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The Netherlands and the Isles of Scilly were officially at war for 335 years due to an administrative blunder. When it was legally ended in 1985, not a single person had died in the 'conflict'.

Worldwide there are seven 'keys' to the internet which must all be present at a secret location in the USA should they ever need to restart it. One of them is in Somerset.

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Animals that live at the bottom of the ocean don't see sunlight and rarely receive fresh food from above. They survive on glow-in-the-dark 'marine snow', which is made up of the flakes of carcasses that filter down from the upper levels, glued together by mucus.

"If you can just get most people to leave you alone, you're doing good. If you can find even one person you really like, you're lucky. And if that person can also stand you, you're really lucky."
BILL WATTERSON

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Hiking highlights of New Zealand include Bob's Knob, Doctor's Knob, Nervous Knob, and Bonar Knob.

During the seventeenth century, women who wished to inflame their partner's lusts were recommended to knead bread with their arse.

In a 2014 study, participants were given a choice between sitting in silence with their own thoughts for 15 minutes or giving themselves electric shocks.
Most chose to shock themselves.

The French Academy have declared that Covid-19 is officially feminine so should be used with the article "la".

50 million years ago the seas were patrolled by metre-long, sabre-toothed anchovies.

Word of the Day: CROGHTON-BELLY (19th century slang) - a person who eats a great deal of fruit.

Six London tube stations are named after pubs (Elephant & Castle, Manor House, Royal Oak, Maida Vale, Angel and Swiss Cottage).

"Do you wish me a good morning, or mean that it is a good morning whether I want it or not; or that you feel good this morning; or that it is a morning to be good on?"

J. R. R. TOLKIEN

Word of the day: SCUDDLE (late 19th century) - to scurry about, keeping out of sight to avoid being told that you should be doing something useful

Heroin was originally a brand owned by the German pharmaceutical company Bayer. They lost the trademark after World War One as part of the Treaty of Versailles.

Word of the day: WONDERCLOUT - something that looks fabulous but in reality is useless.

The US state of Nebraska has declared Queen Elizabeth II an admiral, and commands that "all officers, seamen, tadpoles and goldfish under [her] command... observe the rules of the Great Navy of Nebraska."

Nebraska has no navy, coastline, or indeed, any major lakes.

When David Bowie was a teenager, he studied to become a Buddhist monk.

After a few months, Bowie's guru told him "you don't want to be Buddhist. You should follow music."

Female butterflies have an extra stomach-like organ near their vaginas that digests excess sperm after mating.