco Aguilar Montoya and Rafael Lopez Jimenez overturned the goal deficit to earn Indian Gymkhana their second win in a row. Indian Gymkhana moved up into ninth thanks to the win. Holcombe, meanwhile, suffered their first defeat of the season having previously won six in a row. Wimbledon gained ground on the leaders courtesy of a Ben Hawes inspired 3-1 home win over Teddington. Hawes' hat-trick ended Teddington's three game winning run and secured Wimbledon's first win in four games which closes the gap to three at the top. Third placed Bromley & Beckenham drew 2-2 with eighth placed Richmond thanks to Sam Djavit's goal in the last ten minutes. Oxted moved level on points with Bromley & Beckenham with a 2-1 victory away at Old Loughtonians, Lorne Barnard grabbing a late winner. City of Peterborough dropped to the bottom of the table following a 1-1 draw with seventh placed Cambridge City in a fierce local derby.

Bowdon notched an eighth victory of the season to move ahead of Sheffield Hallam at the top of Conference North. Two second half goals from Thomas Ainsworth and David Egerton proved the difference with the scores level at 1-1 at half-time. Sheffield dropped to second having fallen to a late winner from Belper's James Blackwell as they were condemned to their third defeat of the season. Preston suffered their fourth defeat in a row, this weekend at the hands of eighth placed Wakefield. Oliver Stoddart and Greg Moorhouse scored in the first half for Wakefield to lift the Yorkshire side into eighth place coupled with Doncaster's defeat. Preston are now bottom of the tbale. Durham University's 5-3 win over Olton & West Warwicks ended a run of four previous games without a win. Third placed Leek was held to a 2-2 away at Khalsa, but the Staffordshire side was made to come back from a two goal deficit to earn a share of the spoils.

MHL FIXTURES **SUNDAY 10th FEBRUARY**

Men's Conference North

Olton & WW	v	Preston	13:30	Sears	Tabb, Williams
Bowdon	v	Wakefield	14:00	McDonagh	Kirk, Little
Doncaster	v	University of Durham	14:00	Pettigrew	Baxter, Gillett
Leek	v	Belper	14:00	McPherson	Higgins, Irvine
Khalsa (Warks)	v	Sheffield Hallam	14:30	Marson	Reid, B.Smith

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MHL TABLES

Premier Division		P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	Pts
1	**Beeston**	11	10	0	1	55	22	33	30
2	**Canterbury**	11	7	0	4	40	33	7	21
3	**Cannock**	11	5	2	4	31	36	-5	17
4	**Loughborough Students**	11	4	3	4	29	33	-4	15
5	**Reading**	11	3	4	4	30	29	1	13
6	**Surbiton**	11	3	4	4	30	29	1	13
7	**East Grinstead**	11	4	1	6	29	33	-4	13
8	**Hampstead and Westminster**	10	3	3	4	19	32	-13	12
9	**Brooklands MU**	11	3	1	7	20	37	-17	10
10	**Southgate**	10	2	2	6	26	25	1	8

Conference East		P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	Pts
1	**Holcombe**	11	8	2	1	35	20	15	26
2	**Wimbledon**	11	7	2	2	41	23	18	23
3	**Bromley and Beckenham**	11	5	2	4	30	25	5	17
4	**Oxted**	11	5	2	4	28	30	-2	17
5	**Teddington**	11	5	1	5	26	26	0	16
6	**Old Loughtonians**	11	5	0	6	34	30	4	15
7	**Cambridge City**	11	3	4	4	31	34	-3	13
8	**Richmond**	11	3	3	5	27	35	-8	12
9	**Indian Gymkhana**	11	2	2	7	28	39	-11	8
10	**City of Peterborough**	11	1	4	6	23	41	-18	7

Conference North		P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	Pts
1	**Bowdon**	11	8	2	1	29	13	16	26
2	**Sheffield Hallam**	11	8	0	3	38	23	15	24
3	**Leek**	11	6	2	3	30	22	8	20
4	**Belper**	11	5	3	3	26	19	7	18
5	**University of Durham**	11	5	3	3	24	19	5	18
6	**Khalsa (Warks)**	11	3	5	3	24	27	-3	14
7	**Olton & West Warwicks**	11	4	0	7	24	31	-7	12
8	**Wakefield**	11	2	3	6	22	34	-12	9
9	**Doncaster**	11	2	2	7	25	32	-7	8
10	**Preston**	11	2	0	9	19	41	-22	6

Conference West		P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	Pts
1	**Cardiff & UWIC**	11	8	0	3	19	16	3	24
2	**Guildford**	11	6	4	1	26	12	14	22
3	**University of Exeter**	11	6	3	2	27	13	14	21
4	**Team Bath Buccaneers**	11	6	2	3	33	20	13	20
5	**Fareham**	11	4	4	3	27	26	1	16
6	**University of Birmingham**	11	4	2	5	22	22	0	14
7	**Cheltenham**	11	3	4	4	21	23	-2	13
8	**Havant**	11	3	3	5	18	25	-7	12
9	**Whitchurch**	11	3	1	7	15	26	-11	10
10	**Bristol Firebrands**	11	0	1	10	12	37	-25	1

At dawn on Monday a snail fell into a bucket that was 20 inches deep

During the day it climbed up 3 inches,
however during the night it fell back 2 inches.

On what day did the snail finally manage to climb out of the bucket ?

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Aysop’s Feebles

as re-told by **Colonel Stoopnagle**

Here, indeed, is a story that'll make your cresh fleep. It will give you poose gimples. Think of a poor little glip of a surl, prairie vitty, who, just because she had two sisty uglers, had to flop the more, clinkle the shuvvers out of the stitchen cove and do all the other chasty nores, while her soamly histers went to a drancy bess fall. Wasn't that a shirty dame?

Well, to make a long shorry stort, this youngless hapster was chewing her doors one day, when who should suddenly appear but a garry fawdmother. Beeling very fadly for this witty prafe, she happed her clands, said a couple of waggic merds, and in the ash of a flybrow, Cinderella* was transformed into a bavaging reauty.

And out at the sturbcone stood a nagmificent coalden goach, made of a pipe rellow yumpkin. The gaudy fairmother told her to hop in and dive to the drance, but added that she must positively be mid by homelight. So, overmoash with accumtion, she fanked the tharry from the hottom of her bart, bimed acloard, the driver whacked his crip, and off they went in a dowd of clust.

Soon they came to a casterful wundel, where a pransome hince was possing a tarty for the teeple of the pown. Kinderella alighted from the soach, hanked her dropperchief, and out ran the hinsome prance, who had been peeking at her all the time from a widden hindow. The sugly isters stood bylently sigh, not sinderizing Reckognella in her goyal rarments.

Well, to make a long shorty still storer, the nince went absolutely pruts over the pruvvly lincess. After several dowers of antsing, he was ayzier than crevver. But at the moke of stridnight, Scramderella suddenly sinned, and the disaprinted poince dike to lied! He had forgotten to ask the nincess her prame! But as she went stunning down the long reps, she slicked off one of the glass kippers she was wearing, and the pounce princed upon it with eeming glize.

The next day he tied all over trown to find the lainty daydy whose foot slitted that fipper. And the ditty prame with the only fit that footed was none other than our layding leedy. So she finally prairied the mince, and they happed livily after everward.

** Parze pleedon me for nelling the spame in such a morrect cranner.*

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Tomo Telling Tall Tales

7. Ostrich Musings – more script from the crypt

Wouldn't it be nice if pizza toppings were labelled more clearly? I'm sure our friends from the cold, north of Preston would agree, and we welcome them to fortress Olton - a bastion of Ostrich strength and vigour. During last week's trip to Durham several squad members decided to nip out for a hearty Italian but, assuming that all pizzas were the same, a certain Welsh-born, Cypriot of Polish-Scottish extraction ended up with one that he chose but didn't like. A growing number of our squad are blaming this incident (and individual) for the defeat on the following day and also several of the world's ills. Edward O'Mahoney was deeply upset and failed to finish his lemon challenge, ultimately eating only two-thirds of it. He gave up, admitting that he didn't know why he was doing it. Still, the weekend was not a total loss with striker Jay Reddy making an impressive debut. Behemoth, Chris Beck and Vincent 'Viper' Richardson also played their part admirably, the former drilling the opposition GK for his 1st goal in Ostrich colours.

Random Fact: Our immune system is always looking for something to fight or else it decreases in strength due to ‘boredom’.

With Head Coach, Gregory Wade suspended for 1 week (for failing to wear a suit on match days) the game against Durham was a chance for freshly-waxed captain, sex-leviathan and lady-killer, Gooderham, to mould the team into a formation of his own making.....casting aside the suffocating shackles of a tired and hopelessly outdated system imposed upon him by dictatorial boss, Wade, and utilising a bold and fearless strategy of Gooderham's own design. For much of the game the Ostriches revelled in this newfound freedom, entering the last 10 mins all square until the local netballers turned up to watch and the team went into meltdown, shipping a further 2 goals but taking down several phone numbers. Wade returns this week, but will the team play for him? Brookes has already left (temporarily) following a heated exchange and is viewed as the main advocate of change at the club. Wee-Man is a close ally of his in the changing room and has offered wholesome support.

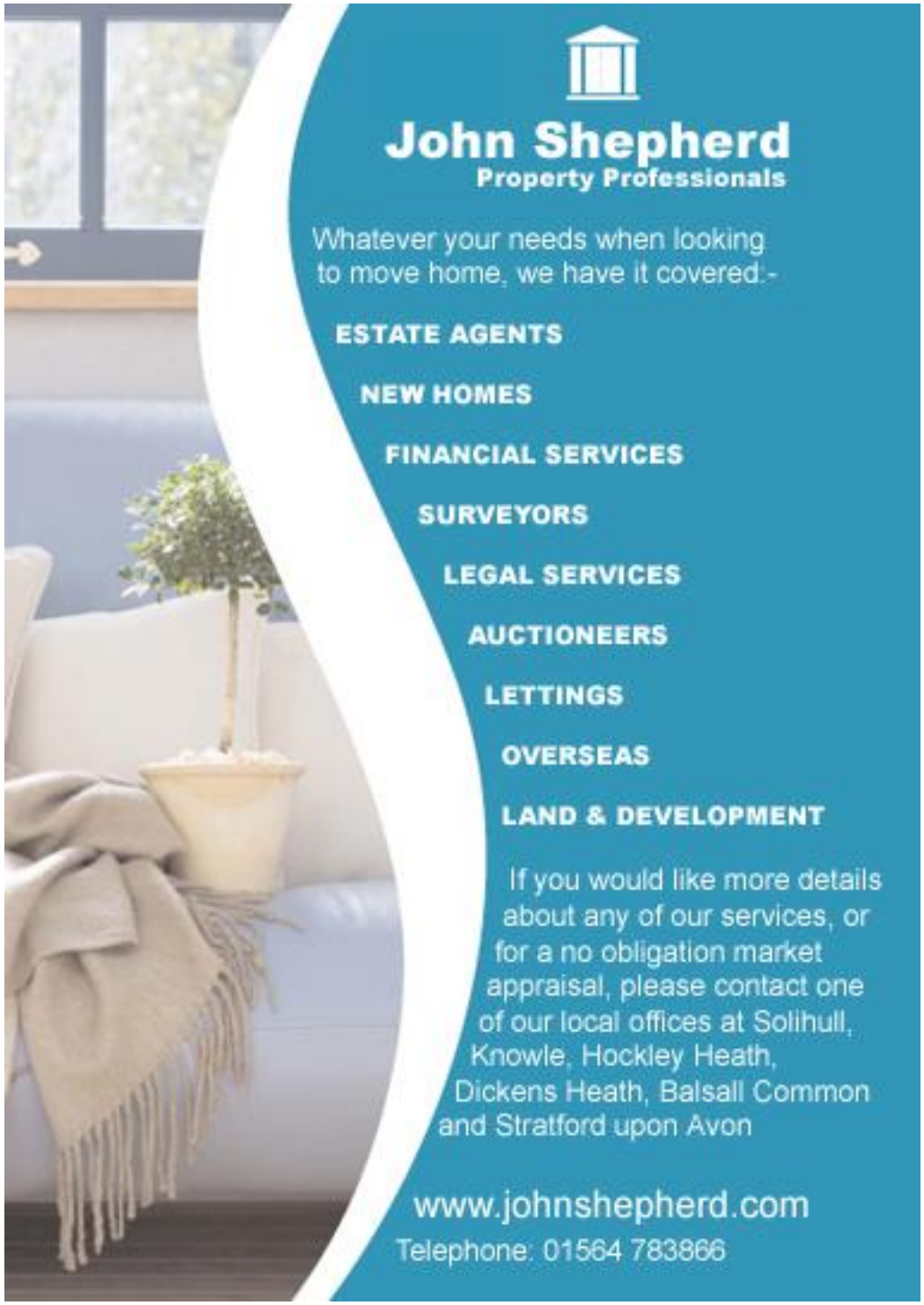
Random Fact: The name Wendy was invented for the book Peter Pan – there never was a recorded Wendy before that.

Our thoughts are with Team Manager, Howard Wilson, this week after he was rushed into hospital requiring urgent nuclear fission on his back. It was a largely experimental surgery and we wish him a speedy recovery, hoping he rapidly regains his strength. Rumours that he'd had his back fused to his legs in an effort to begin a new career as an NBA hoop proved to be unfounded, and he is expected to make a return to the Ostriches within a few weeks.

Random Fact: The Earth is 4.6 billion years old (this Tuesday).

Those of you who owe money to the Shower Club (mostly Wee-Man for spectating) should pay off those debts as soon as possible. The club owes rent to Olton and cannot buy new equipment or upgrade existing facilities until this situation is remedied. The traditional mixed, shower-off between the men’s and ladies 1st IX has been authorised to go ahead during Easter weekend so applications need to be in within the next couple of weeks. Opponents will be paired off once the final numbers are sorted. Wee-Man is trying to arrange a temporary viewing gallery for this event as high demand is anticipated.

Random Fact: It's illegal for women to walk around topless in New York City.



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The Player Profile Page

Introducing : **Simon Thompson**

Apple or Orange juice ? **orange** Sweet or salty foods ? **sweets please**
Fav. childhood tv? **Panorama** Favourite colour ? **Royal Blue**
Believe in extraterrestrials ? **Absolutely I do** ! Ghosts **Yes**
Ever addicted to video/computer game ? **Streetfighter 2 on MegaDrive.**
Clean or messy? **Clean.** Any Tattoos ? **2 tattoos – both awesome..**
If you could live anywhere ? **Warwickshire.** Visit anywhere ? **Moseley.**
Any regrets ? **Leaving trigger in the hands of the North Koreans…**
Dream job ? **Owning and operating an Ostrich sanctuary..**
3 guests to dinner? **Jenna Jameson, Kelly Brooke, Cheryl Cole.**

Introducing : **Stephen Twist**

Apple or Orange Juice ? **apple** Morning or Night person ? **Morning..**
Favourite animal? **Elephant** Celebrity Crush ? Holly Willoughby
Basically clean or messy? **Messy.** Any bad habits ? **probably ...**
3 life goals? **Own an Aston Martin, live abroad, win lottery.**
Dream Job ? **professional procrastinator** $100m/true love ? **True Love**
Ideal Sat night ? **meal out with friends** Sunday? **drink in pub garden in sun**
If you could live anywhere ? **New York** Visit anywhere? **Australia**
Fav last meal? **Steak (Med rare) and chips.** Collect anything ? **No**
3 guests to dinner? **Alexander the Great, Che Guevara,Martin Luther King**

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Olton & West Warwicks

46	Andrew Gooderham	Gk Capt
21	Rich Thom	
3	Steve Twist	
19	Andy Brookes	
7	James Kyriakides	
9	Chris Beck	
14	Simon Thompson	
24	Andy Heslop	
4	Ed Gonzales O'Mahoney	
10	James Simpson	
6	Martin Webb	
20	Alex Simpson	
12	Ed James	
2	Tom Mallett	
8	Jack Mallett	
22	Sam Mee	
17	Jack Lindsay	
11	Vince Richardson	
25	Jay Reddy	

Manager: Ian Hill
Coach: Greg Wade
Physio: Cathy McNally

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Preston

1	Tom Kerry	Gk
2	Matthew Lomax	
3	Jonathan Platt	
4	Richard Sullivan	Capt.
5	Tom Galloway	
7	Sam Sinclair	
8	Adam Wilson	
9	David Greenhough	
10	Steve Masterson	
11	Owen Fletcher	
14	Joe Kulbacki	
15	James Sutcliffe	
17	Ben Heywood	
19	David Sullivan	

Manager: Nick Smith
Coach: Colin Sinclair
Asst Manager: David Platt

Colours: Navy Blue Shirts & Socks & Shorts

Overseeing Today's Game

Match Official	Derek Sears
Umpires:	Steve Tabb Andy Williams
Umpire Assessor	Colin Barthorpe

Junior Hockey at Olton & West Warwick

Since I last wrote, in late November there has been a fair amount of Junior activity.

We hosted a successful Mini Tournament for U10s, 12s and 14s in December. These are an initiative from several Warwickshire Clubs, and indeed we are attending one today in Leamington.

The Under 18 boys lost to Beeston last Sunday on penalty flicks, having drawn 1-1 in the match itself.

The Boys U16s are at Bloxham School today playing Oxford Hawks and Banbury.

With a combination of Christmas and snow the Badgers have only played and won 6 games, scoring 34 goals and conceding 4. We are beginning to rotate some of the youngsters into the 6th XI and so far seven have had a taste of League hockey in preparation for their move up to the adult ranks next season.

All in all, the immediate future looks rosy, but in the short term the Club is bracing itself for the effects of next week's half-term.

John Warner 4th February 2013

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Match Date	Venue	Opponent	Match Sponsors
Sat 15th Sep	(A)	Preston	
Sun 23rd Sep	(H)	Belper	Walker Crips Stockbrokers Ltd
Sat 29th Sep	(A)	Doncaster	
Sun 7th Oct	(H)	University of Durham	Leisure Care Promotions – Bob Malden
Sat 13th Oct	(H)	Bowden	Leisure Care Promotions – Bob Malden
Sun 21st Oct	(A)	Sheffield Hallam	
Sat 27h Oct	(H)	Leek	John Shepherd – Property in the West Midlands
Sat 10th Nov	(A)	Wakefield (*rearranged)	
Sat 17th Nov	(H)	Khalsa	Cambabest – Bespoke Kitchens and Bathrooms
Sun 25th Nov	(H)	Doncaster	David Hemmings – Senior Club Vice President
Sat 2nd Feb	(A)	University of Durham	
Sun 10th Feb	(H)	Preston	Leisure Care Promotions – Bob Malden
Sun 17th Feb	(A)	Belper	
Sun 24th Feb	(A)	Bowden	
Sun 3rd Mar	(H)	Sheffield Hallam	Ovako – Specialists in Long Steel Products
Sun 10th Mar	(A)	Leek	
Sat 18th Mar	(H)	Wakefield	Melvyn Danes - Estate Agents – Survey / Rent / Lease
Sun 24th Mar	(A)	Khalsa	

Our Pretty Puzzle Page – Pause, Participate, Persevere..

Solutions, if needed, can be found on the Olton website

INSTANT ANSWERS >>>

I recently went into a shop and purchased 4 items.
Three of the items cost: £1.50 £3.00 £4.00

There was quite a long queue, and as I waited I played with my calculator.
Very curiously, the 4 prices *added* together gave the same number as when I *multiplied* them together. What was the price of the 4th item ?

The month of March 1980 contained 5 Saturdays and 5 Mondays.
What day of the week was 15th March ?

At midnight at the start of Monday January 1st, Professor Chronos set two of his latest clocks to the correct time.
Unfortunately, neither of these timepieces actually keeps good time.
One of his clocks gains one minute every hour, and the other loses two minutes every hour.

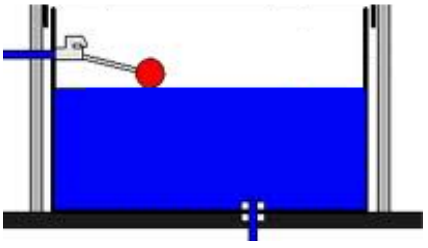
a. When will the clocks next show the same time as each other ?
b. When will the clocks next show the correct time ?

I've been quite poorly lately and the doctor has prescribed me two courses of tablets (Anvilite and Bigoxy) and I must take one of each at the same time.

These tablets are very expensive so I've been very careful with them.
Last night I had just got my Anvilite tablet ready. I was about to add my Bigoxy tablet when two tablets fell out of the bottle into my hand to join the Anvilite.

This was a major problem for me, as all three tablets were identical in size, shape and weight, and neither had any markings on it. I had to take one of each, but I could not tell them apart – and they were far too expensive to throw these three tablets away and start again …. What did I do ?

The area of the floor of a tank is 6 square feet, and the water in it is 9 inches deep.
How much does the water rise if a 1-foot metal cube is placed in it ?
How much further does the water rise if a second 1-foot cube is also placed in the tank ?



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The English Lesson

We'll begin with box, and the plural is boxes,
But the plural of ox should be oxen, not oxes.
Then one fowl is goose, but two are called geese,
Yet the plural of moose should never be meese.
You may find a lone mouse or a whole lot of mice,
But the plural of house is houses, not hice.
If the plural of man is always called men,
Why shouldn't the plural of pan be pen?
The cow in the plural may be cows or kine,
But the plural of vow is vows, not vine.
And I speak of a foot, and you show me your feet,
But I give a boot... would a pair be beet?
If one is a tooth, and a whole set is teeth,
Why shouldn't the plural of booth be beeth?
If the singular is this, and the plural is these,
Why shouldn't the plural of kiss be kese?
Then one may be that, and three be those,
Yet the plural of hat would never be hose.
We speak of a brother, and also of brethren,
But though we say mother, we never say methren.
The masculine pronouns are he, his and him,
But imagine the feminine she, shis, and shim.
So our English, I think you will agree,
Is the trickiest language you ever did see.

I take it you already know
of tough, and bough and cough and dough?
Others may stumble, but not you
on hiccough, through, slough and though.
Well done! And now you wish, perhaps
To learn of less familiar traps?
Beware of heard, a dreadful word
That looks like beard and sounds like bird.
And dead; it's said like bed, not bead!
For goodness sake, don't call it deed!
Watch out for meat and great and threat,
(They rhyme with suite and straight and debt)
A moth is not a moth in mother,
Nor both in bother, broth in brother.
And here is not a match for there,
Nor dear and fear for bear and pear,
And then there's dose and rose and lose –
Just look them up &ndash and goose and choose,
And cork and work and card and ward
And font and front and word and sword.
And do and go, then thwart and cart.
Come, come, I've hardly made a start.
A dreadful language: Why, man alive,
I'd learned to talk when I was five.
And yet to write it, the more I sigh,
I'll not learn how 'til the day I die.

Popular Tongue Twisters

Peter Piper picked a peck of pickled peppers.
Did Peter Piper pick a peck of pickled peppers?
If Peter Piper Picked a peck of pickled peppers,
Where's the peck of pickled peppers
Peter Piper picked?

She sells seashells by the seashore.
The shells she sells are surely seashells.
So if she sells shells on the seashore,
I'm sure she sells seashore shells.

Red lorry, yellow lorry.

How much wood would a woodchuck chuck
If a woodchuck could chuck wood?
He would chuck, he would, as much as he could,
And chuck as much as a woodchuck would
If a woodchuck could chuck wood.

I am not the pheasant plucker,
I'm the pheasant plucker's mate.
I am only plucking pheasants
Because the pheasant plucker's late.

Pangrams Section

Everybody knows one or two pangrams
(sentences that use every letter of the alphabet).
You've probably seen some of these before:

The quick brown fox jumps over a lazy dog.
Pack my box with five dozen liquor jugs.
How quickly daft jumping zebras vex.

Here are a few more to test your touch-typing speed.

Brown jars prevented the mixture from freezing too quickly.
Fred specialized in the job of making very quaint wax toys.
Sixty zippers were quickly picked from the woven jute bag.
We promptly judged antique ivory buckles for the next prize.
Farmer jack realized that big yellow quilts were expensive.
My girl wove six dozen plaid jackets before she quit.
Amazingly few discotheques provide jukeboxes.
Heavy boxes perform quick waltzes and jigs
Jinxed wizards pluck ivy from the big quilt

Big Fuji waves pitch enzymed kex liquor. (33 letters)
The quick brown fox jumps over a lazy dog.(33 letters)
Jackdaws love my big sphinx of quartz. (31 letters)
The five boxing wizards jump quickly. (31 letters)
Quick zephyrs blow, vexing daft Jim. (29 letters)
Sphinx of black quartz, judge my vow. (29 letters)
Waltz, nymph, for quick jigs vex Bud .(28 letters)
Blowzy night-frumps vex'd Jack Q. (26 letters)
Glum Schwartzkopf vex'd by NJ IQ. (26 letters)

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Men's Conference East

Cambridge City Wayne Rowland 64 - F	(0)	**1**	-	**1**	(0)	**City of Peterborough** Tom Hagues 48 - F
Wimbledon Ben Hawes 8 46 54 - PC F F	(1)	**3**	-	**1**	(0)	**Teddington** Richard Appleton 69 - F
Bromley and Beckenham Peter Dobson 30 - PS Sam Djavit 63 - F	(1)	**2**	-	**2**	(1)	**Richmond** Iain Rorison 27 - F Pieter Welten 37 - F
Holcombe Gareth Carr 11 70 - PS PC	(1)	**2**	-	**3**	(1)	**Indian Gymkhana** Warren D'Souza 35 - F Francisco Aguilar Montoya 49 - PC Rafael Lopez Jimenez 65 - F
Old Loughtonians Luke Mepham 53 - F	(0)	**1**	-	**2**	(0)	**Oxted** Tom Blyth 45 - F Lorne Barnard 65 - F

Men's Conference North

Belper David Woolford 55 - F James Blackwell 63 - PC	(0)	**2**	-	**1**	(1)	**Sheffield Hallam** David Goodfield 18 - F
Doncaster Tim Shelley 6 - PC	(1)	**1**	-	**3**	(1)	**Bowdon** Landon Morley 27 - PC Thomas Ainsworth 62 - F David Egerton 70 - F
Wakefield Oliver Stoddart 4 - PC Greg Moorhouse 21 - F	(2)	**2**	-	**0**	(0)	**Preston**
University of Durham Sam Driver 16 63 - PC F Martin Lear 23 - F Jack Curd 53 - F Ollie Davies 59 - F	(2)	**5**	-	**3**	(1)	**Olton & West Warwicks** Chris Beck 4 - PC Ed James 40 57 - F F
Khalsa (Warks) Aaron Nagra 5 - PC Alex Idoine 19 - F	(2)	**2**	-	**2**	(1)	**Leek** Paul Dawson 28 - PC Daniel O'Neill 50 - F

Men's Conference West

Bristol Firebrands 37 - OG	(0)	**1**	-	**2**	(1)	**Cardiff & UWIC** Liam Brignull 27 - F Dafydd Tomos 69 - F
University of Birmingham	(0)	**0**	-	**1**	(1)	**University of Exeter** Andrew Ross 62 - PC
Team Bath Buccaneers Matt Ruxton 25 - PC George Farrant 28 - PC Tim Davenport 64 - F	(2)	**3**	-	**1**	(0)	**Cheltenham** Will Pearce 62 - PC
Havant Andrew Pett 64 - PC	(0)	**1**	-	**1**	(1)	**Guildford** Mike Rippon 9 - PC
Whitchurch Rhys Welsh 2 - F	(1)	**1**	-	**3**	(2)	**Fareham** John Grice 12 - F Adam Le Page 25 - F Shaun Baker 37 - F

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Reverend Spooner's Tips of the Slung

Rear Deeders, how your beds. Let us salute the eponymous master of the verbal somersault, the Rev. William Archibald Spooner. He left us all a legacy of laughter. He also gave the dictionary a new entry: **spoonerism**. The very word brings a smile. It refers to the linguistic flip-flops that turn **"a well-oiled bicycle"** into **"a well-boiled icicle"** and other ludicrous ways speakers of English get their mix all talked up.

English is a fertile soil for spoonerisms, as author and lecturer **Richard Lederer** points out, because our language has more than three times as many words as any other – 616,500 and growing at 450 a year. Consequently, there's a greater chance that any accidental transposition of letters or syllables will produce rhyming substitutes that still make sense – sort of.
"Spooner," says Lederer, "gave us **tinglish errors** and **English terrors** at the same time."

Born in 1844 in London, Spooner became an Anglican priest and a scholar. During a 60-year association with Oxford University, he lectured in history, philosophy, and divinity. From 1876 to 1889, he served as a Dean, and from 1903 to 1924 as Warden, or president.

Spooner was an albino, small, with a pink face, poor eyesight, and a head too large for his body. His reputation was that of a genial, kindly, hospitable man. He seems also to have been something of an absent-minded professor. He once invited a faculty member to tea "to welcome our new archaeology Fellow."
"But, sir," the man replied, "I am our new archaeology Fellow."
"Never mind," Spooner said, "Come all the same."

After a Sunday service he turned back to the pulpit and informed his student audience: "In the sermon I have just preached, whenever I said Aristotle, I meant St. Paul."
But Spooner was no featherbrain. In fact his mind was so nimble his tongue couldn't keep up. The Greeks had a word for this type of impediment long before Spooner was born: metathesis. It means the act of switching things around.

Reverend Spooner's tendency to get words and sounds crossed up could happen at any time, but especially when he was agitated. He reprimanded one student for **"fighting a liar in the quadrangle"** and another who **"hissed my mystery lecture."** To the latter he added in disgust, **"You have tasted two worms."**
Patriotic fervour excited Spooner as well. He raised his toast to Her Highness Victoria: **"Three cheers for our queer old dean!"** During WWI he reassured his students, **"When our boys come home from France, we will have the hags flung out."** And he lionised Britain's farmers as **"noble tons of soil."**

His goofs at chapel were legendary. **"Our Lord is a shoving leopard,"** he once intoned. He quoted 1 Corinthians 13:12 as, **"For now we see through a dark, glassly..."** Officiating at a wedding, he prompted a hesitant bridegroom, **"Son, it is now kisstomary to cuss the bride."** And to a stranger seated in the wrong place: **"I believe you're occupewing my pie. May I sew you to another sheet?"**
Did Spooner really say, **"Which of us has not felt in his heart a half-warmed fish?"** he certainly could have – he was trying to say **half-formed wish**.

Lederer offers these other authentic spoonerisms: At a naval review Spooner marvelled at **"this vast display of cattle ships and bruisers."** To a school official's secretary: **"Is the bean dizzy?"** Visiting a friend's country cottage: **"You have a nosey little crook here."**
Two years before his death in 1930 at age 86, Spooner told an interviewer he could recall only one of his trademark fluffs. It was one he made announcing the hymn **"Kinkering Congs Their Titles Take,"** meaning to say **"Conquering Kings."**

So if you have made a verbal slip, rest easy. Many have. Radio announcer **Harry Von Zell** once introduced the president as **Hoobert Heever**. And **Lowell Thomas** presented British Minister **Sir. Stafford Cripps** as **Sir. Stifford Craps**.

Thanks to Reverend Spooner's style-setting somersaults, our own little tips of the slung will not be looked upon as the embarrassing babblings of a nitwit, but rather the whimsical lapses of a nimble brain. So let us applaud that gentle man who lent his tame to the nerm. **May sod rest his goal**.

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Brooklands MU	3-2		1-3	3-5	10 Feb	1-3	10 Mar	3-2	24 Feb	24 Mar
Cannock	2-8	1-1		24 Mar	3-5	10 Mar	17 Feb	1-1	5-4	24 Feb
Canterbury	5-7	4-2	2-6		10 Mar	6-1	6-0	24 Feb	16 Mar	17 Feb
East Grinstead	17 Feb	1-3	16 Mar	2-4		24 Feb	4-5	0-3	3-1	4-3
Hampstead & Westminster	1-5	17 Feb	0-4	03 Mar	1-1		24 Mar	3-7	16 Feb	2-2
Loughborough Students	3-5	5-2	3-4	10 Feb	03 Mar	2-3		16 Mar	2-2	2-2
Reading	24 Mar	03 Mar	10 Feb	2-4	4-5	3-3	2-2		3-2	10 Mar
Southgate	1-2	7-0	03 Mar	2-1	24 Mar	1-2	2-3	17 Feb		4-4
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Cambridge City	10 Mar		1-1	3-5	17 Feb	1-4	16 Mar	24 Feb	3-1	4-3
City of Peterborough	0-6	2-2		24 Feb	5-2	10 Feb	10 Mar	2-2	16 Mar	3-3
Holcombe	03 Mar	10 Feb	4-3		2-3	5-4	4-2	16 Mar	2-1	2-2
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Doncaster	3-2	1-3		10 Feb	3-3	16 Mar	3-4	24 Feb	2-3	3-3
Durham University	16 Mar	1-1	2-1		17 Feb	4-3	5-3	4-0	1-2	24 Feb
Khalsa	2-2	2-2	03 Mar	1-3		2-2	24 Mar	4-2	10 Feb	3-1
Leek	10 Feb	03 Mar	3-2	2-0	2-2		10 Mar	24 Mar	5-3	4-3
Olton & WW	1-2	2-3	1-4	3-1	1-2	2-3		10 Feb	03 Mar	16 Mar
Preston	2-6	17 Feb	4-2	03 Mar	16 Mar	1-5	3-4		3-2	4-5
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Olton Match Day Programme Puzzles
10 February 2013
Olton v Preston

At dawn on Monday a snail fell into a bucket that was 20 inches deep
During the day it climbed up 3 inches,
however during the night it fell back 2 inches.
On what day did the snail finally manage to climb out of the bucket ?

Answer: The following Wednesday – 9 days Later
Monday morning: 0 inches
Tuesday Morning 1 inch
Wed 3 / Thu 3 / Fri 4 / Sat 5 / Sun 6 / Mon 7 / Tue 8 / Wed 9
The snail then climbed the remaining 3 inches during Wednesday and escaped.

I recently went into a shop and purchased 4 items.
Three of the items cost: £1.50 £3.00 £4.00
There was quite a long queue, and as I waited I played with my calculator.
Very curiously, the 4 prices *added* together gave the same number
as when I *multiplied* them together. What was the price of the 4th item ?

Answer: £0.50
The three pieces add up to 1.5 0 + 3.00 + 4.00 = 8.00
The three prices multiply to 1.50 * 3.00 * 4.00 = 18.00

So adding another item at 0.50 will take the total to £9.00
And multiplying by 0.50 will take the product to £9.00 as well.

The month of March 1980 contained 5 Saturdays and 5 Mondays.
What day of the week was 15th March ?

Answer: Saturday
For a 31 day month to have 5 Saturdays and 5 Mondays the 1st must have been a Saturday, and the 31st is a Monday.You can then work forwards or backwards to the answer.

At midnight at the start of Monday January 1st, Professor Chronos set two of his latest clocks to the correct time.
Unfortunately, neither of these timepieces actually keeps good time.
One of his clocks gains one minute every hour, and the other loses two minutes every hour.

a. When will the clocks next show the same time as each other ?
b. When will the clocks next show the correct time ?

Answer:

a. Midnight after 10 days, which is 240 hours later.
They both then show 4 o'clock, one gained 240 minutes (4 hours) and the other has lost 480 minutes (8 hours)
b. Midnight after 30 days, which is 720 hours later, They both now show 12 o'clock.

I've been quite poorly lately and the doctor has prescribed me two courses of tablets (Anvilite and Bigoxy) and I must take one of each at the same time.

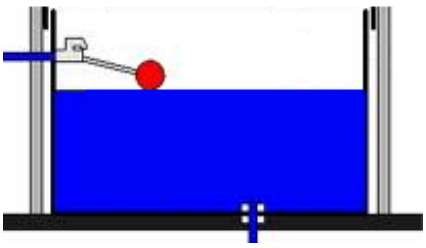
These tablets are very expensive so I've been very careful with them.
Last night I had just got my Anvilite tablet ready. I was about to add my Bigoxy tablet when two tablets fell out of the bottle into my hand to join the Anvilite.

This was a major problem for me, as all three tablets were identical in size, shape and weight, and neither had any markings on it. I had to take one of each, but I could not tell them apart – and they were far too expensive to throw these three tablets away and start again …. What did I do ?

Answer:

Cut each of the tablets in half, and create two piles (i.e as I broke each tablet, I placed half in the left pile and the other half in the right pile.
Each pile now has one half of Antvilite and two halves of Bigoxy.
All I had to do was to split another Antvilite tablet and place half in each pile, so that each pile then had two halves of each tablet (i.e. a whole tablet dose) which is exactly how many I had to take.
I had one pile last night, and the other pile tonight.

The area of the floor of a tank is 6 square feet, and the water in it is 9 inches deep.
How much does the water rise if a 1-foot metal cube is placed in it ?
How much further does the water rise if a second 1-foot cube is also placed in the tank ?



Answer: 1.8 inches , then another 2.2 inches.

Initially the volume of water is 6 * 9/12 = 4.5 cubic feet.
The first cube effectively reduces the cross sectional area of the tank to 5 square feet, causing the water to be 4.5/5 foot = 10.8 inches deep. The water thus rises 1.8 inches .
When the second cube is then placed on the floor of the tank the cross-sectional area reduces again to 4 square feet up to a height of 1 foot, and this is filled with 4 cubic feet of water. The remaining 0.5 cubic foot of water, in a cross-sectional area of 6 square feet, requires a height of 0.5/6 = 1 inch.
The water is therefore 13 inches deep and has risen another 2.2 inches.

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