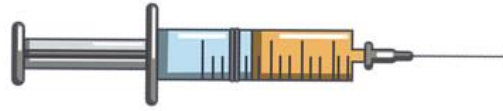


Maiden Road News



The International Year of
**Creative Economy for Sustainable
Development**
and
Peace and Trust
and
Fruits and Vegetables

**Also the National Year of
Chickens Coming Home
to Roost**

Between the Pandemic (“Martyrdom covers a multitude of sins”), Numpty Trumpty (“All you need in this life is ignorance and confidence, and then success is sure”), The GQP (“Suppose you were an idiot, and suppose you were a member of Congress; but I repeat myself”), Bogus Piffle Johnson (“Patriot: the person who can holler the loudest without knowing what he is hollering about”), Vladimir Putin (“Get your facts first, then you can distort them as you please”), and Xi Jinping (“The rule is perfect: in all matters of opinion our adversaries are insane”), it has been a bit of a year. [All quotes from Mark Twain, the thinking person’s Q].

January



2nd: Olympic Park – our haven through lockdowns.

February



28th: Pinkies Zoom rehearsal – Philip then & now.

March



22nd: Lockdown is getting to some shop staff.

April



27th: Egyptian goslings; the first time they have nested successfully in the Olympic Park.

May



30th: First Pinkies post-lockdown live rehearsal; the rest of the choir is on Zoom.

June



16th: Pinkies sing at the US Embassy.



26th: Trans Pride. Microsnot helpfully suggested the top picture as “A couple of old women posing for the camera”.

July



11th: Pinkies at Victoria Park Pride Picnic.



24th: Reclaim Pride London March.

August



3rd: Blooms in the Olympic Park.

September



11th: 20 Anniversary of 9/11 at the Memorial in the Olympic Park. The memorial is constructed of twisted metalwork from the Twin Towers.

October



9th: Regents Park Frieze Sculpture exhibition – Art in the Park. A rather uninspired collection.

21st: **Martin tests positive for Covid.**

November

4th: **Last day of self-isolation. That’s all there is.**



16th: 2021 in a nutshell – a disconsolate male heron courts a plastic facsimile at Portland Ponds.

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Wishing you all a brighter 2022