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Welcome to our Spring 2024 Edition!

April usually starts with pranks and jokes on the 1st of the month, known as April Fool's Day. Although the origins of the day are not entirely known, one of the first references to 'Fool's Holy Day' was recorded by John Aubrey in 1698 when people were tricked into visiting the Tower of London to "see the lions washed".

This year we have two Bank Holidays in May, so make sure you get out and about in your local community and enjoy every minute.

Sunday, the 5th of May is World Laughter Day. The fun began in Mumbai back in 1998, when Dr Madan Kataria held the first event. Apparently, the body doesn't know the difference between real and fake laughter and there are numerous benefits to your physical and mental health. What better way to celebrate the merry month of May!

May is also National Walking Month. Living Streets promote walking for health and well-being across the UK. Their website contains useful tips to help you fit in twenty minutes of walking a day during this celebratory month. National Walking Month (livingstreets.org.uk)

Now is the time to plan all your spring and summer activities and ensure you get the most out of any free time. Be prepared for good weather and bad, so you can thoroughly enjoy either scenario.

As always, we have prepared a few interesting reads for you to enjoy, as well as special offers and discounts generously provided by our advertisers, exclusive to this magazine's readers. Your mentioning of Stonestrow Directories when claiming the offers would not only redeem them, but also enable us to introduce you to even more local trades and services.

Please keep this directory until the next one arrives and make the most of its features and listings!

A few dates for your calendar:

6th of May - Early May Bank Holiday;
27th of May - Spring Bank Holiday.

However you decide to spend next couple of months - keep your heart and your business local.

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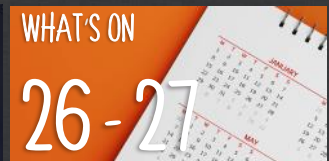
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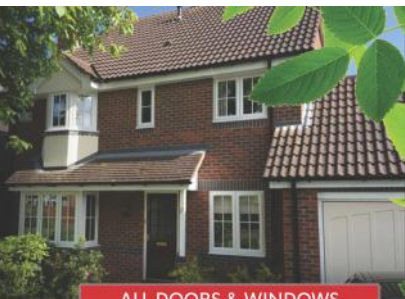
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94 Priory Road CV8 1LQ	01926 855 326	
Chips & Fishes <i>Fish & Chips</i>		
82 Roseland Road CV8 1GB	01926 853 782	
Hong Kong Garden <i>Chinese Takeaway</i>		
6, Oaks Precinct, Caesar Rd CV8 1DP	01926 512 640	
The Gauntlet <i>Gastro Pub, British</i>		
3, Oaks Precinct, Caesar Rd CV8 1DP	01926 852 110	
The Queen & Castle <i>Gastro Pub, English</i>		
Castle Green CV8 1ND	01926 852 661	
Harringtons On The Hill <i>Gastro Pub, European</i>		
42 Castle Hill CV8 1NB	01926 852 074	
Time for Tea <i>Café</i>		
40 Castle Hill CV8 1NB	01926 512 675	
Clarendon Arms <i>Gastro Pub</i>		
44 Castle Hill CV8 1NB	01926 852 017	
The Abbey Field <i>Gastropub</i>		
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The Famous Virgins & Castle <i>British</i>		
7 High Street CV8 1LY	01926 853 737	
Kenilworth Cantonese <i>Chinese Takeaway</i>		
2 High Street CV8 1LZ	01926 863 390	
The Cross <i>British</i>		
16 New Street CV8 2EZ	01926 853 840	
School Lane Fish & Chip Shop <i>Fish & Chips</i>		
101 School Lane CV8 1GT	01926 859 490	
The Royal Oak Pub <i>British</i>		
36 New Street CV8 2EZ	01926 856906	
Engine <i>Pub</i>		
8 Mill End CV8 2HP	01926 853341	
The Wyandotte Inn <i>Pub</i>		
4 Stoneleigh Road CV8 2GD	01926 856167	
The Tiltyard <i>British</i>		
25 Leyes Lane CV8 2DE	01926 851 523	
Domino's Pizza <i>Pizza Takeaway</i>		
37 Leyes Lane CV8 1DE	01926 856 888	
The Kenilworth <i>Cocktail Lounge Bar</i>		
61 Warwick Road CV8 1HN	01926 779 473	
The Clock Tower <i>Café</i>		
212 Abbey End, Kenilworth CV8 1ED	01926 855 957	
Milk & Mocha <i>Dessert Parlour</i>		
43 Warwick Road CV8 1HN	01926 511 444	
Friends Kenilworth <i>Fish and Chips</i>		
72 Warwick Road CV8 1HH	01926 734 487	
La Ari Italian <i>Deli & Café</i>		
4 Warwick Road CV8 1HB	07392 339579	
Ardens <i>Café</i>		
17 Talisman Square CV8 1JB	02476 422 422	
Amante Del Cibo <i>Pizza</i>		
72 Whitemoor Road CV8 2BP	07514 133 944	
Whitemoor Road Chippy <i>Fish & Chips</i>		
68 Whitemoor Road CV8 2BP	01926 512802	



TRADITIONAL ART OF BREWING

People have been enjoying beer for thousands of years. Proof has been found that the ancient Sumerians of Mesopotamia, brewed beer as far back as 4000BC.

During the Middle Ages in Europe, brewing beer became a significant industry. Monks brewed beer in monasteries as a way of supporting themselves and also enjoying the odd tittle for sustenance. Germans take their beer very seriously, and people were using all sorts of substitutes and shortcuts to produce a brew. Things changed when the German Beer Purity Law, *Reinheitsgebot*, was enforced in Bavaria in 1516. This regulation limited the ingredients to only water, barley, hops, and yeast, ensuring the quality of the beer and its ingredients. This set of strict rules could be classed as one of the first-ever food safety regulations.

The Industrial Revolution brought larger-scale breweries with more commercial operations but in recent years, small-scale breweries have thrived by creating artisan beers. Craft breweries continue to grow and experiment with new techniques, and modern brewing incorporates a wide variety of flavours and finishes to suit all tastes.

The traditional art of brewing beer has evolved over the centuries, but some things have remained the same. Here is a brief outline of the process involved in brewing traditional beer.

First of all, you need grains, usually barley. These grains go through a malting process where they are soaked in water to initiate germination then dried and roasted to create a deep flavour and

stop germination. Brewing begins with the mashing process, when the crushed malted grains are placed in a vessel called a mash tun and hot water is added to create a porridge-like mixture. Water is the primary component of beer, and the source of the water greatly influences the flavour profile of the finished beer. The hot water activates enzymes in the malt mash and they break down into fermentable sugars.

The next step in the process is called lautering when the liquid is drained from the mash. This liquid 'wort' is transferred to a kettle and boiled with hops to add flavour, aroma and bitterness. Boiling removes any bad microorganisms and sterilizes the wort. The liquid is cooled and transferred into a fermentation vessel and yeast is added to ferment the sugars and produce alcohol. Carbon dioxide is a natural byproduct of the process. Fermentation can take days or weeks, depending on the type of beer and the yeast that's used.

After the primary fermentation process, the beer may go through a period of conditioning to develop the flavours and allow the yeast to settle out of suspension. It can sometimes go through a secondary fermentation process. It's then filtered to remove any final sediment and packaged into bottles, cans or barrels.

Beer is more than a beverage. Throughout history, beer has played a significant cultural, economic and social role in societies all around the world, and will probably do for years to come.

By Emma Russell

USEFUL LOCAL TELEPHONE NUMBERS

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April is Stress Awareness Month – here are some top tips for beating stress.

Stress Awareness Month has been held every April since 1992 to increase public awareness about both the causes and cures for our modern stress epidemic. Here are some top tips for beating stress.

Modern life can be stressful, and stress can impact our lives in lots of ways. Many aspects of life can cause stress, but this April help is available to help you manage your mental health and wellbeing.

TAKE BREAKS From watching, reading, or listening to news stories, including those on social media. Of course, it is good to be informed but hearing about a traumatic event constantly can be upsetting and it can cause you stress. So why not consider limiting news to just a couple of times a day. Why not think about disconnecting from your phone, tv, and computer screens for a while. You might notice the difference quickly.

TAKE CARE Of yourself. It might seem simple. But by taking care of yourself - eating healthily, getting some exercise, getting plenty of sleep, and giving yourself a break if you feel agitated you can improve your ability to deal with stress. Make time to unwind. Try to do some other

activities you enjoy. Watch your favourite comedy or comedian, or why not go and see them live. Laughter is a great way of de-stressing.

TAKE CARE OF YOUR BODY AND MIND Mindfulness is good for reducing your stress levels. By learning to breathe properly and perhaps doing some simple yoga exercises or stretching exercises you can improve your overall health.

TAKE A LOOK AT YOUR DIET Why not try and eat healthy, well-balanced meals? Perhaps eat more fruit, vegetables and wholegrains. Porridge is a cheap and delicious breakfast. It provides slow-release energy so keeps you going for longer. Add some fruit, it can be fresh, frozen, tinned or dried, for the best meal to start your day.

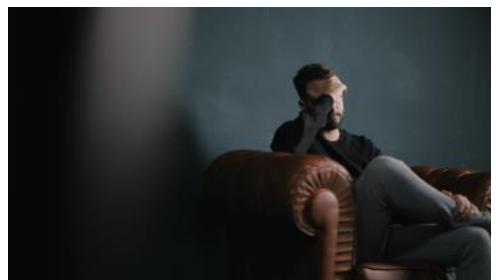
Consider eating less red meat. Even if you don't want to become a vegetarian why not try having easier digestible alternatives (chicken or fish). It can make a big difference.

AVOID EXCESSIVE ALCOHOL AND TOBACCO Although alcohol and tobacco can give you an instant boost, they have negative health impacts and exacerbate stress. Why not challenge yourself to cut out some cigarettes or have a word with your GP about the nicotine replacement options? What about having some dry days each week? Why not try non-alcoholic drinks, they taste the same but are alcohol free?

TALK TO OTHERS What did our parents always tell us? A problem shared is a problem halved. There is something in this. Why not take the time to talk with people you trust about your concerns and how you are feeling? Share your problems with a parent, friend, counsellor, doctor, or pastor.

These are just six top tips for beating stress. You don't have to use all of them, pick and choose which suit you, your lifestyle and circumstances.

Rob Bullock <https://robbullockauthor.blogspot.com>



WHAT'S ON LOCALLY

Kenilworth Market

Date: every Thursday / Time: 9am - 3pm / Venue: Abbey End, Kenilworth

Kenilworth market is a great opportunity to shop in a vibrant open-air setting. You will find variety and value, sold by new and experienced traders. Choose from stalls selling everything from fresh fruit and vegetables, plants, fresh baking, fish and clothing, to gifts & food specialities.

Recycle your old glasses

Date: every 3rd Saturday / Venue: Warwick Saturday Market

Warwick Lions would like to say a big thank you to all the people who have kindly donated old and broken spectacles to our stall at the Warwick Saturday Market. The glasses are cleaned & refurbished then sent to eye camps in Africa, India & Eastern Europe. We aim to collect redundant glasses on our stall every third Saturday.

Kenilworth Art Society

Date: Tuesdays / Time: 7.30 - 9.30 pm / Venue: Venue: Waverley Centre, 65 Waverley, Kenilworth, CV8 1JL

A friendly group, with beginners and experienced artists, using a variety of mediums with a programme of optional activities. New members are welcome, to share and learn. For more information visit www.kenilworthartsociety.weebly.com or email the secretary: kenilworthartsociety@gmail.com or call 01926 855470

Kenilworth History and Archaeology Society

Date: second Monday of each month / Time: 7.45pm / Venue: Senior Citizens' Club, Abbey End, Kenilworth CV8 1QJ

We hold nine Open Meetings per year with guest speakers on a range of historical subjects, non-members are welcome for a donation of £2. We also hold three members only meetings per year. Full details of our programme and how to join the society can be found on our website www.khas.co.uk and on our Facebook page. The ethos of the society is to research the history of the town and make the results available to its residents.

Warwickshire Vision Support Centre

Date: 2nd Friday of each month / Time: 9.30am - 11.30am / Venue: Kenilworth Senior Citizens Club, Abbey End CV8 1LG

Warwickshire Vision Support are a local charity that supports people living with sight loss in Warwickshire. Web: www.warwickshire.vision/ Email: enquiries@warwickshire.vision Phone: 01926 411331

Rapport Social Group

Rapport is a non profit making, social group for unattached adults age 50+ on their own and would like to meet new friends. We have a varied monthly

programme of hosted events, including coffee mornings, lunches and evening meals, cinema, theatre and National Trust visits, day trips, walks and pub nights. For more information contact Jenny Brown on 07725 094123

Men Walking and Talking

Date: every Thursday / Time: 7pm / Venue: Abbey Fields Car Park

A weekly walking group has been launched in Kenilworth aimed at supporting men's mental health. Set up by local resident Mark Taylor, the group was started earlier this year as the tenth branch of the Men Walking and Talking Group - which was launched during the pandemic. To join please visit their Facebook page: Men Walking and Talking or contact Mark: menwalkingandtalking@outlook.com

A Walking Football Group

We meet twice a week, Tuesdays 11.00am and Thursdays 13.15pm at a superb local venue near Warwick University, for exercise, recreation, socializing and a laugh on an outside astro turf pitch. All Adults welcome. For further info contact 07941491488.

Independent South Warwickshire NHS Retirement Fellowship

Date: every 2nd Wednesday / Time: 10am - 12pm / Venue: All Saints Church Hall, All Saints Road, Warwick CV34 5NJ

We have speakers, trips out, quizzes and much more, why not give us a try. Contact Jackie Shaw 01926 492361.

Kenilworth Over 30 Swimming Club

Date: Every Sunday / Time: 8am - 8.55am / Venue: Newbold Comyn, Newbold Terrace East, Leamington Spa, CV32 4EW

We swim at Newbold Comyn whilst the Abbey Fields facility is being rebuilt. Only two members in each of the reserved four lanes to date - new members are welcome (£12.50 a month subscription) a great way to start your day! Please contact Simon: simonmorton8@yahoo.co.uk for more details or a trial swim.

Coventry And Warwickshire Retired Engineers

Date: third Thursday of most months / Time: 10:30 for 11AM / Venue: Dunchurch Village Hall CV22 6PN

All events are open to the general public. www.retiredengineers.net 01926 490 456

Coventry And Warwickshire Schools Liaison Community

We have speakers on many hot topics and careers. Also activity kits we lend to schools and clubs, all free of charge. www.schoolsliasoncommunity.net/CWSLC.htm 01926 490 456

Kenilworth u3a Meetings

Time: 2.30pm / Venue: Kenilworth Methodist Church, Priory Road, Kenilworth CV8 1LQ
Join us for a tea/coffee and a chat from 1.45 pm
Members free - Visitors £1.

Warwick Memory Singers

Date: Wednesdays / Time: 1pm - 2.30pm / Venue: All Saints Church, Vicarage Fields, Warwick, CV34 5NL

Open to anyone living with dementia or other neurological condition, accompanied by their carer. Led by specially-trained musicians, our weekly sessions can help build new friendships and boost confidence, enabling people to feel more positive and supported. £5 per week, carers go free. First Session free! To book a place or for further information, please contact Sarah Riddell: sriddell@armonico.org.uk or call 07722 632242

Kenilworth Probus Club No 2

Date: 2nd Thursday of the month / Time: 10.30am / Venue: Clarendon Arms, 44 Castle Hill, Kenilworth CV34 1NB

9th December: Martin Gower. NHS a Jewel in the Crown or a Patient in need of Therapy; 13th February: John McCormick. Computers are they really that smart?

Kenilworth Probus Club No 2. Is a club for retired and semi-retired men. Just come along or email: contact@kenilworthprobus2.org.uk Web: www.kenilworthprobus2.org.uk

Bad Vibrations Community Choir

Date: 1st, 3rd and 5th Tuesdays / Time: 6.30pm - 8pm / Venue: United Reformed Church, Kenilworth CV8 1LW

Love to Sing? Then come and join us. No musical experience, ability (or even an audition) is needed to join our friendly and inclusive group. We sing for the joy of singing, when our choir rehearse a varied repertoire with instruction from a talented and professional choir master. Alternatively, on 2nd/ 4th Tuesday from 7 - 8pm in the same venue, we have a Singalong; no choirmaster, just singing to great soundtracks from the last 50 years. For information: www.badvibrations.org.uk; Phone – 07778 791365; Email - badvken@gmail.com. Or just come for a FREE trial session.

Board Game Hub

Date: 3rd Sunday of every month / Time: 3-5pm / Venue: the Kenilworth Centre
Stuck in the house all day avoiding the cold? Why not join us for board game hub? Bring a game, play a game, enjoy and cup of tea and a slice of cake.

Kenilworth Lions Club

Date: 2nd Monday of the month / Venue: Kenilworth Sports & Social Club
Throughout the year we support needy causes in the community and with a full social programme, the Club is friendly, rewarding and good fun. To find out more visit: www.kenilworthlionsclub.co.uk

Repair Café

Date: every 3rd Saturday of the month / Time: 2-5pm / Venue: Abbey Hill United Reformed Church, Abbey Hill CV8 1LW
Repair not replace. If you can carry it or pedal it, we'll have a look at it. Repairs and advice are free,

but card or cash donations are welcome. Last repair taken at 4.30pm. For more information please visit: www.repaircafe-kenilworth.org

Saturday Talks in Support of The Fusilier Museum

Date: 27th of April / Time: 2pm / Venue: Zoom
'Drones and Digital Mapping-Recreating the Royal Warwick's' progress in Normandy 1944' by Jonathan Davy: as we approach the 80th anniversary of this iconic campaign, follow the story of the two Royal Warwick battalions involved in the fighting and learn about the final journey of four men commemorated on the Warwick War Memorial.

Saturday Talks in Support of The Fusilier Museum

Date: 25th of May / Time: 2pm / Venue: Zoom
'Monty versus Rommel' by Zita Fletcher: an in-depth look at the personal and strategic duel between Bernard Montgomery and German Field Marshal Erwin Rommel in the build-up to and launch of Operation Overlord on 6th June 1944, with insights from German sources. To receive a Zoom invite, contact the Secretary by email on friends.fusiliermuseumwarwick@gmail.com a fortnight before. All talks begin and last about an hour.

Pirates - the Fact and the Fiction

Date: 18th April / Time: 2.30pm / Venue: Kenilworth Methodist Church, Kenilworth CV8 1LQ
Ahoy me hearties! Max Keen returns as our speaker and sifts the fact from the fiction in pirate history. Members free, Visitors £1.

The Darker Side of Warwick

Date: 16th May / Time: 2.30pm / Venue: Kenilworth Methodist Church, Kenilworth CV8 1LQ
Graham Sutherland, sheds light on some of the less savoury aspects of Warwick's history of crimes, ghosts, prize-fighters and eccentrics. Members free, Visitors £1

Lillington Bowling Club Spring events 2024: Free Bowls Coaching

Date: 6th May / Time: 6pm / Venue: Lillington Bowling Club, Lime Avenue, Leamington Spa, CV32DB

Bowls Big Weekend Event

Date: 26th May / Time: 10am - 4pm / Venue: Lillington Bowling Club, Lime Avenue, Leamington Spa, CV32DB
Lillington Bowling Club welcomes new bowlers of all ages to try a friendly and social sport which can be enjoyed by all abilities. Why not come along with flat soled shoes and let us introduce you to bowls on our super green. For further information, book a slot for either event or make enquiries visit our website: www.lillingtonbc.co.uk or call Chris on 01926 881229 or John on 07956 487378

While we do our best to ensure the accuracy of our listings, events may be postponed or cancelled without notice. Please confirm with the organiser before making any plans for attending events.

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HOROSCOPES: APRIL / MAY

ARIES (MARCH 21 - APRIL 20)

Jupiter and Uranus join together at the financial angle of your chart by shining a powerful light on how you earn your money; your earning ability is ripe for change; be sure to take advantage of a brilliant opportunity to meet new people who can influence your progress and success. The powerful new moon solar eclipse on the 8th suggests that intuitive decisions will bring positive results. The Taurus Sun starts the month with a powerful connection to maverick planet Uranus, this exceptional combination illuminates the way you value yourself and how you come across to others. Expansive Jupiter leaves your sign on the 16th indicating that a financial overview is long overdue. Venus in chatty Gemini until the 7th assists with communicating your ideas.

TAURUS (APRIL 21 - MAY 21)

The dynamic energy of expansive Jupiter and revolutionary Uranus makes April the most important month of the year; this is your cue to shift gear and turn up the pace in all areas of your life. Sudden opportunities for totally new directions will become possible as you welcome in a new sense of confidence and joy. Banish negative thought, trust your intuition and go with your heart's desire. The Sun is in your sign and starts the month in powerful aspect to the rebel planet Uranus; this month will not be dull and you'll start to see plenty of unexpected change coming your way. Expansive Jupiter arrives in Taurus on the 17th for a one year stay, this is your time to expand your consciousness, assess your goals and reach for whatever you want.

GEMINI (MAY 22 - JUNE 21)

Your career and new and exciting connections are in the spotlight this month as these two areas of your chart are dominant. The powerful connection the maverick planet Uranus and expansive Jupiter offer challenge and change in all directions. The Sun and Mercury, both in fiery Aries suggest a new passion for life as you find yourself driven to make improvements that broaden your horizons on a grand scale. Dynamic Mars in sensitive Cancer is stirring up the financial area of your chart, use your intuition to make some necessary changes, you'll be well rewarded as new opportunities open up. Mercury, your ruler, turns direct on the 15th indicating that plans and practical matters will start to flow again. Results look encouraging, particularly around the powerful Taurus new moon on the 19th.

CANCER (JUNE 22 - JULY 22)

Mars, Saturn, Venus and Neptune in intuitive Pisces all occupy the sector of your chart concerned with further education, your higher mind and travel. You'll be feeling energetic about making plans for the future, but be sure to proceed with caution as all might not be as it seems. Abundant Jupiter connecting with Uranus on the 20th shines a helpful light by empowering you to make the right decisions. Energetic Mars is active in your sign until 21st, this transit offers you the courage, self-confidence and determination to stand firm on a recent issue. The Sun and maverick Uranus illuminate the social area of your chart indicating a strong prospect of making new friendships and renewing some old ones. The Taurus new moon on the 19th is particularly rewarding and presents a unique opportunity for you.

LEO (JULY 23 - AUGUST 23)

The powerful new moon solar eclipse in fiery Aries on the 8th offers an opportunity to make outstanding business connections, networking and career change should be high on your agenda this month. The meeting of innovative Uranus and expansive Jupiter on the 20th indicate some brilliant prospects are up for grabs. Be sure use your intuition and focus on turning exciting ideas into long term projects. The Sun, your ruler, is close to the maverick planet Uranus at the highest point of your chart. This powerful alignment illuminates the way for bigger and brighter career prospects; be bold, you need to believe in yourself and claim what is rightfully yours. Jupiter, in Aries until the 16th, promotes keeping your mind open and researching any subject that comes to your attention.

VIRGO (AUGUST 24 - SEPTEMBER 22)

Relationships and partnerships are the focus for you this month. You'll certainly be feeling the need for tenderness and love as four planets occupy this sector of your chart. The new moon solar eclipse on the 8th pushes you to see a completely different view point in many areas of your life. This month, concentrate on nurturing your inner peace and trusting your ability to adapt to whatever challenges may arise. This month brings a sense of adventure and exciting new possibilities as the Sun and the unpredictable planet Uranus offer unique and brilliant opportunities to broaden your horizons. Your ruling planet, communicative Mercury, turns direct on the 15th ensuring that your plans can now move forward and confirming that you get the very best out of your social endeavours.

LIBRA (SEPTEMBER 23 - OCTOBER 23)

April presents a harmonious blend of opportunities and challenges for you as the cosmic energies are urging you to find a better balance in all aspects of your life. The Solar eclipse in your opposite sign on the 8th is of special importance and some important and lasting decisions will need to be made. The stunning Jupiter/Uranus alignment on the 20th could bring a financial surprise your way. The new moon in Taurus on the 19th illuminates some of the important decisions that you have taken in recent months. Plans concerning joint resources look favourable and success looks almost certain. Venus arrives at the highpoint of your chart on the 8th, joining action planet Mars and indicating that improved communications can make a powerful impact on others.

SCORPIO (OCTOBER 24 - NOVEMBER 22)

This month, you are encouraged to delve deep into your emotions and embrace the process of inner transformation. Trusting your inner strength and resolve will hold you in good stead for what's to come. The powerful connection of Jupiter and Uranus on the 20th in your opposite sign ensures that exciting change is on offer. Go with your gut feeling, as a new passion for life emerges. Your opposite sign of Taurus is crowded with the Sun, Uranus and Mercury as this important month gets underway. Relationships become more important than ever and in due course you will determine who you really are, what matters most and what your ultimate goal is. Mars reaches the highpoint of your chart on the 21st, Leo energy is emphasised and creative ideas should be flowing.

SAGITTARIUS (NOVEMBER 23 - DECEMBER 21)

Your health, daily rituals and well-being are your main focus this month as the ground-breaking conjunction of Uranus and Jupiter on the 20th stir up this sector of your chart. As a free spirit, you know that change is inevitable and as your vision of the future becomes clearer you'll feel more confident and ready for anything that comes your way. The Scorpio full moon on the 23rd offers insight and heightened intuition. Jupiter, your ruler, changes signs on the 17th, illuminating your work routines, health and fitness. Jupiter is all about expanding and broadening horizons, now is the perfect time to let go of outmoded ideas and discover inspirational new ways forward in these areas. The new moon in Taurus on the 19th offers new beginnings and will certainly be an important turning point.

CAPRICORN (DECEMBER 22 - JANUARY 20)

This is a potent month for Capricorns as the major conjunction of expansive Jupiter and revolutionary Uranus takes place in the sector of your chart concerned with romance, pleasure, creativity and pleasure. Get ready to release your inhibitions and embrace a new way of living as this combination gives you great courage and desire to overcome any habit patterns that no longer serve you. Action planet Mars is in your opposite sign of Cancer until the 20th and love planet Venus arrives on the 8th, paving the way for lots of positive change concerning your home and family life. The Sun and the maverick planet Uranus are working together in Taurus, setting the scene for the winds of change to blow away any cobwebs in your social and romantic life.

AQUARIUS (JANUARY 21 - FEBRUARY 18)

Uranus is your planetary ruler and the meeting with expansive Jupiter on the 20th indicates that this is a month of breakthroughs for you - expect the unexpected! Your home and family are in the spotlight, illuminating some issues that need addressing. Deeper healing is possible with the added potential for successful communication. This month offers you an energy boost, enabling some major shifts to take place. Action planet Mars is travelling through a pivotal area of your chart until the 20th, this is a powerful opportunity for reviewing your health and fitness goals and for clearing out anything that is not essential to your wellbeing. Jupiter, in Aries until the 16th, highlights all areas of communication, suggesting that a dynamic phase of change and self-determination is about to begin.

PISCES (FEBRUARY 19 - MARCH 20)

The creative and inspirational influence of expansive Jupiter and innovative Uranus are strong in your communication sector, particularly at the time of the conjunction on the 20th. Sharing your ideas should be your main focus, even if you feel a little shy about opening up to strangers. The cosmic alignments indicate some valuable new insight are yours for the taking, as long as you embrace an entirely new perspective. Communication and new ideas are highlighted this month as the Sun joins forces with maverick planet Uranus, offering innovative new ways to enhance your life. How you relate to others is also about to be challenged and a new plan of action is on the horizon. The powerful Taurus new moon on the 19th suggests that after a delay or setback, a new beginning is now possible.

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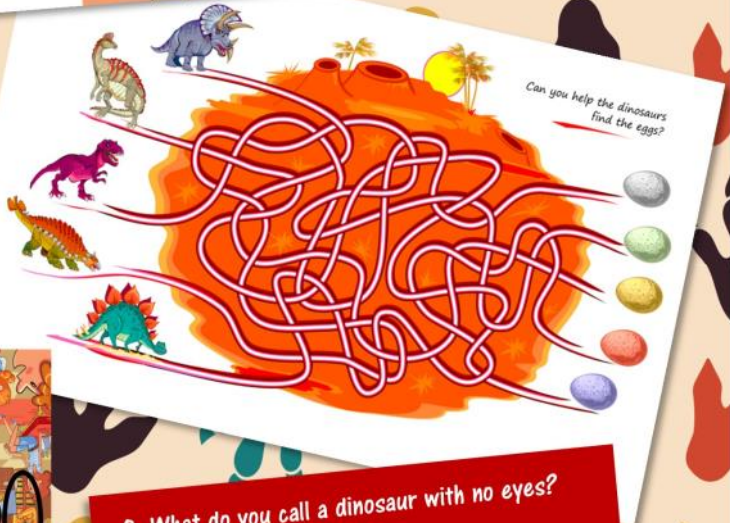
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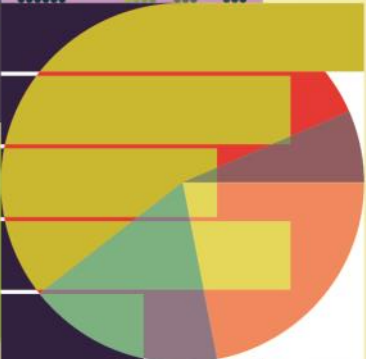
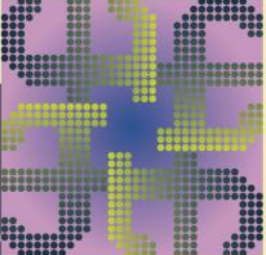
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