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The council is looking for someone to do the grass cutting at the area known as 'The Ramps' and also at the War Memorial in Lewdown. We require up to ten cuts per year depending on weather conditions. Please provide your quotation by email to; <a href="mailto:lewdownqpc.clerk@gmail.com">lewdownqpc.clerk@gmail.com</a> or by post; Peter van Delft (Clerk) Portgate Chapel, Portgate Lewdown,Okehampton, EX20 4PZ

### Stowford Parish Council



Stowford Parish Council are looking for additional councillors, if you are looking for an interesting and rewarding experience and would like to put something back into your local community then please contact the clerk to learn more.

We look forward to hearing from you.

Contact: Parish Clerk, Telephone: 01566 783023, Email: stowfordclerk@gmail.com

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Located in the Village Square on the wall of No. 1 Barn Cottages (PL16 0HS) we do not have any further details for this unit. The 999 operator will be able to give directions for its use.

# The Community Newslink

A MONTHLY MAGAZINE PROVIDING NEWS. INFORMATION AND ITEMS OF INTEREST FOR THE AREAS OF LEWDOWN, CHILLATON, CORYTON, STOWFORD AND MARYSTOWWE, THRUSHELTON, LEWTRENCHARD

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Don't forget that you can always get copies of the Link in the Village Shops and in the local Churches, or register with us to be sent the PDF version (send an email to us at Lewdownra@gmail.com)

Cover Picture - The family musical cigarette box, from the Red Spider production of J. B. Priestley's "Dangerous Corner" (for more details see page 18)

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# Lew Trenchard Primary School



# Monday to Friday 9.15am to 3.30pm

2-5 year olds

Please phone for availability.

Early Years Foundation Unit with plenty of safe outdoor space. We accept 2gether funding for 2 year olds and Early Years Education funding for 3 year olds.

### Baby / Toddler Session

Monday mornings 9.15am to 11.15am

Justine welcomes you to come and join her in the school hall for lots of fun activities (some messy) and plenty of singing. A great opportunity to meet other parents / carers.

£2.00 per session – please bring your own snack.

For more information contact the school office on 01566 783273. <a href="https://www.lewtrenchardschool.org.uk">www.lewtrenchardschool.org.uk</a> Email lewtrenchardadmin@andaras

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Please Contact: Terry Southcott, Fairview Bungalow, Lewdown Phone 01566 783079.

All proceeds will go to The Lewdown Residents Association and The Community Newslink.

**Greetings** to everyone who is at a loose end, there is nothing on the telly, and the only thing left to read is this rubbish.

Well ladies, I hope that special man in your life (or your husband) managed to get you something wonderful for Valentines day. The present Mrs Nash said she would be delighted if I got her the same thing as last year, this had me rather worried as far as I can remember that usually amounts to a bunch of reduced flowers from Tesco's about a week after the event., other shopping outlets are available.

Anyway moving on, did you know one of the cheapest ways to get to London if you don't want to drive is to fly, yes I know this to be true as after extensive research on the internet we found a deal from Exeter to London city airport for just £20, ok we have to be at Exeter for a 6.30 am take off but this just means you get the whole day there instead of spending 4 hours on a train. Here is another fact that won't save your life but is interesting. in nearly all species of birds there eyes are bigger than the brains, this explains so much where Pheasants are concerned.

I realise that some of you are already thinking about the produce show in August, but just to let you know my onions are in and up, and hopefully by the next edition of the monthly periodical I will be found out in the garden, i'm not a good tv watcher.

Anyway will close now as I know you are only waiting to see how appalling the jokes are this month. Best wishes Tim Nash.

The other day I couldn't find my car scraper so I had to us a store discount card to scrape off the ice, didn't really work though, it only got 20% off.

The wife was very upset the other day, someone broke into the house a stole her limbo bar, How low can you go.

### **Bloodwise**

Beating blood cancer since 1960

### CD & DVD SALE Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> March 10-12md The School Room Bratton Clovelly

Dvds & Cds all in good condition & reasonably priced. Come & browse & buy & enjoy a coffee & our usual home made cakes. Raffle. Free entry

There is something for everyone. Contact Mary Tomes 01837 871541 or poppetmary@gmail.com

### Lewtrenchard WI,

Monday, 11th February, 2019.

The meeting began with a welcome from President Cathie Slocombe to our new members.

We then sang Jerusalem, and discussed various upcoming activities including the Tamar Group Meeting and entries for the competition, Spring Council, our June outing skittles and our monthly social coffee meeting at Roadford.

Cathie made an appeal for jumble to be donated for our jumble sale to be held on Saturday, 16<sup>th</sup> March in the Victory Hall, doors open 2pm with an entry charge of 50p.

Our speaker for the evening was our very own Sylvia Crocker who was giving us a cookery demonstration with the theme of delicious suppers for everyday evening meals.

Sylvia made 4 different dishes, a salmon in puff pastry bake served with a tomato sauce, tomato and pesto clafouti, mushrooms baked with stilton and a Dunster Smokie which was smoked mackerel, chopped ham baked in a cheese sauce.

All were prepared in front of us whilst she kept us entertained with her signature wit and humour. She passed round recipe sheets and at we got to taste them all with our tea.

She passed on some old recipes which she collects, two from a Methodist Chapel book of collected recipes which were 'How to Cook A Husband' and 'How to Preserve Children.'

Mary Edgecumbe gave the vote of thanks for an entertaining, educational and delicious evening.

The competition was 'Bread Pudding', 1st Julie Chick and 2nd Mary Edgecumbe.

Next meeting is Monday, 11<sup>th</sup> March, 7pm, Victory Hall, Lewdown. Speaker is Julie Turner on shoplifting. Competition is French Knitting and a flower arrangement. ALL WELCOME.

### **Lewdown Victory Hall**

Bookings contact Esme or Roy Stacey On 01566 783267 Magic Martin 6



Unique stage Magic Show

# Mr Eerius



As performed at the Apollo Theatre London

Lewdown Victory Hall Friday 8<sup>th</sup> March



7 pm



Interactive fun quiz with top prize!

Tickets £8 per person

Refreshments Pasty / Sausage Roll (extra cost), Licensed Bar. More info 01566 783273 Lew Trenchard Primary School

Tickets available – Coppers Shop, Blue Lion, Clovelly Inn and School.

Raffle !!!

### The Blue Lion, Lewdown

Charlie, Nicky, Charlotte, Georgia, Jonty & Alfie Welcome you to our Family Friendly Pub

Evening meals are now being served evenings **Tuesday to Saturday** 

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Live Music—DUST @ DAWNS Sat 23rd March

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### **Stowford Parish Hall Hire Charges 2018**

£3 per hour (Special rates for users of over 30 weeks per year £2 per hour) Parties, Wedding, Funerals £20  $\,$ 

General and Euro Elections £120

Tables £2 each (plus £20 Deposit) Any number of Chairs 25p each Contact Julie Chick on 01566 783223 for bookings and enquiries

# LEWDOWN YFC CHARITY TRACTOR RUN

### 17<sup>TH</sup> MARCH 2019

### **LEWDOWN VILLAGE HALL**

- > TRACTORS TO BE THERE FROM 10 AM-LEAVING AT 10.30AM - BACON BAPS/TEA AVAILABLE BEFORE
- > 2 COURSE DINNER UPON ARRIVAL BACK (ANYONE WELCOME)
- > £10/TRACTOR
- > £5 FOR PASSENGERS/GENERAL PUBLIC (WHO WOULD LIKE FOOD)
  - > IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO BOOK CONTACT
    BECKY 07415064989



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# Soupa Troopers

### All welcome to this community event



2019

### Wednesday March 13th

Wednesday April 10<sup>th</sup> Wednesday May 8<sup>th</sup> Wednesday June 12<sup>th</sup>

# From 12.30pm in Lewdown Victory Hall Soup and a Bread Roll, Tea or Coffee - £3



Followed by conversation & games



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### The Fox & Grapes in Lifton

are running pub quizzes, with the proceeds are going to Lewtrenchard church funds.

Teams of 2-5 with cash prizes. Please support your local church.

QUIZ - teams of 2 to 5
IN AID OF LEWTRENCHARD Church FUNDS.
5.00 for 5.30 start in FOX & GRAPES Public House
Cash prizes
Booby prize

Plus /BUMPER ( harder question round) with higher cash COME & HAVE FUN & A LAUGH Places limited.

Dates: Sunday 10 March 2019 24 March 2019 7 April 2019



# Training in the use of the Parish Defibrillator + other basic First Aid

- Primary Survey
- Training includes CPR
- Dealing with an unconscious casualty (breathing normally and non breathing)
  - Demo and practise of A.E.D
- Questions and answers

Arranged by Lewdown Grouped Parish Council For more details and to book a place Contact the clerk on 01566 783023 Email: lewdowngpc.clerk@gmail.com Training on Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> June 2.30 – 5.00pm at Lewdown Victory Hall

# POTTING SHED CERAMICS CLAY WORKSHOPS 2019

Throughout the summer of 2019, I will be running hand building in clay weekend workshops at my pottery in Lewdown, Devon.

There will be a garden theme and suggested topics are 'pinch & coil' garden pots, bird baths/feeders, decorative plaques, house signs, wind chimes, mobiles, sculptures.....

Dates are ~

April 27th & 28th

May 18<sup>th</sup> & 19<sup>th</sup>

June 15<sup>th</sup> & 16<sup>th</sup>

July 13<sup>th</sup> & 14<sup>th</sup>

August 10<sup>th</sup> & 11<sup>th</sup>

Courses will run from 10am – 3/4pm on both days, with coffee & biscuits, a light lunch and tea & cake provided.

Price for the weekend course is £110 including all materials and your finished pieces once glazed and fired.

Places are limited to four people per course. Beginners very welcome!

If you would like more details or to book please contact me on 07794 532961 or email g.f.lee@hotmail.com

# BROADWOODWIDGER LOCAL HISTORY SOCIETY THE POSTMAN POET: A TRUE STORY

### Lecture by biographer, Liz Shakespeare

MONDAY 18th MARCH 2019 at 7 p.m.

BROADWOODWIDGER COMMUNITY HUB (by Parish Church - parking on village green)

TICKETS (to include tea/coffee): £2 members, £4 non-members

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### Shrove Tuesday – Mardi Gras

Tuesday March 5<sup>th</sup>, 6.30pm till late Please come to a pancake party at Tanglewood, Darkey Lane, Lifton (Pat Pollard 01566 784471) In aid of

### **Macmillan Cancer Support**

As many pancakes as you can eat - a variety of fillings - drinks included

Tickets £6.00, under 16s free sociable dogs welcome.

For the sake of catering, <u>please</u> purchase your ticket by Sunday March 3<sup>rd</sup> from

Pat Pollard 784471 or Gill Whitford 784242.

### THE FRIENDS OF ST. BRIDGET'S



Present

### THE EXETER SINGERS

Conductor Tony Yates

### CANTABILE

Conductor Pippa MacDougall
TUESDAY MARCH 12<sup>TH</sup>. 7.30 p.m.
St. BRIDGET'S CHURCH, BRIDESTOWE EX20 4EL
The programme will include a mix of sacred, folk, gospel and contemporary pop songs with swing songs from the shows.

Tickets £8.50 to include a glass of wine and refreshments. Under 16s. £5

from Riverside Stores & P.O., Lydford Farm Shop and The Toy Shop, Red Lion Yard, Okehampton.

**Enquiries to Georgina Hodgson 01837 861183** 



# **Antiques Roadshow**

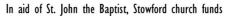
Valuations & Prizes by Roger Knowles

Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> April 12.00 - 4.00pm

Admission £5

Stowford Parish Hall

\*\*\* Exclusive Viewing of 14th Century Bishops Cloak Brooch \*\*\*
Vintage cars on display / Refreshments available







**Presents** 

# Dangerous Corner by J.B. Priestley

Directed by Alan Payne

## **Lewdown Victory Hall**

Thursday 11 April to Saturday 13 April 2019
Tickets £8 available from: Tel. 01837 871625

In a change from recent performances the Red Spider Company, based in Lewdown and Lewtrenchard, are in the midst of rehearsals of J B Priestley's "Dangerous Corner" that shocked audiences between the wars when it dealt with subjects such as divorce, pornography and homosexuality. The production deals directly with these issues that being set in an atmosphere of the 1930s brings tension and drama to a gripping production. The plot hinges on an innocent family musical cigarette box (see front cover).

Priestley himself was familiar with divorce having left his second wife before marrying for the third time and among his several affairs was a relationship with Dame Peggy Ashcroft the renowned Shakespearian actress.

The author was almost continuously embroiled in controversy. A staunch Socialist and oft accused of an anti-Irish prejudice, Priestley was a founder member of CND. His radio programmes in WW2 were second only in popularity to Churchill's own although the latter was reputed to have influenced the BBC to cancel them as he felt them too left wing.

In his declining years he refused a Life Peerage and a Companion of Honour Award but eventually accepted an Order of Merit decoration in 1977 just a few years before his death in 1984 aged 89.

### Lewdown Grouped Parish Council

Coryton, Lewtrenchard, Marystow and Thrushelton Abbreviated draft minutes of ordinary meeting held at Lewdown Victory Hall

Monday 28th January 2019 No 715

Members of the public open forum – Two members present. A parishioner wished to let it be known of the shabby state of the parish's main highway in particular the verge near the cricket field. The other Parishioner wished it be known that another serious accident occurred near the junction at Lewtrenchard primary school. Chairman to write to Devon Highways again.

Planning app. Ref.3955/18/FUL – Extension to ancillary residential accommodation.

At Lee Byre, Coryton, Okehampton, EX20 4PE. Council decision - object Planning app. Ref.0095/19/ARC – Approval of details reserved by conditions 5 & 6 LBC

At Wonnacott Farm, Lewdown, EX20 4QU, Council decision - support Planning app. Ref.4040/18/HHO – Application for a proposed extension. At Manworthy Cottage, Lobhill Cross, EX20 4PJ, Council decision - support Planning app. Ref.0160/19/FUL- Erection of dwelling in residential garden with assoc, works.

At Lobhill Cottage, Lewdown, EX20 4DS, Council decision – support Playground update including information on the land surrounding/adjacent to the Victory Hall. Cllr Metherell went to the V.H. meeting and reported that they were not happy for the use of the car park to be used for patrons of a playground as it may cause problems when the hall could be in use.

Other options for entry to the land behind the Hall were considered, with an option to contact the Cricket club for the use of its entrance and driveway, improvements to the drive maybe required.

Continued.

Cllr Perkins, had put together a 'Communities Together Fund' grant application. Cllr Mott suggested to apply for the grant most urgently before the deadline. Cllr Dawe asked what were the annual costs of maintaining & insuring the playground / equipment.

Defibrillator training – It was considered to enquire if any other organisations had training planed, if not it was resolved to arrange a suitable date at the Victory hall. The printing of promotional leaflets were offered by a parishioner.

Air Ambulance landing site – Official opening, the chairman of the Cricket club had replied that it would be pleased to hold an event at its premises for the occasion. It was thought that the May bank holiday would be a suitable time. Fundraisers, Toby Russell of DAA and the public to be invited. Contact the chair of cricket club to arrange the date. Clerk action.

Lewtrenchard Primary School – highways update. – Highways had recently replied to council questions of suitable wig-wag signs, cost of supply and installation. L.P.S. would start fund raising and it was thought that other organisations would also help in raising £3000 for the lights. It was resolved that council would apply for a grant of £3000 (match funded) from the 'Communities Together' Fund. A total cost of approximately £6000 is anticipated.

Email: <a href="mailto:lewdowngpc.clerk@gmail.com">lewdowngpc.clerk@gmail.com</a> Website: Lewdowngroupedpc.org.uk



### CHURCH NEWSLETTER

#### **Ministers**

United Benefice of Lifton, Broadwood, Stowford, Lewtrenchard with Thrushelton & Kelly with Bradstone

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nick123law@gmail.com

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Milton Abbot Benefice

The Revd. Andy Atkins, 01822 870298

The Vicarage, The Parade, Milton Abbot PL19 0NZ

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### Roman Catholic Services

**Tavistock** Sunday 9.15 am Holy Days 10am

Fr. Greatbatch 01822 612645 (P. Sparling 01822 860355)

Okehampton Saturday 6pm Sunday 11am

Fr M. Darline Joseph

01837 52229

**Launceston** Sunday 10.00 am Holy Days 7.30pm

Rev. David Annear 01566 773166

### **Ouakers**

Meeting for Worship

<u>Tavistock</u> every Sunday 10.00am. 4 Canal Road, Tavistock.

Contact – Kay Nicholson

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01822 614596 Okehampton

Every Sunday 10.30am.

Children's Meeting 2nd Sunday Community Centre, Okehampton

Community College, Mill Road, Okehampton.

Contact - Eleanor Flack 01837 53475

### St. Mary the Virgin, Marystowe

Church services at 9.30am unless otherwise stated

1st Sun. in the month - Holy Communion • 3rd Sun. in the month - Family Service

### **WORSHIP IN THE LIFTON BENEFICE**

#### The Churches of

St.Mary, **Lifton**. St.Nicholas, **Broadwoodwidger**. St.Peter, **Lewtrenchard** St.Mary, **Kelly**. St.John the Baptist, **Stowford**. St.George, **Thrushelton** 

### Holy Communion every Wednesday, 10.30am at St.Mary's, Lifton

There will be a short service on Wednesdays at 10.30am in Lifton.

Note 2nd & 3rd Wednesdays will be Holy Communion.

each month in Lifton.

MARCH Date in March	Broadwoodwidger	Kelly	Lewtrenchard	Lifton	Stowford	Thrushelton
Sunday 3rd March Sunday next before lent		11.15 MP	Songs of Praise 11.15	09.30 HC John Withers	11.15 Morning Prayer	09.30 HC John Gleadall
Wednesday 6th March Ash Wednesday				10.30 HC John Withers		
Sunday 10th March 1st Sunday of lent	BRO		ODWIDGER - JOH ED BENEFICE SE		S 10.00	
Sunday 17th March 2nd Sunday of Lent				09.30 Morning Service	11.15 HC Stuart Wilson	09.30 HC Stuart Wilson
Sunday 24th March 3rd Sunday of Lent	09.30 HC Stuart Wilson		11.15 HC John Withers	09.30 HC John Withers		
Sunday 31st March mothering Sunday	KELLY - JO	HN WIT	HERS 10.00 U	NITED BEN	IEFICE SERV	/ICE

### **Bridestowe Methodist Church**

Preachers for March at 11.00am

- 3 Rev Liz Singelton
- 10 D Madders
- 17 B W Group
- 24 D Sutcliffe
- 31 A Banfeild

March 1st Beetle Drive 7.00pm
Fun for all the family Adults £3 Child £1

March 22nd Spring Supper Sausage & Chips Sweet & Coffee, entertainment by local acts Adults £8.00 Child £3.00

Contact Brian Maddaford 01837 861402

## Lewtrenchard WI Jumble Sale

Victory Hall, Lewdown,

Saturday, 16<sup>th</sup> March

Starts 2pm Entry 50p.

Tea and Biscuits Served.

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Lamerton Hunt Point-to-Point Races at Kilworthy Nr Tavistock on Sunday 24th March First Race 1PM. Bar- Hot and Cold Food- Bookmakers. Enquiries 01822860253

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Friday 1st March 2019

St Peter's Church, Lewtrenchard

World Day of Prayer

2.30pm

Friday 1st March 2019

Everyone Welcome

www.wwdp.org.uk

Registered Charity Number 233242

### Lewdown Past

The Lewdown and area local history group

# Stowford Parish Hall Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> March at 7.30pm Metal detecting around Lewdown and further afield

Two local metal detecting experts get together to share some of their finds and knowledge about the past including the discovery of some ingots of tin at Lewtrenchard which are thought to be Roman or Iron Age. A more informal meeting than usual with an opportunity to look at a variety of finds and ask questions.

January's meeting: 'Disorderly Devon' was an entertaining account of historic unrest by Kevin Dickens. Riots were not uncommon in Devon, and often staged by women, especially on issues to do with food, such as price increases. Sometimes this bore results, as in Tavistock of 1847, where corn prices were lowered as a consequence. Also in Devonport in 1801 the women surrounded the military gaol when their men folk were arrested en masse on some trivial score. Paignton is infamous for its pudding riot in 1859, when onlookers to a feast celebrating the coming of the railway decided to sample the gigantic pudding, not just eating it but hurling it and all manner of substances around. When Exeter's historic 5th November bonfire on Cathedral Green was banned in 1879, rioters barged in with a wagon of wood and forced the police cordon to retreat. The arrival of troops with fixed bayonets could have had dire consequences if the crowd hadn't then dispersed voluntarily. Violence was sometimes officially sanctioned. The former Burton Boys pub in Plymouth derived its name from the Breton (or Burton) Boys, who had fought the Old Town Boys annually, over two days, since 1403 for a large barrel of beer. Punishments in the past were correspondingly violent: a woman was burnt at the stake as late as 1788 in London (for counterfeiting coins). The person hanged for a crime was not necessarily the real culprit. Violence seems to have subsided in the 19<sup>th</sup> century, from a peak in the middle ages, for several reasons: the rise of a more affluent middle class and their law-abiding example, the emergence of police forces nationwide and migration abroad of the poorest in society during food shortages. We were relieved that Lewdown did not feature in Kevin's examples!

We try to inform members of any alterations but visitors may like to phone 01566 783396 nearer the time, to check there has not been a rare change of programme, or for further information. Charge £2 for members, £3 for non-members to include refreshments.

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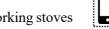
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# Abbreviated Minutes of ordinary meeting held on Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> January 2019

### 7.30pm at Stowford Parish Hall. No 674

<u>Planning application</u> – Reference No 3752/18/FUL Construction of steel frame barn for storage and formation of new vehicular access, The Barns, Portgate, Lewdown, EX20 4PZ - Council decision - Support

#### **Reports form Councillors**

Cllr Dunn informed council of a Lewdown PC. project to provide a playground in the village. He asked if the council would support the initiative as this would also be of benefit to children of Stowford parish. It was resolved to support the new playground project at Lewdown. Clerk to write a letter of support.

#### Report from Cllr Edmonds

WDBC & SHDC have announced a proposal for the creation of a regional community bank. Banks would be in larger towns where no banks exist. For more information look at the WDBC website for news updates.

From April 1<sup>st</sup> WDBC will no longer provide paper copies of planning applications to parish councils, applications can be found on its website. Clerk will in future need to download the application form and some documentation that may be helpful for councillors who may not have internet access.

#### **Recreation Ground**

Cllr Bones spoke to a Parishioner who was a committee member of Stowford PCC, he had tried to

determine ownership of the land at great expense to himself but unfortunately was not successful

in determining ownership. Cllr Bones asked if the clerk could provide any relevant information it

had so that she could ask a solicitor that was known to the chair for advice. It was resolved for the

clerk to assist in a new investigation of ownership of the ground.

<u>Date and Time of next meeting</u> 12<sup>th</sup> March 2019, 7.30 at Stowford Parish Council

If you would like to become a councillor, why not contact the clerk for more information.

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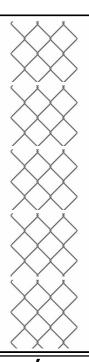


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