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STORRINGTON



SULLINGTON



THAKEHAM

*Remembrance
Sunday Service
12 November
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St Mary's Church **SULLINGTON**St Mary's Church **STORRINGTON**St Mary's Church **THAKEHAM**Holy Sepulchre **WARMINGHURST**
(Churches Conservation Trust)

THE PARISH CHURCHES OF

**St Mary
STORRINGTON**



**St Mary
SULLINGTON**



**St Mary
THAKEHAM**

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SULLINGTON AND THAKEHAM WITH WARMINGHURST

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All telephone numbers are 01903 unless otherwise stated.



I quite like quizzes, but I am only moderately good at them, and I am certainly no expert on bible and religion questions! Oddly, I tend to do better at questions about cooking, or plants... And as for the fiendish quiz set by Harold Linfield, I have no hope of winning. But here is a question well worth pondering – what are the greatest wonders of the world? My top seven would be:

1. Egypt's great pyramids
2. Taj Mahal
3. Grand Canyon
4. Panama Canal
5. Empire State Building
6. St Peter's Basilica
7. China's Great Wall

What would you list?

In August, I had a couple of days away with my great friend Beryl. Beryl is now a retired priest living in Kings Lynn. She has always had a great interest in spirituality and my visits to her are always refreshing as she helps me to see things differently. On her study wall she had her own list of the greatest wonders of the world. They turned my original list on its head and gave me a glimpse of something completely different.

The alternative list of the seven greatest wonders of the world is this:

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|------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| 1. To see | 2. To hear | 3. To touch | 4. To taste |
| 5. To feel | 6. To laugh | 7. To love | |

And I would add an eighth – to think. The things we overlook as simple and ordinary and that we take for granted are truly wondrous. They are the most precious things in life, and they can neither be built by hand or bought.

A prayer of gratitude:

'All powerful and ever-living God, we do always and everywhere to give you thanks. All things are of your making. All times and seasons obey you. You chose to create us in your own image and to set us over all the whole world in all its wonder. You made us the stewards of creation, to praise you every day for your wisdom and power. May we imitate your Son, Jesus, in his life of service. May we be faithful stewards of all your gifts to us, the People of God. Amen'.

KATHRYN WINDSLOW
Rector of Storrington

PRAYER FOR THE MONTH

Gaelic blessing

May the strength of God pilot us,
and the power of God preserve us.
May the wisdom of God instruct us
and the hand of God protect us.
May the way of God direct us,
And the shield of God defend us.



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.



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What's happening at

St Mary's Thakeham

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Organist:

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Roger Watts (01798 813775)

Gift Aid Officer:

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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.

First Taste of Christmas

THAKEHAM CHURCH CHRISTMAS MARKET

Saturday 2 December
11.30am - 2.30pm
Thakeham Village Hall

Come and enjoy the usual yummy Christmas Fare, including Turkey Rolls with all the trimmings, Mince Pies and Mulled Wine

Browse the Christmas Stalls whilst the children enjoy the Crafts and Games

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.

T&F (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, or call **01798 817522**

Knit and Stitch Tea on Tuesday



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

Thakeham Church Rooms
21 November between 2pm and 4pm



All welcome. Enquiries to Wynn Lednor - **743025**

A DATE FOR THE DIARY

Saturday 6 January

Bring and Share Epiphany Lunch
12.30pm in the Church Room

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.



Church in the Pub

1st Monday of the month
The White Lion Pub, Thakeham - 8.30pm
Come along and enjoy

A gathering of people meeting and sharing together. No fixed agenda - the aim is just to meet, chat, be real and have a bit of fun - with maybe a few 'god gems' thrown in!

ST MARY'S, THAKEHAM BELLRINGERS

We practice on a Wednesday evening from 7.30pm to 9pm at St Mary's, The Street, Thakeham.

If you would like to see what we do, and have a try, you would be welcome to join us.

Bell ringing is good for the body, mind and soul, and is a fun and sociable thing to do.

No strength required.

Just turn up on a Wednesday or for more details contact the Tower Captain, Roger Watts, on 01798 813775 or Christine Hounslow on 01798 815993.

'Forget about what's happened; don't keep going over old history. Be alert, be present, watch for the new thing I am going to do. It is happening already – you can see it now! I will make a road through the wilderness.' Isaiah 43: 18-19

What's happening at

St Mary's Sullington



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Churchwardens:

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Pastoral Care:

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PCC Secretary:

Gail Kittle (745754)

Freewill Offering & Gift Aid Officer:

David Baxter (744346)

Electoral Roll:

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Sullington RH20 4DD

Organist:

Beryl Hardie (892349)

Church Flowers:

Altar Rota Muriel Astley (01798 812706)
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Safeguarding Officer:

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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

We were delighted to welcome Revd Bernard Sinton to our Church in September. He will be looking after our Church for an interim period. He will be taking the 8am service on the first of the month, and the Family Communion Service at 11.30am on the fourth Sunday of the month.

PLOUGHMAN'S LUNCH

In aid of Family Support Work

Friday 17 November 12noon to 2pm

Ann Sallinger's, Greenacres, Southlands Lane,
West Chiltington Tel 01798 813481.

Tickets £7.50 on the door to include

Ploughman's lunch, pudding, coffee and glass of wine. In aid of FSW.



RACE NIGHT

4 November at 7pm

Sullington Parish Hall



Tickets £10 per head to include ploughman's supper.

Bring your own drinks. Tables of 10 if possible,
or buy individual tickets and make up a table on the night.
Tickets from Gail Kittle 01903 745754.

In aid of the St Mary's Church Flower Festival 2018.

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

Dates for the autumn: 8 November • 13 December

Spaces are limited to 8 and booking is essential

To reserve a space, please contact:

Tessa & Mark Holland Tel: 741904

Email: wildfortune@btinternet.com

Blog: 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

Whilst I shall be on sabbatical from this Advent for a year, our ministry here at the Wild Fortune Quiet Garden continues. Along with other quiet gardens throughout the diocese, this is an ecumenical resource for all those who are seeking God in stillness and looking to deepen their prayer and life in Christ. With the Diocesan Year of Prayer approaching this Advent, we continue to be a praying presence and place of welcome for all.

Revd Tessa Holland

CHRISTMAS FAYRE 25 November 2-4.30pm SULLINGTON PARISH HALL



*Come and get your early
Christmas presents*

**Ceramics, Jewellery, Christmas Wreaths and
Decorations, Cards, Gifts**

FATHER CHRISTMAS

Balloon man and Face Painting

Free Children's Activities

Refreshments

Entrance free

Children under 14 must be accompanied by an adult

(In aid of St Mary's Church, Sullington)



What's happening at

St Mary's Storrington

For Clergy see page 3 www.storringtonparishchurch.org.uk office@storringtonparishchurch.org.uk

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PCC Secretary:

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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:

Sue Kibblewhite (745325)

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. Adults or children interested in joining the choir please contact the Director of Music (above) or Revd Jacqui Peal - 743083.

Altar Servers: Bridget Vickerstaff (743346)

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, 7pm Chrystalle (744269).

Home Group Changes Tuesday evening home group meets at 7pm at 23 Orchard Gardens. We are studying Jacob (also known as Israel). New members welcome. Contact Chrystalle on 744269.

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

STORRINGTON REGISTERS

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

17 Sept William George Osborne Peters and Ella Florence Peters (children of Sophie and Rob)

Marriages - to love and to cherish ...

16 Sept John Richards and Julie Streeter

Funerals - we commend to God's nearer keeping...

6 Oct Pauline Edith Price (79 years)

10 Oct Sheila Violet Russell (89 years)

ALL SAINTS AND ALL SOULS

All Saints' Day celebrates the countless people whose lives have been loving and fruitful, but who are not on the official list of saints. The calendar date of this festival is 1 November. **All Souls** (officially 2 November) is a day to remember with thanksgiving our own departed loved ones. At Storrington we shall celebrate All Saints' Day and observe All Souls' Day on **Sunday, 5 November** with our **Service of Light, Hope and Remembrance** at 6pm at which the names in the Book of Remembrance will be displayed in Church together with other names which have been requested.

REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY

All are invited to take part in the Service of Remembrance at Storrington Parish Church on **Sunday, 12 November, at 2.55 pm**, assembling if fine for the laying of wreaths at the War Memorial on the south side of the Church. This is an inter-church service arranged in conjunction with the Royal British Legion. Civic leaders, local councillors and uniformed organizations are invited to be present, with banners if appropriate. Medals to be worn. Youth organizations will be invited to take part in a parade beforehand arriving at the War Memorial for 2.55 pm (this will not take place if wet - in this event all assemble in Church). Tea will be available afterwards. *This replaces 6pm Evensong.*

CHILDREN AND CHURCH

Owing to the special Museum event in the Old School on **Sunday, 19 November**, Footsteps will meet in Church on that day. Assemble at the Children's Corner just inside the door.

CHILDREN'S GIFT SERVICE

During the Family Service on **Sunday, 3 December, at 10 am**, our children and young people are invited to bring gifts for needy children which will be distributed, through the Salvation Army, in the Worthing, Littlehampton and Petworth areas. A simple, durable and inexpensive toy or book would be much appreciated. Please wrap gifts using ribbon or string rather than sellotape. A label stating contents and suitable age-range would help the Salvation Army staff to give the presents to appropriate children.

ADVENT SERVICE Sunday 3 December 6pm

A service of music and readings for advent which helps us look forward to the birth of the Christchild. This service gives us an opportunity to hear various readings and enjoy singing traditional Advent hymns.

CHOIR FOR CHRISTMAS

We invite extra singers who would like to join Storrington Church Choir for the Carol Service and other Christmas services to come to the Christmas section of the choir practices on Fridays at 7pm, starting on **3 November**; regular Choir please arrive at 6.40pm to practice for the forthcoming Sunday.

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.

LETTER FROM BISHOP MARK OF HORSHAM

REMEMBRANCE

My grandfather fought at The Somme but died when I was a little boy. My late mother was only thirteen when the Second World War ended. I have no memory whatsoever of those wars that our annual Remembrance Sunday first commemorated. There is, however, no sign of these commemorations disappearing with the generations who lived through the great wars of the twentieth century. What, though, do we mean today by 'remember'?

Literature, photography and film-making preserve our awareness of the sacrifices made during the world wars. Subsequent conflicts continue to take the lives of those serving in the armed forces. We remember what we have learned about the horrors of the past wars and we remember those who, today, put their lives on the line, often in the cause of peace in distant countries. We remember and honour servicemen and women who lay aside their personal safety for the sake of others.

Images of the Christian Soldier are less popular than once they were, but it is worth remembering that a soldier fights for king and kingdom, never for self but always for the rights and wellbeing of those who cannot fight for themselves. Ought we not all to be soldiers of Christ and of his advancing Kingdom?

+Mark Horsham



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 7 November – Chemin Neuf Community will lead

Tuesday 5 December – Church of England will lead

One in faith and love and praise

Church@4pm

19 November at St Mary's Church, Storrington

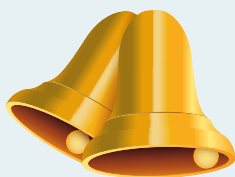
Church@4 is a more informal act of worship, with stories, songs and craft to which all are welcome, especially families with young children.

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 Steve on 07761 019875.

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

Christmas Grand Prize Draw

ST MARY'S CHURCH, STORRINGTON

Raising money for essential Church tower renovation

The draw will take place at
St Mary's Church, Storrington
on Saturday 9 December at 2.30pm
at the Christmas Bazaar

Tickets: £1 each
(books of 5 available)

These can be purchased
from the Rectory Office,
the Churchwardens,
Gwen Fisher (744642)
and at Church events.

Many prizes including £100 cash!

We would welcome anyone taking a quantity of tickets to sell to their friends and neighbours – the preservation of the Church tower will benefit the whole community.

We would also welcome donations of:

Cakes and produce for cake stall
Mince-pies/fruit cake for refreshment's • Bottles of wine
Prizes for tombola and goods for white elephant
Books (new or secondhand) – for book stall

Items can be brought to the Church on Friday 8 December or before the Bazaar in the morning of 9 December or can be left at the Rectory Office before these dates (call 742888 or email: office@storringtonparishchurch.org.uk). We can also collect any items.

Sale of Bazaar Items will go to Church funds.

St Mary's Church Storrington

CONCERT COMMITTEE

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

2018 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!

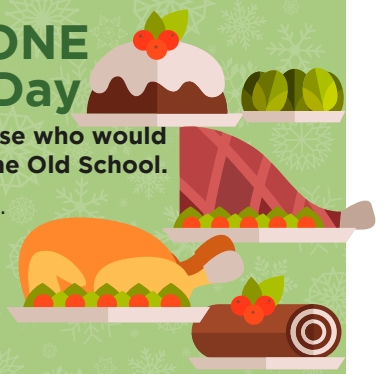
DON'T BE ALONE on Christmas Day

Christmas Day Lunch for those who would
otherwise be alone 1pm at the Old School.

Transport available if needed.

Admission £10 by ticket only.

For further details contact
Stephen and Christine Turrell
741272.





We were pleased to welcome our Interim priest, Revd Bernard Sinton, and his wife, Revd Pat Sinton, to St Mary's Church, Sullington, pictured here with Jo Graves and John Williams our Churchwardens.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank all the visiting clergy who have so generously given up their time and supported us this year, in Derek's absence. Our grateful thanks to Revd Tessa Holland for taking the monthly Iona Communion Service at St Mary's Sullington; her last service, for now, was on 22 October. Thanks also to Revd Stephen Turrell and Harold Linfield for continuing with their usual services and to Heather Cotton who was Church Warden until April.

We have all missed Derek but all at Sullington Church have continued with the full service and event timetable for the year with the mutual loyal support of the congregation and the PCC. With the assistance of Revd Sinton, we now look forward to a period of continuity.

SOUTH DOWNS FOLK SINGERS AT SULLINGTON

We were delighted to welcome back the 'South Downs Folk Singers' to St Mary's Church, Sullington for 'More Songs, Poems and Pints...', an evening of music and poetry. The 25-strong group of singers sang both traditional and new South Downs folk songs such as 'On Sussex Hills', 'Country Life' and so many more. They evoked memories of

a bygone Sussex life and were an absolute pleasure to listen to. The songs were interspersed with brilliantly read poems selected and read by members of the audience. Our thanks to Gail and Graham Kittle of Sullington Farm for the use of their recently and beautifully restored building - 'The Old Workshop' - which was used for the intermission drinks.



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)

QUIZ at Pulborough United Reformed Church in aid of the Church

Quizmasters: Stephen and Christine Turrell

Saturday 25 November
7pm for 7.30pm

Contact: Beverley Walsh (01798 873517) for further information



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.

THE SISTERS MEMORIAL FUND

Eileen Davies and Doreen Thompson

Here is an update on the memorial fund set up to provide a permanent reminder of the 40 years' service these remarkable ladies gave to our community.

Before I set up the fund, I spoke with Eileen's stepsons and explained what I wanted to do, and suggested the bench could go near the bus stop at the Southern Entrance of Abingworth Crescent, subject to the relevant permission from Oakford Homes. Permission has been granted.

I chose this site as it is where children catch the school bus, and the sisters loved all the children. Both stepsons were delighted and thought this was the obvious place. It will be visible from Little House where they grew up.

Thanks to so many of you generously contributing, and I am delighted to report that I have been able to place an order for an anti-vandal bench, and a memorial plaque. The bench has cast iron sides and mild steel slats, is maintenance free, and will last for at least 100 years. I have placed an order with Roger Watts of Country Crafts to lay a sand and cement slab so the bench can be bolted down. This will be laid in the next few weeks, and the delivery time for the bench is 5-6 weeks.

If all goes well we will see the bench some time in November.

Christine Hounslow

LIVES AT ST MARY'S THAKEHAM

This month we meet Cliff Purvis, a Sides-person within our Church community

Top Outing: This would be to the 5 Bells in West Chiltington - to meet there with a few friends and catch up on life is a great way to unwind with laughter and a drink.

Top book read in recent days: *Blue: A Memoir* by John Sutherland

Top Film: *Captain Phillips*, starring Tom Hanks, a true story and a really great film.

What brought you to live in Thakeham?

I began my working life at the apprentice college of the Royal Army Pay Corps at Worthy Down near Winchester at 16 years of age having wanted to be a soldier since I was a young boy. Three years later I transferred to the Royal Military Police ending my Army career 11 years later in Chichester at the training depot as a recruit Squad Instructor. I then joined Sussex Police serving in uniform, CID and various central service squads. In 1986 I met Allison for the first time and we became partners in 1994 and I moved to Cowfold to be with her living in a town house. Allison said, 'It would be nice to have a garden!' Having discussed the pros and cons we agreed to move to find one, and the hunt was on. Here in Thakeham, a year later, we found the house of our dreams, and the garden too - we have now been here eleven years.

Of the range of services at Thakeham which do you prefer?

The All Age Family Communion; I love having Christenings as part of the service, children running freely joining in with us - thoughtfulness in the simplicity of the prayers and the richness of the music group. I am also a lover of Christmas and all it entails: the Christmas Services and the carols (this year I will join the choir too - though everything will have to be sung in D flat!). Allison often says I pick a note and hang onto it for dear life no matter what the tune is doing.....

What life events in your work have been significant for you?

I have seen and experienced many demanding and traumatic events during my working life. I joined the police to protect democracy and the protection of the rights of the public to live at peace has been at the heart of all my endeavours, and means the most to me. Examples would be found in my work in Northern Ireland where, amongst other things, I worked for the (EOD) bomb disposal unit, operations in Belfast and many others whilst in the police, including a particularly long and complex operation against gun runners which culminated in a lengthy trial at the Old Bailey - seeing all the accused brought to justice convicted and sentenced.

At one time, I did some training with Social Services. This brought greater understanding and enlightenment to the way I conducted my work with families.

It made me realise the need to consider all family members. Although my primary focus remained apprehending an alleged offender, it made me aware of the tremendous work of Social Services working with families who are in turmoil.

Is there a hymn or song that has a special place in your heart?

Good King Wenceslas is my utmost favourite amongst many loved hymns - the story of the poor man gathering winter fuel, in his time of need being helped by the thoughtfulness of the King and his servant always warms my heart.

Finally, what is it about your journey of faith that keeps you walking the path?

My journey of faith is light-footed - not for the study of the faith I don't pretend to be well-read, but I try and live out Christianity in practical ways. Going to church is only a small part but important, like filling up at the petrol station of life. Whatever turmoil and anxiety, chaos or trouble we have dealt with in the week, at church we meet those who welcome us with genuine care and with a smile, it allows us to take time for moments for inner reflection and prayer - it is restorative, and a real energiser for me.



CELEBRATING HARVEST AT ST MARY'S CHURCH, THAKEHAM



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



ST MARY'S, THAKEHAM BELLRINGERS



Thakeham Bell ringers practice on a Wednesday night at St Mary's Church, Thakeham from 7.30pm to 9pm.

We have six bells in the tower and as an added interest we have just acquired a set of 10 hand bells.

If anyone would like more information about bell ringing, we would welcome you to our tower on practice night. Roger will take you up to the bell chamber to see the bells, and if you wish you can have a try at ringing.

The hand bells are also on display on practice night, and you can try these.

Bell ringing is excellent for your health; it's good for the heart, stretches the back, and opens the lungs, all without any physical effort. No strength is required so suitable for all ages.

We would love to see you and show you what we do so please do come along.

For more information telephone Roger Watts on 01798 813775 or Christine Hounslow on 01798 815993.

CHRISTMAS TREE FESTIVAL AT WARMINGHURST CHURCH

**Friday 8 December -
Sunday 10 December
10am - 4pm**

The biennial Christmas Tree Festival at Warminghurst Church has become a lovely celebration of the Christmas season. With the glorious display of trees decorated and sponsored by the community, the Friends' stall of goodies, raffle, refreshments, carols and music, the three day event is a wonderful way to join in with the Christmas spirit and visit a historic and beautiful Church.

Entrance is free.

Donations go to the Friends of Warminghurst Church and the Churches Conservation Trust towards the upkeep of the Church.

For more information on the Festival and how you can become involved either with sponsorship, decoration or to help the Friends group please contact Rachel Webster on 891312 or email info.fowc@gmail.com



THAKEHAM BELLRINGERS OUTING

On Friday 8 September, Thakeham Bellringers went on an outing which, for the first time, did not involve bellringing.

We have honorary members of our tower, who come regularly to our practice on a Wednesday night, to support us and help us to improve, and to learn new methods.

They also help out when we need extra ringers for weddings, and Church services.

One such honorary member is John Bentley, who is a tower member of St Mary's, Amberley. He has supported us for many years, week in, week out, come rain or shine, and we wished to say a thank you to him.

John is now retired but for all of his working life he was employed by British Rail in their Signalling and Telegraphic Department, and was primarily involved in designing and overseeing the installation of level crossings.

He therefore has a very keen interest in all things connected to railways. In order to say "Thank You" to him for his long term support, we organised a surprise trip for him, 10 of us in total. John was picked up at 4.30pm and taken on a mystery journey through the rolling countryside of East Sussex. We travelled on a round about route so that he couldn't guess our final destination. When we finally arrived at The Bluebell Railway, he was, to say the least, very excited. We had arranged for a fish and chip supper on board the train, whilst travelling to East Grinstead and back.

We all met up in the Bressemer Arms on the station, and then, after a welcome drink, John spent a long time, before we boarded, looking at the engine, looking at the signal box, looking at the tracks, and talking to the operatives. The first course of fish and chips was served on the outward journey, and the dessert and coffee on the return journey.

The experience was enjoyed by all, and we resolved to take a trip again in the Spring, when the Bluebells are in bloom, and have an afternoon tea on board the train. It was a wonderful way to spend an evening.

Thank you John

Christine Hounslow




HARVEST FESTIVAL AT ST MARY'S CHURCH, STORRINGTON



**ST MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS
RAFA CHAPEL SUSSEXDOWN**

**Communion with the residents
23 November 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

NEW!!!

Cafe in the Church

St Mary's Church Church Street, Storrington

**Wednesday 15 November
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**

**And perhaps join in with a
BEETLE DRIVE
With prizes**

NEXT MONTH
Wednesday 13 December
 (One week early)
 With Christmas songs
 by children from Storrington
 Primary School

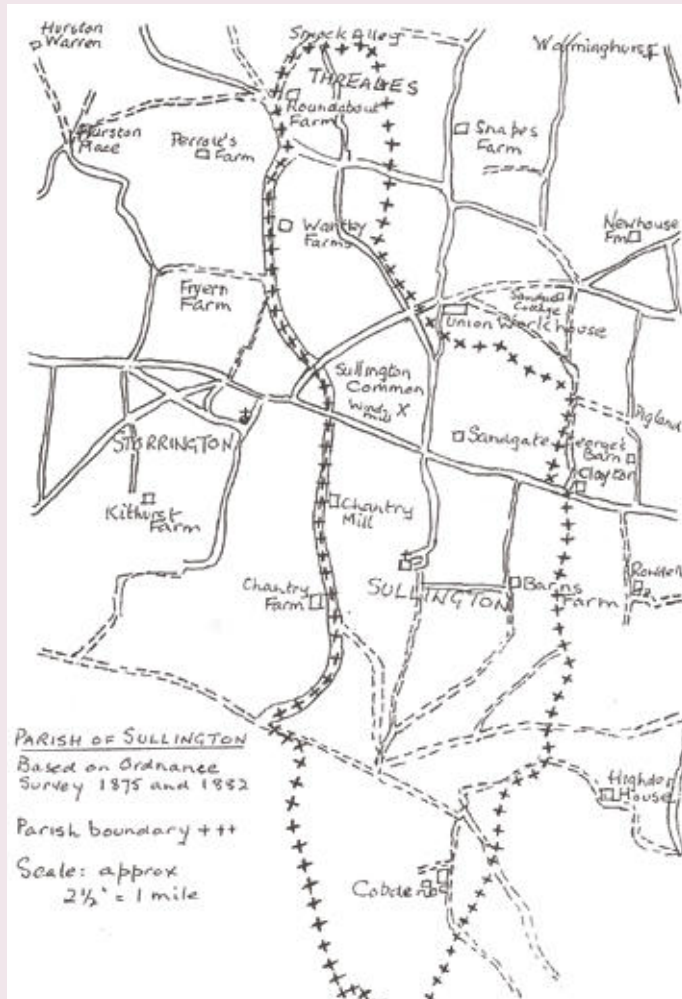




SULLINGTON 122 YEARS AGO EXTRACTS FROM CANON PALMER'S DIARY – NOVEMBER 1895

Canon Palmer was on holiday from 7 October until 23 December.

Therefore, I thought it might be helpful to include a map of Sullington Parish, reproduced by my husband in 1992, which is based on an Ordnance Survey of 1875 and 1882. You will have noted that Henry Palmer holds weekly services for people at each end of the parish, usually travelling on foot over the Downs to the hamlets of Cobden in the south and Threales in the north.



FRENCH MARKET IN STORRINGTON ON 30 SEPTEMBER



STORRINGTON FLOWER CLUB

OPEN EVENING
WITH
JACQUI ARNOLD
WINNER OF TWO PRESTIGIOUS GOLD MEDALS
AT CHELSEA

"T'is THE SEASON"

FRIDAY 3RD NOVEMBER 2017
7.30PM DOORS OPEN 6.45PM

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**TICKETS £12 CONTACT
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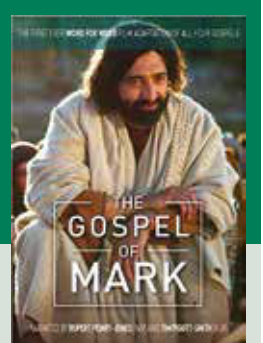
SUPPORTING ALDINGBOURNE TRUST

The Gospel of Mark Chichester Cathedral Saturday 25 November 7.15pm

The Gospel of Mark is an outstanding new film that is part of the Lumo Project, which has produced a film about each Gospel, with authentic locations and actors, to the highest production standards.

The screening will take place in the Nave of the Cathedral. Mark's Gospel is the 'Gospel of the Year' for the church year beginning a week later on Advent Sunday.

Tickets are £7.50 and can be bought in person or by telephone from The Novium Museum, Tower Street, Chichester (10am - 5pm daily, 10am - 4pm on Sundays) 01243 775888 or on-line www.chichestercathedral.org.uk



STORRINGTON PRIMARY SCHOOL



The whole school got together at the beginning of October for our Harvest Festival celebration. We were delighted that Reverend Kathryn Windslow could join us for our assembly and afterwards to judge the annual produce competition.

On the day, we asked children to bring in donations of non-perishable items and were so pleased to receive, literally, a car load of food and household items that we hope will benefit those in need via the Storrington Food Bank. Children and families could also enter the produce competition and we were delighted with the amazing art, cakes and vegetables that filled the hall that morning. Each year the entries get better and better which is wonderful but does make the judging very difficult!



This year our judges were Reverend Kathryn who was joined by Cheryl Brown, whose volunteering work is instilling a love and understanding of gardening to pupils throughout the school, and School Secretary, Ellie Bowers. After school, the cakes were sold, along with tea and coffee, to raise money for Starfish Malawi whose vision is a world where every child is educated, healthy and cared for. A big thank you to everyone who took part and who came along to support the after school event!



1ST STORRINGTON RAINBOWS AND 2ND STORRINGTON BROWNIES

We always like to take advantage while the evenings are light enough to play outdoors, and the Growing up Wild series of badges are ideal for programme ideas. The Rainbows were very eager to look for snails in the hall garden and squealed with delight as we tried to organise a snail race. The creatures were not very co-operative but we enjoyed watching them. They were all safely placed back under leaves when we thought they'd had enough.

We had a more successful evening when both units visited East Clayton Farm to see the donkeys. Everyone had the opportunity to groom the donkeys that were very well behaved, standing quite still while little hands stroked and brushed. After listening attentively to safety instructions (like never approach the animal from behind as he may kick you), we walked the donkeys around a large field with some Brownies being chosen to hold the leading rein for a while.

Brownies are also working towards their own choice of interest badges. Several have chosen the Agility badge, and again playing outdoors. It is likely that the syllabus has changed very little over the years, and I'm sure anyone who was a Brownie will remember having fun skipping and catching a ball to earn the badge.

Joan Parkes and Clare Worth



WE DISCOVER, WE GROW

Girlguiding

Girl guiding, the UK's leading charity for girls and young women, offers a hugely varied programme of events, activities and adventures for girls aged between 5 and 25.



STORRINGTON JUDO CLUB

Chanctonbury Leisure Centre RH20 4PG

TERM TIME:

Saturdays 10.30 – 11.30am Primaries (age 5-9) - £3 per week
Saturdays 11.30am – 1pm Juniors and Seniors age 10 and up - £4 per week
Thursdays 7 – 8.30pm Age 8 and over - £4 per week

✉ Storringtonjudoclub@gmail.com

🌐 storringtonjudoclub.co.uk

📞 Michael 07557 474246

Storrington Judo Club is a non-profit club



Rotary Film Night at Sullington Parish Hall



A true story of a life lost and found



Wednesday 8 November

The Story of a five-year-old Indian boy gets lost on the streets of Calcutta, thousands of kilometres from home. He survives many challenges before being adopted by a couple in Australia. 25 years later, he sets out to find his lost family.

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.

For help with transport please contact
Marion Emery on 01903 813014

For further details please contact Ken Collins on 01903 740745.

Rotary Club of Storrington & Pulborough District

On Tuesday 12 December, the film will be the award winning *Dunkirk*.



STORRINGTON DECORATIVE AND FINE ARTS SOCIETY

The October lecture was Theatrical Personalities of the 20th Century: Evans, Gielgud, Richardson, Olivier and Ashcroft. In the two decades before the Great War of 1914-18 a group of children were born who, arguably, became the greatest generation of actors the United Kingdom has ever seen. Using paintings by artists such as Sickert and photographic images from the cameras of Beaton and Snowdon, amongst others, the careers of these actors were traced and their influence on the major actors of today including Judi Dench, Maggie Smith, Derek Jacobi, Ian McKellen and Simon Russell Beale.

NEXT LECTURE

Wednesday, 1 November from 2.30pm to 3.30pm.

The Queen of Sheba: Empress or Enigma? The lecturer is Christopher Bradley and the event will take place in the West Chilington Village Hall. Attendance is free to members and guests. The latter are asked to make a donation of £5.

SPECIAL INTEREST DAY:

East meets West – Japan's artistic encounters with Europe.

It will take place on Monday 20 November commencing at 10am for 10.30am. The lecturer is Marie Therese Barrett. A light lunch will be included in the price of £30 per person.

For further information please contact the
Programme Secretary, Linda Hannaford on 01798 813127
or by email: lhannaford2@gmail.com

For information about the Storrington DFAS please contact
the Membership Secretary, Pam Hopper on 01978 813693
or by email: colinhopper412@hotmail.com

Toddlerific

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Fridays ... 9.30 – 11.00am (Term time)

Trinity Methodist Church, Thakeham Rd, Storrington

Cost: £2.50 per family



Toddler Crafts



**Teas,
coffees
and healthy
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Email: admin@splashschools.org.uk

www.splashschools.org.uk

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CHURCH SERVICES AT A GLANCE

DATE	FESTIVAL OR SUNDAY	STORRINGTON St Mary's	THAKEHAM St Mary's	SULLINGTON St Mary's
5 November	All Saints' Day 4 th before Advent	8.00 Holy Communion (said) 10.00 Family Communion 6.00 Service of Light, Hope and Remembrance	10.30 Joint All-age Family Communion (with Sullington)	8.00 Holy Communion with Thakeham
12 November	REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY 3 rd before Advent	8.00 Holy Communion (said) 10.00 Parish Communion + Footsteps 2.55 Service of Remembrance – see p.6	9.30 Remembrance Day Service	8.00 Holy Communion (with Thakeham) 11.30 Remembrance Day Service
19 November	2nd before Advent	8.00 Holy Communion (said) 10.00 Parish Communion + Footsteps 4.00 Church@4 6.00 Evensong		10.30 Family Communion (with Thakeham)
26 November	SUNDAY NEXT BEFORE ADVENT <i>Christ the King</i>	8.00 Holy Communion (said) 10.00 Parish Communion + Footsteps 6.00 Evensong	9.30 Family Communion	11.30 Family Communion
3 December	ADVENT SUNDAY	8.00 Holy Communion (said) 10.00 FC Children's Gift Service 6.00 Advent Service	10.30 Joint all-age Christingle Service (with Sullington)	8.00 Holy Communion with Thakeham 6.00 Advent Reflection

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

Our Lady of England, Monastery Lane

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

Daily Mass: Monday – Friday 9am.

For other midweek services, confessions etc., please contact

Parish Priest: Fr Charles Howell
2 St. John's, Fern Road, Storrington RH20 4LW
Tel: 740338

STORRINGTON CHAPEL

North Street

Sunday Services 10.30am, 6.30pm

Church Elder: Graham Thrussell

Tel: 01243 545737

COMMUNITY CHURCH

at Rydon Community College

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

1pm on second Sunday in the month (except August)

at the Old School, School Lane, Storrington, for those who would like to join us for friendship and food.

Tickets (£4.00) are available from:

Louisa Austin, Church Street, Storrington



STORRINGTON POP-IN LUNCH CLUB

Storrington Village Hall –

First Thursday of each month

COFFEE served from 10.30am

LUNCH available: £3.00 12 noon – 1pm

(Soup, Ploughman's and home-made puddings)

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

NOVEMBER	
Wed 1	ALL SAINTS' DAY
10am	St Barnabas Outreach – Library Car Park – p27
2.30pm	SDFAS – Lecture – p17
Thu 2	All Souls' Day (Commemoration of the Faithful Departed)
10.30am	Pop-In Lunch Club – p18
2pm	West Chiltington & Storrington MU – Meeting – p24
	Fryern Ladies Probus – Meeting – p28
7.30pm	Storrington Camera Club – Meeting – p34
Fri 3	
7.30pm	Storrington Flower Club – Open Evening – p15
Sat 4	
10am	Storrington Conservation Society – Working Party – p27
7pm	Sullington Church Race Night – p5
Sun 5	All Saints' Sunday / 4th before Advent
Mon 6	
7.30pm	Storrington Museum Talk – p22
8.30pm	Church in the Pub – p4
Tue 7	
10am	Inter-Church prayers - RC Church (side-chapel) – p9
2pm	SPACE – Art & Craft Club – p32
Wed 8	
10am	Wild Fortune Quiet Garden – p5
7.30pm	Rotary Film Night – <i>Lion</i> – p17
Thu 9	
7pm	Bingo - Mary How Trust – p23
Sat 11	
10am	Sandgate Conservation Society – Working Party – p23
2pm	Wedding at St Mary's, Storrington: Thomas Hedley and Lénia do Carmo Guerreiro
Sun 12	REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY / 3rd before Advent
1pm	Sunday Lunch Club – p18
2.55pm	Civic Service of Remembrance – St Mary's, Storrington – p6
Mon 13	
7.30pm	Thakeham Gardeners' Club – Meeting – p27
Wed 15	
10am	Café in the Church – p14
7.30pm	Sullington Windmills WI – Annual Meeting – p28
Thu 16	
2pm	Storrington Conservation Society – Working Party – p27
7.30pm	Storrington Camera Club – Meeting – p34
Fri 17	
12noon	FSW Lunch – p5
7.30pm	Storrington Horticultural Society – Talk – p21
Sat 18	
10am	Storrington Museum Pro-Am Art Exhibition – p22
Sun 19	2nd Sunday before Advent
10am	Storrington Museum Pro-Am Art Exhibition – p22
4pm	Church@4 at St Mary's, Storrington – p9
Mon 20	
10am	SDFAS – Special Interest Day – p17
Tue 21	
2pm	SPACE – Art & Craft Club – p32
2pm	Knit and Stitch Tea – Thakeham Church Rooms – p4

Wed 22	
2pm	Storrington Flower Club – p23
7.30pm	Sandgate Conservation Society – Talk – p23
Thu 23	
11.30am	Holy Communion – Sussexdown Chapel – p14
Sat 25	
10am	Sandgate Conservation Society – Working Party – p23
2pm	Sullington Church Christmas Fayre – p5
7pm	Pulborough United Reformed Church Quiz – p10
7.15pm	Chichester Cathedral Film – <i>The Gospel of Mark</i> – p15
Sun 26	Sunday Next Before Advent Christ the King
Tue 28	
7.30pm	Mary How Trust Film Society – <i>Churchill</i> – p24
Thu 30	
7.30pm	Storrington Camera Club – Meeting – p34

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

SAINTS AND SPECIAL DAYS

NOVEMBER	
Wed 1	ALL SAINTS' DAY
Thu 2	All Souls' Day (Commemoration of the Faithful Departed)
Fri 3	Richard Hooker, 1600 , Anglican priest and theologian <i>Martin of Porres, 1639</i> , renowned for work with the poor
Mon 6	Leonard, 6th century William Temple, 1944 , Archbishop of York and Canterbury
Tue 7	Willibrord of York, 739 , Apostle of the Benelux countries
Thu 9	Margery Kempe, c.1440 , wrote first autobiography about her pilgrimages
Fri 10	Leo the Great, 46 , secured unity of Western church under papal supremacy
Sat 11	Martin of Tours, c.397 , Christian saint – famous story of cutting his cloak
Mon 13	Charles Simeon, 1836 , founder of Church Missionary Society
Tue 14	Samuel Seabury, 1796 , first bishop of Episcopal Church in USA
Thu 16	Margaret, Queen of Scotland, 1093 , saint, recognised for her work with charity and religious reform Edmund Rich of Abingdon, 1240 , Archbishop of Canterbury, university colleges named after him
Fri 17	Hugh of Lincoln, 1200 , Bishop, patron saint of sick children and swans
Sat 18	Elizabeth of Hungary, 1231 , devoted her short life to poor and sick
Sun 19	Hilda, 680 , important in conversion of England to Christianity Mechtild, 1280
Mon 20	Edmund, 870 <i>Priscilla Lydia Sellon, 1876</i> , founded Society of the Most Holy Trinity
Wed 22	Cecilia, c.230 , patron saint of music
Thu 23	Clement, Bishop of Rome, c.100 , considered first Apostolic Father of the Church
Sat 25	Catherine of Alexandria, 1748 , martyr, the firework, Catherine Wheel, is named after her
Thu 30	ST. ANDREW THE APOSTLE, Patron of Scotland

STORRINGTON & SULLINGTON – REFLECTIONS OF THE PAST

TROUBLE AT HURSTON – PART 2

The Hurston disputes

On 11 February 1847, a court took evidence from James Searle of Cootham, then aged about 70 years old, told John Battcock that he worked for 29 years on Hurston Farm. When he first went to work on the farm in 1813, on thereabout, when Thomas Hayward took the farm and was master, he worked for him six years. He did not know Mr Hayward had any right to turn out any stock of any kind on Bog Common. He did not recollect Mr Hayward turned out any stock of any sort during the time he worked for him. After Hayward left, Mr Emery took the farm and had since worked for him for about 23 years.



This was witnessed by James Searle and John Battcock. On 11 Feb 1847, a further elderly farm labourer gave evidence. Richard Gilbert of Hurston went to work 70 years ago for John Saker James and worked for him until he left the farm and went to Hurston Street farm to live.

Richard Gilbert says he never understood any right to turn out any stock on Bog Common. Richard Gilbert says that John Saker had a house and croft at Hurston Street and they lived at the cottage, cut furze and heath on Bog Common, but no more than they could carry away on their backs. Master Ives was a tenant of the Manor of Storrington and would not let them carry away with a cart as he said they would be carrying it on another manor. The said Richard Gilbert lived with Henry Baker, farmer at Hurston Farm and worked for him 3 or 4 years and he never knew him turn out stock of any sort on Bog Common. Richard Gilbert worked for Mr Sam Heather, farmer, at Hurston Farm and also for Mr Hersea the whole time they had the said farm. Richard Gilbert says they did not make a practice of turning out stock during their time they had the farm on Bog Common. Richard Gilbert also worked for the Mr Hayward at Hurston Farm the whole time he lived there and he never knew him turn out any stock on Bog Common during the whole time he was at Hurston Farm. Richard Gilbert says he recollects a circumstance happening more than 50 years previously when a person of the name of William Smith was miller and foreman for a Mr Joseph Coote, who used Hurston Mill. At that time the said William Smith turned out his horses on Bog Common and Master Ives threatened to impound them if he turned them out any more. When he took no notice of what was said, Master Ives caught them on the Common again when Master Ives was driving them to the Manor pound. William Smith heard of it and went and overtook Master Ives and their horses and took them away and William Smith horse-whipped Master Ives for trying to impound his horses, for which Master Ives brought him to justice and had a trial with him at East Grinstead Assizes and gained the trial and made Smith pay a good deal of money.



Richard Mills went to live at Hurston Farm in the year 1813 with the Hayward farmer and Richard lived at Hurston for three years in constant employ on the farm and he says Mr Hayward did turn out sheep on Bog Common, but Master Ives made a complaint about his turning out his sheep on the Common.

Trouble at Hurston Mill did not end with the enclosures. This time it was Mr Emery at Hurston Mill at the centre of it, claiming that the lane leading to the Mill was a parish road and not private and the parish should pay for maintaining it. The vestry disagreed and said it was not a road, but merely a path needed for his Emery's and waggons and business. The dispute became very acrimonious and

no agreement could be reached. It went as far as the Spring Assizes at Brighton on 19 March 1875 before a Mr Justice Denman and a special jury to hear the case of *Regina v Storrington*. Mr Day QC and Mr Merrifield were instructed by Mr Edwards for the prosecution and Mr Sgt Parry and Mr Lumley Smith instructed by Mr Mant for the defendants. (Note from Joan Ham: *The first day's proceedings I transcribed and later typed takes up 96 pages of A4!*). The hearing was adjourned to the next day. After hearing the prosecution's case, with Mr Merrifield questioned and cross-questioned with the plans of the disputed 'road' before the court, and asked about the kind of traffic on it, he was pressed to describe the traffic, he said "People on horseback, horses, wagons, carts, carriages, Millers' Carts, Doctors, Butchers, Drapers and Grocers". Cross-examined, he asked "I suppose there is a Doctor here to prove that, is there? Do you know the name of the Doctor who you are going to call to say that he has travelled on the road?"

Reply: "I do not know the witnesses who are going to be called" And so it went on, - how many doctors, drapers, butchers etc.



Mr Emery claimed in his evidence that no repairs had been done to the 'soft' road since 1865. Repairs to such roads consisted of throwing 'sides to middle' to fill ruts and cart tracks.

Then came the agricultural workers, who must have had an enjoyable day out being transported to Brighton. These were Henry Lillywhite, aged 63, employed for 24 years, William Charman, 83 last Christmas, who had lived at Hurston all his life but who could not recall when the Turnpike road to Pulborough was made, William Lillywhite in his 77th year, William Jackson, shepherd aged 62, Isaac Elliot, a carter, George Cooper, 58, James House, land surveyor, 48, Charles Evans, foreman, 59, Francis Haveford, shepherd from 1851-1867 and now Lord Egremont's Bailiff, drovers, farmers, shepherds, a wheelwright, William Greenfield, a labourer 69 years old, roadmen, a miller.

Testimony from Samuel John Reed, aged 43, was a farm Bailiff with William Heath at that time (1858), was a way warden who repaired the Warren Road, charged the cost to the Vestry, but not Hurston Lane 'the other road'. A great deal of inconsequential questions and answers followed about road use, whether the usage was just to Mr Emery, or general, what waggons used it, and whether they were full or empty, and 70 year old Benjamin Lovatt was asked, cross-examined and re-examined, on whether he had ever ploughed across it when it was a 'green track'.

The Vestry Books were offered as evidence of the Parish repairing the road in 1865 but this was disputed. There was a great deal of argument as to what and was not evidence. Another problem was that Mr Day found reference to 21 gates across the road and questions were asked about their position. Even the proposed railway was mentioned and the question of a bridge to carry it over the public or private road. After much discussion as to what would be put in evidence, the prosecution case ended and the defendant's case was adjourned until the next day.

In 1876, a select committee of the House of Commons directed trustees of the Storrington and Wiston Turnpike to do no repairs after 1 November 1876 and the parish would be required to repair that part of the turnpike within their borders.

Roads became the responsibility of the new County Council in 1889.

Joan Ham (Village Historian)
Ron.ham@talktalk.net



STORRINGTON HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

There are shopaholics, chocoholics, alcoholics and now a plantaholic. Dr Gillian Regan gave a fascinating insight to her own plantaholic's garden that she has loved and maintained for over 30 years.

Dr Regan is a member of HPS and a very keen gardener and together with her husband, Peter, travels the world studying plant growth in the wild and now has a very well-stocked garden which is open for the NGS.

Her objective is having a riot of plants growing together with no neat edges or formal beds but a very wide range of unusual and interesting plants, together with trees and shrubs chosen for year round appeal. Bulbs and woodland plants are a special interest as well as collecting many seeds as possible.

The colourful illustrations showing her garden made a very interesting evening.

On **17 November** is the AGM, followed by an illustrated talk given by Ian Everest on "The Woman's Land Army".

More details can be found on web site www.storringtonhorti.org.uk

Sheila Webber

It's Panto time! Oh yes it is!

Storrington Dramatic Society are proud to present

DICK WHITTINGTON



6 – 9 December
Sullington Parish Hall

Wednesday and Thursday 7pm
Friday 7.30pm
Saturday 2.30pm and 7.45pm

Adults £9 children £5

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CHICHESTER CATHEDRAL FREE LUNCH TIME CONCERTS

NOVEMBER

Tuesday 7 The Jenkinson Ensemble featuring:
Rachel Fryer (*piano*),
Maeve Jenkinson (*violin*),
Miranda Davis (*viola*), Kate Mumford (*cello*)

Tuesday 14 Charles Harrison (*organ*)

Tuesday 21 Ben Lathbury (*piano*)

Free entry. All are welcome

Note: these will be the last concerts until 2018

For full details of programmes see
www.chichestercathedral.org.uk



SOC Storrington Camera Club

TRAVEL NOT ALWAYS REQUIRED

Our recent guest speaker Richard Peters gave an insightful and entertaining presentation on how his photography has evolved since first picking up a camera nearly 20 years ago.



Whilst Richard travels and takes iconic wildlife images from around the world, he also showed how just stepping outside or just sitting at your back door can be rewarding. You don't always have to travel to take an award-winning image. His award-winning image 'Shadow Walker', that won him both Wildlife Photographer of the Year and then European Wildlife Photographer of the Year was taken in what he calls his 'Back Garden Safari' in Surrey!



Richard then discussed how his images have changed over time by showing not only his more recent images but also those taken much earlier when he started. He often returns to the same location years later to take another image using a different perspective and style that he has now developed.

As Richard says, "Simply put, human nature dictates that when something is different, it becomes exciting. Sadly, the ideals of needing to photograph the exotic can be all-consuming and make it is easy to forget a simple truth, that all wildlife is exotic to someone, somewhere in the world."

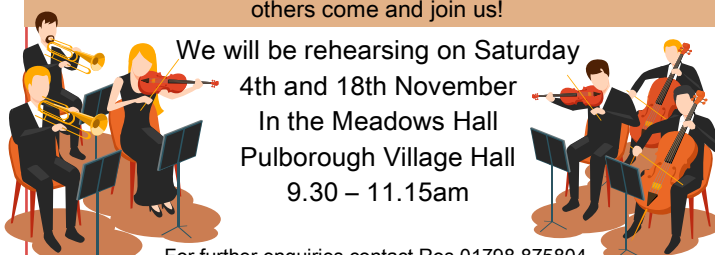
We are now looking forward to our next guest speaker, Astrid McGechan 'Landscape Photography with a Difference' on **4th November** - "photography is not only about what my eyes can see. It is what my soul can see and what I feel in response to the vision my eyes create. I aim to capture the emotional response to what I see and try to recreate it for the viewer through the photograph."

Kevin Harwood

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STORRINGTON & DISTRICT MUSEUM

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Saturday and Sunday, 18 and 19 November, will see the 8th Annual Pro-Am Art Show and Sale. It will be open from 10am to 4pm with home-made refreshments available on both days. This event is always popular and is well worth a visit because there are some really talented artists in our area who will be exhibiting their work. Also, you might find the perfect Christmas present here!

On **Monday, 4 December**, the talk will be given by Richard Draycott on "The Surrey, Sussex and Kent Air Ambulance", which promises to be an interesting behind the scenes glimpse of a remarkable service.

Our current exhibition, "Round and About", is all about the district which surrounds Storrington, from Bury in the west over to the A24 and Ashington and Washington in the east. It is a wide area, with a history from pre-Roman times, but the Museum holds very few artefacts with which to fire visitors' imaginations. However we have unearthed (literally) an iron man from a Thakeham garden and we have crockery from The Frankland Arms, and a pot made by Reginald Fairfax Wells of West Chiltington.

Our area is full of extraordinary people, some nationally famous like Cicely Mary Barker, Francis Thompson, A. J. Cronin, and John Galsworthy, but there are others, equally interesting, whom we have scarcely heard of, such as Mr. Jose Weiss, the designer of the craft which made the first recorded manned glider flight in 1909 from Amberley Mount. There are stories about Queen Elizabeth I which can probably never be proved. We have paintings, postcards, and photos. If you have any interest in our area's history and stories you really should visit this little exhibition and then tell us your story about the area!

It is difficult to do justice in a review like this to the talk Julian Hoad presented on 2 October. Julian has a unique style, turning what threatened to be a rather dry talk into one that was both funny (with awful puns) and deadly serious. First, we were given an explanation: fungi are not animals, obviously, nor are they plants. They have a different reproductive system and a different composition, their cell walls not being made of cellulose but of chitin, like insects. They do not make chlorophyll, like plants, but are parasitic or saprophytic, depending on dead or decaying material for food.

What we think of as fungi – toadstools and mushrooms – are 'icebergs' in that most of their 'body' is underground and made of filaments. What we see is just the fruiting cap which produces the reproductive spores. Many fungi do not look like mushrooms. The family includes yeasts, moulds, mildews and toadstools. They have many uses (besides being houses for pixies) in food production and in drugs and pest controls. A great deal of research is being carried out on their potential uses in the pharmaceutical industry and in reforestation.

Many people go foraging for fungi, but, as in most pursuits, there are RULES, whether you want to eat them or just find them. It is illegal to collect fungi commercially. You need the landowner's permission or you might be trespassing. You must not collect where an SSSI is in place, nor in national nature reserves. When hunting for edible fungi you need the rules even more and you need either a good identification book or a very knowledgeable friend to advise you. There are hundreds of edible fungi and very few lethal ones BUT each lethal one has many cousins that look almost identical and you need to know which is which. Even if one person can eat and not be

poisoned, it does not mean that someone else will fare the same. Some people are gluten intolerant and some are fungi intolerant. Mushrooms are not good food for people on certain drugs or for people who have problems with their kidneys. Some mushrooms must be cooked, and most must be eaten fresh, although some may be dried.

All through his talk Julian emphasised the dangers and the need to follow the rules and not take risks. His final words were "If in doubt, don't" - most emphatically.

Mary Wilson

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STORRINGTON FLOWER CLUB



Our chairman, Chris Desmond, welcomed members and visitors to the September meeting. She spoke about the workshop that would be taking place in the Old School in Storrington on Saturday 14 October, with a good number interested in attending. Graham King would be our tutor for the day. Chris mentioned our Members' Day which will be held at Clair Hall, Haywards Heath on **Monday 6 November**.



Chris then introduced our demonstrator for the afternoon, Katie Baxter, who had travelled from Ringwood.

Katie's theme for the afternoon was the Joy of Flowers. She explained that she trained as a florist and has had a great deal of experience with her flowers. She said that she learnt the art of foraging which helped to widen her experience. Katie went on to design five displays, each one very different using a wide variety of wonderful foliage and flowers. Her demonstration was most informative, passing on tips for flower arranging. Anne Beasley gave a vote of thanks and said how much she had enjoyed the demonstration.



The competition for September was Wine and Roses and the competition table looked most attractive with entries in each three categories.

We look forward to our Open Evening on **Friday 3 November**. This year our demonstrator is Jacqui Arnold, a Chelsea Gold Medal winner.

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. Refreshments, chats and a pleasant and informative afternoon.

Sara Harden



SANDGATE CONSERVATION SOCIETY

Into November, when the weather can be on the cool side, although we don't seem to experience frosty morning as we use to. No doubt having said that we are bound to get some!

Plenty of invigorating work to be found on both Sullington Warren and Sandgate Park, so why not join us; don't be shy now as we are a friendly group, who care for these areas of outstanding natural beauty.

Note also that we organise carefully selected talks and presentations throughout the winter months till the end of April, excluding December and January. These events are held in the Sullington Village Hall on the fourth Wednesday, commencing at 7.30pm.

This month's speaker on **Wednesday, 22 November**, will be Mark Saunders, head gardener at Fittleworth House, where he will be taking us through 'A Head Gardener's Year'.

The work parties meet at Sullington Warren on the second Saturday of each month and in Sandgate Park on the fourth Saturday of the month, at 10am till noon.

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.

Brian Barne



BRIDGE EVERY DAY

There are no less than six duplicate Bridge Clubs in the Storrington, Thakeham and Pulborough area and they provide an opportunity to play every weekday. The clubs are quite small and are ready to welcome newcomers to the area or to help those who enjoy social rubber Bridge to experience the duplicate version of the game.

Thakeham and Pulborough Clubs are ready to help those with some experience of Bridge by arranging a discussion and play session on duplicate. If you are interested please contact Harold Linfield (01798 812276) or Tom Garside (01403 782814).

If you are new to the game then we can put you in contact with experienced local teachers. Bridge, like all games, is competitive but the Clubs provide a welcome and friendly atmosphere. You can keep your mind active but at the same time enjoy meeting new people and making friends.

	MONDAYS 9.30AM	
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Football Pavilion, Leisure Centre, Storrington RH20 4PG <i>Partner guaranteed</i> Bob Whiting 01403 711707		
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Storrington Bridge Club		
Old School, School Lane, Storrington RH20 4LL Caroline Smith 01903 743255		
	TUESDAYS 7.10PM	
Thakeham Bridge Club		
Thakeham Village Hall, RH20 3EJ. (01798 815467) Harold Linfield 01798 812276		
	WEDNESDAYS 7.15PM	
Storrington Bridge Club For Fun Group		
Football Pavilion, Leisure Centre, Storrington RH20 4PG <i>Partner guaranteed</i> Don or Doreen Cork 01403 782516		
	THURSDAYS 2.00PM	
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Pulborough Bridge Club		
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	FRIDAYS 1.10PM	
Thakeham Bridge Club		
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STORRINGTON FLOWER CLUB

Wednesday 22 November at 2pm

Sullington Parish Hall

Demonstrator: Ann-Maree Dicker

Theme: The Night Before Xmas

Competition: Candle-D-Light





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WEST CHILTINGTON AND STORRINGTON MOTHERS' UNION

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Members were shocked and saddened to hear the news of the deaths of Joy Dunk and John and Maureen Jewell.

Joy came to our Branch from Willingdon and although not in the best of health, enjoyed coming to meetings when able and was always interested to know about MU.

Maureen had been our Branch Leader from 2002 to 2005 and when Committee meetings were held in their home, John would make us home-made soup for lunch or cakes for afternoon tea. Latterly, a combination of caring for John and her own ill health meant Maureen was unable to get to meetings, but both of them continued to support MU.

We shall remember them all with affection.

On 10 September, Sonia Fox, with Jean and Ray Hunt, attended the opening of the MU Branch at Selsey. This was a joyful occasion with Diocesan President and Treasurer, Kathryn and Andy Anderson, in attendance, and also Andy's mother. Selsey chose this day to re-open as it would have been the birthday of a former member whose daughter is one of the new members. After the service, we all enjoyed a finger buffet lunch provided by Selsey Branch.

At our meeting on 5 October, Jessica Jacob, a watercolour restorer, gave us a fascinating insight into how she is able to restore and conserve damaged watercolour paintings. Her knowledge of techniques was learnt from working with her father. There are few people these days who have this skill, and Jessica holds the secrets in her head, not written down in books. We saw samples of paintings she had restored both before and after treatment, removing brown marks and water damage. One project Jessica tackled was restoring 300 Victorian posters from Horsham Museum at a rate of 30 a month. Clearly, this was a labour of love as this is more of a hobby to her than a business. Jessica's talent has given watercolours a new lease of life and brought much joy to their owners.

We look forward to a tranquil afternoon on **2 November** when Sue Hyland will be providing Remembrance in Music. Visitors are very welcome to join us at West Chiltington Church Hall at 2pm.

Jean Hunt

CRICKET IN STORRINGTON

League Awards

The West Sussex Invitation Cricket League Dinner on Friday 7 October was attended by Steve Watkins, Club Chairman, Ian Homewood, Club Captain, Colin Harrison, Andy Livermore, and Simon Haggart. On behalf of our team, Ian received the Division 6 Champions award. The Club, incredibly, also finished the season with the best win ratio out of all 110 teams taking part in the League this year. Ian himself received the award for the highest scoring batsman in Division 6, and Andy Livermore received the top wicket taker's award in the Division.



Skipper Ian Homewood on the right with Division 6 Champions Cup and his top batsman award; Andy Livermore on the left with his top bowler award, with guest speaker and presenter Gladstone Small, former England fast bowler.

The Club was also honoured to have two of its members nominated for the NatWest Outstanding Service to Cricket Awards (OSCA's) under the auspices of the Sussex Cricket Foundation. Martin Fisher, our Cygnets' manager, was nominated in the Heartbeat of the Club category, and Colin Harrison, who celebrated 50 playing years with the Club earlier in the season, was nominated in the Lifetime Achiever category. Martin and Colin, along with nearly one hundred other nominees attended a function at the County Ground one evening in September.

Congratulations to Jamie Fisher, son of our Cygnets manager, for successfully completing arduous trials to become a "Western Warrior", in the District Team squad of the best 20 Under 11 cricketers in West Sussex. Jamie will be taking part in weekly winter training sessions run by the Sussex Foundation professional cricket coaches. Another Cygnet, Ed Coutts, also made the final selection process and came away with glowing praise for his performance in the trials. Following this significant breakthrough for the Club at junior level, we are aspiring to more recognition at District level as the Cygnets grow in numbers and stature. For further information about the Cygnets, their manager Martin Fisher can be contacted on 07850 416886.

The Cygnets have commenced fortnightly indoor practice and coaching in the Leisure

Centre with the new acquired bowling machine providing added experiences for batsmen. Fund raising for the Cygnets' outdoor two lane net, which we hope to install in 2018, is gathering momentum. We need to raise no less than £40k, which means that a number of different sources are having to be approached for grants and donations.

Chris Winter





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Tuesday 28 November

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STORRINGTON CONSERVATION SOCIETY

Congratulations to St Mary's Storrington for gaining the Churchyard Gold Award from the Storrington In Bloom Competition. Well done to all whose efforts were so appropriately rewarded in providing a fine setting for our heritage building. Happily, churchyards can also be used for conservation. St Mary's also achieves this by setting aside an area as a haven for wildlife, again well done. Intensive farming and building development have considerably reduced such spaces. Churches help to redress the balance, such as that at Wiggonholt, where all the churchyard is given over to conservation, so from spring and throughout summer, lovely wild flowers and various grasses may be seen, to the benefit of small animals, birds and bees. It may look uncared for – not true. In the autumn, after the flowers and grasses have seeded, they are cut down ready for new growth next year.

Our work party met on Saturday 7 October at Fryern Dell, continuing managing and restoring the woodland. Our next one is on **Saturday 4 November** at 10am, again at Fryern Dell. For those who wish to give more time, the morning work can be extended to 3pm. For details of the Thursday work party on **16 November** at 2pm, please refer to our website nearer the time. It is good to see enthusiasm for caring for invaluable sites cheerfully continuing. It is an enjoyable occupation open to all. We hope others will enjoy the results.

For information about this and all our activities, or becoming a member, please get in touch with Mick Denness on 01903 745971, or look on our website www.storringtonconservation.org.uk.

Stuart Kersley



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THAKEHAM GARDENERS' CLUB

Thomas Stone was our guest speaker at the September meeting and he spoke about his love of perennial geraniums. He finds garden merit in all of them and said how beautiful he finds the flowers. Most are very hardy and stay out all year but one or two, for example 'Mavis Simpson', don't always over winter. Some are very small, such as Cantabrigiense, whilst others will make a 2' wide clump. Asphodeloides is evergreen, blue Wlassovianum is happy on wet clay soils and Himalayense, also blue, is impossible to kill. The foliage of Macrorrhizum varieties have a fresh apple scent We were showed slides of all these and many more varieties.



Psilostemon

Our next meeting is **13 November** when Barry Newman's subject will be Vegetable Growing Techniques, ideas and advice. There will not be a Club competition this month but subs for the coming year will be due.



Ann Folkard

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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The President Russ Fry, opened the September meeting by warmly welcoming all members, a special welcome extended to two visitors, brought along by one of our younger members; it is so encouraging to have even more younger ladies at the meeting and hope they will be able to bring their ideas and opinions to the group. The President said it was a pleasure to welcome back the five members who had not been able to attend meetings recently due to various health problems.

Following the President's, Treasurer's and Secretary's reports, the Welfare officer gave her report. Theresa has been kept busy of late, visiting members who were unwell, but reported there were at present only two members with health problems. This was followed by Jenny giving details of the next organised monthly walk. Finally, Ada gave information about the weekly craft group.

After the business side of the evening, the Speaker for the evening, Linda Mills, was introduced, Linda Mills, her talk entitled "Willow from Start to Finish". Linda explained the history of weaving willow which dates back to the 1st century. Churches at Glastonbury and Iona had parts built out of willow, also a church at Islington had a spire built from willow in 1785 at a cost of £20. Many photographs were passed around members showing items made from willow, such as prams, bath chairs baskets, and the Post Office sorting offices wicker baskets which were used in abundance. The one item that brought back most memories for members was the wicker basket on the scales used for weighing babies. Linda continued her talk by giving details of the process for obtaining different colours of wicker. She had also brought along many of the items she had made and these were available for members to purchase. Erika Brichta gave the vote of thanks.

The social part of the evening followed the refreshments, this month it was given over to Marita Watteau. Marita is a WI County Advisor and a member of Sullington Windmills, and she had agreed to answer questions regarding the WI which had been put forward by members. Marita's knowledge of the WI was apparent as she answered all the questions in detail and to the satisfaction of members. The President closed the meeting by reminding members that the October Meeting will be the 48th Birthday of Sullington Windmills, and there will be entertainment provided by members.

The November meeting will be the Annual Meeting. New members and visitors are always most welcome; we meet at Sullington Parish Hall on the 3rd Wednesday of each month (2nd Wednesday December) at 7.30pm. Should you require more information, please contact Pat Snape on 01798 817389.

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FRYERN LADIES PROBUS



The October lunch is always the Annual Invitational Luncheon and the lady members are encouraged to invite one guest. As usual this lunch was held at The West Sussex Golf Club and, after the welcoming drinks around the bar, the Dining Room filled to capacity with eager diners keen to partake of the usual excellence of the venue.



Certainly this proved true and three delicious courses later (not altogether helped by a few visits to the Desserts counter), followed by coffee and mints, suggested a quiet siesta later on in the day.

Distinctive, elaborate, autumnal, floral centre pieces decked all of the tables, and these were won by one lucky member on each of the tables. Thanks should be given to their creator Gaenor Circus who is a well-known local flower arranger and speaker and, who has in the past, kindly spoken – free of charge - at one of our earlier foundation meetings when we were low in funds and trying to establish ourselves.

Thanks to the staff at the West Sussex Golf Club for good, cordial service and in particular to bar tender Sean who took many photographs of the occasion.

Next month we shall return to our usual date being **Thursday 2 November** and regular venue of The Roundabout Hotel, West Chiltington. Our Speaker will be local resident Paul Fritche who will be expanding on his professional expertise of Physiotherapy. We shall all look forward to welcoming him.

Russ Fry

STORRINGTON COMMUNITY MARKET
Village Hall, opposite Stable Antiques

Open Friday 3, 10, 17, 24
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Please come along and support your Local Community Market selling delicious home-made cakes and savouries, jams and marmalades, eggs, local free range pork, mushrooms & vegetables, plants, flowers & perennials. Also a wide range of handicrafts, cards & jewellery and Aloe Vera skincare and health products. Stop for a coffee or tea and cake and browse our second hand book stall.

All are welcome and we look forward to seeing you, especially if you are new to the village, it's a great way to meet people!

ADVANCE WARNING!
Christmas Market
Friday 15 December.
Lots of Christmas gift ideas
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produce.



We are always looking for helpers and bakers and producers for the wide range of stalls. For more information please give Gilly a ring on 743888.

STORRINGTON IN BLOOM 2017 RESULTS ARE IN!



Well we waited a little longer than normal but the results of this year's bloomin' good effort are in.

On Wednesday 20 September, a team from Storrington in Bloom, St Mary's Churchyard and Friends of Meadowside attended the South & South East In Bloom region awards ceremony at Effingham Copthorne Hotel. We are delighted to announce that our town centre entry won a Silver Gilt award, Friends of Meadowside were awarded Silver Gilt in the "Our Community" category and St Mary's Churchyard received a fantastic Gold award, along with Parham House. Congratulations to everybody involved in our regional entry.

Later the same day, about 100 people gathered at Squires Garden Centre to find out the results of the local competition. Thank you to Sarah Squires and her team once again for hosting us for the evening. The In Bloom team invited Lady Emma Barnard to present the awards to the local prize winners, alongside sponsors of each category.

Congratulations to all of our prize winners:



Graham Lee receives special award for his help

56 Spierbridge Road

FRONT GARDEN (sponsored by Squires Garden Centre)

- 1st:** Paul Cripps - 56 Spierbridge Road
- Joint 2nd: Marilyn Dadds - 9 Bramber Avenue
Allen & Marion Guntripp - Arosa, Wisborough Lane
- Highly commended: Dr Caroline Bradbeer - The Horsecroft, Greyfriars Lane
Colin Rogers - Smugglers Hut, Greyfriars Lane

COMMUNITY AREA (sponsored by Design at 32)

- 1st:** Hanover Walk
- 2nd: Bramber Avenue
- Joint 3rd: Eastbrook Court, Manleys Hill
Orchard Gardens



Some of the Card Shop's spectacular display

Hanover Walk

BUSINESS WINDOW DISPLAY

(sponsored by Toovey's Antique & Fine Art Auctioneers)

- 1st:** Wood'n'Pots'n'Things, West Street
- 2nd: The Old Forge, Church Street
- 3rd: Body & Face, High Street

BUSINESS EXTERNAL DISPLAY

(sponsored by Anderson Rowntree Solicitors)

- 1st:** The Card Shop, High Street
- 2nd: Wood'n'Pots'n'Things, West Street
- 3rd: The Moon, High Street



Monty wins for the Guntripp Family



1st Sullington Brownies win the Group Scarecrow competition

SCARECROW CHALLENGE (FAMILY)

(sponsored by Rotary Club of Pulborough and Storrington)

- 1st:** Monty (Guntripp family)
- 2nd: Allotmenteer (Sarah Lackey)
- 3rd: Daisy (Carole Johnson)
- Highly commended: Darth Spader (Cheryl Brown, Clive & Toby Gee)
Grenadier Cripps (Cripps family)

SCARECROW CHALLENGE (GROUP)

(sponsored by Chanctonbury Lions)

- 1st:** Mr J J Morris (1st Sullington Brownies)
- 2nd: Bob (2nd Storrington Guides)
- 3rd: Fantastic Father Fox (Footsteps at St Mary's)
- Highly commended: Harry Potter (2nd Storrington Guides)
Ellie Simmonds (1st Storrington Rainbows)
Marvellous Mother Mary (Footsteps at St Mary's)
Hermione Granger (2nd Storrington Brownies)



John Butler collects GOLD for St Mary's Churchyard



Sarah Lackey wins with her allotment

ALLOTMENT (sponsored by Squires Garden Centre)

- 1st:** Sarah Lackey - plot 11 Amberley Road
- 2nd: Gill Ion & Ken Butler - plot 23 Amberley Road
- Joint 3rd: John Betts - plot 20a Ravenscroft
Richard Whittaker - plot 8a Amberley Road

Once again the Storrington in Bloom team would like to thank all of their volunteers, sponsors, supporters and the judges for their contributions this year. The fundraising event of the season, our annual quiz will be held on **Saturday 11 November** at Sullington Parish Hall. Tickets available from storringtoninbloom@gmail.com.

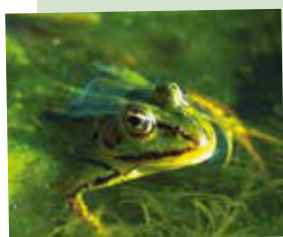
Heidi's GARDEN PATCH

I only have a very small garden but in my tiny patch I try and attract as much wildlife as possible. I absolutely love diversity in the garden and always try to have this in mind when choosing my plants.

I am lucky enough to have a resident hedgehog which I feed, cat food and water in an upside down box that cats can't get in. I have also seen a hornet-mimic hoverfly and a hummingbird hawk moth!



I have let the cabbage white caterpillars decimate my nasturtiums as I love butterflies and let the mullein moths chomp through my mullein! I like to think I tick most of the boxes for attracting a diversity of creatures into my garden: a pond (a tin bath sunk into the ground) attracts frogs, toads, water snails and dragonflies, a patch of long grass for invertebrates, a bug hotel, birdfeeders, a bird box, some stagnant water for rat-tailed maggots which turn into drone flies-yep, ALL welcome in my garden!, areas left untidy and finally a huge variety of different flower types; not bad for 8 metres by 12!



Different bugs and flying creatures like a variety of flower types, the only type I don't bother with are double flower heads as these have no benefit for bees and other insects. Open flower types, typically of the daisy family, Asteraceae, are great as insects have somewhere to land and easy access to lots of nectar if

there are lots of tiny flowers all close together. Umbellifers are also great for all sorts of flies (remember, if you get flies, you'll get birds).

This year in my garden my most bee and bug-tastic plants have been *Erysimum* Bowles mauve (perennial wallflower), *Echinops* (absolutely covered in bees in July and August) and right now sedums, all the better for being in full sun. We need diversity, it all helps with reducing pesticide use (I don't use any) as there is a natural predator/ food chain set up and we need to help the bees that are dying out. Plus, I LOVE a garden that's full of life and buzzing, don't you?

Heidi Hurwood
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SOUTH DOWNS PROBUS



Any mention or sight of the Spitfire brings a lift to the heart, the unmistakeable roar of the Rolls Royce engines, the distinctive elliptical shape of the wings and the graceful streamlined fuselage all contribute to its reputation. We remember how the Spitfire saved our country in the summer of 1940 from imminent and almost certain invasion by Nazi Germany with its contribution to the defeat of a much larger and stronger German Airforce, which never obtained the air supremacy it needed.

The speaker at our September meeting was Rodney Clarke, a member of South Downs Probus, who introduced his talk with a question 'the Spitfire - why was it so good?'. The story starts with the seaplane manufactured by the Super Marine Aircraft Company and designed by R J Mitchell, which won the prestigious Schneider Trophy in 1931 reaching a speed of 358 miles per hour (over 400 downwind) which was 200mph faster than any comparative aircraft at that time. The Air Ministry required a new fighter with certain clear specifications, must be easy to fly, slow landing speed, exceptional high altitude performance, good forward vision and easy cockpit release to enable the pilot to bale out in an emergency.

The development of the Spitfire from R J Mitchell's seaplane in order to meet these requirements was, essentially, by excellent team work. Mitchell died in 1937 and Joe Smith then headed the design team, but Mitchell had already appointed in 1931 a Canadian, Beverly Shenstone, to make essential modifications to 'clean up' the fuselage in order to improve the aerodynamics. Shenstone was undoubtedly a genius, described as the finest aerodynamic engine ever. He had worked for two years with the German Aircraft Company Fokker, where he was dismayed to find the Fokker 190 much faster than its British equivalent. He had absorbed, in the two years at Fokker, much valuable technical information which proved invaluable to his work on the Spitfire.

In the Battle of Britain, although the German fighter planes, the Messerschmitt ME109 and the Fokker 190 were faster, it was the manoeuvrability, the ability to make very tight circles, that was the reason for the Spitfire's success. This was especially the case when it performed at heights of above 20,000 feet to attack the German Bombers. Further modifications were made over the years to the power of the engines and to improve fire power so that the latest is now Mark 24 - so many changes since the Mark 2 and 3 of the Battle of Britain.

We know that the reason for the Spitfire success was that it met all the exacting requirements by the teamwork of some very remarkable aeronautical engineers.

Thank you, Rodney, for a very stimulating talk.

Derek Down

Come and join our SPACE

Somewhere 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)



Rehearsals are well underway for our next production, *Quartet*, which takes place in West Chilmington Village Hall on 23, 24 and 25 November at 7.30pm: doors open at 7pm. Tickets are now on sale at our box offices at Nisa, West Chilmington Post Office and Storrington Card Shop.

Cecily, Reginald and Wilfred are in a retirement home for opera singers. Each year, on the 10 October, there is a concert to celebrate Verdi's birthday. Jean, who used to be married to Reginald, arrives at the home and disrupts their equilibrium. She still acts like a diva and refuses to sing, but the show must go on.....

If you have not already bought your tickets then please visit one of our box offices soon. We are sure you will not want to miss this production. It has all the right ingredients, a good script, a strong cast and a very experienced directing team.

Following the success of the WCDS stand at the Village Fair, the Society was a very active participant at the Pulborough Harvest Fair last month with a full complement of characters from the Wizard of Oz including the scarecrow, cowardly lion, tin man, Dorothy and even her dog, played by Penny Walkers dog 'Herbie'. In addition to advertising our present and past performances the stand featured a Land of Oz treasure hunt approached by a 'yellow brick road'. The Society also entered its own sci-fi themed Lady Dr Who in the Scarecrow Competition.

Two members of our Membership and Activities Group attended the launch of the 'Horsham District Year of Culture 2019'. The aim is to celebrate the culture and heritage in the district. This is a very exciting venture with opportunities to fund innovative community projects with a lasting benefit.

Our thanks to Jane and Kevin for their welcome at The Queen's Head when we held our first Play Reading for Fun in the community. Around 30 members gathered in one of the bars to read *The Hitman* by JCW Brook. Hermin Daley who was MC for the evening invited 12 or so members to read the various parts and their renditions were very warmly received. The good turnout of members and the social get together afterwards made this a very successful event and a second community play reading was held at The Five Bells on 27 October. More on this in the December issue. Non-members are welcome to join in these readings.

Do you want to act, direct, work backstage or front of house? Or perhaps the technical side of theatre interests you. Whatever your talent you will be sure of a warm welcome. For more information please check out the website www.wcds.co.uk

Geoffrey Steward, Vice Chairman

STORRINGTON COMMUNITY SPEEDWATCH SCHEME MOVES TO A NEW LEVEL!

Storrington Community Speedwatch scheme has been in place enhancing Storrington's road safety and driver behaviour since October 2011.



Since then data obtained from West Sussex County Council shows that over the last six years, a clear reduction in excessive speeds at the main roads through the town has been achieved.



Nevertheless, in 2016 there were on average more than 5,000 vehicles a day recorded as driving at excessive speeds (ie 35mph and over). The Scheme's committee believe that the roadside monitoring by its 20+ volunteers has had a significant effect in reducing

speed, particularly with local drivers, who for the most part are very supportive of CSW. The vehicle activated speed (VAS) signs also make a significant contribution, and the installation of additional ones would be welcomed.

Recently, senior members of the Scheme met with senior police officers from the Sussex Police Roads Policing Unit, who were very complimentary about the efficiency and commitment of the Storrington volunteers.

Improvements to the communication links between Police and the Scheme, and for delivering high quality training to new recruits were discussed, and actions agreed to achieve these

The scheme is just one of many across the East and West Sussex area, and achieves its success entirely due to the commitment of those volunteers. To progress further, the Storrington Scheme is now keen to talk with anyone who would like to join the group.

On Saturday morning, **18 November**, Storrington Speedwatch members will be displaying their information outside Waitrose, in Mill Square, and will be keen to welcome new volunteers.

In the meantime -

If you are over 18, resident in the parish of Storrington & Sullington, have access to e-mail and can offer at least one hour per week free during most weeks you will be very welcome to join them. This could be either by the roadside, or helping with computer admin at home.



There is training which just takes one session of about an hour, followed by support from the Co-ordinators and Team Leaders. The volunteers operate only during daylight and good weather conditions. New volunteers will join experienced teams to gain confidence. Some current volunteers just do roadside sessions during warmer months from April to October, when the days are longer and more sessions can be run.

By joining this scheme, you will be making a major contribution to help local residents, visitors and other drivers improve their driving behaviour on the road, by a visible presence at a number of designated sites on the main roads accessing the village. you will also enjoy the sociable nature of the roadside session held in the open air!

If you feel you can offer an hour a week, then do get in touch by using the website link - storrsw@gmail.com.

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.

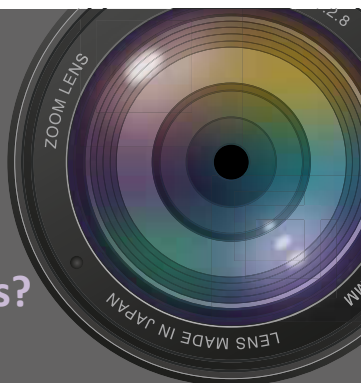
The choir is inviting confident singers who read music to join them for this performance. The number of rehearsals will depend on previous experience and ability. There are 25 places available, with a preference for sopranos and tenors, but altos and basses will also be accepted.

Those interested should contact Sandgate Singers through their website: www.sandgatesingers.com. For more information, see www.facebook.com/storringtoncommunitychoir.

Interested in photography? Looking for an opportunity to develop your interest and skills?

Come and join us, visitors welcome.

Our programme includes guest photographer talks, demonstrations, competitions, practical workshops and a monthly coffee club.



MEETINGS

alternate Thursdays 7.30pm to 10pm,
September through to May in The Football Pavilion,
behind Chanctonbury Leisure Centre, Storrington.

THURSDAY 2 NOVEMBER 7.30pm

Guest speaker Astrid McGeach,
'Landscape Photography with a Difference'

THURSDAY 16 NOVEMBER 7.30pm

2nd Print (Subject, Architecture) Projected Image (Open Subject)
Competition. The judge for the evening will be Paul O'Toole

THURSDAY 30 NOVEMBER 7.30pm

Guest speaker John Staples,
'Eastbourne a history through photographs'

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MESSAGE TO ALL 3 HERALDS CONTRIBUTORS

Due to our printing requirements before Christmas,
we need your copy for the January magazine early!

Please ensure delivery to: Amanda Hislop by email at
3heralds@gmail.com or to the Rectory Office, Rectory Road,
Storrington RH20 4EF, by **Friday 1 December**.

Thank you for your help.

Note from the editor....

I am sure we have all had times when things get on top of us, and when it seems it can't get any worse, it does! I experienced that when putting this magazine together. With a million and one things to do, I then discovered I had completely lost all the work I had already done on the magazine and would have to start again from scratch. I was devastated and felt I really couldn't cope. I prayed I would get things done in time, and then received an email which contained this message:

"When it seems that God doesn't solve your problem, perhaps He has faith in your ability."

It gave me encouragement and I cracked on! So hopefully you are not receiving this magazine too late!

When things get on top of you, remember that sentence; God is there with you giving you help and encouragement. He has faith in your ability.

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