

# Phoenix Corona News - August 2020



## Newsletter

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Please try to keep in touch with your Phoenix friends by **Text, email, phone or even write a letter** not everyone has internet connection.

Join the Rugeley **Phoenix Facebook** page, another way to keep in touch.

**Phoenix now has a Facebook page -**

**You can find it on Rugeley Phoenix Group**

**Or on**

**[www.facebook.com/groups/RugeleyPhoenixClub/](http://www.facebook.com/groups/RugeleyPhoenixClub/)**

**(This is closed facebook page just for Rugeley Phoenix members).**

**HM Government** **NHS**  
**Test and Trace**

**Contact tracers will NEVER**

- ✗ Ask you to make any form of payment
- ✗ Ask any details about your bank account
- ✗ Ask you for any passwords or PINs
- ✗ Ask you to download anything

## In August **Paul Laurence Dunbar**

When August days are hot an' dry,  
When burning copper is the sky,  
I 'd rather fish than feast or fly  
In airy realms serene and high.

I 'd take a suit not made for looks,  
Some easily digested books,  
Some flies, some lines, some bait, some hooks,  
Then would I seek the bays and brooks.

I would eschew mine every task,  
In Nature's smiles my soul should bask,  
And I methinks no more could ask,  
Except--perhaps--one little flask.

In case of accident, you know,  
Or should the wind come on to blow,  
Or I be chilled or capsized, so,  
A flask would be the only go.

Then could I spend a happy time,--  
A bit of sport, a bit of rhyme  
(A bit of lemon, or of lime,  
To make my bottle's contents prime).

When August days are hot an' dry,  
I won't sit by an' sigh or die,  
I 'll get my bottle (on the sly)  
And go ahead, and fish, and lie!



## More Interesting Facts—(Well I think they are!)

1. Leeds is one of Europe's rainiest cities with 1024 mm precipitation per year.
2. There are more chickens than people in England
3. It is estimated that in England up to 6,000 people per year die as a result of their own trousers... whether that's tripping over the hem, or falling down the stairs while trying to pull them up!
4. French was the official language of England for about 300 years, from 1066 till 1362
5. Scotland has 421 words for "snow"
6. The human eye has around 576 megapixels
7. It would take 1,200,000 mosquitoes all sucking at the same time to completely drain the average human of blood!!!!
8. A Chinese student sold his kidney for \$3,400 to buy an iPhone and an iPad

### Theatre update:

We are very disappointed to say that if you booked for

Priscilla, Queen of the Desert or Slava's Snow Show, neither show can be re-scheduled.

We aim to return your payments (in cash) around the middle of August. We should have a contact number for you, in which case, we shall call and make the necessary arrangements to return your money around that time.

Moira and Joy.



### Confused isolator

Apparently, I am in the 52% of people in the country that are confused about what we can do, can't do and must do.

So good to hear I'm not on my own.

We all need to eat healthy

We can get up to 50% off when eating in fast food restaurants

Eat out to help out.

We need to get fit

We may need to start a Phoenix cycling group

Think the doctor will give me a bike or am I confused about that.

We can perhaps call in KFC's on the way back from our cycle ride.

If you nip into Greggs for a cheeky sausage roll, wear your mask

If you sit in to eat it, along with other diners, no mask required

Think I'll do the mask, if I eat in with my luck a Phoenix member will spot my guilty pleasure (Ha Ha)

I can have six people from different households in my garden observing social distancing for a catch up.

I am very fortunate that I have more than six friends, so

I can see them all down the pub Cheers !

I can have someone in to clean the house and fix that dripping tap. Just wondering which one of my friends has a mop and a Bob the builder toolkit.

I could go on and on about my confusions and I'm sure many of you are the same.

Perhaps we could do a Phoenix Quiz on the rules and regulations of what we can and can't do, I know you won't be rushing to have me on your team.

As the directives of what to do, what not to do and what you must do change

hourly and daily, the Phoenix quiz team will have to be on the ball.

To hug or not to hug that is the question, well it's just one question.

A sign of the times is I've got mask envy ! Have you noticed all the different types there are, some are very stylish even coordinated to what you wear.

Regardless of your style of mask they are necessary and we will wear them where we must. The sad thing for me is you can't see people smile. In these troubled times nothing lifts you like a smile. Keep smiling, even if no one can see it, remember smiles is the longest word in the world! There is mile between the first and last letter.



Love Sue AKA Confused Rugeley

### Chat from Me—

Yet another month in lockdown, still chomping at the bit to get back. The officers of the committee are meeting to look at which activities can start back at Sheepfair, we will be contacting leaders for their feedback.

I am aware that as of today the government are saying, 'put the brake pedal on', and take things slowly, so things may be different for a while. But fingers crossed we can start to move forward for the sake of keeping us sane!

I hope everyone is well and hopefully see you soon.

Elaine

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### Stay Safe Online:

**Check your security + privacy settings**

**Block unsuitable content, Protect against fraud  
Check the facts!!**

**Get more help and information from Gov.uk**

**Report to Action Fraud**

**Be aware of phone scams too— If in doubt put the phone down and ask for advice from a trusted friend or relative.**

### Are you Shielding?

**I have been shielding now for many weeks. It has been lonely and hard work but with the help of friends we have managed just fine. My problem is that as August 1st approaches I am filled with fear. My consultant is not happy for me to follow any of the relaxations to the conditions laid down with Covid19. Basically he says "Ignore August 1st, stay in and protect yourself."**

**I suddenly realised that I don't know anyone else who is Shielding. This has come to me as a terrific shock.**

**So please, Phoenix friends, if there is anyone else in the same situation as me, can you contact me. I would appreciate knowing someone else out there understands how it feels.**

**Thank you Pat Wall**

### Announcements

**Please let me know if you have any announcements you want putting in the Newsletter, on the website or Facebook page. If it is to announce a bereavement, please ask permission of the family.**