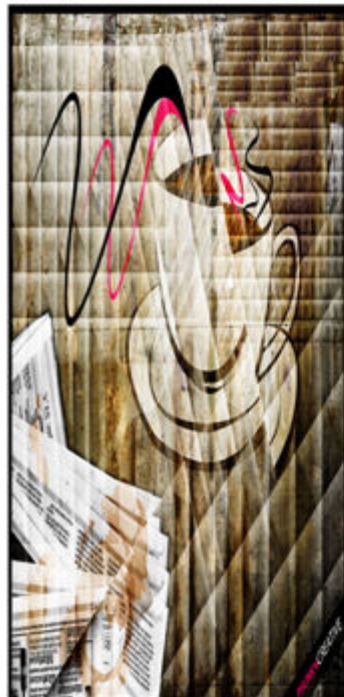


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## Editorial

This edition of The Bridge takes us into the core summer months of July and August. Hopefully, we will experience warm days, cool nights and the occasional night-time sprinkling of rain on the garden. As I write this editorial, we have had a few warm sunny June days and, at least in my garden, the sandy soil results in quickly-browning lawns. Lisa Cox, a professional garden designer, provides us with some suggestions for plants suited to the well-draining soil we experience in Busbridge.

Much of this edition has a “historical” theme; just when I feel that we must have exhausted historical information about Busbridge, a few more interesting snippets turn up. How about the salty Sea Captain from Busbridge and, of course, his parrot (page 4). The old ice-house “rediscovered” by one of our editorial team (or rather, his son) (page 9) or perhaps the fascinating history of the small residential area we now know as Mary Vale (page 10) !



Lesley

This edition also sees two of our local clergy moving on to new challenges. Lesley Mason, who has been at Busbridge Church for six years, has now taken up the position of full-time Chaplain at Send prison near Guildford. Stephanie Couvela, Associate Minister at Hambledon Church is moving on after six years to become Chaplain at a Christian retreat in the Yorkshire Dales.



Stephanie

We wish Lesley and Stephanie all the best in their new roles. The editorial team also wish our readers and advertisers a wonderful summer!

**Editor**

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## Polly and the Captain



In England we pride ourselves in being a nation of pet lovers and for many our love goes beyond the mere appreciation of cats, dogs or horses. Exotic birds, reptiles and many a strange beastie are to be found in homes around the country today.

A famous gardener, artist and photographer, who was a great lover of cats is, of course, buried in Busbridge churchyard. However, Gertrude Jekyll is not the only pet lover to have been laid to rest there.

Captain Charles Scott, who had sailed the high seas of the world during a long career with the British India Steam Navigation Company, was for many years accompanied on his voyages by an African grey parrot. The parrot was named, with a certain amount of humour I'm sure, Polly.

The British Steam Navigation Company, known as BI, was established in 1856 by two India-based Scottish merchants. BI built up a large fleet which sailed throughout the Indian Ocean, the Persian Gulf and to Australia. The company won lucrative mail contracts at a time when the letter was the main means of conducting business in the British Empire. Its ships were also responsible for carrying Indian workers to parts of the empire where labour was short such as East Africa, South Africa and Fiji. It boasted that it could carry up to 5,000 so-called 'deck passengers' at a time on some of its ships.

I have not yet managed to track down details of which ships Captain Scott commanded during his career but wherever he sailed Polly sailed too. It is not clear whether Polly was male or female but the parrot was obviously a clever bird, able to converse in both English and Hindustani. Captain Scott retired in about 1914 and, for reasons unknown, he settled in Godalming along with his feathered friend. They took a small house in Tuesley Lane called 'The Cottage' and there the pair lived until Captain Scott died on 15<sup>th</sup> May 1931. The *Surrey Advertiser* reported that Polly had been curiously dejected during her master's last few days of illness and would not utter a word. Perhaps Polly knew what was in store.

The retired seafarer was 77 years of age and had remained a bachelor throughout his life. He had requested that, on his death, his beloved Polly should be painlessly destroyed by a local veterinary surgeon and buried with him.



“When, perforce, Polly had to die,” reported the *Surrey Advertiser*, “it was reverently taken into the death chamber and afterwards placed in the coffin.” The Rector of Busbridge, the Reverend F. Symes-Thompson, who conducted the service, chose to record only the burial of the Captain in the parish register and, of Polly’s ultimate sacrifice, there is no word. Perhaps it is time for an addendum.

**John Janaway**

*(With grateful thanks to Brian Boyd of Croft Road who discovered the original newspaper report.)*

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## Brighton road speed humps



It's been over a year since Brighton Road gained the "traffic calming scheme". There has been some backlash about the changes from people who think it is a parking-related issue that now slows up their journey, but that was the point; to slow down traffic and make Brighton road safer. Parents consistently cite traffic danger as a reason why their children are unable to ride or walk to school. Consequently with three schools and a Nursery in the vicinity the extra morning traffic only adds to the 8000 cars that travel Brighton Road weekly.

Brighton Road locals and campaigners Chris and Katherine Coates both agree that the scheme has made a big difference to the speed of cars traveling down Brighton Road closer to town. Chris says "It's never been about a few car spaces for residents it has always been about safety". People used to park illegally and it was grid locked with cars pushing their way past. The extra parking to help make it safer is just an added bonus. Katherine adds, "Before the calming scheme cars would race down the road with no concerns for pedestrians and at night it seemed to be part of some racetrack". The simple task of walking to school used to be stressful with two lanes of rushing traffic and narrow walk ways barely wide enough for one person let alone holding a small child's hand and pushing a modern buggy. Katherine states she now feels a lot safer with the cars parked as there is now distance between the traffic and the walkway.

However, at the top end, residents don't think it has slowed the cars down enough. Ashley Brown said "Cars still race down the road clocking speeds up to 60mph." She adds, "There should be more speed humps right across the road from the corner at Stone Cottage up the hill. There is still no safe crossing and the footpath in parts is very narrow and on bin days mothers are forced onto the road with buggies. I don't feel safe at all."

With a number of Brighton Road residents wanting further changes maybe all routes to school should be considered as a next step. Crownpits Lane is one example. Currently restricted (and now enforced) parking leaves empty spaces during the day. Without cars parked on the hill and with no footpath, drivers have sped up on the road. Changing the parking to unrestricted and having cars parked would slow traffic and allow pedestrians some type of shelter between cars. Maybe there are more roads leading to schools that need changes and as Chris said, "Winning the changes to Brighton Road was local democracy in action".

**Loretta Farrell**

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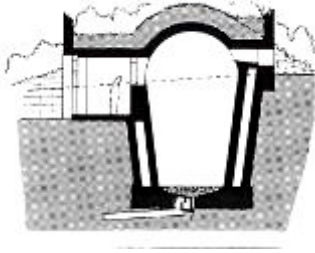
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## Busbridge Ice House



Have you ever walked the path past Busbridge Lakes, perhaps from Tuesley Lane or from Quatermile Road? Have you ever had a reason to look up the slope from the path towards Minster Field? Even then you may well have missed a sizeable mound, covered in brambles and a tree!

My son came running into the house saying that he had found a tunnel entrance, above the path that runs along the north side of Busbridge Lakes. Don't be silly! There can't be a tunnel there. But he insisted that I return with him to investigate. The first problem was in finding it again! We climbed above the path into the woods and began to look for the mound of earth that would have to be man made. Sure enough after low branches and brambles we came upon the mound, which was largely overgrown with a small tree and plenty of brambles. On looking closer we noticed that there was stone work behind the brambles with an entrance in the middle. We fought the brambles to get to the entrance and stepped inside. There was not much light so we used the torch that we had brought and slowly went forward. Just as well as after only a short distance the floor suddenly disappeared vertically down! There was no tunnel but there was a very large brick lined vertical "jar" with a domed ceiling and concave floor now partly filled with branches and other debris.

My son had been right! Well ... about a "hole" in the side of the bank above Busbridge Lakes. So at the weekend I visited Godalming Museum to see if I could learn more. I learned that based on the construction of our "hole" our find was almost certainly an Ice House. These were built by the wealthy land owners for food preservation and making summer desserts and cooling wine! Some 3,000 were built in the UK from the 1600's on, with most built during the 19<sup>th</sup> century. They fell rapidly out of use by the end of the 19<sup>th</sup> Century, due to the decline of country houses and the introduction of refrigerators. However records show that some 2,500 are still visible, many in good repair including the one we found. Ours, it is believed, belonged to Busbridge Hall and would have been filled with ice from Lake below it.

*Does any reader know of any other interesting building or historical evidence in our local area that could form an article in a future Bridge edition?*

**Mark Alcock**

## **Lone Barn – Mount Alvernia – La Verna - Mary Vale**

Tucked away at the edge of Busbridge, at the corner of Tuesley Lane and Ashstead Lane is a cul-de-sac called Mary Vale, consisting of 22 detached houses, built in 1970, together with 5 houses on Ashstead Lane. The area where this small estate stands has an interesting history.

Over 100 years ago there was just one large house called Lone Barn on this land surrounded by gardens, as the 1912 map opposite shows. At this time what is now Ladywell Convent was Tuesley Court, and there were just a few houses in Tuesley Lane, between Ashstead Lane and Quartermile Road. The 1911 census lists a local coal merchant, Wilfred Vallance, as living at Lone Barn with his family and four servants, so he must have been fairly wealthy.

The Times (June 9th 1916) records the death in service of Commander H. Pennell from the Royal Navy. Pennell was a member of Scott's Antarctic expedition and The Times records his marriage a year earlier in 1915 to Catherine, daughter of Mrs Hodson from Lone Barn, Busbridge.

During the 2<sup>nd</sup> World War, there were concerns for the safety of Mount Alvernia nursing home in Guildford after bombs had fallen on the town. After lengthy negotiations by Mother Francis, Lone Barn was bought in 1942, despite concerns by local residents that a nursing home would "lower the tone of this upmarket residential area"! The house was converted into a small hospital, including a maternity ward and an operating theatre, all run by nursing sisters and local doctors. It was also called Mount Alvernia causing some confusion. Later renamed La Verna, it then became Maryvale Juniorate in 1965, where the novice sisters lived. In 1968 the Juniorate moved to Bramley, and the property was sold to a developer.

In an interview Sister Angela recalled some memories of her time as a young midwife in the 1940's. At first considerable alterations and extensions had to be made to the house to equip it to the approved standard for a nursing home. The seven nursing sisters in their white habits, worked alongside local GPs, who were grateful for the facilities that were provided. The maternity ward became popular for mothers wishing to escape from London, and was often over full, especially as in those days women spent 10 days in bed after giving birth.

The sisters lived in a wooden building in the grounds of the house, although the sister in charge had a flat in the attic.

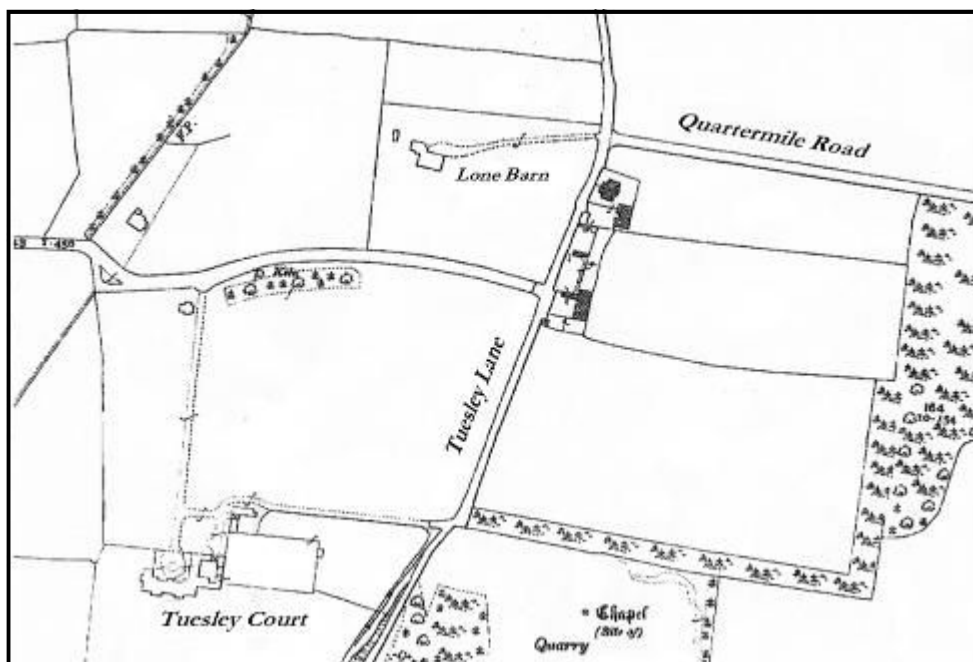
Another wooden building was their chapel, and the Franciscan friars often walked from Chilworth for evening mass, stayed the night in another hut, and walked back to Chilworth after morning mass.

Rising at 5 am each day, work has hard, and hours were long, but they were happy times, working and sharing together as a family. Tuesley Court on the other side of Ashstead Lane became Ladywell Convent in 1956.

All that remains of Lone Barn house and Mount Alvernia nursing home, Godalming, is the original entrance which is now the footpath which leads into Mary Vale from Tuesley Lane, by the bus stop opposite Quatermile Road, the avenue of chestnut trees along this drive, and the number of mature trees, including large oaks on the estate.

If you have any memories or further information of Lone Barn/Mount Alvernia, Godalming, do get in touch.

**Jacky Beale**



**1912 map showing Lone Barn and nearby buildings in Tuesley Lane  
Source: Godalming Museum Archives**



## Prime Time Braves the Summer Rain

You can plan for summer weather, but that doesn't guarantee that it is going to be fine.

So it was that about twenty Prime Timers gathered at Godalming Wharf, the most southerly point on any navigable river in the country, on the cloudy afternoon of Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> June, to participate in a historic event. For many years now the Godalming Packetboat Company has organised river trips on a horse-drawn barge, using the delightfully restored barge 'Iona' that, in a former existence, plied the waterways in the Midlands.

Buddy, the doughty horse, was accordingly attached to the boat by a long rope, which was, however, never taut. Led by a couple of people, Buddy slowly pulled the boat down the river, past Sainsbury's, the attractive houses of The Landings, and towards Catteshall Lock into which the boat was allowed to drift. By the time we passed the expansive grounds of the Manor Inn a steady rain had begun to fall, dashing any hopes that the passengers might have had of seeing a kingfisher or damselflies – on an earlier outing, a bluebell walk near Dunsfold in May, they had had the great fortune of hearing a nightingale. But, as the plastic curtains were lowered offering some protection from the steady drip of water, and partly obscuring the view of comfrey and hemlock water dropwort along the river banks and the occasional mallard duck in the water, plates full of scones, cream and jam emerged from the hatch, followed by welcome cups of tea and coffee.

Aided by ropes and the skilful steering of our helmsman David, the boat was turned around just south of Unsted Lock and made the return journey, still, unfortunately, in steady rain. But it was a lovely peaceful afternoon, mercifully free from the chug-chug-chug of modern life. **Shelagh Godwin**

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My husband Ed and I believe that one of the five pillars of a good marriage (or any meaningful relationship) is quality time spent together. (If you want to know the other four, pick up a copy of Gary Chapman's book "The Five Love Languages" at Nathan's!) So right from the start of our marriage 4 years ago, we promised ourselves a walk at least once a week, incorporating, where possible, a pub lunch, so we had time to talk to each other without interruptions, he could study the flora and I could spot birds.

What more obvious project than the Wey Navigation? Especially as we could walk it in sections and use public transport to get to and fro, armed with our bus passes! The first section, from Godalming to Guildford, became something of a pub *crawl*, with coffee at the Parrot, lunch at the White House in Guildford and afternoon tea at the Manor Inn on the way home! The delights of the day included beautiful spring weather, highland cattle in the Shalford water meadows and blue and speckled wood butterflies among pink campion.

The next section, Guildford to Send, included the remarkable and amusing tree sculptures in Woodbridge Meadow, just off the A3, ancient pollarded willows, mayflies and damselflies and a fieldful of yellow-grey pompoms in the form of Canada goose chicks. On the third stretch, between Send and Wisley, we watched a heron stalking fish in the shallows and a cormorant standing like a semaphore signal on a post drying its wings. John Donne's summerhouse and Newark Abbey with their watery reflections also made good photographs. And I was introduced to hemlock water dropwort.

The final reach, from Wisley to Weybridge, included passing under the M25 with its much-graffiti'd pillars. I have to admit I found these winningly colourful and artistic! We were hardly aware of the close presence of traffic despite the tow path running so near to the A3 and M25. The whole canal, with its quiet locks, sleeping houseboats, green banks burgeoning with wildflowers and lovely domestic gardens sloping down to the water, affords a peaceful, gently winding, level walkway amid the rush of busy Surrey.

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Talking about food, most of my friends know that food is my passion. As a Thai, although I've been living in UK since Nov 2000, my attitude towards food is still strong. If we are not eating we are probably preparing or talking about food.

Over the years I have heard many people say that we need a Thai restaurant in Godalming. When I heard that a new Thai restaurant was opening I felt really excited, especially when I heard it was good. I thought that I should check it out. I managed to gather a few of my friends (about nine of us mums) plus a couple of toddlers and a baby. I was not impressed with the size of the building; it is rather small but the up side is that it is rather intimate and this helps to create a good atmosphere. Also all the staff are Thai! That is a good sign. Great!! I can order things just as if I was in Thailand (if you know what you want, even if it's not on the menu a good Thai restaurant will be able to cook it for you).

We all decided to go for the set lunch menu for £6.95. I ordered a classic Thai dish called Krapaow, which is basically a stir-fry of hot basil leaves with garlic, charlottes, chillies and your choice of meat or fish, served with rice. You can also add fried egg if you wish. I ordered Krapaow with squid and of course a fried egg! Everybody was happy with their food. The presentation was great, the taste was good. The portions were a bit on the small side, especially for me, who likes to eat a lot! We all thought the meal was good value. It was all good except that the toddlers became bored with nothing much to do (tip: take a couple of toys with you), and the toilet facility is not great if you have young children who need their nappy changed! However it is an excellent place to have lunch, a date or a night out with friends. I am definitely going back there again.

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6.30pm Holy Communion

### Sunday July 18<sup>th</sup>

8.00 am Holy Communion  
10.00am Classic MW + Baptism  
10.00am Contemporary HC  
6.30pm Evening Worship

### Sunday August 1<sup>st</sup>

8.00 am Holy Communion  
10.00am Combined MW  
& Baptism  
6.30pm Holy Communion

### Sunday August 15<sup>th</sup>

8.00 am Holy Communion  
10.00am Combined HC  
6.30pm Evening Worship

### Sunday August 29<sup>th</sup>

8.00 am Holy Communion  
10.00am Holiday Club Service  
6.30pm Evening Worship

### Sunday July 11<sup>th</sup>

8.00 am Holy Communion BCP  
10.00am Classic HC+P  
10.00am Contemporary – Coffee  
Connect  
6.30pm Evening Worship

### Sunday July 25<sup>th</sup>

8.00 am Holy Communion  
10.00am Combined MW  
6.30pm Evening Worship

### Sunday August 8<sup>th</sup>

8.00 am Holy Communion BCP  
10.00am Combined MW  
6.30pm Evening Worship

### Sunday August 22<sup>nd</sup>

8.00 am Holy Communion  
10.00am Combined MW  
6.30pm Evening Worship

MW=Morning Worship  
HC=Holy Communion HC+P=Holy Communion with prayer for Healing  
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## **Personal Tribute to Audrey Cade**

**21<sup>st</sup> July 1924 – 22<sup>nd</sup> April 2010,**

***‘Grieve not that I have died; rejoice that I have lived’***

“The end of an era” was the comment made by a friend on hearing of Audrey’s death, and so it is. Audrey, (to those of us who knew her in later years,) or “Miss Cade”, as she was known to generations of Rodborough school children, was a longstanding resident of Busbridge. She moved to the Godalming area in the mid 1950’s, when she was appointed Deputy Head at Rodborough School, before it moved to its present site in Milford. She taught English, Drama and French as well as being Careers teacher, until she retired in the early 1980’s.

Discipline was never a problem for “Miss Cade”— she was strict but fair, always wanting to develop her pupils’ potential, whatever their academic ability, and having a very compassionate heart for those struggling with difficult circumstances. She was loved and respected by those she mentored, many of whom kept in touch with her right through her life. Because she stayed young at heart, young people warmed to her and valued her counsel and friendship.

Resident in the Brighton Road for over 40 years, she was a well known figure walking ‘down to town’. She never learnt to drive and was a great advocate of Public Transport. Retirement from teaching allowed Audrey time to enjoy other interests, cultivate friendships and serve the local community. She was an avid (and very good!) bridge player, took up golf lessons and indulged her love of the theatre and the arts. She increasingly became involved at Busbridge Church, but was never ‘parochial’, using her literary skills to pen the monthly “Round the Churches” article in “Link” (the Busbridge Parish magazine) for several years. Later she wrote and edited “Link Up”, the monthly, ecumenical, churches newsletter – in long hand, before the days of computers! She loved her weekly volunteer session working in the Cathedral Bookshop, and acting as a Cathedral guide, combining her knowledge with a pastoral heart.

At Busbridge Church Audrey became a valued member of the pastoral team, helping wherever needed. Many will remember her best for her meticulous organisation of coach trips for the elderly, over a ten year period, when 2 or 3 times a year fifty or so parishioners enjoyed an afternoon out somewhere in Surrey or Sussex, with the obligatory “tea stop” plus homemade cakes and biscuits. Audrey and I had great fun reconnoitring these trips beforehand, testing out “comfort stops”, routes and coach parks!

Audrey was a deeply spiritual lady and all her activities were soaked in prayer. She had a heart for the disadvantaged and was a Trustee of the Warehouse Christian Trust (supporting The Cellar coffee bar and Skillway project) right up until her death. She had a great love of the sea, and when after a fall and time in hospital 2½ years ago, she realised she could not return to Brighton Road, she moved to Rustington Convalescent Home, overlooking The English Channel, where she enjoyed community life to the full until the last week of her life.

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On August 5<sup>th</sup> we will continue our theme of an evening guided town tour followed by a meal. This year knowledgeable local artist, Stephen Goddard, will lead us on a guided tour around Godalming. More details should be available at our July meeting. Hope you can join us.

Please put September 9<sup>th</sup> in your diaries. This is another re-scheduled event and one we are looking forward to: Gail O'Flaherty, a Style Me Beautiful consultant, will come along and demonstrate how the right styles can enhance our image and build our confidence. There will be a small extra charge for this special evening: £3.00 for members and £5.00 for guests. This will include wine / soft drinks and nibbles at the start of the evening and tea / coffee and biscuits after the demonstration. It promises to be a great evening and we very much look forward to seeing you and your friends at this event.

We'd love to see you at these evenings – the July and September ones will be held in the Church Centre at 8 o'clock. If you would like any information about Nexus, please phone **Janet Harvey on 423264** or **Kate Kaye on 415296**.

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## DATE YUMMIES



I was looking for something yummy to cook to celebrate the birthday of one of our church Home Group members, and discovered this recipe in a tatty old file stuffed with assorted scruffy bits of paper, cut-out magazine recipes and oddments sliced off tin wrappers and food packets.

On consuming one or two of these delicious date goodies, the Home Group demanded the recipe – what better way of sharing it than publishing it in *The Bridge*? If you have a very sweet tooth, the original recipe suggested icing – though we found them sweet enough without. ENJOY!

### Ingredients:

100gm (4oz) margarine or butter  
100 gm (4 oz) granulated sugar  
100 gm (4 oz) soft brown sugar  
2 eggs, beaten  
1 teaspoon vanilla essence  
50 gm (2oz) coarsely-crushed cornflakes / bran flakes  
100 gm (4oz) self-raising flour, sifted  
100 gm (4oz) chopped dates

Beat the butter (or margarine) and sugars together until light and creamy. Beat in the eggs one at a time, with a little of the flour to prevent curdling. Mix in the vanilla essence.

Fold in the cereal flakes.

Fold in the sifted flour along with the chopped dates.

Transfer the mixture to a greased and lined Swiss-roll tin 18 x 28 x 3cm (7 x 11 x 1 ¼ inches)

Bake for 30 minutes at 180°C (350°F, gas mark 4)

Leave in the baking tin to cool, cut into about 20 slices, then transfer to a wire cooling rack.

### Icing:

200 gm (8oz) icing sugar  
25 gm (1 oz) butter  
2 tablespoons milk  
½ teaspoon vanilla essence

Blend the ingredients in a bowl until smooth. Spread over the cooled cake before cutting.

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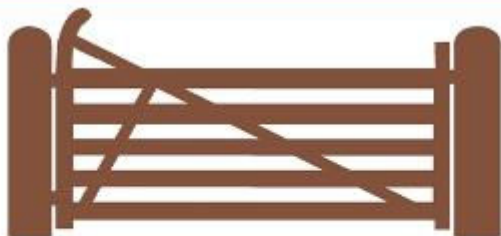


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