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EDITORIAL

Welcome to the Autumn edition of the Village Link, your local publication serving the beautiful villages of Cockayne Hatley, Eyeworth and Wrestlingworth. With the recently re-imposed restrictions that limit interactions with our wider families, friends and work colleagues, the Village Link plays an important role as ever in keeping you all connected with each other and those who can offer friendship and help when needed.

Village life has been on hold since March, and most of our clubs, societies and organisations have not been able to resume their regular activities. Sadly, this situation is likely to continue into next year. Perhaps it goes without saying, but we are again not running our Diary Page this issue.

The cover photo of sloes is a reminder that during the months of September and October our vegetable patches are at their peak of productivity and our local hedgerows are heaving with hips, haws and berries. We hope you are able to enjoy Nature's seasonal bounty and harvest!

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PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

Speed Watch

It is with regret that we have to advise you that the Speed Watch scheme has been wound up. The group has been in existence since 2016 and has always been stringently trained and overseen by Bedfordshire Police. Members of the group have jumped through many administrative hoops in order to carry out this voluntary task. However, earlier this year they were asked to complete a form for the new data protection regulations which everyone felt was a disproportionate intrusion into their backgrounds. The Parish Council tried to have this requirement waived and wrote to both the Police and Crime Commissioner and the scheme co-ordinator at Bedfordshire Police. These efforts were to no avail and the Speed Watch Group have reluctantly decided that they cannot continue.

Ken Ellis has led the group since the beginning, this is an extract from his final report:

“Since we began in 2016 we have started 92 sessions. This does not include any testing sessions - of which there have been several. In total we recorded details of some 887 motorists.

Each year I tried to carry out sessions at the same location, at the same time and on the same day of the week to check on traffic flows. In all cases there was an increase in traffic flow from year to year. There is not enough data to state that overall traffic flows were increasing but the trend was becoming quite clear.

Our performance in recording all the required information improved steadily over time. To begin with there were lots of missing details but by our last session it was the norm to complete every last detail requested. The manner in which some of the volunteers could give make, model etc. was impressive to say the least. Over time the numbers that we recorded at each session seemed, to me, to be diminishing for each individual location. This indicted that we were not totally wasting our time, though it felt like it at times. It is a great

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pity that we are unable to carry on when there was some evidence that we might have been improving matters.

I would wish to thank everyone for their contribution over the past few years. It has been a collective effort carried out by a very small group of people. At times the conditions have been quite appalling, ranging from the bitterly cold to the blistering hot and with bright sunlight sometimes making it almost impossible to see the speed indicator. On one occasion we even had to stop early because of swarms of insects attracted by bright yellow jackets.”

The Parish Council would like to add their thanks to everyone involved, Val Cooper, Colin Dale, Peter Price, Peter Molyneux, Janice Crabbe, Clive Napier, Nigel Dodgson and particularly to Ken Ellis for leading the group.

Bottle Bank

Since the bottle bank was removed from the Chequers car park the Parish Council has been trying to find an alternative location. The search has been unsuccessful, so regrettably Wrestlingworth no longer has a bottle bank. The nearest one is in Potton or if you have a slot booked at the tidy tip you can also take bottles there.

Play Area

On a more positive note, it is good to see the play area open again after lock-down and being well used. The safety matting under the swings is very old and worn and the Parish Council has been seeking quotations for its replacement. This is an expensive job, but a contractor has been found and it is hoped that the work will be carried out in March next year so that the cost can be spread over two financial years.

Parish Council Meetings

Once again the September meeting was a virtual meeting held on Zoom, draft minutes of that meeting can be found on the Parish Council website www.wrestlingworth&cockaynehatley-pc.gov.uk The next meeting, on Monday 9th November, will also be held on Zoom. If you want to raise an issue for that meeting or to take part in the Open Forum, or observe the meeting please contact the Parish Clerk on wrestlingworthch@gmail.com or 01767 631383.



*All Saints' Eyeworth
'The Church in the
Fields'*

Please check the church notice board for details of services or ring the Church Warden Mrs Wendy Robinson on 01767 631283. You can also call the Revd. Carole Johnson on 01767 699934.

Local Independent Central Bedfordshire Councillors Adam Zerny and Tracey Wye's latest email newsletter is now available; it includes updates on new garden waste bins, long term roadworks, potential improvements for local pavements and also the latest on a national Planning consultation.

As always, the newsletter will include a round-up of up-and-coming local events. To get it directly, join the mailing list by emailing adamzerny@hotmail.co.uk or traceywye@icloud.com.

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We will be returning to a full menu very shortly with several new dishes. Check website or FaceBook for updates.

Look forward to seeing everyone soon, stay safe

- Carin & Dave



St Peter's Church, Wrestlingworth



GOOD NEWS!

St Peter's is open again

St Peter's is currently open every Sunday from 10.00am until 16.00pm for private prayer and reflection. Please observe the social distancing rules and follow the guidance in church.

Services

The government has relaxed the lockdown and church services are now allowed, as long as very strict guidelines are observed. At the time of writing we feel we are not quite ready for services for reasons such as the practicalities of cleaning the church, the layout for ensuring social distancing and the availability of a priest.

Zoom Services

Revd. Ian Friars streams a service from his home in Ashwell through Zoom on alternate Sundays at 11.00am lasting about 40 minutes. This is followed by Café Church, giving everyone a chance to chat while sharing a coffee remotely. Give Karen a call if you would like to join our service.

Ways to keep in touch with St Peter's

Our Notice board outside church

Our web page on A Church Near You

Our Outreach group (details below)

Facebook- on the Wrestlingworth page

Call Karen

St Peter's Outreach

St Peter's has an outreach group, sending reflections and links to services by email. We are delighted that there are now almost 50 in this group and hope that we have and will continue to provide support and spiritual comfort during this difficult time.

Please contact Karen by phone or email if you would like to join our Outreach group.



**Everyone
is
welcome**



If you would like to discuss a wedding, baptism or funeral, please contact Revd Carole Johnson on 01767 699934 or email: carolejohnston58@btinternet.com

You can also contact Karen Nurse (Church Warden) on 01767 631487 or email: karen.nurse@btinternet.com

St Peter's Clock Strikes Again!

After a month of silence, the church clock now rings again over our lovely village. The striker and pulleys were fully restored at the Smith of Derby workshop, and are now fully revitalised and ready for the next half century of service!

We would like to thank our kind anonymous donor and the Parish Council for their generous support which allowed the work to be carried out promptly.

Before - July 2020



After - 28 August 2020



THE GOODWILL FUND

The Goodwill Committee was extremely sorry to learn that our Chairman of two years, Brian Whitfield, had decided to stand down from the Committee for personal reasons.

Brian has worked tirelessly for the Goodwill, especially during the COVID pandemic, as many people in the villages will know. With younger Committee Members, he put in place the weekly shopping service and prescription deliveries. Brian went more than the extra mile to make sure all Government guidelines were adhered to, to keep our volunteers and recipients safe. He also took the trouble to make sure our most vulnerable residents were all right and had everything they needed. We all wish him well for the future and thank him wholeheartedly for the time and energy he has given, and for his cheerful nature throughout his time with the Goodwill.

We are pleased to say the shopping service will continue but, because of a reduced workforce, we will be limiting each weekly shop to 20 items per household.

We would also like to thank all our Volunteers for their support during this troubling time. Their response to requests for help has been immediate and amazing. We are sure all residents who have benefited from shopping and prescription deliveries will agree.

The Goodwill would really welcome new Committee Members to join us. We enjoy working as a team and it is an extremely good way to get to know people of all ages in our community. We are already planning how we can deliver Christmas parcels safely and, once we are all able to "Meet Again", we will be organising our Afternoon Teas, Quizzes and other social events. If you would like to know more please contact Kelly Whitfield, telephone 07834614613.

In the meantime there may be an On-Line Quiz in the offing in the middle of October.

Look out for details on the Wrestlingworth Facebook Page and Village Notice Boards

Christine Knight - Wrestlingworth Goodwill Fund

GOODWILL (*willingness; concord; friendliness; benevolence*)

This doesn't cover the half of it. Thank you to Brian Whitfield, retiring Chairman, and his team of helpers for organising our shopping during the current Coronavirus pandemic - the true meaning of Goodwill.

Richard and Carolyn Driver

Ladybird Hunt - The Village Link office has had a seasonal invasion of ladybirds looking for a sheltered place to roost over winter. Younger readers, can you help the editor find all ten ladybirds that have found their way into this issue?



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Future Plans (Virus Permitting!)

Following our socially distanced committee meeting on 8th September it has been decided that no WI meetings will take place until February 2021. Members will be informed in January as to what our future plans will be.



The positions of President and Treasurer have both become vacant and we ask members to seriously consider putting their names forward so we can continue and hold our AGM in April. If we can't find a President (which could be shared by two people) then Wrestlingworth WI will have to close at the end of March. This will be a great loss to our community. PLEASE ask if you want to know more about what the positions entail and let us know by 1st November 2020 at the latest if you will consider taking them on. If we close, an era will come to an end – no more friendships, meetings or outings when like minded ladies of any age can get together.

Talking of closing – the National Federation of WI's Board of Trustees have confirmed that Denman College, the WI's 'Jewel in the Crown' which supported our educational status with the Charity Commission will be formally closing. After the War when the country was



virtually bankrupt, members raised money to buy Marcham Park (renamed Denman) as their very own residential college, a beautiful well equipped college set in beautiful grounds. Many members over the years have attended and enjoyed the 'Denman experience' and picked up knowledge, skills and made friendships. Until the pandemic it was on course to become self sufficient but now it seems there are no viable options to ensure the financial challenges ahead and resume operations of the college. A sad loss.

So there you are – that is how things lie at the moment. We will keep you up to date as and when we can.

I don't suggest we strip but I would like to echo Vivian van Damm speaking of the Windmill Theatre during the War – “We never closed.”

Keep safe.

Carolyn Driver



A Walk around Wrestlingworth - a Personal View

By Brian Buck

Perhaps like me, you struggled with the early days of Lockdown, which started back in the middle of March. At that time, we were told that to protect ourselves from the Coronavirus, we had to stay indoors, only leaving our houses to get in essential supplies, or to take in some exercise which was to last for about an hour.

At the start it all seemed a bit strange. I felt very guilty going out in the car, as the roads were so empty. But on the other hand, it reminded me of my childhood, when the absence of cars on our roads, especially in the countryside was really the norm.

However, as I couldn't sit in all day, I decided to take advantage of the exercise loop-hole clause and so I explored the village, through a mixture of road walking and also by venturing along some of the footpaths which encompass it. I undertook these walks regularly between when Lockdown started in March 2020 until the first week of June.

For someone who is used to driving through the village, rather than walking through or around it, my experience was something of an eye-opener for me and as I share it with you now, I do hope it will inspire you to do someone similar yourselves. Some of my information has been gleaned from the Wrestlingworth History Society through their website: <http://www.wrestlingworth-hs.org/> and it's well worth a look, especially the photograph section. Please note that I have left out names of the people I spoke to on my walks on purpose. They supplied me with some of the information which follows, but I didn't ask their permission to use their

names. Nonetheless I thank them all for their contributions.

For those reading this article who live outside of the village, let me tell you that Wrestlingworth can be found on the B1042, which comes in from Cambridge way on its south side and then goes on to Potton, by turning left in the centre of the village, or the road goes to Biggleswade if you decide to carry on. To reach the starting point of the walk if, coming from Cambridge, turn right at the crossroads and into High Street. You can't miss this turning as it's just past the speed camera! From here you go down a slight incline and then enter the village itself.

Then you pass two signs to Water End, on your left. In between these signs the first house you come to after this is Sarah Dazley's Cottage. Sarah Dazley (*aka Daizley or Daisley*) was a notorious murderer who poisoned two husbands and her child. She was the last woman to be publicly hanged in Britain, on Sunday August 5th 1843 outside Bedford Prison. She moved to this cottage when she married her second husband in October 1840. In later years this property became a Bed & Breakfast for a while. Also and further on this side of the road there's a grassy field on your left, in which occasionally sheep graze.

On your right, there are a series of well-kept houses to be seen, including some, possibly Victorian, old terraced houses, without front gardens and at 42 High Street there used to be the Three Horseshoes pub. In the 18th century the same family ran both this pub and the nearby Chequers Inn. The remaining housing, to your left and right, is typical of the rest of the village.

Soon you are at the Chequers pub also on your left, which is easy to spot and with its exterior walls painted in a dark cream colour, it sits in with the village very well and adds to the beauty of it. I started my walk from here. The earliest record of this pub goes back to the early 1700's, but it is believed it was built long before that date. It's the last remaining pub in the village and it serves good food and ale and has a beer garden to the rear, which is often used for open air village summer events. Across the road from the pub, by The Slade, are two bus stops, from where buses to Biggleswade and Sandy can be caught. Also, on Wednesdays there is an Ivel Sprinter service which will take you to and from Cambridge, departing at around 9.45am, returning some time after 2pm. Furthermore, on Mondays to Saturdays there is an early morning bus service, starting from Chapel Close, I think, which will also take you to Cambridge, returning in the early evening.

As I walked into the heart of the village from the Chequers, the house you come across, on your left and before you reach Potton Road was once a Post

Office, grocers and newsagents. In latter years only the Newsagent side of the business survived, although as I write, this is now controlled by 'Cameron's' in Potton who now arrange for newspapers still to be delivered in the village to this day.

Once Potton Road has been crossed you soon come to another group of former shops, all of which are closed now, seemingly with the exception of 'Avanti', the hairdressers. But in my time living in the village, I have known there to be a community shop here and more recently a bridal dress shop. But older pictures show that there was once a butcher's here as well, hence the name of nearby Butchers Lane.

A friend comments:- *"I remember the butchers, I used to go there with my mum when I was a child. It was all tiled inside. The village stores next to it wasn't community run, I don't think it ever was but I might have blinked and missed it as it has changed a lot. In my memory it was first a village grocer store, then a general bric-a-brac place called Kevin's Cave, then a computer shop, then a cafe, then a brass ornament shop, a dress shop or dry cleaners not sure which, a blind shop and possibly other shops in between that I've forgotten about."*

The post office used to be a General Stores, so when I was a child there were 2 pubs, a post office and general store shop, a greengrocers, a butcher's, a garage, chapel and church. I remember walking to the shops with my mum and she could get our food without having to catch a bus. Times have certainly changed!"

Continuing with the walk northwards, the road soon passes over the brook, which flows north south through the spine of the village and to the best of my knowledge, it eventually becomes a tributary to the River Cam, which then runs into the River Ouse, which in turn joins The Wash at Kings Lynn. In the village however much of it is covered up by driveways to houses, or where it passes under the road at various points. But here, close to Butchers Lane it is a sight to behold. Usually the brook is crystal clear, but without fish! However, when viewed along with some of the older buildings in the village enhanced by some overhanging horse chestnut trees this is one of the most picturesque parts of the village. Though I do recall a time when the brook burst its banks here and the road was flooded for a while.

Join me next time as I move further on up the High Street.

If you have any comments, additions or corrections to make then please contact me at brianbuck66@yahoo.co.uk and I will add them to a 'round-up' once the last of this series of articles has been published. Also, if you give me permission then I will acknowledge your contribution by name.

Wrestlingworth History Society

The Shape of Things to Come

Our first talk of the year was scheduled for 19th March, perfectly timed to coincide with the lockdown! We had a full programme of events planned, all of which had to be cancelled.

At the time of writing this, it's hard to be sure when we might resume, but we will certainly be reinstating our planned programme as soon as it's safe to do so.

So here's a quick preview of talks and events to come.

Our ill-fated first talk would have been 'Wallis Simpson & The Year of Three Kings' from Roy Smart. The year being 1936 and the three kings being – in order - George V, Edward VIII and George VI. Roy's notes suggest that Wallis may not have been the villainess of the piece, but a well-meaning woman caught up in events beyond her control, who may inadvertently have saved the country from an unfit King.



In May, we would have welcomed Pamela Birch from the Bedfordshire Archives with her talk on 'Delectable Documents,' a must for those of us who love poring over old maps and arcane byelaws. We understand she had a good rummage about for Wrestlingworth.

July would have been an away match for a tour of North Hertfordshire

Museum, guided by its curator, already a popular speaker at our events, Keith Fitzpatrick Matthews. No fewer than 13 unique collections to be seen.



Just about now, we would also have been looking forward to a talk by Dr. Rudi Newman about the R101 airship and its tragic cross in 1929, with the loss of 48 out of 54 passengers – more even than the Hindenburg.

Pencilled for a return in November was Kevin Varty, with his Magic Lantern, proving beyond doubt that we knew how to entertain ourselves before TV and the Internet. One of the most amusing speakers we've had.

We wish we could be asking you to make a note in your diary, but hopefully that day won't be too far off.

- Nick da Costa

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Check out the Wrestlingworth & Cockayne Hatley website (www.wrestlingworthandcockaynehatley-pc.gov.uk), where you can subscribe to the bulletin email list and/or the Facebook page.

Ditch the Trash - Don't Trash the Ditch!

PWWG member Simon Dear explains the curse of environmental plastic, and encourages us to use less, dispose of it responsibly, and recycle whenever possible.



**Parish
Walking &
Wildlife
Group**

The world is addicted to plastic. It is estimated that each person alive today accounts for 50 kilograms of all the plastic ever produced. And that is an average across both the developed and developing world, so our personal impact is significantly higher. Here in the U.K. we consume 210 grammes of plastic on average every day. Imagine this – your legacy to the world is a pile of plastic about your size and weight, that will remain in the environment for generations – for decades if not many hundreds of years. That is a shocking thought.

Of course, it is worse than that. Plastic waste spreads around the environment - in landfills, across our gardens and agricultural land, in our streams, rivers, seas and oceans. And once there, it is virtually impossible to remove. As it slowly breaks down, like a many headed hydra, it breaks into yet smaller pieces of plastic (or microplastic) whose impact on the environment, living things and our health is not yet fully understood.

Being a keen garden composter, I am reminded of this endless flow of plastic into our environment every time I use my compost. Despite my conscious efforts, I find it littered with tiny bits of plastic. Ghostly wisps of nylon from old teabags, plastic



variety labels from fruit and vegetable peel, sweet wrappers mown unnoticed and collected along with grass clippings, pieces of polystyrene, plastic-coated garden wire, labels that came with garden plants, and so on.

When on local walks, I carry a bag in which to collect roadside rubbish. And I am always able to fill it. It shocks me that people willingly throw trash out of car windows – aluminium cans, plastic bottles, crisp packets, sandwich boxes and increasingly, in our COVID-conscious world, disposable gloves, face masks and hand wipes. Much of it is recyclable. On a recent walk, two bags of rubbish were gathered, which which 21 aluminium cans and 11 plastic bottles.



Litter collected from the roadside between Wrestlingworth and Cockayne Hatley in July.

So, what happens to this roadside litter if it is not picked up? The next time our grass verges are cut, it will be shredded into a myriad of tiny pieces and spread even more widely. Some firms collect roadside cuttings to sell on, once composted, as agricultural fertiliser, carrying with it the plastic gathered along the way. Recently I noticed significant amounts of unsightly plastic littered through the flower beds in the Italianate Gardens at Ickworth House, Bury St. Edmunds. Thankfully, that doesn't appear to be the practise in our district.

We are aware of the perils of plastic in our oceans thanks to worthy T.V. publicity, but we often naively consider its presence in our rural landscape as benign. Plastic is widely used to wrap stock feed or silage, and for fertilisers and seed bags, and is not always reclaimed or recycled after use. Walkers sometimes drop snack wrappers too. But it has recently come to light that by far the biggest source of plastic comes from biosolids recovered from sewage treatment works and used as agricultural fertiliser. It is packed with synthetic fibres shed from clothes made of man-made fabrics when they are washed.

Early studies suggested that plastic fibre in soil provided additional surfaces on which natural soil bacteria grow, thus may actually provide a beneficial effect. But recently it has been shown that micro-plastics can lodge in the gut of soil invertebrates, especially worms, and inhibit their growth. It is too early to say how this will affect the fertility or viability of our arable lands, but it is fair warning that we must all be conscious of the amount of plastic entering our environment and do something to stop it.



Left – discarded fertiliser bag. Right – mylar balloons, such as this one wind-blown into a hedge, pose a significant hazard both to farm animals and the environment, as the metallicised polyester is considered non-biodegradable.

Don't let your legacy be a human-sized pile of plastic scattered through our wonderful Bedfordshire countryside. Always dispose of your litter safely and thoughtfully. And remember the three Rs - Reduce – Reuse – Recycle. But best of all – avoid plastic altogether whenever you can.

In these COVID-19 times, please take extra care when picking up roadside litter. Wear gloves or use a litter-picker for your own safety, and always wash your hands thoroughly afterwards. Don high visibility clothing so you are seen by passing vehicles. And dispose of all litter collected safely and thoughtfully.

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The Parish Walking and Wildlife Group organise regular monthly walks, on the third Sunday of the month. Walks have been suspended due to COVID-19. Once it is safe to resume them, we will let you know here, via FaceBook and on our web site - www.pwwg.org.uk.

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Trial and Error Cooking by Gordon Blue (assisted by Egon Ronnie)

MINCED PIE (Serves two to three people)

This recipe is a good winter-warmer and is cooked partly in the microwave and partly in the oven.

Ingredients:-

- 300g of mince
- 4 medium size potatoes
- 4 medium size carrots
- 200g of celery
- 1 medium to large onion
- A few mushrooms (optional)
- 2 generous splashes of either sunflower or vegetable oil
- Salt and pepper, for seasoning purposes
- Two or three teaspoons of beef gravy powder.
- One mug of hot water
- Big scoop of self-raising flour
- A couple of knife-fuls of butter or margarine
- Big dash of milk.



Method

Firstly, microwave the potatoes with some oil for about four minutes and then put into a large casserole dish. Then add the mince and stir. Next, microwave the carrots with the remainder of the oil and then stir again. Cut up the celery into bite-size chunks, add and stir and then do the same with the onion and mushrooms. Season with salt and pepper if desired. Then in a mug of boiling water add the gravy powder, enough to make a not too thick gravy and pour it in with the other ingredients. Stir again.

Then to make the topping, rub the margarine or butter into the flour until it looks like breadcrumbs. Season, if desired and then add the milk and knead the dough until it is capable of being rolled with a rolling pin. Roll out the mixture, making it large enough to comfortably cover the top of the contents of the casserole dish.

Then when you have done so, cover it with tin foil and cook for about an hour at about 200 degrees. This is to stop the crust becoming too hard. In effect you will be mainly steaming both the crust and the body of the meal. When you come to serve the contents you should find them nicely infused with each other to provide you with something tasty to eat.

Egon Ronnie comments:-

I really enjoyed eating this, Gordon. The contents were well cooked and the topping, which was the same as you make when preparing dumplings, enhanced the meal well.

Sloe Gin

Sloes, which appear on the cover page, are the small and bitter fruit of the blackthorn (*Prunus spinosa*), a common hedgerow plant in the rose family *Rosaceae*. They are identifiable by their spherical black fruit which are the size of marrow-fat peas and often have a characteristic blue bloom. The flesh is yellow and has a small stone, like that of a small plum.

On your forays into the surrounding countryside, you may have noticed that the sloes are very large this year. Sloes make wonderful “sloe gin”, a traditional flavoured liqueur. Why not give it a go?!

Ingredients

500g ripe sloes ♦ 250g golden caster sugar ♦ 1 litre gin

Method

Gather your sloes. You will need a lot of them. Rinse and pick them over to remove stalks, twigs and leaves, then pat them dry in a clean tea towel.

Using a stainless steel fork or cocktail stick, prick each sloe and put into a 2-litre glass jar. Or you can split them between two 1-litre bottles.

Add the sugar and gin, then seal the jar (or bottles, if using) tightly. Shake well. Give them a good shake every day for a week. The store the jar in a cool, dark place and leave for two to three months.

Line a plastic sieve with a square of muslin, set over a bowl and strain the sloe gin through it. Decant into clean, dry 1-litre bottles, then seal and label. The sloe gin is now ready to drink. It will continue to improve over time as it matures. So, if you're making sloe gin for the first time this year, why not make double the amount - so you can enjoy a bottle for Christmas - 2021!



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