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STORRINGTON



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***Happy New Year  
to all our readers!***



St Mary's Church **SULLINGTON**



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Holy Sepulchre **WARMINGHURST**  
(Churches Conservation Trust)

# THE PARISH CHURCHES OF

St Mary  
STORRINGTON



St Mary  
SULLINGTON



St Mary  
THAKEHAM

## IN THE DIOCESE OF CHICHESTER

### PARISH CLERGY

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#### SULLINGTON AND THAKEHAM WITH WARMINGHURST

Interim Minister

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**All telephone numbers are 01903 unless otherwise stated.**



Every New Year reminds us of the passage of time. As Ralph Waldo Emerson observed; "This time, like all other times is a very good time, if we but know what to do with it." So here are some practical suggestions for 2018.

- Eat right – a balanced diet is not a biscuit in each hand!
- Take time to read the Bible – it transforms life and outlook.
- Develop better time management habits – it's amazing how we clutter our lives with trivia and social media.
- Take a holiday – if you look at your passport photo you probably need one!
- Maintain your sense of humour – being cheerful keeps you healthy. It is slow death to be gloomy all the time (Proverbs 17:22).
- When you talk to yourself, say nice things – you may be the only one who does!
- Count your blessings – if you cannot find any then, by all means, have a word with God and He will put you right!
- Exercise – it's Nature's way of getting rid of stress.
- Forgive, because grudges are too heavy for you to carry – if you refuse to forgive others, then your Father will not forgive you (Matthew 6.15).
- Make room in your life for fun – it is a recipe for fulfilment.
- Read the end of the book – we win!

One thing we can be sure of, none of us will escape from the pressures and uncertainties of what lies ahead. Remember that there is nothing permanent in this temporal life except change. However, we can be sure of the truth of words which came to prominence in the last century; "I said to the man who stood at the gate of the year; "Give me a light that I may tread safely into the unknown". And he replied "Go out into the darkness and put your hand in the hand of God. That shall be to you better than light, and safer than a known way." May we be courageous enough to do so!

BERNARD SINTON

Interim Priest of Sullington and Thakeham with Warminghurst

## New Year Greetings

The parish clergy and their families  
wish you Peace and Joy in 2018

We have been very grateful for the kindness of your  
Christmas cards and greetings – please accept this  
as our expression of heartfelt thanks.

## PRAYER FOR THE MONTH

### A Prayer for the New Year

God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, whose years never fail and whose mercies are new each returning day: let the radiance of your Spirit renew our lives, warming our hearts and giving light to our minds; that we may pass the coming year in joyful obedience and firm faith; through him who is the beginning and the end, your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.



## CHRISTIANS IN STORRINGTON

### Prayer and the Five Essentials of Discipleship

The churches of Storrington have once again agreed to join together for this course, running throughout Lent.

More details to be published next month, or from individual churches.

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What's happening at

# St Mary's Thakeham

[www.thakehamchurch.com](http://www.thakehamchurch.com)

## Churchwardens:

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## Electoral Roll Officer:

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## Organist:

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## Church Bookings:

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Roger Watts (01798 813775)

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**PASTORAL ARRANGEMENTS FOR THAKEHAM:** In the first instance, all enquiries for Baptisms, Weddings and Banns of Marriage should be directed to the Churchwardens, David Peacock or Allison Goodfellow, contact details above. Times of Church services can be found on page 18.

## HAPPY NEW YEAR FROM ST MARY'S THAKEHAM

Hopefully when you read this article, you will have enjoyed a Happy and Peaceful Christmas and New Year, many of us spending time with our families. This is the time of year when we make our New Year Resolutions; few of us manage to keep up these good intentions, but the fact we want to change something is a sign we are looking forward. This is what is happening at Thakeham Church: we are looking to the future.

2017 was not an easy year for the Church, with the illness and subsequent early retirement of our Rector, Derek Spencer, and not only have we lost Derek but also his lovely family. Many Church members have suffered with health problems, bereavements, and other setbacks. Church members all felt the sad loss of Doreen Thompson, as Doreen was loved, and always will be, by all Church members. Like all good families when faced with adversities, the Church family has pulled together.

By working together, the Church is now seeing a light at the end of this dark tunnel. We have been grateful to the Revd Bernard Sinton for his help and guidance over the past few months. The Parish Profile is now almost ready, our first step towards the selection of a new Rector; this of course will take time.


In the meantime, prayers and thoughts are needed, not only from Thakeham Church members, but by the wider community, to help us through the next few months until, once again, we have a new Rector in charge.

If you feel you would like to attend a service at the beautiful old Church in Thakeham, especially if you are new to the village, you can be assured you will be made most welcome. There will always be a good cup of tea or coffee for you after the service, which gives you an opportunity to meet and talk to other Church members.

Pat Snape



**Thakeham Village Hall**  
**Saturday 24 February at 7pm**  
Teams of 6  
(teams can be made up on the night)  
**Tickets £10** to include a hot supper  
Contact Wynn Lednor on 743025 for further information



See page 5 for details of Lent Lunches

## Thakeham & Sullington Church Youth Groups

During Church services on the 2nd, 4th and 5th Sundays, we run a children's group called **EXPLORERS**, which unpicks the main theme for the year, in a way which is accessible for all ages of young people. Explorers is an active group, which includes storytelling, acting, role-play, craft, games and, most importantly, snacks! There is a chance for the children to hear the Bible story of the week, and ask any questions they may have about it.

In Explorers, we also send and receive letters and pictures from our sponsored child in Uganda, Levi.

For more details regarding Explorers, please contact Carol Peacock on 745595.

## Outside of the Sunday services, we run two Friday evening youth groups, fortnightly.

**MILESTONES** is aimed at children in years 7 and 8 of secondary school, and consists of games, crafts and discussions about moral issues, with a healthy sprinkling of 'God Stuff'.

It runs from 6pm to 7.15pm in the Church Rooms at Thakeham.

**TEIF** (Thank God It's Friday), is aimed at years 9 upwards, and, like Milestones, has games and different activities based around a termly theme.

It runs from 7.30pm to 9pm at the Church Rooms in Thakeham.

For more information about the youth work of Thakeham and Sullington, please contact Matt and Pippa at: [youthwork.stmarysthakeham@gmail.com](mailto:youthwork.stmarysthakeham@gmail.com), or call 01798 817522



**FAMILY SUPPORT WORK**

**CHRISTMAS QUIZ**

Please continue your wonderful help at £1 a go.

More details from Harold Linfield on 01798 812276

## Bring and Share Epiphany Lunch 12.30pm in the Church Room

Saturday 6 January

Followed by an afternoon of fun, with board games. If you are unable to stay for the afternoon, please join us for lunch. Everyone Welcome.



## Knit and Stitch Tea on Tuesday

Come along, meet with friends and catch up over your favourite stitch-craft project.

Thakeham Church Rooms 16 January between 2pm and 4pm  
All welcome. Enquiries to Wynn Lednor - 743025

"The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases, his mercies never come to an end: they are new every morning; great is thy faithfulness". Lamentations 3:22-23

What's happening at

# St Mary's Sullington



[www.st-marys-sullington.org](http://www.st-marys-sullington.org) [info@st-marys-sullington.org](mailto:info@st-marys-sullington.org)

## Churchwardens:

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Sullington  
RH20 4AF

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Heather Cotton (742587)  
Douglas Parkes (743106)  
Ann Salinger (01798 813481)

## Treasurer:

Gail Kittle (745754)  
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## Pastoral Care:

Ann Salinger (01798 813481)

## PCC Secretary:

Gail Kittle (745754)

## Freewill Offering & Gift Aid Officer:

David Baxter (744346)

## Electoral Roll:

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## Organist:

Beryl Hardie (892349)

## Church Flowers:

Altar Rota Muriel Astley (01798 812706)  
Special Occasions Jo Graves (742586)

## Safeguarding Officer:

Jane Williams (742956)  
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Sullington RH20 4AF

## Lifts to Church:

Anne Owen (743973)

## Church Fabric Officer:

Douglas Parkes (743106)

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Let the beauty of Jesus be seen in us

Don't forget to keep an eye on our website for up to date information regarding service times and events

## Happy New Year from everyone at St Mary's Church, Sullington

### The Wild Fortune Quiet Garden



*Jesus said, 'Come with me by yourselves to a quiet place and get some rest.' Mark 6:31*

Rooted in the Christian contemplative tradition of prayer and hospitality, the vision of the Wild Fortune Quiet Garden is to provide space for stillness and quiet prayer in accompanied silence in the surroundings of our home and garden and the adjoining woods of Sandgate Park.

We are open monthly on a Wednesday from 10am -12.30pm

January 10th • February 14th

Spaces are limited to 8 and booking is essential

To reserve a space, please contact:  
Tessa & Mark Holland Tel: 741904

Email: [wildfortune@btinternet.com](mailto:wildfortune@btinternet.com)

Blog: [www.wildfortuneblog.blogspot.co.uk](http://www.wildfortuneblog.blogspot.co.uk)

Affiliated to the Quiet Garden Trust. Details of other Quiet Gardens in West Sussex and worldwide are available on the Trust's website. [www.quietgarden.org](http://www.quietgarden.org)

CHICHESTER DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION FOR FAMILY SUPPORT WORK

## COFFEE MORNING

Storrington Deanery Committee Annual Fundraising Event

Saturday 27 January

10am - 12 noon

The Old School, Storrington

As usual the Committee will be very grateful for items to sell, particularly Cakes and Preserves, unwanted Christmas gifts, Bric-a-Brac, Toys and Games, etc., Prizes for the Raffle.

Goods may be brought along to the hall on the morning or contact Ann Salinger (01798 813481)

Entrance: 50p to include a cup of coffee

All proceeds in aid of Family Support Work



## Tea with the Vicar

Friday 12 January from 3 to 5pm.

Greenacres, West Chiltington.

All welcome and lifts available.



## GUIDED TOURS OF SULLINGTON CHURCH AND FARMSTEAD

At 2pm every Wednesday

Guided tour of the ancient farmstead and Church at Sullington.

Meet by the Rector's parking space.

No charge but donations to ongoing repair work greatly appreciated.



## LENT LUNCHES 2018

### Thakeham, Sullington & Storrington Churches

Lent lunches will start on **Ash Wednesday, 14 February**, at Thakeham Village Hall at 12.45pm. The lunch is homemade soup and bread roll and cheese followed by coffee and tea. More details in the February 3 Heralds.





What's happening at

# St Mary's Storrington

For Clergy see page 3 [www.storringtonparishchurch.org.uk](http://www.storringtonparishchurch.org.uk) [office@storringtonparishchurch.org.uk](mailto:office@storringtonparishchurch.org.uk)

## Churchwardens:

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## Treasurer:

David Rice (911179)  
Little Tregullas, Bracken Close, RH20 3HT

## Parish Secretary:

Vivien Stuart (742888; home 745913)  
Rectory Office, Rectory Road RH20 4EF

## PCC Secretary:

Val Rice (911179)  
Little Tregullas, Bracken Close RH20 3HT

## Retired Clergy:

Revd Stephen Turrell (741272)  
Revd John Peal (743083)  
Revd Jaquie Peal (743083)

**Verger:** Michael Taylor (742218)

## Sacristy Team:

Rosemary Wills (01798 813206)  
Stella Hastings & John Taylor (745477)

## Captain of Bellringers:

John Taylor (745477)

## Pastoral Scheme:

Barbara Buchanan (741916)

## Recorder:

Rob and Alison Wall (743713)

## Readers and Sidesmen:

Vera Blake (743974)

## Electoral Roll Officer:

Michael Taylor (742218)

## Director of Music:

George Jones (850019)

## Assistant Organists:

John Henville  
Chrystalle Kersley  
Peter Lewis  
James Phillips  
Simon Whitchurch  
Keith Smithers

## Footsteps (Sunday School):

Jackie Lee (743661)

## Church Flowers:

Anna Forster (745392)

## Child Protection Officer:

Jackie Lee (743661)

## Bible Reading Fellowship:

Amanda Hislop (743700)

## Bible Society:

Jean Hunt (01798 813681)

## Christian Aid Co-ordinator:

To be decided

## REGULAR ACTIVITIES

**Church Services** see page 18.

**Footsteps (Sunday School):** 9.45am every Sunday, except 1st Sunday of the month, half term and school holidays.

**Choir:** Fridays, 6.40pm - 7.45pm. Anyone interested in joining the choir please contact the Director of Music (above) or Revd Jaquie Peal - 743083.

**Altar Servers:** Revd Jaquie Peal (743083)

**Bellringers:** Fridays, 7.45pm - 9.30pm.

**Handbells:** Mondays, 10am. Kathleen Osgood (01403 780928)

**Church Cleaning:** Jeannie Watten (742542)

**Church & Churchyard Maintenance:** Ray Hunt (01798 813681)

**Mothers' Union:** Jean Hunt (01798 813681)

**Bible Study / Home Groups:** Tuesdays, 10am Sylvia (745878).

Tuesdays. The Tuesday evening Home Group will recommence for Lent - further details in future 3 *Heralds*.

**Sunday Lunch Club** (ecumenical): Second Sunday in the month. See page 18.

## STORRINGTON REGISTERS

**Baptisms** - we welcome into the Lord's family ...

3 Dec Martha Edie Murgatroyd (daughter of Jodie and William)

## St Mary's Church Storrington

### CONCERT COMMITTEE

are pleased to announce the following Concerts  
at St Mary's Church, Storrington

6 January Taylor Maid

3 March Brighton Welsh Male Voice Choir

16 June Detworth Town Band

Please make a note of the dates in your diaries!

## CHURCH DIARIES

A useful pocket diary is available in St Mary's Church, Storrington, which is open daily - please help yourself and make a suitable donation. Our thanks to all who advertise in the Church diary and in this magazine.

## LENT

Lent begins early this year: Ash Wednesday Eucharist is on 14 February at 7pm.

## LENT COURSE 2018 - Inspiring Vision

During this new Year of Prayer we will be using the diocesan Lent Course 'Inspiring Vision'. The course will give us an opportunity to use art as a way of seeing salvation and opening windows onto God. Each week well-known public figures will reflect upon a piece of art that has inspired them and helped them in their journey of faith and prayer. The reflections will be available on podcasts along with copies of the works of art and some questions to help everyone involved to explore the themes in greater depth and to reflect on how they engage and resonate with our own experience.

The six sessions are:

- Week 1** Inspiring Vision: Prayer and the Trinity, introduced by Bishop Martin
- Week 2** Prayer in Challenging Times, introduced by Revd Lucy Winkett, Vicar of St James, Piccadilly
- Week 3** Prayer and Discipleship, introduced by the Archbishop of Canterbury
- Week 4** Prayer as life evolves, introduced by Dame Patricia Routledge
- Week 5** The Joy and Excitement of Prayer, introduced by Charles Harrison, Director of music at Chichester Cathedral
- Week 6** Prayer, Repentance and Forgiveness, introduced by Dame Caroline Spelman, First Estates Commissioner

In Storrington, there will be a whole-church Lent Group on Wednesday evenings, beginning on 14 February, Ash Wednesday. The session on 14 February will begin at 7pm with the service of Holy Communion and the imposition of ashes. The other sessions will begin at 7.30pm in St Mary's Church, Storrington.

## CANDLEMAS SUNDAY - 4 February

Candles are lit during the 10 am Family Service on this day to mark the presentation of the infant Christ to the Aged Simeon and Anna in the Temple at Jerusalem, "to be a light to lighten the Gentiles."



See page 5 for details of Lent Lunches



# DIOCESE OF CHICHESTER

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YEAR OF PRAYER 2018

Advent Sunday In December marked the beginning of the Year of Prayer, which is a Diocesan initiative to help us develop and deepen the life of prayer and spirituality within the Diocese, with a particular emphasis on building bridges between our personal and corporate prayer, thus enabling us better to pray our worship.

The Year has been launched with Prayer Cards (see below), with a prayer for the morning and for the evening. As we all pray these prayers every day over the course of this year, it will deepen and strengthen the connection between our time of personal, individual prayer and our corporate prayer with others.

During the year, there will be many opportunities to grow in prayerfulness and to develop spirituality, including Lent courses, a Prayer Course, pilgrimages and school initiatives.

For more information, please see <http://www.chichester.anglican.org/yearofprayer>



## A Morning Prayer

Go before us, O Lord, in all our doings with your most gracious favour, and further us with your continual help, that in all our works begun, continued and ended in you, we may glorify your holy Name, and finally by your mercy obtain everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.



## An Evening Prayer

Lighten our darkness, we beseech thee, O Lord; and by thy great mercy defend us from all perils and dangers of this night; for the love of thy only Son, our Saviour, Jesus Christ. Amen.



## ST MARY'S CHURCH, SULLINGTON CHRISTMAS FAYRE

Everyone had a wonderful time at our 2017 Christmas Fayre, which was held on 25 November in Sullington Parish Hall.

There was plenty to buy on a variety of stalls, including Christmas gifts, crafts, refreshments, wreaths and table decorations, and Father Christmas and his elf made a special journey to be with us again this year with his sack of presents. Face-painting was very popular with the youngsters, and our regular balloon man enthralled the children with balloon hats, animals and more. The Brownies and the Rainbows sang Christmas carols beautifully and ensured that we were all into the Christmas spirit and looking forward to having a wonderful Christmas season.

Our thanks go to the Brownies and Rainbows for their wonderful support and we wish everyone a very happy and peaceful New Year.

## REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY AT ST MARY'S CHURCH, SULLINGTON

The Remembrance Service was held at St Mary's Church, Sullington on 12 November. The poppy wreaths by the War Memorial (pictured) were laid in memory of those who died fighting for their country during the Second World War. It was very peaceful when we stood for our minute silence, broken only by the sound of the bugler. The memorial is made up from an old Sussex field roller and bears the names of those who left this idyllic and tranquil area to fight for their country, never to return.

During last year's Remembrance Service we were presented with a beautiful poppy banner made by the Sullington Brownies - this was laid over the altar (pictured) for this year's service.



## MILK BOTTLE TOPS Please keep collecting!

The tops will be given to Storrington Primary School to support a children's neurological ward at Southampton Hospital.

**Please remember clean, plastic milk bottle tops only should be delivered to Storrington Rectory Office - do not leave them anywhere in Church** (office is open Tuesday to Thursdays, 10am – 1pm). Milk bottle tops collected at St Mary's, Sullington, can also be sent to Storrington Rectory Office.

Thank you to everyone who collects plastic milk bottle tops and keep up the good work!

Viv Stuart



## 18 - 25 January WEEK OF PRAYER for CHRISTIAN UNITY

APPLICABLE TO ALL CHURCHES

**Christian Unity Week takes place  
each year from 18 to 25 January.**

This year the main service will be on Sunday 21 January.  
On certain other days there will be a short service or event  
hosted by one of the churches followed by refreshments.

### Thursday 18 January at 8pm

Unity Week Prayers at Trinity Methodist Church,  
off Thakeham Road, Storrington, arranged by  
Storrington Community Church

### Sunday 21 January at 6pm

The main inter-Church service at  
St Mary's Church, Church Street, Storrington

### Monday 22 January at 7pm

Unity Week Evening Worship  
at Chemin Neuf Community, The Priory, School Lane

### Tuesday 23 January at 8.30am

Unity Week Morning Prayer  
at Our Lady of England RC Church, Monastery Lane

### Wednesday 24 January at 10am

Unity Week Morning Worship  
at St Mary's Church, West Chiltington

### Thursday 25 January at 9am

Unity Week Morning Prayer  
at St Mary's Church, Church Street, Storrington

## ST MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS RAFA CHAPEL SUSSEXDOWN

**Communion with the residents  
Thursday 18 January at 11.30am**

BCP Holy Communion in the Chapel at Sussexdown  
Please do come and join us; visitors are welcome

For more details phone Jo Graves on 742586

## Christians in Storrington Monthly Inter-Church Prayer Meetings Everyone welcome

Do join us in the side-chapel at Our Lady of England RC  
Church – 10am - 10.30am on the first Tuesday of each month.

**Tuesday 2 January** – Chemin Neuf Community will lead

**Tuesday, 6 February** – Church of England will lead

**One in faith and love and praise**

# Cafe in the Church

**St Mary's Church  
Church Street  
Storrington**

**Wednesday 17 January  
10am to 12 noon**

And every **3rd Wednesday**  
of the month thereafter

*Come and join us for a friendly  
'cuppa' with the Rector or Curate*

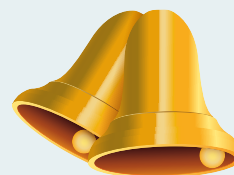


## THINKING OF TAKING UP A HOBBY OR CRAFT?

### Why not try bell ringing?

There is nothing like the sound of the bells at a wedding  
or special occasion. The art of ringing bells dates back  
hundreds of years and has given pleasure to countless people.  
Ringing bells...

- Helps keep you fit;
- Is good exercise;
- Keeps your mind alert;
- Helps you meet people  
and so much more.



To find out more or to ring a bell at one of our practice  
evenings call Ian or Laura Wadey on 740441.

You will be made very welcome at St Mary's Church, Storrington.

## SUSSEXDOWN RAFA CARE HOME

Would you like to visit some of the residents at Sussexdown  
on a reasonably regular basis? These visits would be purely  
neighbourly and should prove interesting and may be  
enlightening for the visitors! Please let Ann know if you are  
interested on 01798 813481.

St Mary's Church, Storrington, needs your

# STAMPS

PLEASE SAVE  
ALL YOUR STAMPS

*and leave in the box in the Church porch...*

they can be converted to much needed funds for our Church.

Please pass the message to all your friends and neighbours.

## WOULD YOU LIKE TO JOIN THE ST MARY'S, STORRINGTON, BAND OF HANDBELL RINGERS?

Come and learn to play handbells – we practise  
in Storrington Church on Monday mornings at 10am.

New players are very welcome.

Kathleen Osgood (01403 780928)





## SIGNIFICANT DATES IN HISTORY FOR JANUARY

1

- The London Credit Exchange Company issued the first travellers cheques in 1772.
- The BBC began broadcasting its first programmes in 1927.
- Traffic policemen were introduced in Great Britain in 1931.

3

On this date in 1770, a huge Christmas pie was baked for holiday consumption in London. According to the Newcastle Chronicle, it was made of "two bushels of flour, twenty pounds of butter, four geese, two turkeys, two rabbits, four wild ducks, two woodcocks, six snipes, four partridges, two neats' tongues, two curlews, seven blackbirds, and six pigeons. It was nearly nine feet in circumference at bottom and weighed about twelve stone."

4

Louis Braille was born in 1809. He was three years old when an accident caused him to lose his sight.

10

The London Underground began operating in 1863.

11

- The first televised weather broadcast featuring a presenter on screen was transmitted from the BBC's Lime Grove Studios in 1954.
- Charing Cross Station, London, opened in 1864.

14

Motorists were required by law to wear seat belts in 1986.

17

Robert Scott and his party reached the South Pole in 1912.

18

AA Milne was born in 1882, English author of *Winnie the Pooh* stories.

21

The BBC in London made its first world broadcast in 1930.

25

Robert Burns was born in 1759.

27

Mozart was born in 1756 in Austria, one of the world's greatest music composers.

28

On the evening of this day in 1807, London's Pall Mall became the first street in the world to be lit by gas lights.

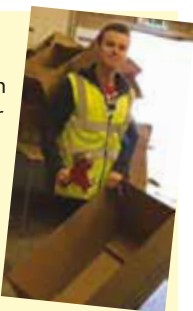
29

The Victoria Cross originated from this date in 1856. The medals were made from the metals of guns captured in the Crimea.

### TGIF LINK TO HOPE NIGHT



Our enthusiastic youth group added another 24 shoeboxes to the growing mountain, with the educational bonus of a master class in gift wrapping (it's a square box - it's not that difficult guys!) Next stop, Worthing



warehouse trip to pack the giant cartons for the lorries. Doing the right thing has never been so much fun!



## CHEMIN NEUF COMMUNITY The Priory, School Lane, Storrington

### EVENTS AT THE PRIORY

#### QUIET DAYS

Teaching, times of prayer and light lunch provided

10am-4pm

Wednesday 21 February 2018

Wednesday 21 March 2018

Wednesday 16 May 2018

#### PRAYER GROUP

A time of worship and praise with a charismatic flavour

8-9pm on Tuesdays

We do have to change dates occasionally,  
so worth ringing beforehand

#### PRIORY DAYS

9.30am-2pm

Come and join in the life of the Priory with gardening, cooking, sewing or DIY, Midday Prayer and Lunch. Dates to be fixed, but if you are interested, do tell us so we can give you dates.

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## CHICHESTER CATHEDRAL FREE LUNCH TIME CONCERTS

### JANUARY

**Tuesday 16** The Monington Trio (*clarinet, viola, piano*)

**Tuesday 23** Maria Razumovskaya (*piano*)

**Tuesday 30** Auster Quarter (*four saxophones*)

Free entry. All are welcome

For full details of programmes see

[www.chichestercathedral.org.uk](http://www.chichestercathedral.org.uk)



## AN INVITATION TO SING IN THE ARMED MAN IN ARUNDEL CATHEDRAL



Sandgate Singers, based in Storrington, are performing Karl Jenkins' *The Armed Man* in the majestic setting of Arundel Cathedral on Saturday 3 March 2018. This 'mass for peace' is a powerful and emotionally compelling contemporary musical account of the terrible consequences of war.

The choir is inviting confident singers who read music to join them for this performance. The number of rehearsals will depend on previous experience and ability. There are 25 places available, with a preference for sopranos and tenors, but altos and basses will also be accepted.

Those interested should contact Sandgate Singers through their website: [www.sandgatesingers.com](http://www.sandgatesingers.com). For more information, see [www.facebook.com/storringtoncommunitychoir](https://www.facebook.com/storringtoncommunitychoir).





## SULLINGTON 122 YEARS AGO

### EXTRACTS FROM CANON PALMER'S DIARY – JANUARY 1896

**Wed 1:** Mild damp drifty. With Cicely to Threales and Roundabouts and must soon arrange for services there as they seem desirous. The Dukes en famille to tea and supper, also a nephew of Mrs Sturt. Mrs Hunt of Milton Ernest near Bedford writes about her son.

**Thu 2:** Just as yesterday. Clara and I took our first journey to Cobden: many changes: a new family, Pennell in the new house: Ansell left and remnant. The West Sussex Gazette prints a letter of protest about the Confirmation Memorial to the Bishop from "an esteemed correspondent".

**Fri 3:** Dull and damp and rather foggy. Commencing to lay the new drawing room carpet, drugget required pre-fitting. Got in a ton of mangolds at 12/-, scarce this year. Visited along the Washington Road finding all pretty well. Am reading a somewhat tough book, Illingworth's *Bampton Lectures for '94* on the Personality Human and Divine – it is interesting.

**Sat 4:** Rather colder, much fog. Young Mant called and compared apportionality of the Barns Farm alterations. Hayward and the rat catcher here, carpet down. Ride to Amberley and call on GC and old Beck at Storrington.

**Sun 5:** Second after Christmas Fine cold dull. Fair congregations. Only seven to Holy Communion. Sermons on "Christ the Son of Man" an extempore in evening on Phillipians 1 v5 "the Christian character". Children at mid-day service. Hear through Mr Bolman of the suicide of young Monroe.

**Mon 6:** Much as yesterday, no sun but dry. Much perturbation abroad: Jameson and the Boer, the Armenian Deadlock; the Emperor of Germany's Youthful message to Kruger and the American Venezuelan Guiane Monroe nonsense. To Storrington in the morning calling on Hemmingway, who was taken with a fainting fit when I was there. Walked to Wiston rectory in afternoon and went to the school to hear Church Defence lantern lecture on the Conversion of the Heptarchy.

**Tue 7:** Dull, fine, cold. Board of Guardians. Agreed to go as 'Trump Delegate' to the Committee of the County Council on the 17th. Frau Corber came this afternoon. Visited the Pages. Piano tuned.

**Wed 8:** Much as yesterday, rather more fog. Got two more tons of marigolds at 12/- . Had our first Cobden lecture this evening: well attended by over 20. Clara and Frau Corber came. The children went to Stopham for a party, per bus.

**Thu 9:** Fine, sunny, cold. Helped to cleave logs in the old clump. Hemmingway rather better. Called on Emily and had the usual talk.

**Fri 10:** As yesterday. Very cold drive with Cicely to Portsmouth by 10.30 this morning. I to Chichester to a not very interesting committee of the Local Government Association on various requests for more Councillors. May to Sandgate to go with Mrs Felton to Bignor.

**Sat 11:** Much as yesterday. The War clouds, which are so strangely and unexpectedly, Turkey excepted, come up over our sky seem to be braking away, but we are preparing for an explosion. Visited Mrs Hallett and Zwollan at Wantley, and poor Squire at Sandgate.

**Sun 12:** Epiphany 1. Milder, very dull. Fair congregations. The sermons were in the morning on "Sauls stoning of Stephen" and in the afternoon on the Body and its members. Walked to Fryern after Church and had a long talk with C and R who are now alone.

**Mon 13:** Mild, rain in evening. School opens with 28. Visited the school, also Hemmingway who much excited over his Papers, all of which I removed. Mrs Felton, the Austins and R King dined here.

**Tue 14 – 16:** To Tunbridge Wells; Brighton, 19 Canon Place and home.

**Sat 17:** Fine, mild, dull. To Chichester (riding to Amberley) as delegate from Thakeham on the "Vagrants" question, a fairly business-like gathering, which at once took the reins into its own hands and declared the committee a powerless body. Our Sunday School treat here: Cicely, Mrs Farley, The Austins, Wrights and Dukes as lay figures, some dancing followed.

**Sun 18:** Epiphany II. Fair, very mild but some mist. Two better congregations. Preached (notes) on the Piping and Mourning, and on the Indwelling of the Spirit. Job 38 being *extempore* after an old sermon. Light lasts well through.

**Mon 19:** Fine and frosty. Dear Cicely went back to Winchester: May went with her. The Grahams had a party in the Town Hall, Cicely and May went. Mackonechys called to say Goodbye. Gave notice to the gunner.

**Tue 21:** Fine, dull chill. Board of Guardians till 2.30pm. Cicely and May with the Dorian Smiths walk over to Highden. Letter from "Bunny".

**Wed 22:** Fine with some midday gleams. Clearing up for the visit of Mr and Mrs Lambert, who lunched here and spent the afternoon. They will send their son here on 3 February next. To Threales in the evening: Clara came to a small gathering.

**Thu 23:** Dull damp mild. Miss Aggy Holliston and her niece arrived. Clara, May and the latter went to the dance at Highden. Paid small bills in Storrington.

**Fri 24 – 25:** To Chichester asylum meeting, on to Romsey and spent the night with the Griffiths.

**Sun 26:** Very Dark, dull, foggy and damp. Had a fair morning congregation and poor afternoon. Preached on the conversion of Saul and on "How amiable are Thy Tabernacles!" Clara has a cold and May plays the hymns in the afternoon. Fatima falls in the stable with rheumatism.

**Mon 27:** Falling fog all day, dreary. Vet (one Smith from Findon) thinks Fat has kidney disease, but he knows little apparently. Called on Felton about Parish Council matters which he wishes at the bottom of the sea! Mrs Felton takes May to the choral at Stopham.

**Tue 28:** Fine afternoon wet night. To the school 24/27. Poor Fatima given up by vet. Called on Penfold, Lusher and Bolton.

**Wed 29:** Frosty morning and fine afternoon. Fatima obit. Rode to Benges: lunched but found no-one at home. Dined at Sandgate with May and 20 people.

**Thu 30:** Very foggy morning then clear. Superintended looping yews. Called at Wantley, Parkinson commitant. Frewer dined.

**Fri 31:** Fine and frosty. School Mrs H neuralgic, only 22 present. Our lane rolled. Had a service at Cobden: May attending, good attendance, fine moony night. Reply to one Thomas Robinson (married) who applies for my place.



## St Barnabas House Hospice Outreach Project

Our staffed HOP vehicle converts into a cosy drop-in centre providing information and support related to end of life care.

The next visits to Storrington will be in the library car park.

**Wednesday 3 Jan and 7 Feb – 10am to 2pm**

For more information about the project please visit our website or email [HospiceOutreachProject@stbh.org.uk](mailto:HospiceOutreachProject@stbh.org.uk) or call 706357.



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## 1ST STORRINGTON RAINBOWS AND 2ND STORRINGTON BROWNIES

### Report by one of the Brownies A visit to Parham House – and a python!

Hello! My name is Lexi-mai and I am part of the Storrington 2nd Brownie unit.

In the October half term, we went on an amazing trip to Parham House Halloween weekend. We got to take part in lots of activities like drawing, finding pictures to get sweets and having our faces painted, and got to go in a very small house that I think was a dwarf house.

We also walked the grounds of Parham which was amazing.

I'm proud to be a Brownie as I get to take part in many different fun activities they do. I also enjoy helping others.

Thank you for reading.

Lexi-mai

Note from Joan Parkes – and don't forget the python!



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(last entry 2.30pm)



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## CRICKET IN STORRINGTON



### Cygnets Training and Outdoor Net Project

The Cygnets indoor training sessions are continuing throughout the winter season, every other Sunday afternoon in the Leisure Centre, with the new bowling machine proving a great success for honing batting technique.

The younger Under 10 squad have now had their first experience with hard ball, which puts these players ahead of the game as most of their cricket next year, including league fixtures, will be soft ball. The development of the squad is very encouraging, with the new U10 Head Coach, James Harrington, optimistic about performances next summer. We are also grateful to Lee Shorter, a professional coach from Worthing, for bringing extra impetus and focus to some of the indoor sessions.

The older Under 13 squad continues to gel, with Martin Fisher heading up this group. Again, Lee has assisted us, with his professional coaching focussing on batting and, in particular, clean ball striking. This squad will be playing hard ball and full eleven-a-side cricket next season in the league.

A new development for the Cygnets is registration as a "hub club" for All Stars Cricket next summer. This involves an eight week programme, designed by the England & Wales Cricket Board (ECB), that focuses on children in the age range 4 to 8 years who are new into the game of cricket. The sessions will be run weekly, with parental input, and are designed to be fun and interactive, as a taster to our beautiful game. Registrations for All Stars will be on line via the ECB link. For further information, interested parents should contact Martin Fisher, Cygnets Manager, on 07850 416886, or Judith Houghton, the Club's Welfare Officer, on 742679.

New Cygnets members are always welcome: throughout the summer, outdoor practice sessions take place mostly on Friday evenings at 6pm and Sunday mornings at 10am, on the recreation ground in front of the pavilion.

The outdoor net project for the Cygnets continues to gather momentum - with £6k of the requisite £40k from external sources so far raised for the planned double bay full pitch length system. Our Chairman, Steve Watkins, will be delighted to hear from potential local benefactors - individuals or businesses - and he can be contacted on 744217. Supporting our rejuvenated Club will help young cricketing talent to fulfil some of their sporting dreams, and, as importantly, will help our village Club, one of the oldest in Sussex, to play a fuller part in the Storrington community.

Chris Winter, President

### MACMILLAN FILM NIGHT

**DUNKIRK** (12A)

**MONDAY 22 JANUARY**

**Doors open 7pm for 7.30pm start**

**PULBOROUGH VILLAGE HALL**



In May 1940, Germany advanced into France, trapping Allied troops on the beaches of Dunkirk. Under air and ground cover from British and French forces, troops were slowly and methodically evacuated from the beach using every serviceable naval and civilian vessel that could be found. At the end of this heroic mission, 330,000 French, British, Belgian and Dutch soldiers were safely evacuated.

Stars: Harry Styles, Tom Hardy, Cillian Murphy and Mark Rylance

**Tickets: £6** available from Gatley's Pet Store, Lower Street Pulborough; on the door (subject to availability) or online from [www.touringcinema.com](http://www.touringcinema.com)

Wine, coffee/tea & biscuits available from 7pm with Raffle and Macmillan stall. Ices available during interval.



## Local geology and a mega bike ride!

With winter upon us, you would expect people to stay indoors and not be braving the vagaries of the British weather, but this is not for our Club members who have been even more active and enjoying a wide range of events.

Bob Manning, Club President, presided over our usual excellent carvery lunches at the Tollgate in Bramber, organised by Tony Girard, and we enjoyed two very interesting and varied speakers.

Professor Mike Whittle gave us a talk on 'Sun and Moon, Time & Tide', which was all about the effect of the sun and moon on the earth's seas and the resulting tides, which recently caused flooding on the south coast around Bosham. This was a fascinating talk which stretched the brain, just like the centrifugal forces that are exerted on the earth by the sun and the moon.

Our next speaker was Bill Avenell, whose talk on 'Why is Church Lane so steep', was a humorous way of looking at the geology of our area, particularly the South Downs and the makeup of the land that creates the steep highs and vales which we have the pleasure to live in.

Our most recent speaker was Pamela Goodhall who spoke about her solo trip 'Around the World on a Bike'. This brave but determined lady set out from Horsham to literally ride around the world through many challenging countries, including the Eastern European countries and then Asia, with places like Pakistan and India. What was interesting was the kindness of strangers she met in all those countries in helping her, particularly when she was ill or needed help fixing a puncture. Sometimes, it is good to hear a different view of places and people where you may think it would be too dangerous for a lady to travel alone, but instead to hear that despite being very poor, strangers will give generously of their help.

Congratulations to Cliff Palmer who brought the Club into the 21st Century by getting our website up and running. You can view it at [www.Storringtonprobus.com](http://www.Storringtonprobus.com).

Don Cleary organised several coffee mornings, one at the White Horse in Pulborough and another at The Old Forge in Storrington. The Old Forge one was well-attended, and the homemade biscuits were thoroughly enjoyed.

Andrew and Sheila Boulton organised another of their fiendish quizzes and Rob Neal-Smith organised the tea and cakes. The Old Forge featured again in the Dinner & Wine Pairing Evening that was a splendid success, also put together by Rob Neal-Smith.

Alan French stole the show by organising a coach trip to the Mayflower Theatre, Southampton, to see the song and dance show *Crazy for you*, starring Tom Chambers and Charlotte Wakefield. The show was preceded by a shopping excursion at the West Quay Mall and lunch at the Ovation Restaurant in the Mayflower Theatre. An excellent time was enjoyed by 32 members and partners.

Our last big event of the year is The President's Ladies' Dinner; more on this next time.

In the meantime, **the Storrington Probus Club wishes you all a Happy New Year.**

Peter Kerns 01798 815746



## SANDGATE CONSERVATION SOCIETY

### Remembering the snow of 2010

This is the month when we really had snow, in January 2010, where we literally experienced a foot of snow and a snow plough was seen actually clearing the roads around Storrington!

The snow lasted over a week, with large branches breaking from the sheer weight of ice.

What are the chances this month....perhaps you need to ask Mr Fish.....!

The work party will be on duty on **Saturday, 13 January** where you are cordially invited to take part in this well-worth exercise in every meaning of the word, by carrying out conservation work on Sullington Warren. This activity takes place between 9am and 12noon, with a break for refreshments during the morning, all provided free!

So come on and get involved with the Society and tone-up after the festive activities; it will do you and Sullington Warren a lot of good!

To learn more about the Sandgate Conservation Society, who work closely with the National Trust and Horsham District Council, please contact our Chairman, Jacinta White on 01798 813545. [www.sandgate-conservation.org.uk](http://www.sandgate-conservation.org.uk)

Brian Burns



## STORRINGTON FLOWER CLUB

Wednesday 24 January at 2pm  
Sullington Parish Hall

Demonstrator: Gaenor Circus  
Theme: A Woman's Place  
Competition: Misty Solitude





# CHURCH SERVICES AT A GLANCE

DATE	FESTIVAL OR SUNDAY	STORRINGTON St Mary's	THAKEHAM St Mary's	SULLINGTON St Mary's
7 January	<b>Epiphany 1 Baptism of Christ</b>	8am Holy Communion (said) 10am Family Communion 11.45am Baptism Service 6pm Evensong	10.30am Joint All-age Service (with Sullington)	8am Holy Communion (with Thakeham)
14 January	<b>Epiphany 2</b>	8am Holy Communion (said) 10am Parish Communion + Footsteps 6pm Evensong	9.30am Morning Prayer	8am Holy Communion (with Thakeham) 11.30am Morning Prayer
21 January	<b>Epiphany 3</b>	8am Holy Communion (said) 10am Parish Communion with Prayers for Healing + Footsteps 6pm <b>Main Unity Week Service</b>		10.30am Holy Communion (with Thakeham)
28 January	<b>Epiphany 4</b>	8am Holy Communion (said) 10am Parish Communion + Footsteps 6pm Evensong	9.30am Family Communion	11.30am Family Communion
4 February	<b>Candlemas Sunday</b>	8am Holy Communion (said) 10am Family Communion 6pm Evensong	10.30am Joint All-age Service (with Sullington)	8am Holy Communion (with Thakeham)

Midweek Holy Communion service on Thursdays at St Mary's Church, Storrington at 10.30am.  
Monthly Holy Communion Service (fourth Thursday in month) at Sussexdown at 11.30am.

## OTHER CHURCH DETAILS

### ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Mass – Saturday 6pm, Sunday 8am and 10am

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Parish Priest: Fr Charles Howell

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Tel: 740338

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*North Street*

Sunday Services 10.30am, 6.30pm

Church Elder: Graham Thrussell

Tel: 01243 545737

grahamthrussell.GT@gmail.com

### COMMUNITY CHURCH

*at Steyning Grammar School – Rock Road Campus*

Family Worship – Sundays 10am

Enquiries to Mrs Val Augustine

Community Church Office, PO Box 1020, Storrington RH20 3UY  
Tel: 01798 817596

### TRINITY METHODIST CHURCH

*Thakeham Road*

Sunday Service 10.30am

Minister: Revd Dawn Carn

4 Gorse Avenue, Worthing, BN14 9PG

Tel: 260356 (Church Office: 746390)

## WEEKLY EVENTS

**Tues** 10am Coffee Morning – Storrington Chapel

**Wed** 9.30am Registrar of Births and Deaths – Storrington Library – pre-booking only – 01243 642122

**Fri** 10am Storrington Community Market – Village Hall

### Storrington Library Opening Hours – Tel. 839050

Monday to Friday 9.30am – 5.30pm

Saturday 10am – 4pm

## SUNDAY LUNCH CLUB

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## STORRINGTON POP-IN LUNCH CLUB

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**ALL ARE WELCOME. Come and meet old friends and make new ones. No need to book – just turn up.**

Co-ordinator: **Pat Webb (893145)**



# WHAT'S ON

JANUARY	
<b>Tue 2</b>	
10am	Inter-Church prayers – RC Church (side-chapel) – p10
2pm	SPACE – Arts and Crafts Club – p23
<b>Wed 3</b>	
10am	St Barnabas Outreach – Library Car Park – p14
<b>Thu 4</b>	
10.30am	Storrington Pop-In Lunch Club – p18
3pm	Tea with the Vicar – p5
7.30pm	Storrington Camera Club – Meeting – p33
<b>Sat 6</b>	
10am	Storrington Conservation Society – Working Party – p24
12.30pm	Thakeham Church Bring & Share Epiphany Lunch – p4
7.30pm	Taylor Maid Concert – St Mary's, Storrington – p22
<b>Sun 7 Epiphany 1 – Baptism of Christ</b>	
<b>Mon 8</b>	
7.30pm	Thakeham Gardeners' Club – Meeting – p32
7.30pm	Storrington Museum – Talk – p22
<b>Wed 10</b>	
10am	Wild Fortune Quiet Garden – p5
7.30pm	Rotary Film Night – <i>Dunkirk</i> – p28
<b>Thu 11</b>	
Mary How Trust Bingo – p24	
<b>Fri 12</b>	
3pm	Tea with the Vicar – p5
<b>Sat 13</b>	
9am	Sandgate Conservation Society – Working Party – p17
	Storrington Museum re-opens – New Exhibition – p22
<b>Sun 14 Epiphany 2</b>	
1pm	Sunday Lunch Club – p18
<b>Tue 16</b>	
2pm	Knit & Stitch Tea – p4
2pm	SPACE – Arts and Crafts Club – p23
<b>Wed 17</b>	
10am	Café in the Church – St Mary's, Storrington – p10
7.30pm	Sullington Windmills WI – Meeting – p23
<b>Thu 18</b>	
WEEK of PRAYER for CHRISTIAN UNITY – p10	
11.30am	BCP Holy Communion – Sussexdown – p10
2pm	Storrington Conservation Society – Working Party – p24
7.30pm	Storrington Camera Club – Meeting – p33
<b>Fri 19</b>	
7.30pm	Storrington Horticultural Society – Talk – p21
<b>Sun 21 Epiphany 3</b>	

<b>Mon 22</b>	
7.30pm	Macmillan Film Night – <i>Dunkirk</i> – p16
<b>Tue 23</b>	
7.30pm	Mary How Film Trust – <i>Dunkirk</i> – p32
<b>Wed 24</b>	
2pm	Storrington Flower Club – Meeting – p23
<b>Sat 27</b>	
10am	FSW Coffee Morning – p5
7.30pm	Rotary Dance Night – p33
<b>Sun 28 Epiphany 4</b>	

Details of all church activities on pages 4,5,6 and 18.

## SAINTS AND SPECIAL DAYS

JANUARY	
<b>Mon 1 THE NAMING OF JESUS</b>	
<b>Tues 2 Basil the Great, 379</b> , Greek, theologian, supported the Nicene Creed <b>Gregory of Nazianzus, 389</b> , together with Basil the Great, known as one of Cappadocian Fathers – early development of Christian theology	
<b>Mon 8 Baptism of Christ</b>	
<b>Wed 10 William Laud, 1645</b> , Archbishop of Canterbury from 1633	
<b>Thu 11 Mary Slessor, 1915</b> , a Scottish missionary to Nigeria. She is credited with having stopped the killing of twins among the Efik, a particular ethnic group in Nigeria	
<b>Fri 12 Aelred of Hexham, 116</b> , historian and spiritual writer	
<b>Sat 13 Hilary of Poitiers, 367</b> , patron saint of lawyers <i>Kentigern</i> (Mungo) 603, founder and patron saint of Glasgow George Fox, 1691, founder of the Religious Society of Friends (Quakers)	
<b>Wed 17 Antony the Great of Egypt, 356</b> , hermit and father of monks Charles Gore, 1932, Anglican theologian (NB his brother, Spencer, was the 1 <sup>st</sup> Wimbledon tennis champion!)	
<b>Thu 18 Amy Carmichael, 1951</b> , a Protestant Christian missionary in India, who opened an orphanage and founded a mission in Dohnavur	
<b>Fri 19 Wulfstan, 1095</b> , Bishop and patron saint of Worcester (and loved roast goose!)	
<b>Sat 20 Richard Rolle, 1349</b> , religious writer, Bible translator and hermit	
<b>Sun 21 Agnes of Rome, 304</b> , virgin and martyr, associated with lambs (L. <i>agnus</i> )	
<b>Mon 22 Vincent of Saragossa, 304</b> , patron saint of vintners and vinegar-makers, island of St Vincent (Caribbean) named after him	
<b>Wed 24 Francis de Sales, 1622</b> , co-founder of the women's Order of the Visitation of Holy Mary (Visitandines)	
<b>Thu 25 THE CONVERSION OF ST. PAUL</b>	
<b>Fri 26 St Timothy &amp; St Titus</b> , disciples of St Paul, Timothy co-author of many books of New Testament	
<b>Sun 28 Thomas Aquinas, 1274</b> , one of the most influential theologians, patron saint of universities and students	
<b>Wed 31 John Bosco, 1888</b> , founded the <i>Institute of the Daughters of Mary Help of Christians</i> , a religious congregation of nuns dedicated to the care and education of poor girls	



# STORRINGTON & SULLINGTON – REFLECTIONS OF THE PAST

## STORRINGTON'S HEAVY INDUSTRY

Take a walk from the village centre up School Hill and as it becomes Thakeham Road you will pass Timberlands between Puttick Close and Woodside Close. Timberlands has about 18 dwellings and was the site of a large wood yard run by the Brown family.

William Brown came to Storrington in 1915 where he started the sawmills. Their summer work was contracting, going as far afield as the Leconfield Estate at Petworth and to Midhurst. The procession on the road to these places was led by a steam engine followed by a truck carrying saw benders and other large equipment, then a caravan for living quarters. Two men drove the engine and one rode in the caravan where the convoy's communication system was string to pull to let the engine driver know that traffic wanted to pass, and a man to drive the car back.



William and Kathleen Brown



Steam engines

Winter work from November to March was in the sawmills, where timber (bought in) was sawn up, mainly for elm coffin boards. The steam engine burned bark and sawdust, recycling waste material, and was stripped and serviced every year.

In 1940, the first major change was from circular saws to band saws. There was no contract work during WWII but William Brown and his new partner were in a reserved occupation and carried out war work: coffin boards, timber for various uses and work for the Army. Father and son worked in shifts from 6am to 10pm and began to modernise their equipment, converting machinery to run on electricity and replacing the old steam engine. Mrs Brown remembered the occasion when a circular saw that had been idle for about eight weeks had a blackbird's nest in it. The saw was not used again until the fledglings had flown!

After the war, English timber was bought in and what was not cut to order was kept to mature. The sawmills employed 14 men, including Mr Johnston, the sawyer 1949–69 and Mr Boyd, the saw doctor. Storrington Sawmills produced oak, elm and ash for building and fencing and furniture timber for sale to contractors. The sawmills, still using one steam saw, closed in 1969 and the site was developed as Timberlands.

### Thakeham Tiles

A most remarkable man came to live in Storrington around the



Sawmills 1949

time of WWI. Although suffering from handicaps that would have daunted many, he made light of having arms that only reached to his elbows and legs that were useless below the knees, which had specially made pads to help him walk on them. He could write, do joinery using his teeth, drive a pony and trap, kept bees and canaries, dabbled with wireless and photography and showed his glass plates. He also painted beautiful watercolours which he exhibited in 1890 in Raphael Tuck and Sons Exhibition in the gallery of the Royal Institute of Painters in Watercolours – he earned a diploma. Frank Knight didn't believe there was such a word as 'can't'. But today's story is of heavy industry.



Frank Knight,  
Builder in 1924

In the 1920s, he opened up a sandpit, and by 1933 registered his first firm as Thakeham Tiles Ltd and was making roof tiles for houses which he built. The sand was hand-dug and loaded into trucks of a narrow-gauge railway, pulled by a petrol engine into an old shed where tiles were hand-made. The works were later sold to Mr King who began making building blocks until WWII when the site was used by Canadian troops as a transport division. The works reopened in 1946 making building blocks and garden walling, later expanding into five sheds where a wide variety of garden walling, paving slabs and screen walling was made. Sand came from a Midhurst pit. The works employed 70 to 80 people and when a new computer stores record was introduced, Mr Bevis, the manager, allotting part numbers for products, was surprised to find that the firm was producing nearly 160 separate items, with a fleet of 37 lorries, and, by 1980, delivering to a wide area from Kent to Dorset, Hertfordshire to North London.

The Thakeham Tiles narrow-gauge railway was of great interest to enthusiasts. When it was replaced by roller conveyors, the rolling stock with its two engines, the wagons and track were donated to



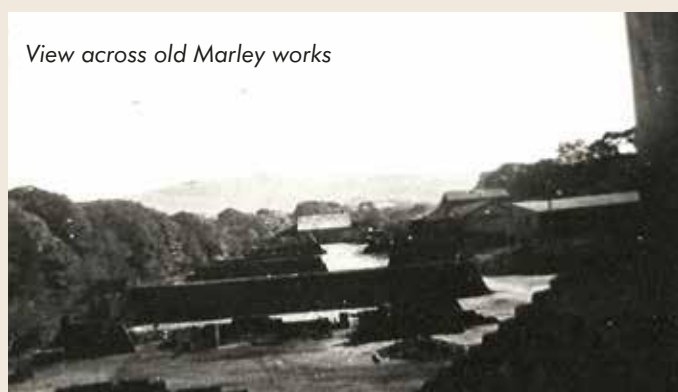
Thakeham Tiles  
railway - 1980

the Chalkpits (Amberley) Museum where it continues to delight visitors.



Thakeham Tile  
Works 1980

Thakeham Tiles was not the only firm exploiting the green sand belt that runs through the village. This was part of the Marley Tile Co of Marley Banks in Kent. Marley Tiles in Chantry Lane was making roofing tiles in 1927. This was a rough place, the work dusty and filthy before 'health and safety', and several men died of dust-related illnesses. Men came down from the north during the Depression of the early 30s to work here. Steam juggernauts moved the products. Sand was hand-dug here also and filled the trucks on a narrow-gauge railway, hand-pushed along the track. Steam engines were replaced by lorries in 1937 but two years later, at the outbreak of WWII, the works closed down, only to reopen the following year for war work: roofing tiles, prefabricated army buildings and, before D-Day, part of the revolutionary Mulberry Harbour that was towed across the Channel to enable supplies and reinforcements to be landed – a contribution to the liberation of Europe from a Sussex village.



View across old Marley works

The output of Marley tile works expanded following the end of WWII into aluminium products, roofing slabs, kitchen furniture, greenhouses and concrete products. Look at some of the inspection covers under your feet as you walk along the road and you might see the name 'Marley' embossed there.

Joan Ham (Village Historian)  
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## STORRINGTON HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

### Land Army girls do their bit

Members attended the November meeting at which the AGM was held. The Chairman, Janet Webber, gave her report, thanking members for another hugely successful year, resulting in the Society donating the sum of £5,000 divided between several charities chosen by the Committee. The outings and holidays during the year were very popular and the summer show attracted many visitors. Many thanks to all the supporters who enabled our great success.

The speaker for the evening was Ian Everest who gave an illustrated talk on The Woman's Land Army. Ian was raised in a farmworkers cottage, his parents both being in farming. He started to research the family history 35 years ago and became inspired by experiences his mother detailed as a Land Army Girl, which she joined in 1943.



The Land Army was first raised in WW1. As men rushed to war, farm workers volunteered, imagining relief from the long, hard working day. Only one third of our food was home grown and no food could be obtained from abroad, with the ever increasing threat of U-boats to merchant shipping, so working the land was vital towards the effort. Farmers had to be convinced to take on the girls who were poorly paid but were given food and lodgings. They were called upon to perform all

farming tasks, including catching the many rats.

In 1919 when the war was over, they were stood down. In April 1939, on the brink of WW2, the decision was taken to reform the Land Army. There was little mechanisation and most of the working horses were taken by the army. Tractors were imported from America and the women were frequently seen driving in the fields.



It was not until 2000 that the Land Army were invited to take their place at The National Service of Remembrance and in 2008 were formally recognised with a badge of honour awarded to surviving members.

The first meeting of 2018 on **19 January** at 7.30pm is a talk from Ben Cross from Crosslands Nurseries talking on Alstroemerias. Bunches of flowers will be on sale.

Sheila Webber





## Where did Sussex get its place names?

When the Museum re-opens on **Saturday, 13 January**, after the Christmas break, a new exhibition will have been installed called 'Were You Being Served? – Retailing in the Past', a title that needs little explanation. It is based on the photographs from our archives with special input from the photographic record lent to us by Amberley Village Stores. On the first day of this exhibition there will be coffee and home-made scones and cakes available.

Before then, on **Monday, 8 January**, our first talk of 2018 will be given by Neil Sadler who will tell us why 'A Policeman's Lot . . . Can Be Interesting'. It's 7.30pm at The Old School. Cost £5 (Society Members £4) to include coffee and biscuits. Everyone is most welcome.

The annual Pro-Am Art Show and Sale in November was the eighth we have held and everyone who took part thought it was the best ever, thanks to the wonderful support the Museum receives from local Art Groups and independent artists. There were 180 paintings on display, as well as greetings cards, and one artist, who always enters many striking paintings, had branched out into creating beautiful hand-made soft toys, so there was plenty for visitors to see and buy. This year over 200 people came to enjoy the exhibition.

The talk on Sussex place names given by David Hillman in November was well-attended and very interesting. David said that a place name was a window into the past, a statement that his talk entirely justified. He began with a history lesson, saying that the first inhabitants of Britain left no trace of any names, having no written record and scarcely any relics. These people did not speak an Indo-European language with the same roots as ours. They were driven to outlying parts of Britain by the Celts, who, in their turn, were pushed out to the extremes of the land.

Welsh is derived from their language. David showed us a photo of the famous Welsh village with the longest name in Britain (which he had no difficulty at all in pronouncing) and said that we have no names like this in Sussex!

The next set of people to invade were the Romans, who superimposed their culture over much of Britain, but who, in Sussex, again left no place names. Chichester may sound Roman, but this name does not appear in writing until 895AD, long after the Romans had gone. The name the Romans gave the town was *Noviomago*, meaning new land, which might have indicated land reclaimed from the marshes.

The next change occurred when the Romans were forced to leave and the Anglo-Saxon tribes arrived and settled here. It is from their time that we can trace so many of our Sussex place names. After them came the Norsemen, Vikings and Danes, whose invasions were successful in the midlands and northern parts of Britain – the Dane Law. These areas have Nordic place names, but there are none of these in Sussex. As our county name tells us, our names are Saxon. These people came from the areas which are now Belgium and Holland and northern Germany. They spoke Germanic languages. They raided the south of Britain for many years, and when the Romans left they settled here.

The earliest place names are often personal names, such as 'Cuda', together with another identifying word such as 'ham' or 'ham', giving us Cootham, but such names did not appear in writing until over 200 years after the Romans left – the Dark Ages. Eventually, however, people settled and rights over the tenure of land were established, and so we have early documents with identified, named, land. One such document, written in 683, names Selsey as 'Seolesige', which means Seal Island, and another slightly older, in 680, names Bognor as 'Bucganora', which means Bucge's landing place, and is a rare example of a woman's name being used. Houghton is recorded in 683 as 'Hohtun' – the farmstead on the spur of land. But most of our names were first recorded in the Domesday Book in 1086.

Besides being personal names, some names were associated with animals. Horsham was a ham, or homestead, where horses were kept. Arundel, sadly, is not named for either the French for swallow or for the giant's horse 'Hirondelle', but for the hoarhound – 'harhune' – a nettle like plant that grew profusely in the dell or valley. (The Arun was originally called The Tarrant). Parham was the homestead with pears.

Other places had distinguishing features that gave them their names. Greatham was the homestead near a gritty water meadow, and Amberley the clearing by the river, or, maybe, the clearing with yellowhammers. This last sentence shows that there is a certain amount of uncertainty about many names, and we cannot be dogmatic about them. One needs a good grasp of Anglo Saxon or even of old high German to get to the root of many of our Sussex names. However, David Hillman finished his talk by inviting us to decipher many names which he put on the screen, an exercise his audience enjoyed and proved very successful at.

When you realise these names, which we are so used to, have been in use with minor variations, some for well over a thousand years, you can get a real sense of our fascinating past.

The second monthly talk in the new year will be 5 February at 7.30pm, when Bill Gage will present a film 'Views of Sussex'. Entry £5 (Members £4) with coffee and biscuits. Everyone is welcome so do come along and learn even more about our beautiful county.

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**TERM TIME:**  
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**Thursdays 7 – 8.30pm** Age 8 and over - £4 per week

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 ☎ Michael 07557 474246

Storrington Judo Club is a non-profit club



## Annual Meeting

For Sullington Windmills WI, November meant the Annual Meeting. In the absence of the President, the Deputy President Liz Allen-Williams opened the meeting by welcoming all members and one visitor. This was followed by reports from the President, Treasurer, Secretary and Welfare Officer. Pat Jenkins reported on the organised visit to Lancing Chapel on 8 November, and Sheila Foster reported on the Soup and Starter Day, which three members had attended and enjoyed. The final event of the monthly meeting was a report read out by Anne Salmon who was a delegate representing Sullington Windmills WI at the Federation Annual Meeting, held at Worthing on 24 October.

The Annual Meeting commenced with members being asked to accept the minutes from last year's AM. The Treasurer gave her excellent Annual Report which was accepted and seconded. The Secretary gave a full and comprehensive report including all the Institute's outings and activities during the year. The Deputy President then read the President's report in her absence. The meeting was then handed over to Marita Watteau, a County Advisor, to run the selection of officers and committee for the next 12 months. Erika Brichta was voted as the new President and will take over duties from the retiring President, Russ Fry.

Following refreshments, members enjoyed a light hearted quiz, in the hope it would be a fun end to what is always a serious meeting.

The next meeting will take place on **17 January**. This evening is to be a skills evening, and hopefully we can all learn a new skill during this event. Bridge is to be one of the activities available for anyone to learn the rules. We always welcome new members and visitors, meeting on the 3rd Wednesday of each month (2nd Wednesday in December) at Sullington Parish Hall, from 7.30pm. Should you require any further information please contact Pat Snape on 01798 817389.

*Pat Snape*

## WEST CHILTINGTON AND STORRINGTON MOTHERS' UNION

**Mothers' UNION**  
Christian care for families

As I write, we look forward to welcoming guests to our Advent Service and Tea at West Chiltington Church on 7 December. There is no meeting in January but members will gather for a New Year Lunch at The Crown, Cootham on Thursday 4 January.

**A HAPPY NEW YEAR TO ALL**

*Jean Hunt*

## Come and join our SPACE

Someone for  
People to make  
Art or  
Crafts and  
Escape from home for a few hours!

1st and 3rd Tuesdays 2pm - 4pm  
at the Old School

Everyone will be very welcome (men and women, any age or ability).

Either bring along something you can already do, or have a go at something different.

For more information (or just to tell us you are coming along) contact Jane Kendall (745529) or Christine Turrell (741272)

## STORRINGTON FLOWER CLUB



### Christmas inspired creations

Chrissy, our Club's Chair, welcomed everyone to the meeting. Chrissy reported that the Open Evening had been a great success, much enjoyed by everyone who attended.

The members' designs for the meeting on display were on the theme of 'Candle D Light'. The bright and varied displays were a delight to greet you. The demonstrator, Ann-Maree Dicker, commented on the excellent standard and creative interpretation the members had shown, as seen in some of our photographs.

Ann-Maree said that she was delighted to revisit Storrington. Her demonstration was entitled 'The Night Before Christmas'. She began with a horizontal display in red and green hues which she considered was a traditional Christmas display.



For her second display she chose colours not traditional for Christmas, purple and mauve. The dominant flower was a large pink/lilac Chrysanthemum. To illustrate a white Christmas, she chose a base made from stripped, twisted Willow. The arrangement was on a horizontal line with interesting shades of greenery and white flowers of Carnations, Roses, Alstroemerias, and Lisianthus.

A tall display of bright flowers, purple sticks and greenery was displayed in a large container filled with baubles, silver paper and purple beads. This was to depict celebration and partying at Christmas time.

Finally she had a golden theme. The container was a large box wrapped in a gold net bow to represent a present. Ivy and ferns were draped over the top of the box. The flowers were gold/yellow Roses and gold carnations.



Ann-Maree was thanked for her colourful arrangements before refreshments and mince pies were served. The next Club meeting will be on **24 January**. Everyone was wished an enjoyable Christmas and Ann-Maree, who is retiring, was wished well in her retirement.

The Club is pleased to welcome visitors and new members. You do not need

to be a flower arranger to come and join us. The meeting is informal, welcoming a monthly demonstrator whose arrangements are raffled at the end of the meeting. We have a second-hand bookstall and an accessory stall for flower arranging. Refreshment and chats end a pleasant and informative afternoon.

*Susanne Carter*



# STORRINGTON CONSERVATION SOCIETY



## The wonder of ice!

In winter, ice and snow can be expected. We may grumble as we scrape windscreens, but ice is quite remarkable. How many of us pause to think why ice floats as we take sip of a cool drink? It is simple physics, but a little considered wonder. We know that water gets denser as it cools, so cold water sinks. Yet at 4 degrees Celsius (Centigrade for some) water starts to become less dense, which means the coldest rises. And when the temperature reaches zero, ice forms on the surface. Bad news perhaps for water fowl and those drinking from bird baths, but good news for fish in ponds (and skaters). If water continued to get denser all the way down to zero, ice would first form at the bottom then gradually freeze the whole pond, forcing fish to the surface to die. Just one example to show that the world would be very different without this remarkable phenomenon. Please remember to keep bird baths free of ice over the winter when ponds and puddles freeze.

The Thursday afternoon project on 16 November was at Foxmead Court, another location we help to care for on behalf of the residents. We worked tidying up the pond and its surroundings.

Our work party on Saturday 2 December at 10am was at Fryern Dell, removing unwanted growth by the pond. Our first meeting in 2018 is on **Saturday 6 January** at 10am. We will be at the Lower Dell managing and restoring the woodland. An opportunity for gentle exercise following the Christmas feasting. For those who wish to give more time, the morning work can be extended to 3pm. For details of the Thursday work party on **18 January** at 2pm, please refer to our website nearer the time. Don't miss out, add to our number.

## Finally, a peaceful conservation New Year to our readers.

For information about this and all our activities, or on becoming a member, please get in touch with Chairman Mick Denness on 745971, or see our website [www.storringtonconservation.org.uk](http://www.storringtonconservation.org.uk).

Stuart Kersley

# WEST CHILTINGTON PROBUS



## Local geography is certainly not like being back at school!

West Chilmington Probus Club has enjoyed a very busy summer with two or three social events every month. Most recently, as in previous years, 32 members sat down to an excellent autumn lunch at the ever-popular Squire and Horse. By the time you read this, we will also have had a special tasting visit to the new Hepworth's Brewery. Such has been the demand that a second visit is already being planned for early next year.

At our monthly Club meeting in October, we were pleased to welcome William Avenell to update us on our geography knowledge! This was not the usual subject matter for one of our meetings but we all really enjoyed it as it was not at all like being back at school. William is a specialist in topography and is a retired Geography teacher from Christ's Hospital. Starting with a general appreciation of the physical attributes of West Sussex, he went on to relate how early settlement patterns and farming practices were dictated by the geological structure of the area. Particularly relevant was the distribution of chalk and clay and the availability of water. Saxon market towns were often spring-line settlements or on gaps in the Downs and the early communication patterns followed these same gaps. These are still the major north / south roads in use today. Of course, the other roads that run mainly east / west are often curiously meandering, reflecting old field boundaries. This was a most interesting talk, particularly as it was so focused on our local area. The vote of thanks to William was given by Geoff Adams.

West Chilmington Probus Club enjoyed the annual evening of Skittles in November and the Christmas celebrations.

Further information about West Chilmington Probus Club can be obtained from the Secretary, [Colinhopper412@hotmail.com](mailto:Colinhopper412@hotmail.com).

Colin Hopper

# Downland Ensemble

*A community orchestra for string and woodwind players of all ages.*

*Musical Director: Peter Allwood*

Our first rehearsal of the New Year is on  
**Saturday 6 January** in the  
**Meadows Hall, Pulborough Village Hall**  
**9.45am – 11.30am**



Come and join us for a chance to develop your musical skills with enthusiastic and like minded people. No auditions, no pressure!

The music is designed for all levels of ability. All ages welcome, but the ability to read music is essential. We are a sociable group and believe that making music together is good for the spirit.

**All enquiries contact Ros 01798 875804**

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# BINGO

**Thursday 11 January**

**and on the second Thursday of every month**

**Doors open 7pm Play starts at 7.30pm**

**Storrington Village Hall, 59 West Street RH20 4DZ**

**Entry only 50p** (includes the chance of winning a mystery prize!)

Great prizes, raffle and refreshments – and fun for everyone!

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# Baptism of Jesus

Find all the words listed here in the puzzle – left, right, up, down or diagonally.

CONFESSING  
DOVE  
GALILEE  
GENERATION  
HEAVENS  
HE SUFFERED HIM

HOLY GHOST  
LOINS  
PATHS STRAIGHT  
REPENTANCE  
SPIRIT OF GOD  
STRAIGHTWAY

THOROUGHLY PURGE  
UNQUENCHABLE  
WATER  
WELL PLEASED  
WILDERNESS  
WRATH TO COME

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Our next play is *A Sense of Achievement*, written and directed by Jean Trew. Durlington Village Hall is in urgent need of roof repairs and a fundraising committee is formed, headed by an enthusiastic Major Wallace. However, the brainstorming session doesn't go well, with interruptions, disagreements and personality clashes - it's not the team effort the Major had anticipated. Matters aren't helped by the secretary's elderly mother, Mrs Featherstone, unexpectedly joining the meeting, but somehow they manage to agree a plan of action and set about achieving their target. But can they beat the fast-approaching deadline for lottery funding? Will two Yorkshire Terriers, the chaps at the Rotary Club and the Avon lady help or hinder their efforts? And did the acerbic Mrs Featherstone really have a contribution to make or was she just getting confused again? All will be revealed at the follow-up meeting.

This is a very light comedy with shades of *The Vicar of Dibley*. There are strong characters, a twist or two in the plot and plenty of amusing dialogue. It should be great fun to rehearse and perform. There are eight parts (4 female/3 male/1 either) with a flexible age range from 20 to 95!

Auditions will be held on **Monday 8 and Thursday 11 January** at 7.30pm in West Chilmington Village Hall. The production is on 24, 25 and 26 May.

But we don't just need actors. A whole range of support crew are required, from technical to tea-making - we can always do with an extra pair of hands. So do please come along to the auditions if you'd like to get involved in any way. For more information please contact Jean on 01798 874952 or email [jean.trew@gmail.com](mailto:jean.trew@gmail.com) or check our website at [www.wcds.co.uk](http://www.wcds.co.uk).

Our last play *Quartet* is reviewed below, by Jean Trew:

If you didn't see the November production of *Quartet*, you missed an absolute treat. Ronald Harwood's beautifully written play is set in a retirement home for musicians. Residents Reggie, Wilf and Cissy are ex-opera singers who spend their days reminiscing about the past and trying to deal with the indignities of old age. Their routine is disrupted by the arrival of Reggie's ex-wife, Jean, who sang with them in their critically acclaimed performance of the famous quartet from Verdi's *Rigoletto*. Her appearance stirs up old resentments and unwelcome memories and her integration into the group is difficult. Eventually the four come together to reprise their most notable performance at the grand event held by the residents to celebrate Verdi's birthday.

As the curtains opened, Miq Kelland's wonderful set design took us into the music room at the home. Musical instruments, portraits of composers and music-themed paraphernalia complemented the tasteful décor, and Betsy Rimmer's excellent artwork led the eye to the patio and the grounds beyond.

The four characters in the play are very diverse and we were lucky to have four extremely talented actors playing them. Julia Yule perfectly captured the childlike and optimistic qualities of Cissy, portraying her character's early stages of dementia with verve and sensitivity. John Pounder as Reggie was the essence of an orderly and refined man but with an alarming volatility that surfaced whenever he didn't get his breakfast marmalade. Wilf is apparently sex-mad with a penchant for lewd comments, but we later discover his behaviour masks the grief he feels at the loss of his wife. Mike Nicholson gave an outstanding performance of both sides of this complex character. Pam Luxton was on top form as 'grand dame' Jean Horton, bemoaning her fate of having to live amongst chorus members and musicians, and delivering perfectly-timed insults and

put-downs. There was also a vulnerable side to Jean, which Pam expertly portrayed.

This is a tragic-comedy that Jennifer and Geoffrey Steward directed with great skill and sensitivity. The backstage crew did a fantastic job moving furniture and props, particularly in the final scene when the music room is transformed into a makeshift dressing room. The makeup and costumes suited the characters down to a tee, and with the *Rigoletto* overture playing between scenes, the sound and lighting perfectly complemented the whole production. Prompts, though rarely needed, were timely and unobtrusive, and the front of house team did their usual sterling work of keeping us refreshed and organised, making the whole evening a happy experience.

And so to the finale in which the four characters mime to *Bella figlia dell'amore* in Italian! Many congratulations to the directors for not taking the easy way out by having the characters retreat behind the curtain once the music begins. They stood front of tabs and gave it their all. Full credit to the actors for giving such a spirited performance and to musical director, Jill Scott-Kerr, for bringing them to that level. As in the play, it was a triumph.

This was one of the best productions I've seen at West Chilmington. Well done to everyone involved and thank you for a brilliant evening.

John Rimmer, Chairman



## Rotary Film Night at Sullington Parish Hall



**Wednesday 10 January 2018**

Performance commences at 7.30pm with an interval and Bar & Raffle. Tickets £5 from 'The Card Shop' in Storrington. Unsold tickets will be available for purchase on the door on the night.

Anyone needing transport should contact Roger Jamieson on 01798 813956

For further details please contact Ken Collins on 01903 740745.

**Rotary Club of Storrington & Pulborough District**

The February film, on Wednesday 14, will be *Breathe*. The inspiring and heart-warming true love story, of an adventurous couple who refuse to give up, in the face of the devastating disease, Polio.



## SUCCESSFUL IMAGES

Most people enjoy taking photographs and with the capabilities of today's mobile phones this has never been easier. Photos often involve trying to capture a significant event, a memory, a vista or wildlife such as an animal or bird in the garden, or simply something that we want to share. One of the challenges is how you capture the moment that reflects the results you were looking for and also to the best advantage.

To help us all improve, we hold a number of internal competitions throughout the season where we invite an external judge to review the images. We often hear the comment "my images aren't good enough to enter in a competition". This isn't necessarily always the case. The purpose of our holding the competitions is to help us improve, by understanding both the good areas and also areas which could be improved. The judge isn't looking to criticise or discourage us from taking images but help us all improve. Their advice may be to take the shot from a different angle, change position to improve the background or avoid taking into the sun or shade.

When everything comes together we all enjoy seeing the results and the images. In our recent competition members could submit two printed images and two images for projection. The winning

images reflected the experience from incorporating all the lessons and advice learnt from previous submissions. For the print images, which had an architecture theme, the judge selected three top images, these being *The Alleyway* from Di Walker, *La Mancha* from Brian Simmons, which also won best print of the

*The Alley Way*  
– Di Walker

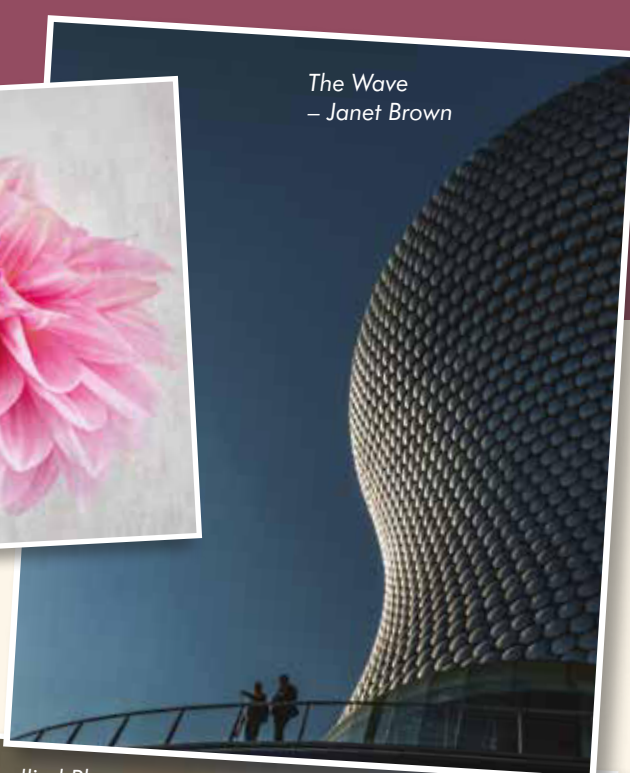


*La Mancha*  
– Brian Simmons,

*Dahlia*  
– Liz Barber



*The Wave*  
– Janet Brown



*Black-bellied Plover*  
– Kevin Harwood



night, and *The Wave* from Janet Brown. Projected images had an open subject theme, two were selected, these being *Dahlia* from Liz Barber and *Black-bellied Plover* from Kevin Harwood' which also won best projected image of the night.

The Club also celebrated success in the development section at the recent Sussex Federation Projected image completion where the Club came 1st when competing with thirteen other clubs from around Sussex. Congratulations to all.

Kevin Harwood







### Fun with a leaf blower and favourite garden tools!

I'm becoming a tool bore. Actually, that's a lie. I've been a tool bore for some time! Don't get me started on the subject, basically. I'm a bit of a tool / gadget freak! This occurred to me the other day when I was thinking how much I utterly love my leaf blower. I bought it a year ago and I have to say, it's one of the best purchases (for my job) I've ever made. I originally bought it for, yes you've guessed it, blowing leaves, but it is so much more useful than that! It's great for tidying up a lawn after you've been working nearby in the borders, blowing away bits of grass after you've edged, and my personal favourite, helping me clear up all the pesky little Box leaves once I've pruned a Box hedge or Box ball. So useful!



My other favourite tool is my Japanese razor hoe. This is a small hand-held metal hoe with a (hopefully!) sharp blade, used for weeding, cutting thin stems and scraping between paving. It is a tool I use every day.



I have bought tools in the past that I never, or rarely use: a Dutch corkscrew type thing for uprooting dandelions, a small mattock (might as well get a fork out), and a hand scythe (ok but it doesn't get much use). I find myself using the same tools time and time again.

As well as the ones mentioned above, I love a Kneelo kneeling pad (covered with a carrier bag!), Briar or Showa gloves, Okatsune secateurs and I also recommend Niwaki hand shears (grip and snip rather than having to pick up cuttings when pruning, for example, lavender). Finally my 'tulip trowel', a trowel with the digging part in the shape of a tulip flower, which is great for clay soil!

And then, when I'm finished using all these tools? Get the blower out of course!

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### Expert advice on growing your own veg!

At the November meeting, Barry Newman spoke to the Club on Vegetable Growing. Barry really is an excellent speaker and I'm sure many members who to date have never grown veg went away inspired to have a go. His talk covered all aspects and he told us he favoured raised beds over open ground and utilised a no-dig policy. He said peat-based compost was still the best for seed sowing, which he carried out early in the year. He doesn't heat his greenhouse, just a 3'x2' bench box. His seed 'tips' were to place large seeds on their side vertically when sowing so they shed water, and to tamp parsnips firmly. Parsnips and carrots should be planted in v-shaped holes filled with sieved soil which should prevent them splitting. Guttering is used to cover until germination. He said not to pull out surplus plants but to cut them off at soil level. Seed tapes are ideal for spring onions and root trainers for beans and sweet peas.

The best soil for raised beds or containers is 40% compost and 60% soil. In November, spread muck over and cover with permeable black plastic, weigh down and leave until February, when hydrated lime can be added if growing brassicas. Barry's favourite fertiliser is Vitax Q4 in powder form which plants can take up straight away. Buying plants when young was mentioned and plugs should be bought as soon as available to get the best plants and potted on for planting when the weather is warm enough. Leek plants should have their roots and leaves trimmed before planting and shallots and onions should be started in pots. Barry grows his potatoes in bags placed in trenches. He recommended the variety Charlotte and said potatoes should be planted with just two chits and the surrounding ground should be watered rather than the actual bag. He showed us courgettes growing vertically tied onto a 6' tree pole and said to keep water from the leaves to avoid mildew. We also saw mange tout 'shiraz' grown with 'oregan' sugar pod. Hazel bean poles were preferred for runner bean support and rows should run north/south. Support onions, brussels and purple sprouting broccoli with canes and use grass cuttings as a mulch on wet ground.

Barry was warmly thanked.

The Club doesn't meet in January but will be lunching at the Old Tollgate on **25 January**.

Meetings take place at 7.30pm on the second Monday in the month at Thakeham Village Hall. We welcome new members and guests; come along to the Hall on Club night or ring our Chairman Bruce on 892466 for further details.

Sandra Jenkins

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*"So began a frost which continued till the two and twentieth day of March, so that the ground could not be tilled; whereof it came to pass that, in summer following a quarter of wheat was sold for a mark of silver in many places of England, which for the more part in the days of King Henry the Second was sold for twelve pence; a quarter of beans or peas for half a mark; a quarter of oats for thirty pence, that were wont to be sold for fourpence. Also the money was so sore clipped that there was no remedy but to have it renewed."*  
Stowe's Chronicle

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Wishing you all God's blessings and peace for 2018.

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