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**GARDEN GNOME  
CAUSES TETANUS**

A woman is gravely ill in hospital suffering from tetanus after impaling her leg on a garden gnome's wooden fishing rod while working in her garden.

The woman, who has not been identified, had an anti tetanus injection immediately after the accident, but the virus took hold and she is now unconscious in Hartlepool General Hospital, Cleveland. The wooden rod had previously been used to support a plant fertilised with horse manure, and it is believed that this is what has caused the disease.

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## **Wrong-footed**

A fireman using a metal detector to trace water hydrants covered by Tarmac on roads in Bath, dug seven holes in the wrong places before realising his steel toe-caps were activating the device.

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