

# Albury Parish News

**March 2023**

**Number 396**



**Serving the local communities of Albury,  
Albury Heath, Brook, Farley Green,  
Little London and Newlands Corner**

**Services in Albury and Farley Green  
for March 2023  
at the Parish Church, Church Lane, Albury.  
The 9.30 services are livestreamed  
on the first and third Sundays**

**5      8.00 am Holy Communion  
Book of Common Prayer**

**9.30 a.m. All Age Worship**  
'Building with life itself'  
Tim Heaney, the Rector, taking the service

**12     9.30 a.m. Communion Service**  
'Resources unlimited'

**4.00 p.m. Messy Church**  
Intergenerational worship

**19     8.00 am Holy Communion  
Book of Common Prayer**

**9.30 a.m. All age Worship  
for Mothering Sunday**  
'Ingenuity and passion'

**26     9.30 a.m. Communion Service**  
'Never say impossible'

All are welcome in church. For the livestreaming link on 5<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> March, if you cannot get there in person, please visit [www.alburychurches.org](http://www.alburychurches.org)

Every Friday in term-time pre-schoolers and those who look after them are welcome to 'Little Fishes' at [St Michael's Farley Green](#) - a time of chat and play with simple worship. Details from [pennycrandall@hotmail.com](mailto:pennycrandall@hotmail.com).

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## From the Minister

‘What happens in March that’s of interest around the big wide world?’ I thought. Foolishly I tried to find out. It turns out that almost every day in March is a celebration of something, or a time for thinking about something, or a time for doing something. Here are just a few:

St David’s Day, World Book Day, National Day of Unplugging (good luck, USA, with that one), International Women’s Day, Barbie Day (possibly a slight clash of objectives), Mario Day, Red Nose Day, St Patrick’s Day, Robot Day, Mothering Sunday, World Sleep Day (yes please), first day of Spring, World Frog Day (ribbet), start of British Summer Time, and Wear a Hat Day (actually quite seriously - it’s raising money for brain cancer research).

Slightly sorry I asked.

My first reaction was ‘Is there anything that doesn’t have a Day?’, and my second was ‘Do we really need all this?’ Of course, if we tried to observe them all, we’d get little else done. And certainly it’s different from the time when special ‘Days’ were just a few festivals and holidays.

But perhaps all these Days are a good thing. They allow people to remember, to celebrate, to fundraise, to give attention to. We don’t have to do them all, you can pick what appeals. So in many ways the diversity goes well with our diverse, self-directed culture.

There is perhaps one counter - not specifically about all the various Days, but about our very individualised patterns of life-focus. The days when everyone did the same festivals, still partly true of a few like St Patrick’s Day and Mothering Sunday, did pull people together. They reminded us we share things. They helped create community.

I believe the church has many good points. People wouldn’t agree with all of them, but it’s difficult to criticize it for what it’s done since the early centuries AD to help people come together as a community. You don’t totally need the church for a knees-up, but what the church brings to the table is that at its best, it does things that draw people into something greater. Even the little mini-festivals every Sunday do that.

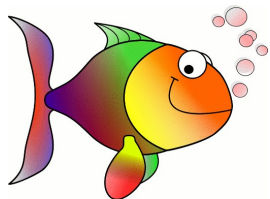
The Bible tells us that God hates it when festivals became empty of meaning, mere ritual. Scripture is very clear that they can be filled with meaning, enjoyment, and fun. “You shall have a song as in the night when a holy festival is kept; and gladness of heart, as when one sets out to the sound of the flute to go to the mountain of the Lord....” (Isaiah chapter 30 verse 29). It’s no coincidence that festivals are so often marked with feasting, and that Jesus used the image of the feast frequently in his stories about Heaven.

Have fun this March. How about trying out a communal celebration on Mothering Sunday (19 March, Albury Church, 9.30 a.m.)?

All blessings

Andrew Pearson, Resident Minister

## Little Fishes



Little Fishes is now meeting in the Barn Church every Friday morning in termtime at 9.30 a.m. for a story, prayer, songs, colouring and crafts.

For further details, please email [pennycrandall@hotmail.com](mailto:pennycrandall@hotmail.com)

## Hark & Ride

**If you would like a lift to church when services resume, then please phone 01483 202210 or 01483 203208**

If you can help in this way occasionally, please contact Theresa Channer on 202210 or Penny Randall on 203208

## Albury Café

**Closed due to the Corona virus outbreak.**

**We hope to be back soon.**



## Tea and Chat



**at 3pm,  
@ 26 Weston Fields  
All welcome**



## Defibrillator Information

The Parish Council have installed defibrillators at the following locations.

Albury Memorial Library    Little London (William 1V)    Newlands Corner  
Farley Green (Bus Shelter)    Main Door, St Peter and St Pauls, Church Lane

## **Albury History Society**

We had a good end to our programme last year. Trevor Brook had done a lot of research on Farley Green, and many visitors attended as well as members. We finished with mulled wine and mince pies.

In early December we visited Loseley Park, and saw it all decorated for Christmas. The visit had been cancelled in the summer because of the heat - ironically, not everyone was able to make this visit because of icy roads!

We start this year's programme on 21st March at 8 pm in the Village Hall with our AGM, followed by a talk 'Monopoly - a Conducted Tour', originating with the 1903's Landlord's Game. Expect surprises, exploring various properties, look at ones that don't exist and uncover the game we all know so well - or do we?

Membership subscriptions are due now, but visitors are welcome.

*Margaret Clarke*

### **Albury Produce Show & Barn Dance**

**Saturday July 15<sup>th</sup> 2023**

**New Committee members needed**

**Secretarial/ Admin skills would be really helpful.**

It's not very time consuming, just a handful of preparation meetings and help on the day. It's a rewarding community event working with a friendly team!

Contact Julian Harley Chairman APA on [julian.harley@btclick.com](mailto:julian.harley@btclick.com) or 07774 636855

### **Albury Produce Association**

**SPRING PLANT SALE**

***Saturday 29 April 2023***

***10.30-12.30***

**Vale End, Albury**

**Bring and buy**

**Stunning Gardens**

**Spring Hamper Raffle**

**Refreshments**

**Easy Parking**



## Tillingbourne.Earth Newsletter

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- *The Green Cinema and upcoming events*
- *Looking after the Tillingbourne*
- *Rewilding around Netley Mill*
- *A range of interesting podcasts*



We are also looking for additional volunteers to help with existing projects or to take on new ideas. Please contact us via :

<https://www.tillingbourne.earth/>

*The T.E. team*

**Save the Date!!**

**Coronation Lunch**

**Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> May 2023**

**Albury Park**

**12.30 to 4 pm**

**Live Music**

**Activities for the Children**

**Loseley Ice Cream**

**Coronation Souvenir Stand**

**Bring a picnic, enjoy the afternoon  
and celebrate our new King's Coronation**

## What's a village church got?

My wife Sheena and I moved to Farley Green, in the parish of Albury, way before I was ordained and longer still before, much to my surprise, I was invited to apply for the Minister's job here. So we had quite a few years without that kind of role. We were members of a big church in Guildford and we much valued the friendships and roles we had built up there.

But in those years we saw that a village church has a lot to offer too. Prayer and worship is alive and well, with intimacy; strong community links; and a chance to contribute more significantly than in a big town church.

If you live in or around Albury but worship elsewhere, why not drop me a line at [minister@alburychurches.org](mailto:minister@alburychurches.org) and explore what part of our surprisingly varied church life you could be part of? We don't have to pull you away from where you are. If God has put you in the church you're part of, great, we aren't in competition. But maybe you sense him calling you to think about supporting where you live, too.

*Andrew Pearson*

## Holiday Club 2023

Save the dates! Shere, Albury and Chilworth's Holiday Club for children 5-11 will be operating again in Shere Village Hall 10.00-13.00 on 21-24 August 2023.

There will be games, activities, songs and craft and a lively and fun time - all brought to you by the churches of Shere, Albury, and Chilworth. There will also be plenty of scope to help, both for adults and for teenagers.

More details will become available but now's the time to put the dates in your diaries if you would like to send children or to help.

*Andrew Pearson*

## Messy Mountainside

'When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up on a mountainside... and he began to teach' (Matthew chapter 5 verse 1). And a lively Messy Church on 12 February had a think about what he taught, about hope and happiness in a confusing world. We had songs, we smelt a strange concoction of happiness created by Jeff the Young Communities Leader (and no, the Police were not called), we built bee hotels, and we made some rather delicious-looking chocolate flowers to give away. All ended with yummy tea with The Blessing playing in the background.

Messy Church happens again in the Parish Church, Church Lane, Albury at 4.00 p.m. on Sunday 12 March - you're very welcome to come. Just drop us a note via the minister's email address on [www.alburychurches.org](http://www.alburychurches.org) so we can provide enough of everything.

*Andrew Pearson*



## WOULD YOU BE INTERESTED IN GIVING THE LOCAL CHURCH SOME TIME FOR ITS ACCOUNTING?

We'll be looking for a new Hon. Treasurer in April, and if you would like to give a bit of time to helping the financial management of this local body, we'd be very interested to hear from you. An accounting qualification is not necessary, and it isn't essential to be a member of the church, but it helps to understand how financial records work and to be keen to keep accurate information. We could look at one person doing the whole job, or dividing it into logical parts.

If this seems a good way to offer some time, please email the Minister, Andrew Pearson, on [minister@alburychurches.org](mailto:minister@alburychurches.org), and we'll get in touch to explain and talk further.

## Electoral Roll Deadline is April 9<sup>th</sup> 2023

If you take an interest in the life of the church, please make sure you are on the Electoral Roll. This will enable you to vote at the Annual Meeting and gives us an indication of our involved numbers. You need to be baptised and either live in the parish or have attended services for six months. Forms are available from the table by the font, or from the Electoral Roll Officer, Ali Catling-Kerslake, at [rosecottagefarm@outlook.com](mailto:rosecottagefarm@outlook.com). You can return them to church or to Ali. Closing date 9 April.

*Ali Catling-Kerslake*

## Lent Lunch

We are providing a simple Lent Lunch in St. Michael's Barn Church, Farley Green on Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> March from 12.00 to 2 pm.

Entrance and lunch are free, but there will be the opportunity to make donations, which will be sent to Tearfund, to be used for the most needy causes.

So many areas of our world are in desperate need of help at the moment, so do come and support this and take the opportunity of having some lunch and chatting to other people.

*Tina Playford 07940 091288*

## Breakdown

Yesterday I broke down on the M1. One of those emergency trucks charged me £200 to pull me off. I think it was the abominable towman!



## Your garden in March

March, in like a lion and out like a lamb. Also known as Hlyd monath or Hraed monath, stormy or rugged month. The long term weather forecast predicts that it will be cool with a bit of wind and rain, much like any other month.

Now is the time to move snowdrops, just as they finish flowering dig them, divide them and replant. Mark where you put them otherwise you will inadvertently dig them up in April.

Find your secateurs, sharpen and clean the blades. Now is the time to start pruning many shrubs, roses, winter flowering jasmine, rhododendrons that have outgrown their allotted space, early flowering clematis and cornus or salix plants that are grown for their brightly coloured stems. There are many guides written to show you how to do this. Most will bear no resemblance to the plant in front of you. If you are not cutting down to ground level, aim to create a shrub with an open centre, no dead wood or crossing branches. Having battled with thorns, climbers that are much taller than you or plants that are so dense at the bottom that you can't even get your secateurs between the branches, consider cutting them all back to ground level with your trusty chain saw in the hope that they will somehow survive and grown into model plants.

Venture into the vegetable garden to see what has survived the really cold overnight temperatures. In my garden, most of the autumn planted onions and garlic appear to have survived. Not so the cabbages, broad beans, winter radish, the few remaining carrots or much else. The weeds however have not been affected at all. Apply a layer of compost or general purpose fertiliser. You could cover the beds with black plastic to warm the soil, however, If it is not weighed down with bricks, boulders or anything else heavy that you can lay your hands on, it will blow away. Many of us are trying to move away from plastic anyway (or have it move away from us). If you have used green manure, now is the time to incorporate it into the soil. You can dig it in, you can mow (strim) gather the top growth and compost it and then dig in the roots or you can hope the frost has killed it together with everything else and just gently hoe in the mushy residue. If you allowed your green manure to seed, it will then become a weed for you to pull up.

You may be tempted to start off your tomatoes, peppers and aubergines in the greenhouse. Unless it is well insulated, lit and heated, it is probably better to wait a bit rather than growing a few leggy seedlings that will not be very happy and will damp off at the first opportunity.

Just as some of the braver plants stick their heads above the parapet, hordes of slugs and snails will be waiting. There is no easy answer in spite of the advice from some gardening gurus. Encourage slug eating predators into your garden, open a slug pub or try putting sharp things around your plants. Modern slug pellets are designed to keep wildlife safe, the slug is a member of that group and they won't be discouraged. You can go out at night with a torch and gather up those that eat above ground and dispose of them. There are various gruesome ways to do this, but I won't mention them as I would not like to upset members of the mollusc appreciation groups. When the weather warms up a bit, there are nematodes available that will do the job for you.

Happy gardening

## Albury Sports Club

Firstly we have the big Albury Party Night Event on Sat 29<sup>th</sup> April, which includes a 3 course dinner and an elaborate marquee, it is our big fundraiser every year and open to everyone. We normally have 300 people or so.

The link to buy tickets is <https://buytickets.at/alburysportsclubltd> and

*“All of the money raised will help Albury Sports Club (incorporating Albury Football Club and Albury Cricket Club) to help with costs including the recent improvement of the newly renovated Clubhouse, the grass at Albury Heath and other facilities and improvements needed across the club. This will help us to provide sport for all in the community. Albury Sports Club is a registered Charity Number 08694361. Please have a great night and support this project. Buy tickets now and invite as many friends as possible.”*

*The price includes fantastic food and great music in a spectacular marquee and dancing into the small hours. Whether you are associated with Albury Sports Club, local to the area or just looking for a night of fantastic food and dancing under the stars, the Albury Party is definitely a night not to be missed”*

Also I would like to remind people that the clubhouse is open Wed, Sat and Sun 10am-4pm and that this supports Albury Sports Club, which is a charity providing sports for children and adults in the area. Every coffee helps and its also a lovely location for walks. (See page 36)

Carl Nunn

ALBURY SPORTS CLUB  
PRESENTS A FABULOUS FUNDRAISING

# PARTY NIGHT

EARLY BIRD TICKETS £39  
STANDARD TICKETS £44

**SATURDAY 29 APRIL 2023**  
AT A RICHLY DECORATED VENUE ON ALBURY HEATH  
SUPERB THREE COURSE DINNER • DJ & DANCING

[HTTPS://BUYTICKETS.AT/ALBURYSPORTSCLUBLTD](https://buytickets.at/alburysportsclubltd)

• ALL PROCEEDS TO ALBURY SPORTS CLUB •

# News from the Barn Church

## Thank you

### Food Bank



The North Guildford Food Bank were delighted to get a Land Rover load of food and supplies, donated at the second Community Food Bank Café in the Barn Church on 11 February. Warm thanks to all who donated, to those who brought the café alive and to everyone who came along to another good get together - and cake!

### Heaters

We finally have elegant and efficient new heaters in the church, hallway, kitchen and toilet, which have transformed the whole building. Warmth is wonderful, as are some programme controls and frost protection settings - it was around freezing when the electricians started work.

Buying and installing the new heaters was totally a community effort. Money came from donations and charges at Friends' events over the years (especially Sally Godfrey and Liz Cooper's brilliant Christmas wreath workshops), from amazingly generous individual donations (some anonymous) and much appreciated grants from Albury Parish Council and the Albury Produce Association.



So deep thanks to all involved. Won't it be nice to take off our jackets inside the building? We might just need more coat hooks..... Which brings me to:

### Working party

All welcome to join an ad hoc Barn Church Working Party from 09.30 on Wednesday 8 March to sort out some maintenance/repair jobs. Including stripping and applying paint, clearing gutters and assorted debris, repairing a downpipe and getting a high window closed (head for heights useful for these two), filling a hole in the wall, cleaning and a few other jobs. If you can spare an hour or more, please don old clothes and join us. Tea and cake on tap. An idea of numbers would be useful so please let Sue Darling know if you're coming, on 07579 811122.

### What next?

Please see the April Parish magazine and Facebook Farley Barn Events for details of future Barn Church events .

*Sue Darling*

*Friends of St Michael's Barn Church (charity no 1176438)*



## **SALV SPRING OPEN EVENING**

*will be held*

*in ABINGER VILLAGE HALL*

*at 8pm on Wednesday 26th April*

Speaker Dr Jonathan Slater

### **“Your skin, what you need to know”**

We hope to welcome friends and supporters of SALV, plus other villagers. You are invited to enjoy a glass of wine or a soft drink for an informal talk with the doctors and Surgery staff after the meeting

## **Hear Here**

The Hearing Champions clinic in Shere Surgery is now up and running again.

Sessions run from 1.00 till 3.00 p.m. once a month, usually on the first or second Tuesday. This is a volunteer-led service intended for those with NHS hearing aids needing minor repairs or new batteries. Remember to bring your NHS booklet!

Please note that due to covid we are no longer able to run a drop in service, so if you would like to come please call the surgery on 01483 202066 to book an appointment.

**Date for upcoming session** is: Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> February, 1 till 3pm. Please note the change of day and time.

*Penny Randall*

## **A Rocha UK's Easy Eco Tips March**

Celebrate Spring! Make sure you're giving yourself quality time enjoying creation: smelling the blossom, tapping catkins, copying birdsong, finding a footprint or identifying spring flowers with the Pl@ntNet app. Nature can boost our happiness so take time to observe nature in your gardens, on your balconies, and in your local green spaces.

For more practical ways to enjoy, nurture and defend nature, sign up to A Rocha UK's Wild Christian email at: [arochoa.org.uk/wild-christian](mailto:arochoa.org.uk/wild-christian)

# Parish People

## Andrew Winch - Part One



Front, left to right, Dad David Winch, Great Granny Catherine, Mum Anna Winch  
Back, Brother Bryan, Andrew, Brother Martin

*Regular readers may recall something of Andrew's business interests and creative mind, which led to the success of Andrew Winch Designs (see Jane Winch - Albury Parish News, February 2019). With the leisure of semi-retirement, Andrew Richard David Winch, BA reflects on the lives of his ancestors.*

I was born in London in June 1956 at 10 Canning Place, off Gloucester Road, the third son of David and Anna Winch, following two siblings, Bryan and Martin. Fourteen years after me, followed another sibling, Sophie Winch, now Sophie Fenton. My early life involved

lots of visits to Kensington Gardens at the end of the road, past the Peter Pan sculpture, to the Round Pond to watch the pond yachts. Perhaps that created an early desire to design boats.

### **Q. Tell me about your ancestors?**

A The Winches have their origins in Kent and in particular the area of Sittingbourne. For example, Daniel Winch (1742-1821), the earliest I have traced so far, was born at Milton, then an important port on the River Medway, from where grain and other produce was shipped to London. At age 25, on 12 November 1767, he married Sarah Brisely. She was probably three years his junior and one of seven offspring of Hugh and Mary Brisely. They had attended the same parish church and may have known each other since childhood. It is interesting to note that their first child, another Daniel, was christened on Christmas Day 1767, which suggests that the nuptials had been preceded by some frolicking in the hay, and that Sarah would have been great with child as she approached the altar. Apparently, such circumstance was not infrequent amongst the agricultural classes of the day and did not carry any social stigma. On the contrary, it was an assurance that the union would be a success.

Daniel (senior) signed the marriage certificate with an X, implying that his education and presumably his occupation were essentially practical.

### **Q. Was Daniel Junior the only child?**

A. Far from it. The early assurances were fulfilled. Several siblings followed including in 1785 twins Abraham and Edward. The latter was my Great Great Grandfather known as Edward Tong Winch of whom I know little save that on 22 October 1805 he married Agnes Court at the Church of St Mary the Virgin in Dover. The couple moved to Canterbury, where my Great Great Grandfather, another Edward was born in 1806.

**Q. What do you know of the second Edward?**

- A. Little of his early life save that he lived for a time on the Isle of Sheppey and became known as 'Edward Winch of Chatham' to distinguish him from his father. In August 1833, aged 27, he married Elizabeth Ballard at Rochester and the couple moved to Chatham. His bride appears to have come from a good family and supported Edward playing an active role in his business as a hotelier and wine merchant, when not occupied with her seven sons and three daughters. Edward took over the lease of a brewery founded by Thomas Best in 1665, where he traded as E Winch & Sons. This became a highly successful enterprise and the foundation of the family wealth and influence. The couple not only achieved wealth but an elevation in their social status. Among some of the letters retained by the family is a charming note addressed to his son Richard, my great grandfather, written from Vienna in 1873:

'My son Richard, at a family meeting this morning, it was thought that it would be most pleasurable to you to meet as my guest at The Grand Hotel, Paris, next Saturday evening or Sunday morning. It will give me much happiness to have an escort of three sons to England. Affectionately my dear Richard, your father, Edward Winch.'

**Q. Let's follow the family fortunes to the next generation?**

- A. Another of Edward's sons, George, took over the brewery, which remained in the family for many years. My paternal Great Grandfather, Richard, made a fortune in his own right. Following his schooling, he was sent away to Europe and studied in Paris and Brussels, presumably to introduce him to the world of finance. He returned on his 21<sup>st</sup> birthday and entered the London Stock Exchange, where he is reputed to have been its youngest member. He had a distinguished career as a stock jobber and became, for 25 years, what was then called 'The Manager', the equivalent to what is now Chairman, of the London Stock Exchange and one of its trustees. He made a fortune trading in rubber, which was in high demand for a number of industries including the newly invented motor car. In addition to his business obligations, Richard served on the board of many hospitals and charitable institutions, and was president of the Blackheath Concert Hall Company. He was a keen and accomplished amateur golfer, for many years a member of The Royal Blackheath Golf Club, of which he was Captain in 1908. It was reputed to be England's oldest golf club founded in 1608, significantly only three years after James VI of Scotland travelled south to be James I of England.

**Q. Tell me about Richard's domestic life?**

- A. He appears to have been a loving husband and devoted family man, who experienced to the full the joys and sorrows of domestic life. In 1859, at age 20 he married Emily Rebecca Payn. They had three children before Emily died, leaving Richard a widower for the first time at aged 30. In 1873 he married Josephine Sydney Brooke and their union produced another four children, before Josephine tragically died in December 1878 at the age of 28. It must have been a bleak Christmas for the twice widowed Richard, with seven children to care for. Happily, the family came to his aid and, shortly after Josephine's death, it was arranged that her younger sister, Eliza Anne,

should move into the house to help supervise the children, who one hopes welcomed a favourite young aunt, and take charge of running the house. She may not have been too severely taxed, given that the three older children were at boarding school, and that there were four servants, including a nurse and under-nurse to look after the younger brood. Nevertheless, she fulfilled an important role in the house. One thing led to another and eventually she became Richard's fourth bride. This cosy arrangement had its problems as the law, at the time, did not permit a widower to marry his deceased wife's sister. So, the happy couple went on holiday to Deauville, in France, and returned home as man and wife. Whilst the marriage was not conventionally recognised in England, it was legal from an inheritance point of view.

**Q. I assume that the third union was also fruitful?**

A. Happily so, otherwise I should not be here to tell the tale! In 1883 they were blessed with the arrival of my Grandfather, Stanley, and in 1888 my Great Aunt Faith. Stanley married Eleanor Morris, who was about his own age. They had four children: Doreen born 1911, Priscilla 1915, another Richard 1921, and finally my father David in 1923. Eleanor died in 1951, before I was born.. Stanley bought a property near Sandringham in Norfolk, known as Swannington Manor, a picturesque manor house in a parkland setting with extensive gardens, grazing land, woodland and water meadows. I have no memory whatever of my paternal Grandfather Stanley, who suffered a stroke when he was seventy and died in 1959, when I was three years old. However, that is where my father, David, grew up in Norfolk. As a young man in WW2 my father joined the army as a Sapper but was seconded to the Indian Army. After training, he was put in charge of a team of Indian Sappers, who were sent to the heel of Italy and, as the Germans retreated northwards, followed in that direction rebuilding roads and bridges and building POW camps for Germans, who had either been taken prisoner or chose to stay with their newly acquired Italian girlfriends rather than return to Germany. By VE Day, David had reached the north of Italy with his team and was then put on a ship to go to the Far East to fight the Japanese war. That was the plan, but as his ship rounded Cape Horn, the bomb was dropped on Hiroshima and by the time they landed in India, the war was over. Nevertheless, he spent two years in India but never went to war again.

**Q. What did he do in India for all that time?**

A. Shot duck! There were too many troops waiting in India to all be brought home at once. There would probably have been no work for them when they got here. So hundreds were just left in India. Like so many who had been involved with the war, he never talked much about it but he did have a tall story to tell his grandchildren. He would hold up his hand and they could see that he had a missing finger. He told them that he had approached Hitler, put his hand up and said, 'Stop the war', but Hitler just shot his finger off! The true story was that he'd lost a finger in a combine harvester in Norfolk. Actually, he nearly lost three. His mother took him to the doctor with one finger missing and two hanging on by a thread. The doctor was going to remove the two damaged fingers but his mother, a Christian Scientist, told the doctor to sew them on and she would pray that it would be alright. So, two

fingers were sewn on and my father eventually recovered full use of them. Unfortunately, nobody could find the third finger, buried somewhere in the machinery. I remember father's gloves with a finger sewn back. Because of a missing index finger, his writing was very slanted. I recall trying to read his letters when I was at boarding school. Very difficult.

**Q. What happened to Swannington Manor?**

- A. It passed from my Grandfather to his eldest son, my uncle another Richard, who sold the property when he retired.

**Q. And your maternal ancestors?**

- A. Ah, my mother's side is much more interesting. I am a quarter Russian. My Great grandmother was Catherine, daughter of Baron Von Stemple, who lived northeast of Riga, now the capital of Latvia. She married a white Russian, Colonel Appolonius Zoueff. She had to flee via Crimea and the Black Sea to what was then Constantinople (renamed Istanbul in 1930) together with her eight year old daughter, Olga, who was to become my grandmother. That was the situation in 1920 when the revolution had worked its course. They escaped on what was said to be the last ship to leave from Odessa



Young Olga with  
her father  
Appolonius Zoueff

**Q. What happened to your maternal great grandfather?**

- A. I know little about Appolonius Zoueff. Perhaps he died bravely fighting the Red Russians, or perhaps he worked as a taxi driver in Istanbul. Nobody knows. Catherine Zoueff became a matron in the International American School in Istanbul, which is still there. The post also provided accommodation for herself and daughter, Olga, and she spent her whole career there. Not a bad arrangement for somebody arriving penniless and homeless as a refugee from Russia. A few years ago, Jane and I were in Istanbul to deal with a building project and we visited the American School, where the headmaster was able to show us original letters from my great grandmother applying for the job, and details of the accommodation and other arrangements.

**Q. What qualification did she have for this useful post?**

- A. She was an educated white Russian, from what had been a prosperous family. She had some medical knowledge, which she supplemented with what she could learn at night school when she arrived in Istanbul.

**Where was her child, Olga, educated.**

Olga, my grandmother, was sent with other Russian children to a convent school on an island in the Sea of Marmara. They had to wear shifts when they had a bath so that they didn't see each other naked. I'm told that Olga was quite naughty and tried hard to see if the nuns had any hair under their wimples. She used to cut her friends' hair and once cut into an earlobe by mistake. Her worst memory was of stray dogs, apparently put on another island to die without water



**Q. Did your grandmother marry in Istanbul?**

- A. Yes. When she was 18, Olga married Denzil Phillips, an Englishman working for Shell in Istanbul. They had three ceremonies: First a civil ceremony at the British Consulate, then in the Russian Orthodox Church and finally in the Anglican Church. They spent their honeymoon in Tarabya, a district of Istanbul on the shoreline of the Bosphorus Strait, staying in what was then a typical wooden house. They soon had their only child, my mother Anna, who was christened in the Russian Orthodox Church.

**Q. Tell me more about Denzil (your maternal grandfather)?**

- A. He was born in Sydenham in 1899 and was educated at Dulwich College. He became a pilot in the Royal Flying Corp in the First World War, flying in combat on the Western Front from 1917 (at age 18) and as a reconnaissance pilot preparing for the Battle of Cambrai, in France, which was one of the first times that tanks came into their own. After the war, the Great Depression left many unemployed, but eventually he obtained the job with Shell. His contract provided that, if he married a non-English person outside the UK, he would lose his job. He went back to England, jobless. Sadly, Denzil died of a brain tumour at the age of 27 leaving, at his parent's home, a young wife, Olga, and a small child, Anna.

**Q. How did they cope after the loss of a husband and father?**

- A. Olga had no more children but she remarried Mr Francis Yeats-Brown author of 'Lives of a Bengal Lancer' which was made into a film starring Gary Cooper. The story is autobiographical based on Yeats-Brown's experience as a British Cavalry Officer. Prior to WW2, Yeats-Brown was a successful writer and journalist. Such was his fame that the wedding made the newspapers. They were married in Portofino, Italy where Francis and his two brothers owned the 'Castello Brown', which they inherited from their father who had been the Consul in Genoa. With WW2, Yeats-Brown went off to war zones as a journalist and became ill. Because he wasn't military personnel, he wasn't allowed penicillin (presumably reserved for combatants) so he died leaving a twice widowed Olga, a young daughter, my mother then at boarding school, and in Istanbul a mother in law, Catherine.



Left to right: Mother Anna, Great grandmother Catherine, Grandmother Olga

**Q. Did Olga find a third husband?**

- A. During the war, Olga had met an American engineer who was himself married and returned to USA where later his wife died. After the war, hearing of Olga's bereavement, he wrote to her and proposed marriage. So off she went to USA for a life with a new husband, Carl Cummings. I met Cummings who was a lovely man. He had been an engineer like my father, and at the D Day landings was one of the first engineers into Honfleur. He later became a director of Texaco. When Cummings died, Olga came home to England and

lived with us. She was still an attractive lady at the age of around fifty. Very charismatic, very Russian. So my parents, in addition to their children, had in the family home my grandmother, Olga, and still for a time great grandmother, Catherine.

**Q. So Olga returns to England to join her daughter, Anna, who is now married to David Winch and has three sons. Tell me more of your father's occupation?**

A. My father, David, until I was about ten, had three women at home to keep him in his place. At the end of WW2 David had asked his father, what, as an ex Sapper, he might do for a living. My grandfather explained that the family owned a company called 'Style & Winch', then run by my uncle, which had a brewery in Kent (founded by Edward Winch of Chatham see above) and a chain of 750 pubs. There is still one pub called 'The Style & Winch' in Maidstone, no longer owned by my family. Incidentally, some years ago I discovered that the company called 'Style & Winch Ltd' was by then non trading. Given the obvious connection with the word 'Style' although originally the surname of a director, we purchased the non-trading company just in case we wanted to use the name in our design business. We never have. To get back to David, his father (my grandfather) suggested he go to see his uncle and see if there was a place in the brewing business. So father presents himself to my uncle, explains that he has been a Captain in the Army, is part of the Winch family and would like to join the business. The Uncle agreed that he could certainly do that but must first train as a brewer. This involved seven years working in the brewery, on a low wage taking instructions from others. This was not what my father, used to a life as an Army Officer and needing an income to support a wife and family, was looking for. He found an alternative. The family had a shareholding in a small asphalt company called 'Lima and Trinidad'. He joined that company and amongst his triumphs was the contract to lay the red tarmac in front of Buckingham Palace and also the road through Hyde Park. David became managing director with a staff of 25 and then the company was bought by 'Amalgamated Asphalt Company'. That company was in turn acquired by 'Tarmac' where he joined the board. 'Tarmac' was, of course, a very successful and substantial civil engineering company until its demerger into the ill-fated 'Carillion'. At the time of my father's involvement 'Tarmac' was the biggest road building company in Britain. He became the director in charge of the roofing department, that laid flat roofs. One of his projects involved roofing the Pompidou Centre in Paris.

**Q. Does it have a roof?**

A. That's the clever part; it's water proofed from the inside, piping on the outside. He ran the London office of 'Tarmac' and retired, as they were all required to, at the age of 60. He wanted to stay as he had more to contribute but that was company policy. It worked to my advantage, as he took on non-executive directorships including the Chairmanship of Winch Design. It was he who taught Jane and me how to run a business. Without his guidance for seven years, we would not have progressed the way that we did, and the business might never have survived. He was not an analyst, he was an entrepreneur; he could think round the business, how to solve problems and

how to innovate. We complimented each other because he didn't pretend to be a designer, and neither was I a businessman. He worked principally with Jane, who ran the management side of the business, leaving me free to deal with creative design. I could be as creative as I liked but it fell to Jane, guided by my father, to see that my time was productive, for if the money didn't come in, however creative I might have been, the firm would have been bankrupt. There are now other management people in place. That's part of David's legacy.

**Q. How near were you to bankruptcy?**

A. Creative people aren't good at cash flow. We have ideas and can't resist getting going. So many fall into that trap. Thirty-five years ago, we were £35,000 in debt to the bank (that's a lot more in present day values). We were unable to borrow more and were in trouble. That's when we approached David for advice and he became non-executive chairman. He set up our legal framework, our accounts systems and, most important, he told us, 'Don't be a banker to your clients. You're doing all this work on credit.' He introduced the 'Commitment Fee' which means that when a client wants me to work on a new project, I can say, 'Pay the Commitment Fee and I'll get to work'. That's when our clients, the people with the money, most need us. That's not a fee for work done but a commitment. Then, after the first batch of work, the client gets the next invoice. Within six months the business was solvent and, most important, had a surplus. We never had to borrow again.

**Q. I congratulate you on your noble ancestry, from Daniel Winch in the 18<sup>th</sup> Century and Baron Von Stemple in the 19<sup>th</sup> Century through the generations to good paternal advice at the end of the 20<sup>th</sup> Century. I understand that you're now carrying out further research about your forebears. Meanwhile, perhaps we are ready to start the Andrew Winch story?**

A. Yes indeed. I will tell you my own story next month.

*Note: In his research for this interview, Andrew gratefully acknowledges the notes left by his late mother, Anna, concerning the Zoueff family, and a paper prepared by Guy Winch, a cousin (removed), who died recently in Vancouver, Canada, recalling generations of the Winch family.*

*I shall be pleased to hear from other readers with interesting ancestors.*

*Richard Floyd*

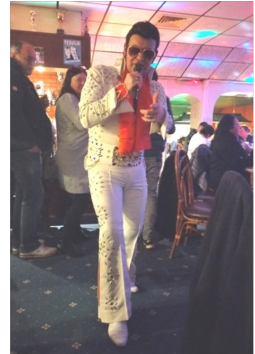
## **GO!**

A teenager was always asking his father if he could borrow the family car. Pushed to the limit, the father asked his son why he thought that God had given him two feet. Without hesitation, the son replied, "That's easy, one for the clutch and one for the accelerator."

# Gomshall Village Club

Another fun filled month at Gomshall Village Club. On 21st January Will Babb once again challenged our intellect with a very interesting Quiz. Most people managed to get Fish and Chips from the Chip Van outside, although they did run out of chips. The Quiz was fun and everyone enjoyed the diversity of the questions. The eventual winners were 'That clever Cleaver Lot', well done Paul and co. Will considers this a Winter event and hope to do a monthly quiz the next in March, watch out for the date.

On January 28<sup>th</sup> Elvis entered the building, A very good Elvis Tribute act came to Gomshall Village Club.. Unfortunately due to the flood damage it to the dance floor we were unable to use the lounge. We would like to apologise to anyone looking forward to seeing the act in the lounge. Elvis was very entertaining and as the photo shows a very good look alike.



On February 11<sup>th</sup> the return of Poacher attracted loyal followers who enjoyed the evening with lively music.

Tickets are available at the bar for the Grand Easter Draw being arranged by Maria Yates.

## FUTURE EVENTS:

**Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> March** - Damo and the Dynamites 8.30pm

**Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> March** - Quiz Night 8 pm - Another of Will Babb's wonderful quizzes

**Sunday April 8<sup>th</sup>** - Easter Children's Party 12-2pm followed by Grand Easter Draw

**New Members are always welcome.** Come in and see if you would like to join. Our prices are marginally cheaper than pubs.

*Follow us on Facebook [Gomshall Village Sports & Social Club](#)*

email us at [gomshallvillageclub@gmail.com](mailto:gomshallvillageclub@gmail.com) to find out about events that are taking place.

## Mothering Sunday March 19th

Mothering Sunday is a day of mixed emotions. For many it's a happy, joyous day, but for others it's one of pain and grief. A day to celebrate love, while acknowledging those who cannot have children or have lost them and those who have no relationship with their mother.

Jesus creates a new way of being family, marking the beginnings of the church. He invites us into this new family of love and mutual belonging where we can find a place, irrespective of our own family circumstances. We may find it hard to give or receive love without ourselves getting in the way.

The mother of three difficult youngsters was asked whether she'd have children if she had it to do over again. 'Yes,' she replied. '*But not the same ones.*'

From the Parish Pump

## News from Shere Surgery

I'm so sorry I didn't have time to write last month. January was a challenging month with an upsurge in all viruses and the addition of Scarlet Fever increasing demand. We continue to struggle with winter pressures.



From left Charlotte, Helen, Gemma, Suzie, Sam and Demi

In positive news we have managed to recruit 2 new Dispensary Technicians! This is so exciting for us as we have struggled to recruit for a very long time. Both have been working in Community Pharmacy so, although we are different, they are settling in quickly. Hopefully, we will now have a little more time to focus on other aspects that will make us more efficient. One of these projects is increasing the sign up to @BrendaVendor and we will be working on this soon, contacting those who offered to help by being Brenda

Ambassadors! We also want to convert as many people who are on repeat prescriptions to an automated version, so they no longer need to remember to request them. This will help you as patients, and us as the workload will be more predictable with fewer last minute requests affecting efficiency. I am so excited that we have new team members and really hopeful that this will give us a little more space to be innovative.

Our most recently adopted innovation 'Golden Tote' (a simplified wholesaling solution) is working really well in Dispensary and Charlotte Wells (Dispensary Technician) and I will be featuring in the wholesaling magazine this month talking about the success of the project in reducing processing time for qualified staff.

Finally, our wonderful nursing team are really struggling with people not attending their appointments. Unlike the GP system, you can book Nursing appointments in advance for convenience, but the 'Did Not Attend' rate is increasing. This is hugely problematic as this appointment time is wasted, and it increases the waiting list time for a nurse appointment. Appointment durations are a little different dependent on what service has been booked, but the past 4 months data follows (please note this data does NOT include appointments where the patient called to cancel, only those who were no shows on the day):

October : 64 missed appointments (13 hours of nurse time)

November : 81 missed appointments (19 hours of nurse time)

December : 95 missed appointments (21 hours of nurse time)

January : 56 missed appointments (11 hours of nurse time)

TOTAL: 296 appointments where patients did not attend, amounting to 64 hours of wasted nurse time over 4 months.

With services stretched as they are we cannot allow our precious nurse resource to

be wasted. We will be considering options around this. If you are unable to attend your appointment, please call to cancel, even if desperately late notice as at least it gives us a chance to repurpose that valuable time.

Finally, please don't forget the SALV Spring Meeting will be coming up in April, and we are hoping to bring in a really topical speaker that will appeal to those of all ages. If you haven't been before, please do consider attending. Everyone is welcome and it is the perfect opportunity to engage with us and tell us what you like/don't like and how we can serve the community better. We hope to see you there...

*Emma Watts*

## Fairtrade Fortnight 2023

This year Fairtrade Fortnight runs 27<sup>th</sup> February to 12<sup>th</sup> March. It comes with a sombre reminder: climate change means that soon some of our favourite foods, such as bananas, cocoa and coffee could be harder to grow. And if that is combined with deeply unfair trade, then communities growing these crops will be pushed to the brink. This makes Fairtrade all the more vital - for all of us.

You can help three ways during this Fortnight.

- First, why not join an online *Big Fairtrade Get Together?* Hear Fairtrade farmers and other experts explain what needs to change, for a sustainable future.
- Secondly, *let your friends know* of any Fairtrade event in your area, from a coffee morning to a quiz night.
- Thirdly, buy Fairtrade whenever you can, from flowers to coffee, clothes to teas, plus lots else.

For more information, visit <https://www.fairtrade.org.uk>

## Peaslake Open Gardens 2023



As the first welcome signs of spring appear, we are delighted to announce that 9 beautiful gardens will open in the centre of Peaslake village on Sunday 11th June.

It is already shaping up to be a wonderful day and we can't wait to welcome you all!

*Liz Chapple*

## Peaslake Nursery



This half of the term has been action-packed with space adventures, learning about our wonderful world and much more! Our role play area was turned into our very own Space Station and we used the big wooden blocks to create our own space rocket! We've enjoyed playing with our space story pebbles and created our own galaxy sensory bottles too. In cookery we've made mini spring rolls, pizza muffins, as well as some yummy heart-themed jam tarts.

We've been busy keeping our bird feeders full in the Nursery garden and after a little while we have now started to have more frequent visits from our little feathery friends. We

are hoping to link up a camera to our bird box ready for next half term. The bulbs that we planted in the Nursery garden during the Autumn term are just starting to peep through, next term we will be busy investigating all that Spring time has to offer, how things grow and celebrating Easter time.

To find out more about our magical little Nursery and to arrange a visit you can visit our website [www.peaslakenursery.com](http://www.peaslakenursery.com) or contact our Nursery Manager Louise Collins [lcollins@peaslakefreeschool.com](mailto:lcollins@peaslakefreeschool.com)

We look forward to hearing from you!

## Giving the journey

In a remote village in Central America the word got out that one of the missionaries who had served their region for many years was about to return home because of her old age.

The people decided to hold an event of 'public appreciation' for her. One very old and very poor man walked for four days to reach the ceremony. He came in over mountainous terrain carrying two coconuts, which was all he had.

The missionary recognised the man as coming from the remote village in the mountains.

"Brother," she said, "I cannot believe that you would walk so far to present me with this gift."

His response? "Long walk part of gift."

*From the Parish Pump*



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## Update on QRMW

January was certainly a long month with dark days and icy cold weather. I was at the woodland nearly every day in December including Christmas Day when I visited and enjoyed the tranquility for a couple of hours and throughout January my daily visits to the woodland have helped me enormously having lost my brother early in the month after a very long battle with Cancer. Our woodland is indeed a therapeutic place to sit and reflect.

Throughout January we were also pleased despite the bitter weather to have a number of visitors to the woodland some whom had never visited before and brought friends to Surrey Hills with them. I have to say the Memorial Woodland looked quite spectacular at times when the frost was really biting! Debbie took some fabulous pictures which we shared on our Facebook page to the delight of our many members we now have who enjoy seeing pictures of the woodland and keeping up to date with our activities. Now we are looking towards the Spring when the woodland comes to life once more. The spring bulbs are popping up all over the place and some have buds almost ready to burst.

The many birds at the woodland are immensely busy building nests and singing their heads off in an attempt to attract a partner and create a warm home for a new clutch of eggs to be laid, hatch and thrive. Our male and female pheasants are back with us and eagerly wait for us to arrive in the morning to feed them. I did check our post box this week which has been home for Great Tits for the past three years, there's no new nesting material in there yet but I will keep an eager eye out for one of these lovely little birds to pop out of the letter box as I arrive in the car, it's a delight to see.

Debbie our Charity Secretary is very busy this month preparing for our annual Easter Egg Hunt which will take place on Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> April at 12.30. This is a hugely popular event and to avoid disappointment on the day please do contact [Debbiehornblow@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:Debbiehornblow@yahoo.co.uk) to register the children. For £6 the children can enter the Easter Egg Hunt and receive a goodie bag then enter one of the Egg and Spoon races with prizes for the winners. We also have egg and spoon races for the Mums and Dads too which can be quite competitive! It's an excellent family fun day with something for all ages. A raffle with great prizes, an Easter Egg Stall at exceptionally cheap prices, a lovely craft stall and Easter bunny soft toy stall plus the BBQ will be on the go with hot dogs and burgers and hot and cold drinks for sale. So do come with some Cash (the card machine doesn't work in the Woodland due to the lack of internet signal). All monies raised go towards assisting our Veterans who are down on their luck.

We really look forward to seeing you on 2<sup>nd</sup> April, plenty of parking and hopefully warmer weather. Of course if you wish to visit before then everyone is welcome, the woodland is open 24/7 if we are not there you can park at the front and walk through the gate but if we are there then the Visitors Centre is open and the kettle is always on!

*Paul Cooling  
Chairman  
The Quick Response Memorial Woodland  
Registered Charity No 117465*

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# healingsanctuary

Wherever You Are, We're Here For You

Are you bereaved or have you been affected by bereavement?

The Harry Edwards Healing Sanctuary runs a welcoming and supportive cafe for anyone affected by bereavement, no matter the length of time since the passing. The Sanctuary Bereavement Cafes are held on the third Thursdays of each month from 11am to 1pm. Our next meeting will be on Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> March.

Experiencing grief can be a lonely and isolating time, there is no normal or right way to grieve, your grief journey is unique. Come for a chat and cuppa in a relaxed setting with others who have been bereaved. Meeting people going through similar experiences can also help you feel less isolated.

Healing is also available upon request - a deeply relaxing experience so helpful for difficult times.

For further information or to let us know you would like to attend please contact [alison.mcwhinnie@burrowslea.org.uk](mailto:alison.mcwhinnie@burrowslea.org.uk)

Also coming up in March...

## **Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> March 7.30pm Healing Circle**

Online healing event

Zoom Meeting ID: 355 462 8759

## **Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> March 10.30am Gong Bath with Tara at the Sanctuary**

Bathe in the beautiful healing sound waves which have long been used to manage a broad range of health conditions.

Relax and let the sounds of the gongs bring a non-judgmental appreciation of the present moment to help reduce stress and free emotional blockages.

£25 per person via Eventbrite <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/gong-bath-tickets-533724864437>

## **Thursdays 2<sup>nd</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup> March 11am**

### **Bluebells Cancer Support Group at the Sanctuary**

Have you been affected by cancer? Here at Harry Edwards Healing Sanctuary we run a friendly, sharing support group for anyone affected by cancer.

Come for a supportive chat and cuppa. You can share as much or as little as you are comfortable with. You don't have to say anything if you don't want to but meeting with people going through similar experiences can help you feel less isolated. Sharing hints and tips can help you feel more connected and it helps to be part of a

caring, supportive group.

For further information please contact Jean Hill  
[Alison.mcwhinnie@burrowslea.org.uk](mailto:Alison.mcwhinnie@burrowslea.org.uk)

### **Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> March 7.30pm Healing for You**

Online healing event

Zoom Meeting ID: 355 462 8759

### **Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> March 7.30pm -**

### **Guided Healing Meditation from Lyndall in California**

Deeply relaxing meditation

Zoom Meeting ID: 355 462 8759

### **Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> March 10.30am Finding Inner Peace**

Finding inner peace by learning to use the breath and the body to come home to the present. These skills can help us to release tension and let go of worries of the past and the future by stimulating the part of the nervous system that promotes rest and calm.

Coffee available from 10am

Tickets: £12 per person available through Eventbrite <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/474114137147>

### **Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> March 7.30pm**

### **In Conversation with Healers: Anna Hayward**

Join Alison in the zoom room as she interviews Anna Hayward, Senior Facilitator at White Eagle Lodge. Author of *In a New Light* as well as a meditation and development trainer; Anna brings with her Buddhism, Yoga, Taoism and the creative arts.

Zoom Meeting ID: 355 462 8759

### **Every Thursday 1-2pm Choir**

Come to experience the joy of singing. You don't have to sound like Pavarotti to enjoy this!

Whatever your age, whatever your singing ability please do join us and connect with like-minded people to sing some well-known songs and have some fun.

All welcome.

For more information please contact [Alison.mcwhinnie@burrowslea.org.uk](mailto:Alison.mcwhinnie@burrowslea.org.uk)

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*The Harry Edwards Healing Sanctuary*

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# Shere Village Cinema -

Book now for films in March and April 2023

In January, before we showed *The Lost King* in front of a full house, we said a very big thank you to Sue Pears who had recently retired as a long-time Committee member and helper of the cinema. Sue has worked tirelessly on local ticket sales, writing newsletters, and ensuring that the ice cream cabinets



were always topped up - to name just some of the things she was involved with! The gift was a specially commissioned portrait of the village hall, painted by local artist Peter Elliott. The photo shows Caroline Evans (chair) presenting the portrait to Sue.



We are still having a few problems with our new website, but our website developer is looking into the issues involved. In the meantime, if you are finding it difficult to access the site, first check that you are using the new website: [www.sherevillagecinema.com](http://www.sherevillagecinema.com) . If not, your search

engine may still be looking for the old site, which is no longer operational and searches are no longer being forwarded to the new website. If this is your problem, you should clear your cookies/cache from your internet/search history. If you are still having problems buying tickets online, please send a message to: [info@sherevillagecinema.com](mailto:info@sherevillagecinema.com) or phone Jill: 07833208158, and we will do what we can to help - we want you to join us! Note that although the website uses the PayPal platform, you don't need to have a PayPal account - and can buy a ticket(s) (and ice creams) with a credit card.

To book tickets please go to the website ([www.sherevillagecinema.com](http://www.sherevillagecinema.com)), or buy from the shops: Crumbs and/or the Surrey Hills Beer & Gin Company in Shere. All tickets, except where indicated, cost £5/adult and £3.50/child.

In March we will be showing:

**Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> March - Amsterdam** is loosely based on a little-known attempt by some wealthy American businessmen, to overthrow President Franklin D Roosevelt in 1933. It stars Christian Bale as Burt and John David Washington as Harold, who play long-time best friends, who are suspected of a murder that they didn't commit. While trying to uncover the truth about what's going on and clear their names, they stumble upon an even larger and more sinister plot. After the initial murders/deaths the story rewinds to 1918, to the aftermath of the first world war, when wounded brothers at arms Burt and Harold bond with Valerie (Margot Robbie), a nurse in a Belgian field hospital, who collects their bloody shrapnel to incorporate into her mixed-media conceptual art pieces! Valerie is magnetic, well-connected and bohemian, and she is the reason that they all end up living in post-war Amsterdam. The ambitious jigsaw puzzle of a plot maybe difficult to follow at times, but stick with it as gradually the story comes together and there is a surprisingly satisfying ending. Beautifully filmed with many memorable scenes.

Classification: 15 (Running time is 2 hours 14 minutes) Start time: **7.30p**

**Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> March (Mother's Day) - Ticket to Paradise** is a romantic comedy about a divorced couple, Georgia (Julia Roberts) & David (George Clooney) who have a daughter, Lily (Kaitlyn Dever). When they find out that Lily is getting married to a local seaweed farmer, Georgia and David travel to Bali to try to stop the wedding. Their intention is to prevent her from making the same mistake they think they made, 25 years ago. Clooney and Roberts are great, having worked together many times before, and their chemistry and comedic timing is instant and extremely strong. The film, set in Bali, has beautiful scenery, and the music by Lorne Balfe works perfectly for the film's tone. This is a feel-good film so just sit back and enjoy, and come out of the cinema feeling happy no matter what the weather! Classification: 12 (Running time is 1 hour 44 minutes) Start time: **7.30pm**

In April we will be showing - the following films:

**Thursday 13th April - See How They Run** (*we were unable to show this in February as the DVD wasn't available, but now we have both the licence and the DVD!*) - The film is centred on Agatha Christie's long-running play 'The Mousetrap', with a whodunnit buried inside an actual whodunnit. It not only gives Tom George's film many genres to satirise – it's a backstage drama, crime potboiler, police procedural all wrapped up in a farce. Inspector Stoppard (Sam Rockwell) sets out to solve *the* murder of an infamous *film* director (Adrian Brody) while forced to take an eager young Constable Stalker (Saoirse Ronan) with him. The real joy of the film is the rapport between the investigating 'plods' and there's a running joke about coppers named after playwrights. Rockwell brings grizzled, Walter Matthau-type charm to the inspector, but it's Ronan who shines brightest as an over-eager, by-the-notebook constable, star-struck by the suspects and taking everything at face value. A really fun murder mystery that succeeds at creating an engaging mystery and solid gag rate bolstered by some surprisingly dark and mature themes. Classification: PG-13 (Running time is 1 hour 38 minutes). Start time: **7.30pm**

**Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> April 2023 - Living** - is set in the 1950s and stars Bill Nighy, as Mr Williams, a stiff venerable civil servant who spends his days processing planning applications for London's County Council. At work he is a benign authoritative presence, and a politely tolerated one at home, where he lives with his son and daughter-in-law. This all changes when he receives news which compels him to rethink his outlook on life, and he resolves to add 'colour to his monochrome existence'. This includes championing the efforts of a group of local mums to build a children's playground on a bomb site. *Living* is a remake of the 1952 Japanese film *Ikiru*, and is as 'heartbreakingly tender' as the original. It asks the same question: what makes life meaningful? Despite its potentially morbid subject matter, *Living* is a lovely, tender story about the value of human connection and the power of small gestures of kindness. Classification: 12 (Running time is: 1 hour 42 minutes). Start time: **7.30pm**

Thank you for your support. Do join us for our films in March and April if you can.

*Shere Village Cinema Team*

# Where I belong



March 12th  
4.00p.m.



This is a short informal and relaxed service ideal for all ages.

There will be songs with musical instruments and craft activities.

We will finish with tea for the children and a cuppa and cake for adults.

Please let Sheena know by March 6<sup>th</sup> if you are coming.

**Everyone welcome**

St Peter and St Paul's Parish Church

Church Lane

Albury

## What's on in March

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2	7.30p.m.	Shere Village Cinema Amsterdam	Shere Village Hall	28
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19	7.30p.m.	Shere Village Cinema Ticket to Paradise	Shere Village Hall	29
21	8.00 p.m.	Albury History Society AGM Monopoly: a guided tour	Albury Village Hall	5
25	12 noon	Lent Lunch	St Michael's Church Farley Gren	8
25	8.00 p.m.	Gomshall Village Club Quiz night	Gomshall Village Club	20

## Sudoku

Each of the nine blocks has to contain all the numbers 1-9 within its squares. Each number can only appear once in a row, column or box.

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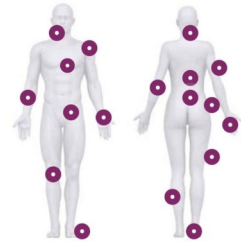
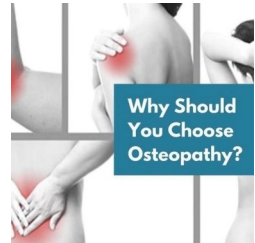
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His sermon's on that iPad  
It's left him in the lurch!

He's been looking for that iPad  
For most of half an hour,  
He's searched the chancel and the nave  
So now he's up the tower!

Oh! Where's he put that iPad?  
He had it when he came!  
He's searching high and searching low  
It's driving him insane!

The angels in the hammer beams  
For several hundred years  
Have witnessed proper order  
But now they're all in tears.

For chaos reigns below them  
Upon this modern day  
For everyone is searching now -  
Both clergyman and lay!

The Vicar found his iPad  
Tonight, we'll all be sleeping!  
He sent a message from his phone  
And set his iPad beeping!

And as he holds his iPad  
We feel his happy glow;  
But could he not have done that trick  
That half-an-hour ago?

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That trick he could not do!  
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*By Nigel Beeton*



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Think about food stuffs that do not require heating e.g.

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**Other Items / Ways you can Help?**

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