

Albury Parish News

September 2023

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

Services in Albury and Farley Green for September 2023

**at the Parish Church, Church Lane, Albury
unless stated**

All age/worship for everyone at 9.30 is livestreamed

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| 3 | 8.00 am Holy Communion Book of Common Prayer |
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| | 9.30 a.m. All Age Worship with Manna Ministries
Hear and see a story of family faith |
| 10 | 9.30 a.m. Communion Service
with the Rector, Tim Heaney, to preach |
| | 4.00 p.m. Messy Church goes wild
Intergenerational worship - outside! |
| 17 | 8.00 am Holy Communion
Book of Common Prayer |
| | 9.30 a.m. Worship for everyone
New series on The E word
(1) Does God even like evangelism? |
| 24 | 9.30 a.m. Communion Service
The E word (2) - Do you have to shout? |

All are welcome in church. For the livestreaming link on relevant Sundays, if you cannot get there in person, please visit 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.

Front cover: Deer on Farley Heath

From the Minister

I reached out a hand from under the blankets, and rang the bell for Jeeves. 'Good evening, Jeeves.'

'Good morning, sir.'

This surprised me. 'Is it morning?'

'Yes, sir.'

'Are you sure? It seems very dark outside.'

'There is a fog, sir. If you will recollect, we are now in Autumn -- season of mists and mellow fruitfulness.'

'Season of what?'

(P. G. Wodehouse, *The Code of the Woosters*)

I trust all of you who have valets - of whom I am sure there are many - can recognise Keats when your manservant quotes him at you. Be that as it may, we are indeed entering autumn. Days will grow shorter, sunlight more angled, etc. etc. But at the start of September the big change isn't so much in the weather as in what we do. Schools and universities start again. Workplaces hum to the sound of staff returning from summer breaks (unless they are all WFH and you can't hear them humming); and the traffic in the mornings is once more a pain. If Keats had been writing today, would he have focused on the mellow fruitfulness which lets us make jam, or the traffic jams?

For large parts of our lives this all seems like a repeating cycle. Round and round we go, often doing the same seasonal things. But of course we progress and change, and we do not endlessly repeat parts of our lives. I'd love the chance to get it right next time round, but it doesn't work like that.

So the seasons may repeat but our lives progress. Some worldviews, both religious and other, do believe there is a cyclical quality to human lifespans and indeed to time itself. Some faiths would add that individuals can break free from never-ending death and rebirth, but you have to achieve that freedom.

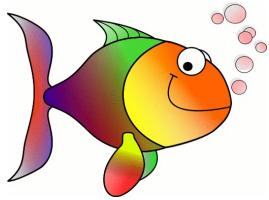
The Christian and Jewish view has always been different. It has a beginning; a journey; and an ending for the present order of things, to be replaced by an infinite and tangible reality which has no end, but in which evil and death are no more. In this worldview, you go through life once, and your eternal destiny is in the hands of a just and loving God - who has done everything necessary to secure your future with him. Our part is to turn away from evil and accept the gift.

Gosh, from autumn and Jeeves to eternal destiny in a few hundred words. Not a stretch for a God who is present in the ordinary experiences of our lives as well as in our highest experiences. Jude, who wrote one of the New Testament letters, got it: "Now to him who is able to keep you from falling, and to make you stand without blemish in the presence of his glory with rejoicing, to the only God our Saviour, through Jesus Christ our Lord, be glory, majesty, power, and authority, before all time and now and forever. Amen."

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

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

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



Messy Church goes... wild?

‘Surely Messy Church is wild enough already?’ Ooh, no, you ain’t seen nothing yet.

But before too many people start buying bomb shelters and protective equipment, let us just say that Messy Church goes Wild is the Messy Church experience outdoors, and it will be at Albury Parish Church at 4.00 p.m. on Sunday 10 September. All the usual ingredients of variety, fun, making things, singing things, listening to things, and more, will be there, with a perspective on care for the creation around us. As always, it’s for both children and adults and while it might be a different form of church, it is still a gathering to learn about and worship God.

‘Wild and Weedy’ is the title this month. Come suitably dressed for the great outdoors!

Further details on page 20.

Albury Produce Show 2023 - windy but wonderful!

The sun shone on and off at a wonderful Albury Produce Show (established 1861) this July 15th. Despite a yellow weather warning in place for high winds, which unfortunately meant that some regular stallholders were missed, the Show Tent looked amazing - jam-packed with lots of lovely vegetables, flowers, plants, cookery, photographs, paintings, handicrafts and children's entries.



The judges commented on the high standard of entries. We had 745 entries this year from 126 entrants: up from 658 last year, though down from the 3-year average for 2017-2019 of 963 entries. The most popular class was '3 sticks of rhubarb' with 14 entries, followed by 'sweet peas' with 13 entries, and then '3 courgettes' with 12 entries. The photography class 'Animal/s' had 12 entries while the 'lemon drizzle cake' had 10 entries. All hotly contested! A big thank you to Cathy Garthwaite from the Dabbling Duck/Plucky Pheasant who stepped in at the last minute to help judge the cookery section, when one of the WI judges was unable to come due to family illness.



The Committee and volunteers put on a sterling performance, bringing the traditional teas and cake stall, produce stall, the ever-popular tombola and book stall into the Show tent, out of the wind. The tombola, teas and produce stalls run by Shere, Chilworth and Peaslake Schools respectively did a roaring trade. The book stall was run by Albury Church. Our thanks to all of the brilliant stall volunteers. Everyone enjoyed great music from 'The Accidentals', Punch and Judy, Morris dancing and plenty of traditional kids games include Eggsplode, a Coconut Shy, and Golf amongst others. The terrier racing was again a deservedly popular attraction, including the children's race (unfortunately

without water spraying from the fire crew's hoses this year!). The fantastic BBQ team worked non-stop and beer, Pimms and other refreshments provided a great accompaniment to the food on offer. Also braving the wind outdoors, the outstanding metal garden ornaments and structures from Surrey Hills Plant Supports proved very popular. Tillingbourne Earth, our local environmental community action group, brought along their windmill and around 100 children and Show-goers wrote their 'environmental hopes for the year ahead' on a heart at the Fair.

In the evening, the tent was again transformed, the fantastic 'Renditions' providing the music, with Lily and John Murray and a team of lovely helpers cooking a delicious supper. In all, a wonderful day and evening out that we hope will have raised a decent amount of money for local schools and well-deserving organisations and charities. We do not have a final figure for profit/loss as yet, but any surplus funds will be donated to the local causes in due course.

A hearty thank you to all of the fantastic volunteers (couldn't do it without you!) and to everyone who supported the Show by coming, exhibiting and enjoying the day and evening.

Claudia Drake

Albury Produce Show winning entries

Cups/Medals	Description	2023
THE ROYAL HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY'S BANKSIAN MEDAL	Largest total prize money in Horticultural Classes	Lily Murray
R.G. MACINDOE CHALLENGE CUP	Highest number of points in show	Lily Murray
PARKLANDS CHALLENGE CUP	Vegetables - Highest points	Lily Murray
FARLEY GREEN PLATE open to exhibitors who have never won the Parklands Cup	Vegetables - 2nd Highest Points	Jane Kumar
SURREY HORTICULTURAL FEDERATION PERPETUAL CHALLENGE CUP	Vegetables - Judges' Choice	John Alexander
SPENELLY CUP	Potatoes - Judges' Choice	Jane Kumar
TOM DADSWELL TROPHY	Vegetables & Fruit - Highest Points	Jane Kumar
AUDREY AND ERIC WHARF CUP Open to exhibitors who have not won a cup in the vegetable section at the show before	Winner of Novice Class	Henrietta Sims
MARY INSTONE-GALLOP CUP	Fruit - Highest Points	David Carter
THE GLENDALE FRUIT CUP	Fruit - Judges' Choice	David Carter

THE JOHN FOULSHAM CUP	Raspberries, highest points	Zip Colley
FLORAL CUP (HUNTER FLOWER SHOW)	Flowers - Highest Points	Mary Grove
SURREY HORTICULTURAL FEDERATION FLORAL CUP	Flowers - Judges' Choice (not inc Fuchsia in a pot)	Antoinette Williams
FELL GARTH CUP Open to exhibitors who have not won the Floral Cup at this year's show	Roses - Highest Points	Angela Galbraith
ANN WILLIAMS CHALLENGE CUP	Winner of Mixed Garden Flowers Class	Sally Godfrey
COLIN SQUANCE MEMORIAL CUP	Dahlias - Judges' Choice	Sally Godfrey
BEN & BETTY SKELTON CUP	Mixed Flowers/Foliage - Highest points	Caroline Porter
JOHN PRENTIS CUP	Planted Pots - highest points (prior to 2023 hanging basket)	Claire Lang
JILLIAN ETHERINGTON MEMORIAL SALVER	Winner of Fuchsia in a Pot Class	Claire Lang
WILLIAM IV CUP	Drinks - Judges' Choice	Jo Ross
LADY PENTLAND CUP	Cookery - Highest Points (not inc men's or Under 16)	Pam Chandler
FRANCES DADSWELL MEMORIAL SALVER	Cookery - Judges' Choice	Sarah Good
MAURICE BURTON BOWL	Preserves - Highest Points	Joanna Marsh

LADY PENTLAND VASE II	Handicrafts - Highest Points	Claire Lang
ALBURY WI - CALVER HANDICRAFT CUP	Handicrafts - Judges' Choice	Joanna Marsh
CAROLYN & MICHAEL WOODS CUP	Photography - Highest Points	Pete Gardner
ALBURY WI - NANCY BUTLER MEMORIAL TROPHY	Photography - Judges' Choice	Pete Gardner
WIN & JENNY CUP	Pre-school Children Highest Points	Billy Frost
CHILDRENS CUP I	Children 6 years and under - Highest Points	Harriet Tunnell
CHILDRENS CUP II	Children 8 years and under - Highest Points	Thomas Staunskjaer
CHILDRENS CUP III	Children 11 years and under - Highest Points	Joe Macaulay
CHILDRENS CUP IV	Children 16 years and under - Highest Points	Amelia Broome
BRYAN ROBINSON CUP	Children's classes - Judges' Choice	Jamie Macaulay
WIN BROWN & JENNY FAIRHURST PLATE	Floral Arrangement - floral classes, highest points	Julie Baxter
LEO INSTONE-GALLOP CUP	Floral Arrangement - floral classes, 2nd highest points	Jacqui Blake
NOVICES CUP	16 & Under - Floral Arrangement	Martha Kinnes
MERRITT TANKARD	Men's floral arrangement	Bob Brown
JOY RICHARDSON CUP	Floral Arrangements Judges' Choice	Pete Gardner

John Brockwell receives much deserved award

On Friday, 14th of July, deputy Lieutenant Jane Macaulay presented John Brockwell (pictured receiving the award alongside his daughter Verity) with a Lieutenantcy Appreciation Award for his exceptional service to the local community of Albury Parish.

John, known to all as JB, has lived in the area for the last 40 years and the work he has carried out for the benefit of the Parish throughout his time is impressive. JB joined the parish council in 2003 and became chairman in 2011 until his retirement, earlier this year, after 20 years of service. He was always fully involved in all issues; e.g. he could often be found walking the highways and byways to ensure they were being maintained, attending planning meetings to represent the parish's views on local applications, restoring village allotments in Albury, achieving traffic calming measures.

JB showed great vision regarding the importance of high-speed broadband within the Surrey Hills. Both his foresight and enthusiasm for the project was instrumental in achieving funding, and promoting awareness, for Broadband for Surrey Hills (B4SH). This has ensured that the village of Albury, now being followed by other villages in the parish, has access to high-speed broadband.

John was also a supporter of the village café set up, with support from the local church, in 2012. It operated weekly with volunteers serving coffee and home-made cake. This was an especially important hub for local residents who needed some company and support. John regularly attended, offering friendship as well as practical help

John has had an extremely active involvement in Albury Produce Show and Fair for the last 30 years. He has been an active member of the show committee, giving up an entire week of his time ahead of the event, in addition to the large volume of work throughout the year planning and making bookings for the show. It also involves him being present during the weekend of the show as well as in the week following ensuring everything has been left exactly the way it was found. Some 10 years ago, it was suggested that the show should be followed on the Sunday with a music festival. John became equally involved in that and it has proved a huge success with visitors coming from far and wide. Both these events raise money for local charities.



Deputy lieutenant, Jane Macaulay, said that it would be difficult to name a more widely known or better loved individual who is valued and appreciated by so many within the parish and she was especially pleased to be able to present him with his award in the main marquee the night before the Annual Produce Show surrounded by over 100 friends and family.

Julie Baxter

Food Banks Need Your Help More Than Ever In 2023!

Not Just Food.



Hunger in the UK isn't about food. It's lack of income and the main drivers of foodbank use are:-

- Problems with the benefits system (delays, inadequacy and deductions)
- Challenging life experiences or ill health
- Lack of informal or formal support
- Now in 2023.- soaring energy, food and general cost of living prices.

How You Can Help? What items you can donate?

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

Cereal	UHT Milk	Tinned Fish	Tinned Fruit
Biscuits	Tinned Beans	Long Life Fruit Juices	

Other Items / Ways you can Help?

Household Cleaning Products	Sanitary Items	Nappies/Baby Wipes
Cooking Oils	Tinned Soups/Meat /Stews	
Condiments / Spices	Pasta	Rice Pasta Sauce

You can give money in an Envelope to help Guildford Food Banks to put money on users' Fuel Cards - **Just mark your envelope and give to Harry in Pratts Stores.**

DONATION POINTS IN ALBURY.

Pratts Stores in Albury Village:- contact Harry on 01483 202123 to donate £5/£10 by card, and Harry will select items for you to place in the Food Bank Collection Box.

OR purchase items from Harry to donate to the Food Bank.

OR in St Peter & St Paul's Church in Albury in the Lobby- on Saturdays 10am - 4pm or Sunday mornings, 9am - 11am.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT.

DIANN ARNFIELD 01483 203464.

Albury Music Festival 2023

Despite some initial trepidation about the weather, Sunday 16 July proved the perfect day for the annual Albury Music Festival on Albury Heath. It was neither too hot nor too cold, a slight breeze in the air and better still, the rain stayed away!

Fourteen bands and solo acts gave us six hours of non-stop music waiving their fee in order to help maximise the money raised for The Brain Tumour Charity. The charity offers support to those affected, as well as providing funding for research and campaigning for change. Volunteers from the charity with their buckets and card readers were out and about in the crowd collecting donations for this very worthwhile charity. A huge thank you to everyone who contributed!

We had some great stalls to add to the entertainment: Glitter Bomb tattoos, Boing Bouncy Castles; Rita's records, to name but a few. The longest queue as always was for Shere Delight's ice-cream!

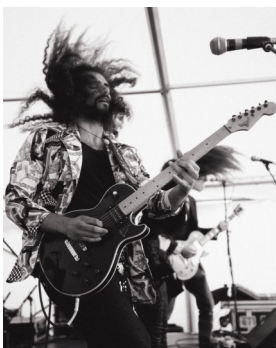
As usual, alongside the entertainment, Albury Churches' team of volunteers manned the BBQ, selling John Murray's locally sourced, premium quality burgers and sausages. During the course of the afternoon they served up almost 1000 burgers and hotdogs!

Another busy area was the Bar, which provided a variety of drinks including Pimms, Aperol Spritz, Shere Drop and a lovely chilled Sauvignon. Thank you to the many volunteers behind the bar whose work included shifting ten kegs of Shere Drop into situ at regular intervals and non-stop chopping of oranges, strawberries, cucumber and mint. We were lucky enough to have the Drummond Arms in Albury sponsoring the bar again. The Silent Pool gin tent also attracted a steady stream of customers; Silent Pool Gin were our main sponsors again this year.

There were over 30 prizes on offer in the raffle and over 3500 tickets were sold! The winning tickets were drawn at 6.30pm and a lot of delighted participants went home with prizes including a champagne hamper, a case of wine and dinner at Kinghams. Thank you to all our very generous prize donors.

We hope to report back how much money we raised for the Brain Tumour Charity in the next edition of the Parish magazine.

Pencil in next year's Albury Music Festival date NOW - Sunday July 21 2024!



Photos—Matt Chapman

Say NO to the infill of the Woodhill sandpit

Please object NOW, if you haven't already. Consultation closes on 6 September.

A lot of people are worried about a current planning application to Surrey County Council to infill the Woodhill sandpit (near the top of the hill between Shamley Green and Farley Green).

The applicant is Ben Nicholson, the SCC title is 'Importation, deposit and engineering of inert waste material to land for the purposes of stabilising sandpit faces within a historic sandpit with restoration to forestry'.

The project would take at least 4 years and requires import and working of over 200,000 cubic m of inert waste. Site work would produce noise and emissions affecting nearby properties and wildlife as well as walkers and horses using the bridleway N of the sandpit.



The waste material would be brought in on 20 tonne 8 wheel tipper trucks, loaded weight c 30 tonnes . On average 22 trucks would come in and 22 out each weekday between 7 am and 6 pm for 4 years, with 22 journeys on Saturday mornings.

Waste would come from East and West on the A25, from places unknown. But the truck route from the A25 to the sandpit would be New Road, over Albury Heath and the railway line, Brook Hill, Farley Green, August Lane and Farley Heath Road.

The project fails to recognise that these are rural roads passing through countryside with AONB and other protected status. Likely harm:

- Damaged road surfaces and verges, already in poor condition, plus repair costs
- Safety implications for road users - drivers, cyclists, horses and pedestrians (including Duke of Edinburgh groups) - from wide, heavy HGVs regularly travelling narrow winding roads without pavements
- Special danger to horse riders using nearby bridleways and road crossings
- Noise, dust and vehicle emissions
- Environmental harm, including immediate and cumulative effects on wildlife and sensitive trees and lichens

The need for the project is questionable, and it fails to observe a number of statutory requirements and guidelines. Plus, there is that notice about hgv's at either end of the proposed route.....

What now?

Surrey CC has opened a public consultation on the application, ref 2021/0150. DEADLINE FOR OBJECTIONS 6 SEPTEMBER.

If this application disturbs you, please register your objection by 6 September.

Reasoned objections by local residents and others affected do have an effect.

We also urge you to visit our website. As well as providing information, it also gives helpful guidance on how to register objections most effectively and an opportunity to sign up to an email group to be kept up to date with future developments:

<https://protectwoodhillnow.co.uk>

Protect WoodHill Team



SALV AUTUMN OPEN EVENING AND AGM

will be held

in SHERE VILLAGE HALL

at 8pm on Wednesday 18th October

Dr Mike Hickman, Consultant Cardiologist

“Look after your heart”

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

(Registered Charity no 1016023)

Albury History Society

We have had two visits this summer. Firstly, to Limnerslease, the Arts & Craft home of G.F. Watts and his wife. This has been restored to the way it was in his time. Secondly, we had a guided walk round Shere, and then a visit to the Shere Museum.

We are back in Albury Village Hall on Tuesday 19th September at 8 pm for what promises to be a fascinating evening on gypsy life.

Visitors are very welcome.

Margaret Clarke, Secretary

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RIDE+STRIDE

for Churches

DISCOVER AND SUPPORT SURREY'S HISTORIC CHURCHES.



Join Us

Stretch your legs and relax your mind, visit unique historic buildings, see beautiful countryside, get some exercise and have fun with the family and friends!

Ride+Stride for Churches is a sponsored bike ride or walk between churches, exploring and enjoying town and countryside in Surrey. Run by the Surrey Churches Preservation Trust, the money raised helps to repair churches, chapels and meeting houses throughout our County.

Half of the money you raise goes to your nominated church, half for grants to help maintain Surrey's churches.

Find out more and download sponsorship forms and maps at
www.surreychurchespreservationtrust.org
or email scptrichardmorris@gmail.com



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Your garden in September

September, or as the Anglo Saxons say Gerst Monath, barley month. This is the ideal month to spend time in your potting shed brewing beer. While you are waiting for your barley brew to ferment, look around your garden for fruit to make into delicious liqueurs. Blackberries, raspberries, pears, apples and sloes can all be made into beverages to warm you in the winter, add sugar, vodka, gin , brandy or rum. Leave for some time, strain and bottle. Test regularly to make sure it is palatable.

Sow hardy annuals to flower next year, cornflowers, ammi, Cerinthe and scabiosa (that last one sounds like a spell Harry Potter might have used). If you grew them this year, collect their seeds or just delight in what mother nature sprinkles all over your garden. Plant out wallflowers, pansies and other spring bedding plants.

Bring in any house plants that you have put out for the summer. Check that you aren't bringing in unwanted passengers. Some potted plants may not have overwintered well. Harden your heart and throw out any that have remained stubbornly brown. It's doubtful that they will suddenly burst back into life however nicely you speak to them.

In the vegetable garden you can sow hardy greens, kale, pak choi and mustard and also broad beans and peas for an early crop next year. Pigeons, slugs and mice may have a different plan though. Harvest main crop potatoes, dry them off in a cool, dark place and check carefully for slug or wireworm damage, soft spots or splits. If you have dug them up using a fork, you know the largest and best ones will have been spiked. If you have any good ones at all, store them in hessian or paper sacks in a frost free, dark place. Use the damaged ones first, as autumn approaches, hearty soups and stews using potatoes and other veg that may have survived this cold, wet summer. Sadly, 'Give your neighbours a courgette day' has passed. The weather has been kind to these plants, even powdery mildew has not yet struck. There are many recipes for excess courgettes, brownies, soup, fritters etc.

Many areas have suffered blight this year, not much you can do for tomatoes, one minute they are looking wonderful and the next, black stems, rotten fruit and collapse. You may be a bit luckier with potatoes, at the first sign of disease, cut off the haulms, and dig up the potatoes. Spotted early, they may be ok and blight will not have reached the tubers.

Bring tender perennials into the greenhouse, remember that frost can strike this month, maybe just the once, enough to kill things off before that longed for Indian Summer. Whatever the weather throws at us -

Enjoy your garden.

News from the Barn Church

Last months' collection of your donations for the North Guildford Food Bank were much appreciated; many thanks once again for your generosity.

The recent working party groups achieved much in two sessions; mostly small jobs but 'many hands make light work' and we now have a hot water supply with grateful thanks to Simon without whom we would still be struggling to wash the dishes! The front door has had a fresh, sparkling makeover behind which is a brand new draught-excluding curtain; pews dusted and polished, brass cleaned, and cobwebs removed. Volunteers for our next session (to be arranged) would be very welcome - an hour of your time makes such a difference for getting those niggly jobs done.

Our next major fund-raising event is the Wine & Cheese Evening kindly hosted by Hannah Godfrey and Albury Fisheries at £22 per person on September 1st. Spaces are limited so please contact treasurer@thebarnchurch.co.uk to secure a place with your payment.

Dates for your Diary:

Wine & Cheese at The Fisheries £22	1 September
Heritage Weekend	9/10 September
Ride & Stride	9 September
Community Food Bank Café	16 September
Quiz Night £8	21 October
Artisan Christmas Gift Fair	12 November
Community Food Bank Café	18 November
Bridge Evening £8	2 December
Christmas workshops	11/12 December
Bubbles in the Barn 2024	12 January

Liz Cooper, Trustee

*Friends of St Michael's Barn Church:
secretary@thebarnchurch.co.uk*



The Barn Church

Fun Quiz Night

Saturday 21st October 2023



7.30pm

St Michael's Barn Church

Fun quiz night to raise funds for restoration works at St Michael's Barn Church Farley Green. Cost £8 per person, or book a table for six people £48. Bring your own beverage. Help maintain this wonderful community space.

Book a table or register your interest 07909 764613.

Limited space available so book early.

What's on in September

Date	Time	Event	Location	Page
1	7.30 p.m.	Friends of St Michael's Barn Church Wine and Cheese	The Smokery at Albury Fisheries	16
1	8.00 p.m.	Bingo	Gomshall Village Club	31
2	All day	Holistic Animal fair and dog show	Harry Edwards Healing Sanctuary	29
7	7.00 p.m.	Friends of Albury Old Saxon Church Much Ado About Nothing	The Old Saxon Church	21
7	7.30 p.m.	Shere Village Cinema Captain Corelli's Mandolin	Shere Village Hall	33
9	All day	Ride and Stride		14
9 & 10		Heritage Weekend See heritageopendays.org.uk For opening times and venues	Albury Parish Church The Barn Church The Old Saxon Church	21,22 & 23
14	8.00 p.m.	Gomshall Village Club AGM	Gomshall Village Club	31
16 & 17		Shere Parish Eco Fair	Shere Parish Church	18
16	8.30 p.m.	Gomshall Village Club Disco	Gomshall Village Club	31
17	6.30 p.m.	Shere Village Cinema No Time to Die Special James Bond Evening	Shere Village Hall	33
19	8.00 p.m.	Albury History Society Talk on Gypsy Life	Albury Village Hall	13
23	8.00 p.m.	Gomshall Village Club Stand up to Cancer Bingo & Raffle	Gomshall Village Club	31
30	8.00 p.m.	Gomshall Village Club Quiz	Gomshall Village Club	31



St James' Church, Shere
Saturday 16th September, 7.30pm

Tillingbourne.Earth Green Cinema presents:

David Attenborough: A Life on Our Planet

Free tickets available via Eventbrite

Sunday 17th September,
12.30 - 4pm

SHERE PARISH ECO FAIR

Meet local environmental groups; find out about
sustainable living and local conservation

Produce and tasting stalls

'Swap' stalls: home produce, pre-loved clothing

Live Music Vegan Café

Kids' Zone: storytelling and eco crafts

2.30 PM - Getting to the Heart of it

Short talks about climate, sustainable living,
positive action



News from Shere Surgery

Thank you to everyone who contributed to the National GP Survey. We were delighted to come 4th in Surrey (we are sort of claiming a 3rd as the practices in position 2 and 3 are one practice...!). We know that there have been many difficulties in the past few years, so the fact that we still seem to be able to help you despite this is hugely reassuring.

We are delighted to welcome Sadia Rashid to the team. Sadia is a Physician's Associate. This is a graduate role in general medical education, and they are trained to work under the supervision of a doctor. We have not had a Physician's Associate before, and we hope you will offer Sadia a warm welcome.

Dr Douglas Wardrop is currently on sabbatical, taking a month out to spend some time travelling with his family. We are all a bit jealous (!) but wish him an amazing time. He will be back before you know it, and all of his patients have been handed over to ensure seamless care.

Sadly, Annie Watts (our midwife) will be retiring at the end of September. Annie has been part of the team for years and we will miss her. Royal Surrey have made the decision not to replace her and so from the 1st October all of our pregnant patients will be seen at the Cranleigh Maternity Hub. We are hugely disappointed by this. All current pregnant patients will receive a separate letter.

Back on the subject of drug shortages, the big problem this month is atorvastatin. This is a really well tolerated statin that we use a lot to reduce cholesterol. There is no national stock of 20mg, 40mg or 80mg and scant stock of 10mg. We have secured stock of 30mg and 60mg so will have to change doses for a little while until the problem resolves. Affected patients will get a text and a note in their prescription. We would like to talk to you all individually, but the magnitude of the drug shortage crisis means we simply don't have time to have a one-to-one interaction with everyone. We really hope you understand. Please share this message with anyone who isn't on the mailing list. I have put a message on twitter @ShereSurgery also.

Finally, I was pleased to have the opportunity to highlight some of the current problems facing rural GPs on both BBC Farming Today and BBC You & Yours on 2nd August. I hope those who heard it felt that I represented the practice, and rural GPs, adequately.

Dr Emma Watts

GP Partner

Shere Surgery & Dispensary

In common

I was the supply teacher for a class that was learning about groups. In one exercise, pupils were asked to label a group of items according to their common characteristics. Pictured were onion rings, doughnuts, and party biscuits. The correct answer would have been that all the items have holes in the centre.

But one health-conscious boy pointed out: "All of those things contain far too much cholesterol."



Wild and Weedy



September 10th 4.00 p.m.

Come and join us on a new Messy Adventure to meet with God out of doors in the churchyard!

This is an informal gathering ideal for all ages.

A variety of fun activities to do together

A celebration of God's amazing creation of plants of all shapes and sizes

The story of the parable of the sower from the bible

Singing and reflecting together.

Followed by tea for the children and a cuppa and cake for the adults!

Please let Sheena know by September 4th if you can join us!

Everyone is welcome

Please bring your friends of all ages. Dress for the weather at the time!

St Peter and St Paul's Parish Church

Church Lane, Albury



All Age



Celebration



Christ centred



Creativity



Hospitality



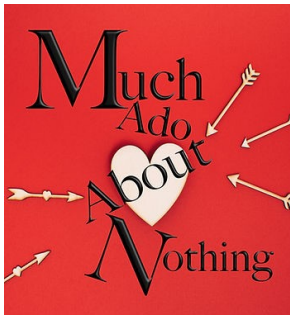
Friends of Albury Old Saxon Church



Present the 2023

Summer Season

With the amazing talents of *'This Is My Theatre'*



Thursday 7 September, 7:00 - 8:30pm

Who doesn't love love? Well you might be surprised!

In Shakespeare's raucous comedy, deception is rife as wedding bells sound in the air, testing not only the young lovers Hero and Claudio, but also the steadfastly single Beatrice and Benedick!

With plots, pranks and live music throughout, you will fall in love all over again with Shakespeare's *Much Ado About Nothing* this Summer!

Tickets available from: www.thisismytheatre.com



(Friends' discount of £3.00 - code "CTFriend" at final on-line payment)

Heritage Open Days 9th–10th September

The Parish Church in Church will again be taking part in the National Heritage Week-end. The church will be open from 10.00 a.m. to 5.00 p.m. on the Saturday and from 11a.m. to 3.30 p.m. on the Sunday for anyone who would like to look around.

Off to school

Mother to young daughter after first day at school: "Well, dear, what did they teach you today?"

Daughter: "Not much. I've got to go back again tomorrow."

Friends of Albury Old Saxon Church

are delighted to announce that the second phase of the conservation/restoration of the Drummond Chapel is now underway!



The planning for this exciting project has been many years in the making. You may remember way back in 2007, whilst re-printing the Drummond Chapel brochure, the Trustees discovered that over the previous 190 years the degradation of the painted surfaces needed some extreme remedial work to conserve and restore the unique interior for future generations.

In the spring of 2017 **Phase One** was completed by the Churches Conservation Trust with a budget of £90,000 that was raised by the Friends' Group from many generous sources, both local and the New Apostolic Movement in Europe, ensuring that the outside fabric of the church was watertight, the land drainage fit for purpose and the micro-climate within the church stabilised as far as possible in a thousand year old building.

Charity status was awarded to the Friends Group in 2016 when it was realised that a good deal of extra fund-raising was required to finally embark on a CCT approved autonomous **Phase Two** project to carry out the highly skilled and specialist work to stabilise the plasterwork and all of the delaminated surfaces, cleaning of the encaustic tiles, the restoration of the hand-carved screens, and the restoration and conservation of all of the painted and gilded surfaces of the interior of the Drummond Chapel.

Serious fund-raising has continued over the intervening years with some very good positive results from many local and international philanthropic sources. This, together with the many fund-raising events such as hectic race nights, popular classical and special Gala Concerts and many years of theatrical performances by *This Is My Theatre* group that the Albury Friends have organised, has resulted in the



Typical degradation within the Drummond Memorial Chapel which requires urgent specialist work

Trustees now being in a position to move forward to start with the most essential remedial work.

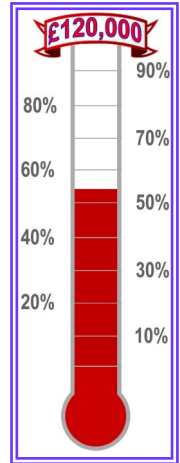
Up until the beginning of this year (2023) the **Phase 2** project was considered to be the actual specialists work of conserving and restoring the entire memorial chapel.

However, it was realised that to achieve the estimated total of £120,000 it would take many more years of really hard fund-raising before any noticeable work could take place.

Therefore, the overall complexities of the scale of work needed were again fully discussed and it was decided that the way forward would be best served by splitting Phase Two into two separate parts. The first part, **Phase 2a** would be to conserve and restore the lower part of the walls, that can be easily inspected and worked on without any need for ladders or scaffolding. Certainly, the most pressing area for essential remedial work is the painted east wall where the plaster bond has delaminated from the structure of the building.

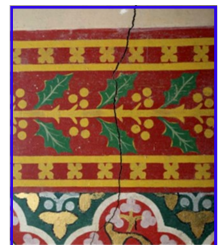
It is considered that the ring-fenced Drummond Chapel Appeal funds that are being held of £64,000 will be more than adequate to complete this part of the project. Conserving this very fragile and integral part of the decorative value of the chapel is a most important first step, but it is also a positive demonstration to both existing and possible new funders that work is finally underway.

Over the past few months, under the guidance of our **Phase 2a** Project Architect David Johnson, a short list of three nationally ICON accredited conservation companies have tendered for this critical work with the final selection of Cliveden Conservation being appointed. Founded in 1982, Cliveden (for some reason pronounced Cliv-den) has for more than thirty years been responsible for the preservation of the National Trust's buildings and statuary so we are indeed in good hands! Preparatory survey work has been completed and the conservation process for the lower part of the Drummond Chapel is now underway!



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*Roy Hogben - Albury Friends'
Trustee.*



Parish People -Funmi Hammond



Funmi Salomey Hammond BA (nee Omotosho) spent her earliest years in Africa before falling in love with an Englishman and coming to live in Albury.

I was born in Nigeria on 13 October 1983 but, unlike my older siblings, have no childhood memories of that country as we moved to Ghana when I was a baby.

Q Tell me about your family?

A My dad, Dkb Omotosho, was in the Nigerian Airforce. My mother, Monica Kissi, was a caterer, but also worked in other trades and assisted her mother, who owned and ran a bakery. I have two older brothers, Francis and Vincent,

and a sister Yinka. I am the youngest.

Q Where was your home in Ghana?

A In Tema, about 16 miles east of Accra in the Greater Accra Region on the Bight of Benin on the Atlantic coast. It was once a small fishing village called Torman but now one of the most populous settlements in Ghana, with a port and substantial industrial and residential development. We moved when I was a young teenager to Ashaiman, which is not far away.

Q What are your childhood memories?

A My parents separated when I was a baby. I had a lovely childhood with lots of family around me. We lived in a large house with my mother, my grandmother, other aunties and cousins and were close to a number of neighbours. It was a lovely family atmosphere. In the building was my grandmother's bakery, known as 'Jones Bakery' and I would wake up to the lovely smell of fresh bread. There would be lots of family birthday parties with neighbours and friends; lots of fun and good cooking. I think school was rather stricter than some English schools at that time. Whilst there was sport, the main emphasis was on learning. My favourite subjects were French and biology.

Q What other languages did you learn?

A The indigenous people of Accra speak the language Ga. Also in Accra, and across the country, Twi is a widely spoken language; that's the language of the Ashanti tribe. In Cape Coast, the dialect is Fante. At home, we spoke Fante, which is my grandmother's language and similar to Twi. We frequently spoke Twi amongst ourselves at school, although English was regarded as a more formal language, in which we were taught and usually spoke to each other in class. We seldom spoke English at home. My mother spoke to my siblings in Yoruba, which is a Nigerian language, that I never really grasped. She had to blend in some English. She did this because, when they first moved to Ghana, they couldn't speak the language and I couldn't speak Yoruba. I spoke French when I visited Benin

or other French speaking countries. Under the Ghanaian system, I went to two secondary schools. First, for three years at a Catholic School, a very strict girls boarding school, and then to Aggrey Memorial A.M.E. Zion Senior High School, a mixed school in Cape Coast. At Aggrey, with a few friends, we entered a science and snail farming project and won first prize. This competition was an STME (science, technology, mathematics, education) competition, which was run at district levels to encourage girls in these subjects.

Q How did all this compare with English schools?

A I believe that English schools are more flexible. Although my schools had extra-curricular activities, the main focus was on academic achievement.

Q After school?

A I went to the University of Ghana in Accra for a BA course in psychology and religion. I chose psychology because I thought that it would be something different and indeed it was an eye opener. I learnt so much. One study, for example, was in comparative psychology. Here we looked at the similarities between sapiens and other species. E.g., a lion marks out its own territory, where it lives and sees off intruders. We as humans have our little territories, surrounding our homes with garden fences. I enjoyed the comradeships with different friends taking part in study groups and joining in discussions. I enjoyed lots of beach trips. We had lots of foreign students on exchange trips, including students from England, America and Europe, taking African studies including African music. I had a best lady friend at uni, with whom I shared accommodation. We got to know each other very well and met each other's families. Sadly, she died of kidney failure; my saddest moment at uni.

Q After university?

A I did my national service. That does not mean military service such as you had in the UK in the 1950s, but all young people are required to work for a year in some form of service for the common good. It gets them used to the concept of service to the community and not just for themselves, and a chance to give back to society after receiving an education. It inculcates voluntary service, although we did get a small subsistence wage. I worked as an assistant dispensing technician in a polyclinic. My main role was to work with the pharmacist, mainly to dispense medication. It was a very busy clinic, as the population in the area at the time was high.

Q After National Service?

A I took various jobs: for a fashion designer, in banking, PA for a businessman in gas distribution, and then a longer term job as a sales executive in real estate. I was still living in the family home. The culture in Ghana, especially for women, has been to stay there until you get married. But this culture is changing as a lot of professional women have to move to other parts of the country or it may be just their choice to move out. I worked at the high end of the domestic property market, especially luxury

beachside properties, as new luxury apartments were developed. They were lovely, but quite expensive. We won the 'Up and Coming Developer' (mixed use condominium) at the fifth Ghana Property Awards in 2012. For a time, all my fellow workers in the office were women, and we really worked well together. I'm still in touch with some of them; they came to my wedding and remain good friends. After 18 months, I obtained a government scholarship to do a three month course in monitoring evaluation in India. For practical experience, we joined an Indian project to look at an area inhabited by poor people with not enough to eat. We examined the possibilities of evaluation, not just to provide them with food but to get them practically involved in food production and become a sustainable and self-supporting community. That involves planning a costed, effective intervention with public money. In addition to Ghanaians, the course was attended by students from a number of countries including Kenya, Nigeria, and Papua New Guinea, so it helped one to understand different cultures. I also got to know something of Indian culture and even visited the Taj Mahal, which was impressive. I also visited Rajasthan, which has a very old palace. I enjoyed seeing elephants too.

Q And after that once in a lifetime experience?

A I returned to my old job and went with my boss to Nigeria to explore export prospects. Back in Ghana in August 2013, I had another life changing experience. I met David for the first time! He was working in Ghana then, but went on to work in Congo for two years. I joined David there, leaving my job in real estate. We married back in Ghana in May 2016. (*See Albury Parish News - May 2018*).

Q How has Ghana changed since your childhood?

A I think the culture is much the same. Although independent since the 1950s, the British way of life still exerts an influence. For example, our white wedding in Ghana. I think Ghanaian education has changed since my school days and is now probably less strict and more flexible. Although the economic situation isn't good at present, it remains one of the most stable and peaceful countries in Africa. I would say one of the most peaceful places in the world, where people look out for each other. It is a safe place, where one is not afraid to have a night out. Ghana has a massive tourist industry including the Cape Coast, which boasts two castles, Cape Coast Castle and Elmina Castle. The latter was built by the Portuguese and later seized by the Dutch. It became a centre for the slave trade, where victims were imprisoned before being shipped off across the Atlantic. Nearby is a lively area for the fishing community. You can see lovely coloured wooden, but motorised, boats and learn a lot about the fishing industry.

Q Tell me about other tourist sights?

A. You must visit Kakum National Park, which includes a forest with a lovely canopy of trees. The canopy walkway, suspended 30 feet above ground

provides treetop views of the forest. It protects an area of rainforest, home to endangered mammals such as forest elephants, bongo elephants, and primates like monkeys. The park is rich in butterflies and birds including African grey parrots and hornbills.

If you like monkeys, visit the Tafi-Atome Monkey Sanctuary, a conservation site in the Volta Region. Also the Boabeng Fiema Monkey Sanctuary in the Bono East Region, an amazing village in which monkeys (700 of them) and people live together.

Don't miss the Boti Waterfalls and the Mole National Park in the North. Mole is one of Ghana's seven national parks, the largest and most prestigious. It is rich in biodiversity and home to 742 vascular plant species, over 90 mammal species, including five primate species. Lots more to interest tourists including, buffalo, western hartebeest, roan antelope, defassa waterbuck, oribi, bohor, reedbuck, and red-flanked duiker. You will find rare and endangered species: white colobus monkey, yellow-backed duiker, leopard and lion. The park is also home to 334 bird species, 33 reptiles, nine amphibian and 120 types of butterfly.

Elsewhere, there's so much for tourists in Ghana. Relax on one of our fine and beautiful beaches and take in the African breeze. The more energetic can go paragliding in the Kwahu Mountains, or climb the country's highest peak: Mount Afadjato in the Volta region.

Q Tell me about government?

A When I was born in the 80s there was a military government, but in 1992 the country adopted a democratic constitution. It is a very stable environment.

Q What were your first impressions of England?

A I had never visited England before I met David, but I thought that I would fit in well because of the English culture in Ghana. The weather, however, was a rude awakening. I found England very cold compared with the warmth of Ghana. I was expecting cold, but didn't realise how cold! I'd never seen frost before in my life. I expected to find the English eating lots of European dishes, like pizza, but the traditional English roast beef came as a pleasant surprise. I still cook some traditional African meals, visiting the African shops in Peckham or in Woking. I can also get some of the ingredients from the Asian shops, of which there's one in Guildford.

Q What are your impressions of UK government, health services and education?

A In the UK, people pay high taxes in comparison with Ghana, but in return expect a lot back from the state. In Ghana, there is little direct taxation but more paid in indirect tax, for example import tax so that some imported goods can be expensive. We have a small property tax, but taxes aren't high compared with UK. Thus, health services are heavily subsidised in UK to a greater extent than in Ghana. In Ghana, minor routine and emergencies are subsidised but when it comes to a major operation you

have to pay. I admit that the UK system is better, especially for those without money. Likewise, in Ghana your parents have to support you through education. When I was at secondary school, my parents had to pay, but there are now partial subsidies in Ghana. We have a very good university in Ghana. There you pay fees, but you can get loans. Fortunately, my parents paid for me and I didn't need a student loan.

Q Tell me about religion in Ghana?

A A wide choice here, although the main religions are Islam, Christianity, and those who follow traditional African religions, which predate Christian and Muslim arrivals. Within Christianity, we have mainstream Anglican and Catholic churches plus Pentecostal and a whole range of non-conformists. We also have Eckankar, which is a new religious movement founded in 1965 with members in various parts of North America, Europe, Asia and Africa. It involves finding the key to spiritual freedom and a path to self discovery, God discovery and beyond. Like USA, we have all sorts of religions, most of which, including Christianity, are followed more fervently than I have found in England.

Q Tell me about the traditional African beliefs?

A They involve a belief in God, and lesser Gods, and a belief in spirits. They also believe in pouring libation, which is a form of prayer, that may be used at traditional weddings, christenings, and especially funerals. They believe in herbal medicine and taking leaves off the trees in order to heal. In the past you had the village herbalist, but now remodelled with herbal clinics rather as the Chinese have.

Q You have now been in England seven years. Where have you been working?

A At first, I worked in retail at a bridal shop and subsequently at House of Fraser in Guildford. Now I'm a learning support worker at Jigsaw Plus in Cranleigh. It is a charity, which helps children and young people with learning difficulties. We run a few programmes to help them to be self sufficient. I find it very rewarding.

Q Away from your work, have you taken up other new interests whilst in England?

A I enjoy walking in the Surrey Hills, sometimes joining in group walks. David is very fit and energetic, so when he is at home we may go walking or jogging together. I like my life here in England, but also miss friends and family in Ghana. I shall be going to Ghana shortly. It will be only my second visit since leaving Ghana. This was a deliberate decision as I wanted to be integrated into English life. This has helped me become part of the local community and my surroundings in Albury and Guildford.

Q What are your future plans?

A I should like to go back to university and train as a social worker.

Richard Floyd

HARRY EDWARDS

healingsanctuary

Wherever You Are, We're Here For You

As we come back off summer holidays, we have some lovely September events for you. Starting on Friday 1st September we have our Healing Circle at 7.30pm on zoom Meeting ID 355 462 8759.



On Saturday 2nd September join us for another family & furbaby day out. Browse our wonderful holistic animal (& human) craft stalls. Allow your pooch to enjoy a canine massage and enter them in our Fun Dog Show. We have world renowned animal healer Elizabeth Whiter as one of our judges! Elizabeth will be available for Q&A's and to give healing to some of your lovely pooches. Animal Healing will be available throughout the day. Enjoy some interesting talks & refreshments. Elizabeth will also be giving a healing demonstration. Dog classes will include:

Best Rescue | Waggiest Tail | Floppiest Ears | Most Scrumptious Puppy (up to 1 year) | Prettiest Girl & Most Handsome Dog | Golden Oldie (+7 years) | The Dog the Judge wants to take home | Best Treat Catcher and Best Behaved Dog with Junior Handler (under 15). Winners of all categories will receive a doggy goody bag!

On Friday 15th September at 10.30am Tara is back with another of her wonderful gong baths. Experience the healing vibrations of the Gongs in our very special Sanctuary. Soak up the healing energies as you relax to the wonderful sound healing therapy. £25 per person via eventbrite. <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/gong-bath-in-the-chapel-tickets-679942705937>

The Sanctuary Bereavement Support Café will be meeting at 11am on Thursday 21st September. A welcoming and supportive cafe for anyone affected by bereavement.

Healing is also available on request. For further information please contact Alison.McWhinnie@burrowslea.org.uk

Also at 11am on Thursday 21st September, our Bluebells Cancer Support group will be meeting. A friendly, sharing support group for anyone affected by cancer. For further information please contact Jean.Hill@burrowslea.org.uk .

At 11am on Sunday 24th September do join us in the zoom room for a fascinating workshop on The Art of Discovery; Who you were born to be! It seems that almost everyone has an opinion about astrology - whether or not they know anything about it! In this brand new fundraising day, join astrologer Frank Clifford to explore this fascinating subject. With humour and insight, he'll reveal the deeper facets of your Sun ('star') sign, its links to becoming who you were born to be (rather than a simple set of adjectives). The importance of polarity, and how the zodiac is divided into elements and modes. Along the way, Frank will share some useful tips on how to use planetary cycles (from the lunar phases to Mercury retrograde) to be in rhythm with the cosmos. No prior knowledge of astrology is necessary. An ideal gift for someone interested in the subject and wanting to go deeper. Early Bird Bookings - £60 per person; £70 pp thereafter. Bookings can be made via Eventbrite: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/623705880077> . Everyone who makes a booking can request a recording of the workshop from Alison by emailing her Alison.McWhinnie@burrowslea.org.uk

Finally at 2pm on Sunday 24th September we will have our monthly healing service in the Sanctuary. Everyone most welcome.

Alison McWhinnie

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Eco tips for August and September

Help birds if there is hot weather. Keeping your bird bath topped up with fresh water in warmer weather can be a life saver for our feathered friends. Get your garden birds through a heatwave when natural supplies, like worms, become scarce, by putting out supplementary food: black sunflower seeds, pinhead oatmeal, soaked sultanas, raisins and currants, mealworms, waxworms and good seed mixture.

Green your home this Autumn. Tackle climate change and reduce your heating bill by testing how draughty or leaky your home is. Find the gaps that let the cold air in and warm air out (think keyholes, letterboxes, gaps around the edges or bottoms of windows and doors, loft hatches, floorboards etc.) and fix these gaps using the correct materials: (there are lots of handy tutorials on how to do this online). Now is also a very good time to prepare for winter by sticking tinfoil or radiator panels between the wall and radiator, as these will help reflect heat back into your room during the colder months.

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

Gomshall Village Club

On Friday 4th August our inaugural monthly Friday Night Bingo took place organised by Will Babb. The computerised Bingo Balls appear on the widescreen TV on The Lounge, the numbers called clearly. There were 3 games where a line; then a full house was the target. In the first game 3 winners shared line. In the other two games line winners were individuals. By some fluke of luck the same person won all three houses. During the interval Will issued single bingo cards to each participant, everyone had to stand up, if a number appeared on their card they had to sit down, last person standing was the winner. The winner of the 3 houses kindly paid for everyone to take part in another stand up game at the end of the evening. Come and join us and have a great evening

On Saturday 12th August, members and visitors were entertained by "The Decades", a male duo. Their music was all very recognisable and enjoyable.

Our Pool Table continues to attract players as do our Darts Boards and Billiard Tables.

Future Events - Make a note in your diary

Fri 1st Sept Bingo 8pm

Thurs Sept 14th Annual General Meeting 8.00pm

Sat 16th Sept Disco Night 8.30pm

Sat 23rd Sept Stand up to Cancer Bingo & Raffle 8 pm

Sat 30th Sept Quiz 8pm

Fri 6th Oct Bingo

Sat 14th Oct Live Music Night with soloist 'John Peppard' 8.30pm

Sat 4th Nov Live Music Night with soloist 'Chris is Elvis' 8.30pm

Sat 16th Dec Live band 'Slurred' 8.30pm

We open at 6pm - 10.30pm Monday - Thursday: Friday 5.30pm to 11.30 Saturday Noon to 11.30pm

Please come along and join us. Non-members pay £1 signing in fee. New members are always welcome.

Marion Taylor-Cotter

Hear Here

The Hear Here clinic runs once a month in Shere Surgery, from 1 till 3pm on a Tuesday afternoon, usually the first or second Tuesday in the month. This is a volunteer led service intended for those with NHS hearing aids needing minor repairs or new batteries. Please remember to bring your NHS booklet if you have one.

To book an appointment please call the surgery on 01483 202066.

Dates for upcoming session: 5th September

Penny Randall

Peaslake Nursery: Celebrating the End of an Amazing First Year!

As the summer sun shone upon us, July marked the end of an incredible first year for me as Manager at Peaslake Nursery. I am so proud to be a part of this wonderful community, guiding and nurturing our little ones as they take their first steps into education.

It has been an absolute joy watching each child grow, learn, and develop their unique talents and personalities. We are immensely proud of all their achievements. As the academic year came to a close, we bade farewell to all the children who are moving on to big school. It was a bittersweet moment for us, filled with pride and a touch of nostalgia. We wish them the best of luck, we have no doubt that they will continue to shine brightly in their future adventures.

We are thrilled to be welcoming new families to our nursery in September. The prospect of new faces, new friendships, and new experiences fills us with excitement. We firmly believe that each child brings something unique to our community, and we eagerly anticipate the joy and laughter they will bring to our nursery.

As we start the autumn term, we can't help but get excited about the wonderful learning opportunities it brings. The changing seasons offer a myriad of educational experiences, from vibrant autumn colours to harvest celebrations. Our dedicated staff are ready to engage the children in meaningful activities that foster curiosity, creativity, and a love for learning. We can't wait to embark on this journey together.

We hope everyone had a wonderful summer filled with joy, relaxation, and cherished moments with your loved ones.

Louise Collins

Charity Quiz to raise funds for Cancer Centre Royal Surrey Charity is raising funds locally by holding a quiz and ploughman's supper at Albury Village Hall on 20th October.

A new centre to expand cancer and surgical services at the NHS Royal Surrey Hospital will use the latest technology to improve patient experience and recovery time and lead to 7000 more treatments each year.

Ring 07932 411108 or email friendsofrschcasic@gmail.com for more information.

Toni Hourahane

Shere Village Cinema (SVC) -

Book now for films in September and October 2023



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If you would like to receive all the latest SVC films and information, please sign up to our newsletter (if you haven't already). To sign up and to book tickets for future films please go to the website: www.sherevillagecinema.com. You can also buy tickets 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 September we will be showing - the following films:

Thursday 7th September - Captain Corelli's Mandolin is the 2001 film of the book by Louis de Bernières. An epic tale about the enduring hope of love and the devastating brutality of war, set amid the Italian occupation of Greece during World War II. It stars Nicolas Cage as a captain in the Italian army and Penelope Cruz as the gorgeous Pelagia, with John Hurt as her father, Dr Iannis. The scenery and photography are stunning (it was mainly filmed on Kefalonia). Classification: R (Running time is 2 hours 7 mins). Start time: 7.30pm

Sunday 17th September - No Time to Die - James Bond (Daniel Craig) has left active service and is now enjoying a tranquil life in Jamaica, but his peace is short-lived when his old friend Felix Leiter from the CIA turns up asking for help. The mission to rescue a kidnapped scientist turns out to be far more treacherous than expected, leading Bond onto the trail of a mysterious villain armed with dangerous new technology.

This is our long-awaited 'special' Bond film show - It will be a 'black-tie event (if you want to dress up), with table seating and a pay bar for wine, beer and prosecco etc. The cost is £10/ticket (adult) and £7 (child, under 16) to include canapes. **Start time: 6.30pm**, to allow time for drinks, canapes and a longer film. Classification: 12 (Running time is 2 hours 43 minutes).

In October we will be showing - the following films:

Thursday 5th October - Joyride is a heart-warming and bittersweet tale of two unlikely travellers who find solace in each other while on the run from their pasts. Joy (Olivia Colman), an uptight solicitor is accidentally 'kidnapped' by 13-year-old Mully (Charlie Reid). However, they set out on a journey across the Irish countryside, learning to cope with unplanned disruptions and unexpected challenges. The film captures the beauty of the Irish landscape and is visually stunning, with breath-taking shots of the seaside and foggy hills. Where "Joyride" truly shines is in the performances of Reid and Colman, as Mully and Joy, they are both grieving the loss of their mothers and struggling to find their place in the world. They form a bond that helps them cope with their pain and move forward, learning to rely on each other when other parental figures have failed them. Overall, it is a charming and emotional film that manages to balance its heavy themes with moments of levity and joy, and its powerful performances make for a memorable journey. Classification: R (Running time is 1 hour 34 minutes) **Start time: 7.30pm**

Sunday 15th October - French Exit is a quirky, surreal dark comedy/drama based on the novel by Patrick deWitt. Frances (Michelle Pfeiffer) is an aging, eccentric and rather lost socialite who finds herself bankrupt. She decides to sell everything she has and move from New York to Paris, ostensibly to die before her money runs out. She takes with her, her withdrawn and long-suffering son, Malcolm (Lucas Hedges) and their cat 'Small Frank' named after her late husband. Malcom has an on/off relationship with his girlfriend (Imogen Poots), and there is an underlying mystery regarding the death of Frances's husband, and his spirit's possible occupation of their cat! Into this mix, they attract a bizarre group of misfits, who become their 'family', and unlikely emotional bonds form. Michelle Pfeiffer gives one of the best performances of her career as the saddened but brutally effervescent Frances. Classification: 15 (Running time is 1 hour 53 minutes) Start time: **7.30pm**

Thank you for your support. Do join us for our films in September and October if you can.

Shere Village Cinema Team

WAKY, WAKY! IT'S PANTO TIME **(Well it's not that far off)**

Hard to believe but summer's almost over (did it ever really start?) Fear not, however - Peaslake Players are ready to bring some sunshine into the winter months ahead. Yes, the Panto is back and this year it's going to be '**Sleeping Beauty**' (plus 'guests'), for which we'll be auditioning adults and juniors on the following dates:-

Tuesday, 3rd October - 7.30pm Juniors (13+)

Thursday, 5th October - 8.00pm Adults

VENUE: Peaslake Memorial Hall, Peaslake Village

Rehearsals will begin the week following the auditions and then twice weekly (once weekly for Juniors), breaking for Christmas and New Year, returning early January when we'll also be rehearsing on Sunday afternoons. The shows will run over the last weekend in January and first weekend in February.

We will also be looking for backstage help so there will be plenty of opportunities to join us in what will be yet another spectacular and fun-filled show. Full details of audition times and performance dates will be appearing shortly on our website - www.peaslakeplayers.co.uk - and on our Facebook page.

Ok, that's enough about 'Sleeping Beauty' - we wouldn't want you to doze off

*Katie Kinnes
for the Peaslake Players*

QRMW Update

I do hope you have all had a good Summer break. The August weather was not the best we have had previous years with a lot of wet and sometimes windy conditions but for some in the Mediterranean the heat has been almost unbearable and of course the devastation caused by forest fires has been horrendous. Families have lost their homes and all of their belongings.



The Memorial Woodland has suffered a bit this year some of our young saplings have not survived the very low temperatures and frost in January followed by very hot dry conditions in April/May but in August we had a visit from our long time friends of the woodland Burstow Nurseries. Steve turned up in August with a van full of young trees and plants which were not perfect and therefore not saleable in their nursery. But we are so grateful to them for remembering QRMW. Thank you Steve and your family at Burstow Nurseries.



Another exciting item arrived at QRMW in August; one of our Patrons Lt Col Michael Rowney has paid for a new personalised Gazebo for us which we are extremely thrilled with and cannot wait to take to events. We will be very proud to represent our Charity at any event with this stand which advertises who we are and what we do for our Veterans. Our huge thanks to Michael for this wonderful gift and for his ongoing support.

As we draw to the end of the Summer we are seeing some of the leaves on the trees turning golden and already some of the wonderful fungi that appear overnight. Each season brings it own delights. Autumn of course means we will be approaching our annual Remembrance Service. This will take place on Saturday, 11th November at the Woodland. ALL are welcome to come and join us for this service and we are looking forward to some of the children from St John's C of E Primary School in Dorking. We gather around the Monument at 10.40 and there is plenty of parking in our car park for you to join us.

Of course the woodland is open for visitors 24/7 and even if we are not there you can park at the front and walk in the side gate, but if I am there the kettle is always on in the Visitors Centre. I look forward to seeing you.

Paul Cooling

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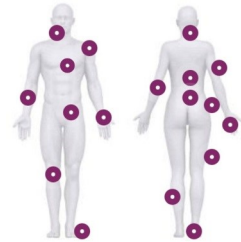
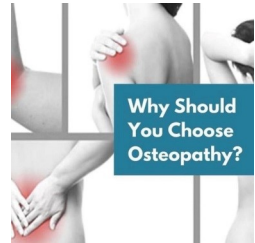
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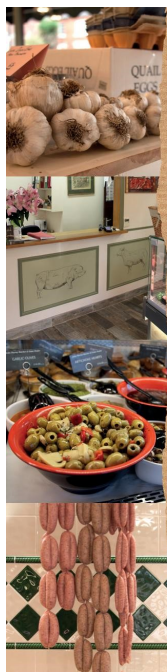
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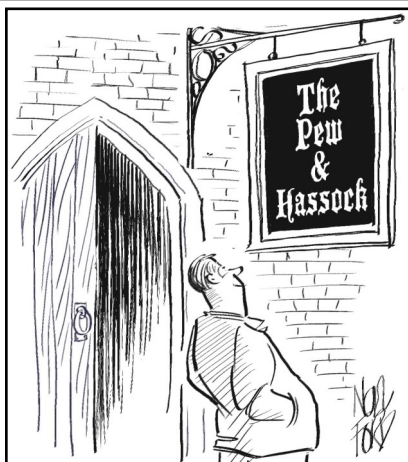
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