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St. George 's Day

St. George for England: once the proud rallying cry of crusading knights.

Yet how many of us remembered England's National Day? Well, many did - ~~parade.~~ ^{parade.}

~~Of course,~~ the Royal Society of St. George held its annual ~~parade~~ ^{parade} was ~~formed to "ensure that the anniversary is properly conducted"~~

The Duke of Devonshire, the President, laid a wreath on the Cenotaph.

It was also Shakespeare's birthday and the 40th anniversary of the ~~Zeebrugge~~ Zeebrugge raid. ^{World War One}

Oregon ~~(suggest Western style)~~

America: The modern version of riding the Oregon trail: a rubber raft on the roaring rapids.

When the trail ends its heads down: bottoms up. And a low-down dive is a ducking in the Mackenzie river.

It's the annual White Water Boat ~~Parade~~ ^{TO OPEN THE TROUT SEASON.} No one quite knows how it started or where it ends. Looks like we're heading back home, partner!

Bathing beauties

London: Summer is a'cumen in - or ~~perhaps~~ ^{maybe} we're cuckoo! Twenty five bathing beauties in April. An early start perhaps: but they're competing for the title "Miss England?"

~~There were~~ Some leading journalists ^{were} on the judging panel - so the winner could be sure of ~~making~~ ^{making} the headlines.

~~These days,~~ ^{The girls displayed} ~~the contestants display~~ every vital statistic except a birth certificate. So they elected sixteen year old June Cooper of Sheffield - Miss England 1958.

Then they tried to tell ~~us~~ ^{her} she was too young - too young to ~~be~~ be "Miss England 1958!"