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Ockley, Okewood Hill, Forest Green and Walliswood

## Who's who?

### MONTHLY NEWS

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## More who's who?

### **TENDER LOVING CARE**

T.L.C meets every 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday in the month at Ockley Village Hall from 3.00-4.30pm. It is an opportunity for adults to get together in a happy atmosphere for a chat and tea. Lifts can be arranged: for more details contact Judie Thorold-Futers 888456

#### WALKING CLUB

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#### **ARCHIVES TEAM**

We hold a considerable amount of information relating to the history of the parish including censuses, parish register transcripts, old parish magazines, photos, maps etc. and are very willing to try to answer local and family history enquiries. We are always delighted to add new material of local interest to the collection. Contact: Briony Thomas, Tel: 627569 Email: elmersfarm@aol.com

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## Notes from the pews or "Barry's bumblings"

I am delighted to let you know that Rev'd Clare Shepherd will be instituted as the new Rector of the parish of Ewhurst with Okewood & Forest Green on Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> October at St Peter & St Paul's Church Ewhurst at 7.30pm.

I do hope that as many parishioners as possible will be able to attend the Service of Institution to give Clare and her husband Will a warm welcome to the parish.

As I write these notes I, like many others, am recovering from England's defeat by Croatia in the semi-final of the World Cup in Moscow and for many football fans this will be bitterly disappointing.

Having said this, the performance by the young England players has been impressive as has their attitude, and their manager, Gareth Southgate, has displayed some remarkable characteristics over the past month.

The Press have largely lauded Southgate for his personal qualities and as well as paying great attention to detail in his preparation adjectives which have been used time and again to describe his approach include humility, integrity, quiet dignity and modesty.

Isn't it interesting that although the team have been knocked out at the semi-final stage there is little criticism because they have clearly done their best and done it in the right way.

Considering England's defeat has prompted me to think about the subject of disappointment.

Disappointment is part of life – we can be disappointed by our children, our spouse

sometimes disappoint us, as do our friends.

The truth is, it's not about what happens to you in life, it's about how you choose to deal with it that really matters.

In the face of troubles and trials our natural tendency is to complain. Unfortunately griping to other people rarely helps solve our problems – instead it only drives people away. Too much discouragement can lead to despair and even depression.

Having said this, we do need to pour out our heart to someone and the Christian response is to accept the invitation which Jesus made in Matthew 11:28 – "Come to me all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls..."

It's OK to gripe to God, just read some of the Psalms such as 31, 102 and 109. He would rather have us empty our heart to Him than keep all that disappointment and bitterness inside.

And when we take our disappointments to Jesus in prayer we need to ask, not "why me" but "what now Lord?" and we can expect Him to answer, not necessarily immediately, but sometimes through another person, sometimes through our circumstances or sometimes through his word, the Bible.

The Bible is called "the living word of God" because its truths are constant, yet they apply just as much today as they ever did in the past.

Barry Thomson

# **Cover Picture**

Okewood church from the path leading to the car park, courtesy of Barry Thomson. Topical or seasonal local pics are always welcome for possible cover use, please send good quality jpegs to parishmag@oofgchurch.org.uk

## Photographic Competition for Parish Calendar 2019 cancelled

With great regret, we have made the decision this week not to go any further with our Photographic competition due to lack of interest. We felt this was to be a new and exciting venture, but sadly we have had less than a dozen entries thus far at the end of June - huge thanks to those who did submit entries. We really wanted to produce a high quality calendar to celebrate everything that was good about our villages of Ockley and Capel and the communities therein, and we hoped to have so many entries that we would be inundated with local talent and could choose twelve wonderful pictures and have something to rival the BBC Countryfile calendar! Sadly it is not to be this year. We hope to try again and take a slightly different approach in producing a calendar for 2020. Any ideas or comments would be welcomed by myself, Rev Liz, Debbie von Bergen, Joy Harman and Jessie Sutcliffe.

Suzanne Cole

## Hire - Walliswood Village Hall, RH5 5RJ now including free Wi-Fi

The refurbished hall is double glazed with full central heating, fully fitted kitchen and can accommodate up to 80 people. The Hall is ideal for holding parties, family gatherings, and business meetings/training sessions. Bi-fold doors open on to a large secure playing field, perfect for children's birthday parties etc.

For further information or to view the hall phone Valerie Miles: 01306 627248 valerie@fivemiles.co.uk alternatively visit the website www.walliswood.org

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# Young at Heart

We meet on the second Tuesday of the month at Oakwood Hill Village Hall at 2.30pm and are always pleased to welcome new faces.

In September we are delighted to be having a talk by Jim Buttress, also known as the "People's Gardener". He has won 8 gold medals at Chelsea and in 2006 was awarded the highest accolade in the gardening world; the Victoria Medal of Honour. He has also appeared on radio and television. Could anyone coming please let us know by the end of August

If anyone would like to join us we would love to see you, as a guest it will be £3.00.

For any further information please ring Diana 01306 621326 or Linda 01306 627293.



## Women's Breakfast

The next popular Women's Breakfast will be on Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> August

## 8.45am in the Ockley Cricket Pavilion.

The speaker will be Helen Fairfax with a talk about her work with

The Royal National Lifeboat Institution There will be a delicious breakfast with hot and cold dishes so please contact Belinda Kerry to book your place; 01306 627386, belinda.kerry@gmail.com

# **Two Counties Art and Crafts**

At our June meeting, the Two Counties Art and Crafts Society was treated to a return visit from one of our favourite and talented artists, Chris Jones.

Chris specialises in wildlife paintings, and his subjects range from sheep, hens, cats and birds. He prefers Liquitex acrylic paints as they are thicker than others and uses watercolour synthetic brushes as they offer a sharp point for detailed work.

Chris trained as an Illustrator and this allowed him to concentrate on his wildlife pictures, working in acrylics and oils. His style is realistic, lively and informal.

The subject for the evening was a Barn Owl peering through straw, looking for his prey. The image had already been sketched onto watercolour paper and Chris immediately began stroking in lines of Mars black acrylic to firstly add the eye of the owl, then outline him using negative shapes to indicate the straw. This focused the attention on the owl who is mainly pale grey and white. He always works from dark to light, and only adding the small details of feathers etc once the initial layers have been done.

With a precise and steady hand Chris expertly began building up the colour of the straw and background ensuring that the effect was realistic and balanced. The same black was watered down to a pale grey for shadows on the owl and Burnt Sienna was mixed with the black to deepen the background, again to ensure a more realistic effect.

After the tea break Chris began adding the smaller details of the owls head and body and this would be continued at home with a total of five or six layers which gradually build up to an extremely accomplished and realistic finished painting.

We all enjoyed the evening with this engaging artist and his quietly dedicated attitude to his work.

Sharon Wheelwright

# Walking Club

### Thursday 9th August

Meet at the Plough in Coldharbour at 10am for a fairly strenuous 4.6 mile walk over Anstiebury, down to Kitlands and Bearehurst, then past Broome Hall to Buckinghill Farm and then across to Hartshurst Farm for a fairly steep ascent up through Leith Hill Wood to Cockshot Farm and across to Coldharbour Common.

### Thursday 23rd August

Meet at the Cricketers at 10am for an easy 5.24 mile past the windmill and through Birches Wood to Holbrook Farm, up to Wattlehurst and across to Bonnets, returning via Osbrooks, Tiphams and Vann Lake.

## **Okewood, Ockley & Forest Green Summer Show**

Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> August 2018, 12noon at The Recreation Ground, Okewood Hill, near Ockley, Dorking - opposite Punchbowl Inn, Surrey RH5 5PU.

As I write this there are only thirty-nine days to go until the Show. How quickly it comes around! The Committee has almost completed all the preparations. We have distributed over 2,000 Schedules at various outlets locally and you have probably noticed the road signs have started to be put up. No excuse for forgetting the 11<sup>th</sup> August.

As it is our 125<sup>th</sup> anniversary I would like to make an appeal for any memorabilia regarding the Show. The older the better. You can call me on the number below and I will come and collect it (and return it after the Show)

In our feedback last year, it was reported that there were some people who wanted to come but were unable to because they could not get a lift to the Showground. If this applies to you, please give me a call on 01306 628079 and I will try to organise some transport.

We have had some technical issues on our website. If you want to download an entry form this should be available by the 10<sup>th</sup> July. If there are still problems, please contact Joy Forbes at joy-forbes@hotmail.co.uk and she will be able to email you a form.

We are praying for a gloriously sunny day like the recent spell and we look forward to seeing you all on the day. I hope that you and your children will have a fun and entertaining time.

Paul Toomey

# The garden in August

Whatever you may see in the glossy press, the truth is that many gardens (and gardeners) will be looking a bit tired by now. The amazing long hot weather will have produced early and plentiful flowers, but will have taken an underlying toll.

Keep your own garden looking bright by nurturing those containers (feed and water regularly). And if there's a hosepipe ban, give priority to any newly planted shrubs, plants and especially trees. Don't worry about that straw-coloured lawn – it will perk up eventually.

Pick plums and greengages before the wasps get them; and harvest those veg that are ready. Marrows should be raised off the ground slightly, to prevent them discolouring from contact with the soil.

Prune flowered shrubs and regularly dead-head annuals. Keep cutting Sweet Peas (or they will stop flowering) and trim lavender when the flowers are done. Prune out fruited summer raspberry canes and tie in new ones. Summer prune restricted apples and pears.

Prepare (after the horse has bolted) for future dry summers by installing a water butt (cheaper than you think). Weeds can also compete with vegetables for water, and act as hosts for pests and diseases, so remove regularly by hoeing.

Propagate and plant out rooted strawberry runners. Continue to sow spring cabbage, turnips, Oriental vegetables and overwintering onions.

# **Plants of the Month**

Hibiscus siriacus 'Blue Bird' (big, exotic violet-blue flowers); Lavender 'Hidcote' and Salvia 'Armistad' (both staples of stately home borders). The latter is a stately, deep blue perennial, not the gaudy red bedding salvia beloved by your gran.

And finally...go to the Okewood Hill Flower Show!

Martin Smith & Gary Crouch

## WHICH FLOWER AM I?

Garden enthusiasts loose their hearts to me and my relatives.

I am known worldwide, East and West, and I famously served medicine.

Am sought after around the globe.

As in the past, I continue to surprise in modern times.

It has been written that I first appeared in the Northern Hemisphere.

A fossil as old as the Eocene Epoch (over 33 million years ago) with the imprint of my flower shape was discovered near Dinosaur bones in Arizona.

I was included in one of the most famous frescoes preserved in Crete.

Pre-classical Greece recognised my economic value when they cultivated me for scent oil.

Ancient poets adopted me as quickly as celebrated British poets held me in highest esteem.

I am known as both Queen and King in my ornamental plant families.

I can be planted in all areas of your garden.

They celebrated me in China 5,000 years ago.

The ancient Silk Road, travelled by Marco Polo, helped me on my Westward Journey.

On my historic longevity time line, the Crusaders revived my popularity.

My flowers in over 100 species are often colour coded for meaning.

My petals can be pressed for syrup and oil.

My flower petals are also admired on busy compact shrubs.

In Roman times, artists often included my flowers in their paintings to give the illusion of a long summer season.

Yes, I come from a very old long-lived family; one of the most famous flower families ever known.

Dianne Buckley Sunda

Check your answer with the picture on page 19

## **From the Archives**

### LIFE IN FOREST GREEN 100 YEARS AGO

In 2006 a man walking by told me that he had lived at Sheepfields in the 1920s. This was Bert Short, I think then Forest Green's oldest resident. We subsequently had tea and chatted about his memories.

Gilbert Short was born at Jordans Farm in 1913. The family had rented the farm since about 1910 and provided the only milk delivery service in the village. Bert's father became ill and the family gave up the farm, moving to Ewhurst, for about a year. Bert remembers walking to the school in Wallis Wood from there, via Lyefield Lane and the byway to Froggetts Lane.

The family bought Sheepfields in the early 1920s; it was then a small farm and owned the four fields to the west and south, including the land on the further side of the stream. In total this would have been about fifteen acres. Bert's father sold off part of the land and two bungalows were built there (now Tower View and Brookside).

Bert's father sold Sheepfields in the mid 1920s. It then became part of Bridgham Farm and the gardener lived there initially. Bert's brother, Fred, subsequently lived there for twenty to thirty years, from the 1930's. He was bailiff at Bridgham Farm, which had a dairy herd of Channel Island cattle.

In 1936 Bert married Noreen in the Non Conformist Chapel on the Green. She was to be his was to be his wife for 68 years.

Bert spent much of his working life as a bus driver, working for some of the time from Forest Green Garage (where Fernbank Close is now). This was owned by Reg Burroughs, and later by Tony McCann. Bob Mathews built the house next to the garage and the shed behind it, operating a paint spraying business from there. Bert also recalled a Tom Brady, who started with a parcel delivery business in about 1923 and then moved into buses.

Bert remembered operating utility buses that were supposed to seat 32, but frequently carried more than 60. These buses had a lorry chassis and managed the extra load and policeman appeared to turn a blind eye to this. They had an unlined metal roof and when the weather was cold condensation would drip onto the passengers. Fares were one shilling and sixpence to Horsham and two shillings to Guildford, both return. (7½ pence and 10 pence respectively)

Ives Farm was owned by the Hampshire family when Bert was a child at Jordans, Harry Hampshire carrying out building work as well as farming, prior to which Ives Farm was owned by a Steve Peacock. He also owned the cottage called Yardlands, since demolished (now Little Orchard). Ives Farm was sold to Bert and Rosemary Knight in the 1930's.

Bert died a few years ago, just short of his centenary. The Short family are remembered locally with a memorial bench overlooking the cricket pitch.

> Gareth Hayton Standing in for Briony Thomas

## <u>Ewhurst with Okewood and Forest Green</u> Men's Breakfast 18th August 2018



Our speaker for this event will be

## Jonathan Longstaff.

Growing up in Yorkshire, Jonathan found a personal faith at a Crusader class when I was 14 and has sought to understand faith and how to outwork it ever since. He has been involved in different denomination churches where the Word of God was faithfully preached. He found that proclaiming the love of God, and encouraging people to read Scripture, outside church was more important than in it. He worked initially in the world of insurance in Leeds, moved to London in 1975 where he worked in investment management before going into advising trustees of churches and charities. He had plenty of opportunities to talk to other people about faith. He has been a member of Gideons International for 37 years and has found it a great way to serve God and reach out to others with His Word, either placing it where people will find it, or giving it to other people he met. After he retired from the world of finance he was asked to work part time for Gideons as their London Manager to carry out a project to discover ways we could reach London more effectively. He co-ordinated the street outreach in London during the Olympics and has been involved in other similar national outreach projects. He married Sheila in 1983 and has 4 children.

Before moving to Sussex he was a member of the North East London branch of Gideons but is now part of the Haywards Heath branch. In 2013 he went to Peru for 2 weeks on one of the special outreach events where members from different countries, which can afford to carry out the ministry, help in places where the churches are not in a position financially or have inadequate Gideon members to do their outreach.

His talk is called

### "Sharing good news in Peru."

It will be held at Oakwood Hill village hall, starting at 8-30am. A full English breakfast will be served together with tea and coffee.

There will be a minimum charge of £5 per head for all those who attend.

Please try to let us know in advance if you are going to attend so that we have an idea how many men to cater for. Please confirm your intention to attend to either

Barry Thomson on 01306 621234 or email to <a href="mailto:barry.thomson@btconnect.com">barry.thomson@btconnect.com</a>

Peter Bennett on 01306 621252 or email to <u>peterbennett@mimail.co.uk</u> <u>We expect a high turnout so book your place soon.</u>

# News from the belfry

### Called Changes

Once a new ringer is able to handle a bell it is time to start ringing with the rest of the band. Initially they will ring 'rounds' where the bells sound in a descending scale from the treble to the tenor. It takes practice to get the bell to strike in the right place, so that the gaps between each bell sound evenly spaced.

The treble leads off the tenor on the opposite stroke, handstroke on the sally to follow the backstroke on the tail and vice versa, leaving a one beat pause before each lead handstroke;

By altering the handling the rate of swing of each bell can be varied, within limits, so that a pair of bells can change place and thus vary the tune. For example the conductor may call 3 to 1 so that the order of the bells becomes 1-3-2-4-5-6. Three bells are affected by a call, one rings slower, one quicker and the third stays in the same place but following a different bell. In this case, the 2 has to pull harder to hold the bell up a bit longer, the 3 has to check his pull to bring the bell down quicker and the 4 rings at the same speed but following the 2 instead of the 3.

Further calls are made to continue changing the order of the bells with the aim of eventually bringing them back to rounds. At the end the conductor calls 'Stand' indicating all the bells should set at the next handstroke, so that they all stop together in rounds.



Next month we are opening the towers on Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> September for Heritage Open Days. One of the themes this year is the Armistice Centenary and there is a Ringing Remembers inititative; more details in the next magazine. Meanwhile, anyone who would like to come along and have a go, under supervision, or just to watch, would be most welcome. Practice nights alternate between St. Margaret's, Ockley, and St John's, Capel on Wednesdays from 7.45 to 9.15.

For more details call Sue on 01306 627168 or email ockleybellringers@btinternet.com

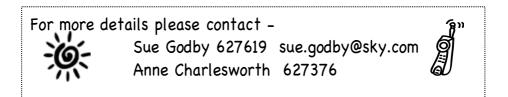


There will be no Megazone in August. The leaders wish you all a sunny and happy summer holidays and we look forward to welcoming you back to the Ark on Sunday 9th September

Look out for information about the fun days at Ewhurst on 30<sup>th</sup> July-I<sup>st</sup> Aug We hope to see you there!



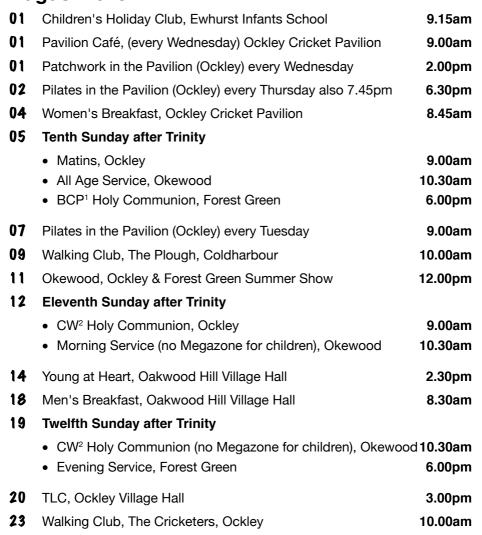
Megazone meets from 10.30am -11.40pm at the Ark in the grounds of Okewood Church



# Dates for your diary

Events happening around our villages

## August 2018





### **26** Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity

- CW<sup>2</sup> Holy Communion, Ockley
   9.00am
   Morning Service (no Megazone for children), Okewood
   10.30am
- Evening Service, Forest Green
   6.00pm

## September 2018

### **02** Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity

Matins, Ockley	9.00am
All Age Service, Okewood	10.30am
<ul> <li>BCP<sup>1</sup> Holy Communion, Forest Green</li> </ul>	6.00pm

## **Okewood, Ockley & Forest Green Summer Show**

Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> August 2018 12noon at The Recreation Ground, Okewood Hill, near Ockley, Dorking - opposite Punchbowl Inn, Surrey RH5 5PU.

Traditional rural show, fun & entertainment for all ages. Check our website for more information about the show, schedules, photographs and reports on last year's show www.okewoodhillsummerfair.org The show opens at midday and runs until 5 p.m. Adult entry £3, under 16's free.

Free parking.

Walliswood Village Hall Association



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by Friday October 12th

## **Cemetery Gates at Ockley Green**

The Cemetery Gates at Ockley Green have now been re-painted and replaced.

My thanks go to the Hebberd Boys for their help lifting and carrying up to my garden, also Tim Pryke for his help and advice with the mechanical bits.

Wendy Goddard

**And a big thank you** from the villagers to Wendy for organising this and restoring the gates to their former glory.

## **Answer from page 7**

The Rose!



Photo by Laitche, from Wikimedia Commons

# Leith Hill Place

July came in with scorching temperatures and very little rain; perfect weather for exploring shady woods and the cool interior of a country house, especially with cream teas on the terrace and beautiful views across the Weald towards the South Downs and the sea.



But that is not all that is on offer for late summer and autumn at Leith Hill Place.

Until 3 September local art collective 318 Ceramics is presenting Clay Stories, an exhibition of pottery inspired by the house and its history. On Saturday 4 August you are invited to participate in a workshop, making and decorating your own small clay bowl in the Wedgwood style, which will become part of an art installation in the house. The cost is £5 per person and runs from 10.30am – 12.30pm and 2-4pm. Please book by calling 01306 711685

From 17 August until 9 September Gillian Collins is creating a stunning art display in the entrance hall at Leith Hill Place to represent the musical score of Ralph Vaughan Williams' great work, The Lark Ascending. The display includes paper bird sculptures, an interactive violin sculpture and an old-fashioned music box. Free entry to the exhibition for NT members; normal admission charges to the house apply.

Music is an important part of Leith Hill Place and we are delighted to welcome the Vaughan Williams Singers for their first concert from 6 – 7.30pm on Bank Holiday Monday 27 August, the week marking the 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary of RVW's death. The programme features works by great 20<sup>th</sup> century British composers, including Vaughan Williams, as well as three songs by a contemporary American composer, Morten Lauridsen. Tickets cost £15 pp and can be booked on 0344 2491895.

On 8 September at 5.30pm, the writer, broadcaster and oral historian Andrew Green is remembering the Centenary of the Armistice. We Will Remember Them: Vaughan Williams's Secret Salute to the Dead of the Great War explores RVW's hauntingly beautiful yet little known short opera, The Shepherds of the Delectable Mountains, which Andrew Green believes is a memorial to those who died in the Great War. In his talk we will be taken back to the years after the War, and a recording of the 20-minute opera will be played alongside images of the Western Front, in which Vaughan Williams served as an ambulance driver and commissioned officer.

On Saturday 22 September the distinguished Sussex Wind Quintet is performing from 5.15-7pm. The performance will include music by Elgar, Ravel and Vaughan Williams. Tickets cost £15 pp and can be booked on 0344 2491895.

Are you interested in learning how to draw? Artist Jane Allison will be leading a beginners drawing class exploring different techniques and mediums. At the end of the course participants will be invited to enter one of their pieces into a mini-exhibition at the house. The course runs for four Tuesdays – 18,25 September and 2,9 October from 10am to 12.30pm. Hot drinks will be provided. The cost of the four sessions is £60 and must be booked via Jane Allison janecareyallison@gmail.com or 01483 562082.

Informal concerts by a variety of musicians and singers are a regular feature at Leith Hill Place. Please visit our website: www.nationaltrust.org.uk/leith-hill-place to find out more about forthcoming performances by the Coldharbour Village Band, Childe Rolande and The Meadvale Singers.

Finally, Jane Newberry's fun and interactive Jingle Ring dance and music session for children up to 8 years will take place on 15 September from 2:30pm. Patrick Newberry's excellent and engaging talks on the history of Leith Hill Place and its residents will be on 16 September and 14 October at 2.30pm. Both are free with entry to the house, though any donations are welcome. More details may be found on the website (see above) or by phoning 01306 711685.

## **Ewhurst Brick and Tile Works**

A meeting of the Ewhurst Brickworks Community Liaison Committee was held on 12<sup>th</sup> June 2018 at Wienerberger's visitors' centre.

There was no update on timings for the outstanding planning application to be heard by Surrey County Council's planning committee. SCC has received responses from the organisations that have been contacted about the submissions as well as the responses from Wienerberger to various questions that the council asked of them. This information is being processed and there will be a further period of consultation in due course. If you commented to either the district or county council on the original planning application, my understanding is that you will be contacted by the council telling you that further information has been posted for you to consider. You will then be able to make a further representation should you wish to do so. The best estimate of when the application will be heard by SCC's planning committee is late summer.

The brick factory is running at almost full capacity and the company is enjoying a high level of sales. Demand for tiles is good but not as buoyant as for bricks. The site is currently employing 72 people many of whom live in Horsham, Cranleigh and Crawley.

The annual programme of emissions testing from the stack has yet to be organised by Mole Valley District Council Environmental Health department, but Wienerberger have agreed to let the committee have measurements that the company has taken.

The second meeting of the committee's transport sub-committee took place in May. (This committee was convened because traffic issues remained a high priority in being resolved and it was recognised that they needed additional focus from the company.)

At this meeting results from the new transport complaints reporting system were shared. There were 10 reported incidences of lorries using the incorrect route to or from the factory site in April and 11 instances in May. This resulted in the first haulier being banned from using the site indefinitely for a number of infringements. Staff at the site, remain ever vigilant in their management of the routing of lorries and we hope to see these incidents reduce as hauliers become better educated. We now have a new reporting email address to send

transport-related complaints or queries to: ewhurst.transport@wienerberger.com. If you telephone a complaint through this will be recorded via this email address and investigated. The committee considers this to be a positive step by the company and very much hope that it pays dividends with a fall in reported incidents.

Wienerberger have also agreed to let the County Council have their traffic speed data which was collected as a by-product of the traffic survey carried out in preparation for their planning submission. This will be used to support a request to Surrey County Council to impose a 30mph speed limit on some of the local roads. Wienerberger have indicated that they are happy to support this.

Wienerberger have also agreed to consider using a traffic management consultant to advise on traffic calming measures whilst retaining the characteristics of the surrounding villages.

The company have also agreed to use UK based drivers to originate journeys that require travelling to the continent. It had been noted that errant drivers were often in foreign plated vehicles and therefore using foreign sat nav and are more unfamiliar with the UK road signage.

The committee also agreed to review the road signage when entering Ockley from the A24 and in Forest Green by the Parrot Inn as brickwork vehicles are regularly spotted negotiating their way through the single-track road from Forest Green to Walliswood which is not on the prescribed route.

Approximately 20% of traffic volume is Wienerberger customers collecting their goods from the factory (rather than the bricks/tiles being delivered by hauliers). The collection drivers account for a disproportionate number of incidents of complaints. There have been discussions about banning these collections from site but at present the sales and customers services departments are working with these customers to improve compliance with the company's requirements for road behaviour.

It was agreed that the transport sub-committee had served its purpose and in future traffic issues would be managed with the remit of the overall committee.

Wienerberger have appointed a company called HTA to manage their planning application for a housing development on the site of the old Ewhurst brickworks. This could involve a development of around 120 houses if the whole site could be developed with the pond on the site back-filled rather than just previously developed land. At the moment pre-application paperwork is being prepared and the committee has asked that they see this paperwork as soon as it is available. (However, as this paperwork will not be posted on the Waverley/Mole Valley planning websites, the company may not be inclined to share it.)

The date of the next meeting is 9<sup>th</sup> October 2018.

Rosemary Thompson Chairman of Ewhurst Brickworks Community Liaison Committee

### **OCKLEY PARISH COUNCIL**

### Chairman's report for 2017/18 given at the Annual Assembly, May 2018

The Chairman, Richard Herbert, had the following to report:

Education in the village

The Ockley base of the Scott-Broadwood Infant School and Elderslie Nursery School had both closed during the year. These were both significant losses to the village. The losses were deeply felt by those directly involved and also by everyone in the village. The future was uncertain with regards to the S-B school buildings. It was not yet known whether a new nursery school and potentially a free school would be able to use the premises. The application for the buildings to be registered as an Asset of Community Value was still being processed.

#### Church parish boundaries

The boundaries had been changed with Ockley now being amalgamated with Capel. Okewood Hill and Forest Green were now part of Ewhurst. This impacted on an important part of village communication - the parish magazine. Discussions were taking place to assure its future.

#### Ockley Neighbourhood Development Plan

The plan was still under discussion. Whilst a number of potential housing sites had been identified; MVDC had since launched their Future Mole Valley discussions to set out a new district plan. The Ockley NDP would have to comply with the MVDC plan. The team was discussing whether to link directly to the Future Mole Valley plan and include Ockley's needs there. Once the position was clearer then a consultation with the village would be held. Car park at Ockley station

As noted at the 2017 meeting the parish council's plan for additional parking had been accepted. However there were a number of sticking points which were taking time to follow up. It was likely that a charge would have to be made for parking but the infrastructure and/or administration of this could add significantly to the costs. It was noted that charges were now being levied for parking on Station Approach.

### Play area at the village hall

Funding was granted through Aviva to help towards the purchase/installation of a new dinosaur slide at the play area. This should be in place very soon. Many thanks to Dick Thomas for all his efforts on this plus the number of supportive inputs for the Aviva funding. SCCouncillor H Clack had also supported the project financially as had the Kindred Spirits group in the village.

### Village events

Several new events had been launched and hopefully would continue.

Many thanks to everyone involved, especially B Milne.

#### Traffic and speed report

A report had been funded by the parish council with the aim of persuading SCC Highways to develop additional measures to help control traffic speeds through the village.

### Footpath on the Green

This had been re-surfaced - thanks again for financial support from SCCouncillor H Clack. <u>Train timetable</u>

The new timetable had added three additional trains stopping at Ockley on weekday evenings but none at the weekends.

#### Thanks to:

- i) fellow parish councillors and clerk for their support and time given to parish matters throughout the year. Many thanks also to the Chairman Richard Herbert.
- ii) Ockley Society for the events and support they continue to give to the village.
- iii) Speedwatch Team for their time during the year.

Use it or lose it Finally - a plea regarding Ockley Cricket Club. The club had been short of players for several years. This year it had reached crisis point. All Sunday fixtures had been cancelled. Without more support regular cricket on The Green would be a memory.

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www.ockley-parishcouncil.co.uk

## **Peaslake School**

At the end of the School year there were so many different activities going on that it was hard to know where the time went! As always, our primary focus was on making the last few weeks of term as enjoyable and full of fun as possible for the children. They absolutely loved the trip to Littlehampton, every child went swimming in the sea, splashing and jumping in the waves in the sunshine; there was a lot of laughter and a sense of pure joy. Playing with friends on the beach, picnicking and eating ice-cream just added to the day's euphoria and there were a few sleepy heads on the coach on the way home. As teachers it was great to see the learning from the classroom being taken outdoors: we had been learning about Islam in the classroom, and a group of children decided to build mosques on the beach using sandcastles, shells and seaweed, their imaginations coming to the fore. Giving children opportunities to consolidate and talk about their ideas and learning is when it becomes truly embedded.

Littlehampton was followed by Move-up Day and we welcomed new children into the School to meet their teachers and friends. The aim is to make the transition in September as seamless as possible and to help ease any worries the children or parents may have.

To end the term, our Year 2 leavers took the lead roles in the end of term play, Ocean Commotion, in which they performed brilliantly. All the children in the school took part enthusiastically and learnt an amazing number of lines and songs. We were all thoroughly entertained and the costumes were fantastic.

Policies change, curriculums and teaching strategies evolve, resources are updated, but the children don't see what goes on behind the scenes, teachers make it look so effortless, providing new and varied learning opportunities each day, so that coming to school is fun and exciting. My thanks go to the wonderful staff team I have at Peaslake School for all their hard work and dedication to their pupils' learning and for keeping the school so vibrant.

This year we said goodbye to Ellen Hickey and Kim Beer. Ellen has worked in various roles throughout the school for the past 14 years and supported the school in a myriad of ways. She will be missed greatly, but we wish her all the best for her retirement. Kim has worked in our Nursery over the past few years and was part of the team who helped reinvigorate it. We will all miss her quiet patience and commitment to the children's learning experiences. Our thanks, good wishes and love go to them both.

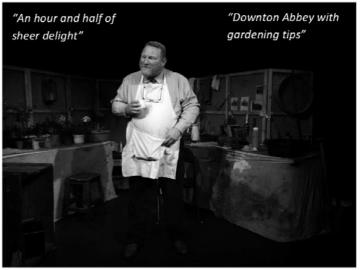
We hope everyone has a wonderful summer and thank you for all your support throughout the school year.

Dorking Friends of Cancer Research UK in association with Kick In The Head proudly present

# Old Herbaceous

The much loved one man play by Alfred Shaughnessy Starring Giles Shenton as legendary Head Gardener, Herbert Pinnegar

## Saturday 27th October 2018



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Call 01306 711688 or 01737 842084 or email dfcancerresearchuk@btinternet.com

Cancer Research UK is a registered charity in England and Wales (1089464), Scotland (SC041666) and the Isle of Man (1103)



## The Dorking Group of Artists Exhibitiion

The Dorking Group of Artists, one of the largest art groups in Surrey, will be once again holding their popular Annual Exhibition at Denbies Wine Estate in October. Exhibiting members, many professionals among them, will be displaying over 250 pieces of exciting new and original art, all for sale at affordable prices. The paintings should appeal to every taste, featuring different subjects and styles and covering a wide variety of prices and media. There will be large selection of unframed paintings for sale too. Entrance to the exhibition is free and Denbies has a good café and restaurant, wine and beer, runs tours of the vineyard and has an excellent shop, so come and make a day of it! There is plenty of free parking.

### The exhibition, at Denbies Wine Estate

### London Road, Dorking, Surrey RH5 6AA is open:

Friday 12th October - Sunday 14th October 10.00am - 5.30pm

### The exhibition closes at 4pm on Sunday 14th October

The Dorking Group of Artists meets on Tuesday afternoons at Beare Green Village Hall from September through to Easter. Membership is open to artists of all abilities, from beginner to professional and costs just £20 per calendar year. The activities programme is varied and includes workshops and demonstrations.

(Outdoor painting and sketching during the summer months).

www.dga.org.uk

For more information contact Jane Anderson Wood (Chairman)

Tel: 01372 375123. Email: j.andersonwood@gmail.com



## CAPEL CHORAL SOCIETY: Summer break

Capel Choral Society hosted its summer concert 'Some Enchanted Evening' on the 30<sup>th</sup> June. The excellent concert was well received by an enthusiastic audience who obviously enjoyed the music as much as the singers, particularly the songs from shows performed by the evening's guest vocalist Luke Osborne. At the end of the concert the Choir bid a fond farewell to its interim conductor Ben Costello. The Choir thanks the capacity audience for their support.

Capel Choral has now appointed Stuart Longley as its new conductor to take the Choir forward. As it heads into its summer break the Choir looks forward to welcoming Stuart at its first rehearsal of it 2018/19 Season on the 3<sup>rd</sup> September.

New singers will also be very welcome in early autumn as the Choir takes a first look at the set music for the 2019 Leith Hill Musical Festival, and starts rehearsals for its own Christmas concert.

Please contact the Choir Secretary if you would like to know more about

Capel Choral Society: ianmoir20@yahoo.com, or telephone 01306 889817.

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## Serving Wotton, Abinger and Shere Parishes

## SCHEDULED RUNS

### 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday each month to Tesco, Broadbridge Heath

- 2.00 pm Forest Green
- 2.10 pm Walliswood
- 2.15 pm Okewood Hill
- 2.30 pm Broadbridge Heath
- Return 4.00 pm

### 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday each month to Sainsbury's, Burpham

- 9.45am Holmbury St Mary
- 9.55am Peaslake (Lenten Close)
- 10.05am Gomshall
- 10.10am Shere
- 10.30am Burpham

Return 11.45am

# 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday Morning of each month to CRANLEIGH

9.55 amQueen Street, Gomshall

10.00 am Lenten Close, Peaslake

10.05 am Crest Hill, Peaslake

Around 12.00 noon for the return

IMPORTANT: ring 07802 460069 to confirm a seat