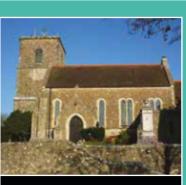




St Mary's Church SULLINGTON



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THE PARISH CHURCHES OF

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PARISH CLERGY

It was almost 200 years ago in 1819 when the poet Keats wrote the poem which begins; "Season of mist and mellow fruitfulness", a poem which describes the change from summer to autumn. A time which, to those of us of more mature years, often leads to creaking joints and aching limbs as the humidity

levels rise in the early morning. Yet as one looks at the beautiful sight of autumn mists ethereal beauty as the sun rises, one can be reminded of the words of Ecclesiastes 3;1, "For everything there is a season". Seasonal fruit there may be at this time of the year, but you would not always think so from the supermarket shelves! With cheap transport from other continents, many items are available all year round, unlike in times past. Yet we still think in terms of seasons. If you read the above reference you will see how the writer goes on to the self-evident truths about the seasons of our lives.

Yes, seasons have their patterns and their effects; they are all part of the cycle of life. They give rise to a word which links the world we live in with the world we experience in our spiritual lives. That word is seasoned. A result of experiencing the changing seasons. Often we are aware of that through what happens to wood. Carpenters see it as an essential process whereby the changes over time result not only in a product which is stronger and resists the knocks and stresses, but it also develops those lovely patters of wood grain and colour which are so appealing to look at. Yet are we aware that Jesus, himself a carpenter by trade, asks us whether we are developing that faith which resists the knocks and stresses of life, and brings out that mellowness which can be seen in our lives? In effect, it is the process of becoming spiritually seasoned.

As someone once comically observed; "Life is like a tin of sardines; we are all looking for the key". A 'seasoned' Christian knows that faith is the key. For life unfolds as a continuous succession of experiences and expectations. If we entrust them to God at the end of each day, then we will discover that this is the way we become seasoned.

Yours in Christ

BERNARD SINTON Interim Minister of Sullington and Thakeham with Warminghurst



ST MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS RAFA CHAPEL SUSSEXDOWN

St Mary

Communion with the residents 27 September 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

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.



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What's happening at

Thakeham and Sullington share this verse for the year. We're a joint benefice which means we also share our priest - although our styles are different.

St Mary's Thakeham

www.thakehamchurch.com

Churchwardens David Peacock (745595) 5 Dean Way, Storrington RH20 4QN Allison Goodfellow (740499) Ivndene Newhouse Lane Storrington RH20 3HQ

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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.

THAKEHAM CHURCH NEWS

A new Priest-in-Charge

On a gloriously hot Sunday morning in July, the congregation of St Mary's, Thakeham, were given the long awaited news that the period of interregnum was shortly to come to a close. The Revd Sara-Jane Stevens has been appointed as the new Priest-in-Charge at Sullington and Thakeham Churches. Sara-Jane's curacy at St Matthew's, Worthing,



is coming to an end. Our thoughts Revd Sara-Jane Stevens and prayers go to her and her husband, Bob, as they make preparations for their move to

the rectory at Thakeham in the Autumn.

We are extremely grateful to the Revd Bernard Sinton along with Harold Linfield and all the local clergy who have taken the services so willingly, and for their continued help and support over the next few months. Last but not least, our two dedicated church wardens who have worked so hard during the past 18 months.

After the morning service, there was an open meeting regarding the refurbishment of the Church. Much to everyone's surprise and pleasure the Revd Sara-Jane Stevens joined the congregation for this meeting, after all, it will be she who will be at the helm during the period of refurbishment. Before the meeting started, Sara-Jane introduced herself personally to everyone in the congregation. The meeting was quite lively with many ideas being put forward, the main issue being the positioning of the new coffee area. The building committee had worked hard along with architects to produce the plans for the proposed work. An excellent presentation of the proposed plans was given. The committee are to hold further discussions with the architect to put forward some of the points raised at the meeting. The future is now looking so bright for the Church with the new Priest-in-Charge organised, and the refurbishment of the Church will hopefully commence before too long. So many prayers have been answered.

Thakeham & Sullington Church Youth Groups

Come and join one of our fortnightly Friday evening youth groups

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 7.1 5pm in the Church Rooms at Thakeham.

TGIF (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 18 September between 2pm and 4pm

All welcome. Enquiries to Wynn Lednor - 743025





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

What's happening at

St Mary's Sullington



www.st-marys-sullington.org info@st-marys-sullington.org

Churchwardens Jo Graves (742586) Highwinds, Washington Road, Sullington RH20 4DE John Williams (742956

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PCC Secretary Gail Kittle (745754) Freewill Offering & Gift Aid Officer David Baxter (744346) Electoral Roll Margaret Slinn (746769) Beeches, Heather Way, Sullington RH20 4DD Organist Beryl Hardie (892349)

Church Flowers

Altar Rota Muriel Astley (01798 812706) Special Occasions Jo Graves (742586) Safeguarding Officer Jane Williams (742956) Sandgate Lodge, Washington Road, Sullington RH20 4AF Lifts to Church Anne Owen (743973) Church Fabric Officer Douglas Parkes (743106)

PASTORAL ARRANGEMENTS FOR SULLINGTON: In the first instance, all enquiries for Baptisms, Weddings and Banns of Marriage should be directed to the Churchwardens, Jo Graves or John Williams, contact details above. Times of Church services can be found on page 18. Alternatively you can visit the Church website for further details.

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

SUMMER EVENSONG AT SULLINGTON CHURCH

Evensong will be held at 6pm on the first Sunday of each month at St. Mary's, Sullington

David Whitehead and Harold Linfield will lead sessions as follows:

2 Sep Changing attitudes between men and women

7 Oct Those incarcerated in prison

Changes to approaches to the marginalized in society over the years, inspired by Christ's examples in the New Testament

GOOD NEWS!

We are delighted that the Revd Sara Jane Stevens has been appointed as Priest in Charge of Thakeham and Sullington Churches (see article on page 4). Her Licensing Service will be held on Thursday, 8 November, at 7.30pm at St. Mary's, Thakeham.

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 12 September and 10 October

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

HARVEST FESTIVAL

Our Harvest Festival Service will be held on Sunday 14 October at 11.30am. All are welcome

A Joint Harvest Supper, with St Mary's Thakeham, will be held on Sunday 14 October 6.30pm for 7pm at Sullington Parish Hall – All welcome.

Please phone Gail Kittle 01903 745754 for further details and tickets if you would like to attend.

Tea with the Vicar

20 September 3 till 5pm at the home of Muriel Astley, 41 Martlets, West Chiltington



DATE FOR YOUR DIARY

Our Christmas Fayre will be held on 24 November at Sullington Parish Hall. Ponations of Handmade craft items,



bottles, tombola and raffle prizes would be much appreciated. Please contact Jane Williams 742956 for details.

CHURCH CHOIR

Interested in singing? We would love to increase the members of our very friendly Church Choir.

For details please contact Beryl Hardie 892349.





What's happening at

St Mary's Storrington

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

Churchwardens

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Parish Secretary Vivien Stuart (742888; home 745913) Rectory Office, Rectory Road RH20 4EF PCC Secretary Val Rice (911179) Little Tregullas, Bracken Close RH20 3HT **Retired Clergy** Revd John Peal (743083) Revd Jaquie Peal (743083)

Verger: Michael Taylor (742218)

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

Captain of Bellringers John Taylor (745477)

Pastoral Scheme Barbara Buchanan (741916) Recorder Rob and Alison Wall (743713) Readers and Sidesmen Vera Blake (743974)

Electoral Roll Officer Vacant

Director of Music Stephen Bloxham

Assistant Organists Ian Miles Chrystalle Kersley Peter Lewis Keith Smithers Simon Whitchurch 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 Anna Forster (745392)

REGULAR ACTIVITIES

Church Services see page 18.

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

Choir: Fridays, 6.40pm - 7.45pm. Anyone interested in joining the choir please contact the Revd Jacquie Peal – 743083.

Altar Servers: Revd Jacquie Peal (743083)

Bellringers: Fridays, 7.45pm - 9.30pm.

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

Church Cleaning: Jeannie Watten (742542)

Church & Churchyard Maintenance: Ray Hunt (01798 813681)

Mothers' Union: Jean Hunt (01798 813681)

Bible Study / Home Groups: The Monday Home Group is at 23 Orchard Gardens from 2.30pm.The group reconvenes in October. 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 ... 22 July Leo James Ethan Watson (son of Louise and Michael) 29 July Dylan James Paul Grandy (son of Olivia and Mark)

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

19 July Sheila Margaret Mustchin (66 years)

6 Aug Laurence Ernest Watten (82 years)

Interment of ashes only:

21 June John Anthony James Hamshaw (80 years)26 June John Martin Jennings (95 years)

CONFIRMATION

There will be a Confirmation Service for the Rural Deanery of Storrington at St Mary's Church, Storrington, on Sunday 4 November, and we hope to have a preparation group starting soon. People of any age are invited to contact the Rector (742888) to register interest or to explore the possibility of being confirmed in November.

LICENSING OF REVD RUPERT TOOVEY

Thursday, 20 September at 7.30pm

Rupert will be licensed at St Mary's Church, Storrington, as Associate Vicar by Bishop Mark of Horsham on **Thursday, 20 September 2018, at 7.30pm**. All are welcome.

HISTORIC CHURCHES RIDE & STRIDE

Sussex Churches will be open on **Saturday, 9 September,** for this annual event, when people are sponsored to cycle, walk or ride from church to church. Money raised is divided between the Sussex Historic Churches' Trust and the participant's own church. If you would like to take part, or organize a group, please contact Sam Ward on 893794 for details.

BATTLE OF BRITAIN COMMEMORATION SERVICE

16 September at 10am

At this service we welcome many of the young people who belong to 2464 (Storrington) Air Training Corps, together with members of the Royal Air Forces Association and the Royal British Legion. Everyone is welcome: medals to be worn.

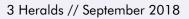
HARVEST FESTIVAL AT STORRINGTON

Sunday, 7 October

This year, Harvest Festival will be celebrated on Sunday, 7 October. Our Harvest Family Communion Service is at 10am and our Harvest Songs of Praise Service is at 6pm, followed by Harvest Supper in the Old School. See page 9 for more details.

Church@4pm 16 September 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.





LEO AND KATHRYN ENJOYING FUN IN THE FONT!

A great picture of Leo James Ethan Watson, born on 2 November 2017, son of Louise and Michael and grandson of Kathryn and Graham Watson, at his baptism at St Mary's Church, Storrington on 22 July.

The ceremony was conducted by Revd Kathryn Windslow, attended by family and friends, and clearly Leo was enjoying splashing about in the water, no doubt cooling down on a very hot day!

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, 4 September Church of England will lead Tuesday, 2 October Trinity Methodist Church will lead One in faith and love and praise

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.



HARVEST FESTEVAT **AT STORRINGTON** The Church will be decorated on Friday 5 October, starting at 9.30am Contributions of fresh produce, eggs, preserves, etc., gratefully received. Extra helpers welcome. SUNDAY 7 OCTOBER 10.00am Harvest Family Communion: everyone is invited to bring gifts of produce. The produce will be sold in support of The Chichester Diocesan Appeal at the end of the service. 6.00pm **Harvest Festival Songs of Praise:** followed by 7.00pm **Harvest Supper in the Old School:** tickets available in Church or from Rectory Office from mid-September



Support your local church with the annual Sussex Historic Churches Trust



Saturday 8 September 9am till 5pm

Fundraising event www.rideandstride.info

Get sponsored and support some of the most interesting churches in Sussex – half the proceeds to your own Church. Details and sponsorship forms from Sam Ward (01903 893794)

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)

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IN MEMORIUM ALICE BATCHELOR

28 January 1926 – 23 June 2018

Eulogy read at her funeral by her son, David Batchelor (edited)

Mum had her first heart attack when she was 56. We feared we were going to lose her then and if that had happened at such an early age it would have been tragic. A funeral at that time would have been devastating to us but even more importantly, Mum would not have had all the rich life experiences that followed. Mum was a fighter though, and carried on for another 36 years and finally left us at a time when her quality of life was not good and she was in constant pain.

Mum was born Alice Edwards, just eight years after the First World War, in a two-bedroom house with two older brothers, so never had a room of her own. As was normal in those days, boys ruled the roost and Mum often felt she was in the way and unwanted. Despite that, she had a happy childhood and often told stories of playing games with her brothers, although she was often the Indian being tied up by the cowboys and shot with bows and arrows. One particular story she told was about a nurse who would go to school to check the children, and they all had to strip down to their underwear. She was embarrassed though because unlike the other children with their normal underwear, her overprotective mother had kitted her out with hand-knitted woollen combinations.

The Second World War broke out, and at the age of 14 she left home and went to work, first as a live-in helper, then at the Southdown Doctors Surgery before going to work as a Parlour Maid at Chantry House. As those who are familiar with Downton Abbey, this was a great job she was very proud of, as a parlour maid, which was a step up from other jobs in the house. It was there she first got to listen to gramophone records and where she discovered the music to the intermezzo from Cavaleria Rustica.



She always had interesting stories from the war years. She was a beautiful woman, obviously very popular, and befriended German and Polish prisoners of war kept in a camp near Storrington. She must have made a good impression on one German soldier as he even gave her his Iron Cross medal. Later on, she had a Canadian soldier boyfriend and went to local barn dances with him in their jeep. Sadly he was killed in action, if not we may have been celebrating her life as Canadians today.

Another interesting person she met was an older Kenyan man who was working on the farm as a labourer, Jomo Kenyatta, who years later went on to become the Kenyan president, his son the current president.

Later in the war, she joined the Woman's Land Army at John Turner's Farm delivering milk from her horse-pulled cart. As children, we regularly heard stories about Wilfred the horse; she had fond memories of those times.

Then she did a nursing course, as she wanted to become a nurse. Sadly, though, they noticed she had a wart on her hand and needed to treat it by burning the wart away in a machine. However, the treatment went badly wrong and they burnt her skin to a level where she was unable to continue as a nurse. She always suffered with that injury and always regretted she only ever had menial jobs. There is an interesting side story to that though, as many years later she saw a faith healer to try and get her hand to recover. During the session, the faith healer started talking about a woman who was watching mother all the time and with a smell of lilies of the valley. This was her mum's favourite flower and no one could have known that. It gave my Mum huge belief and it did help her hand recover. Mum always had strong beliefs that someone was always looking down and helping her.

Then she got a job at the local dairy where my father worked and a completely new life began. She had four children, Shirley, Mervyn, David and Wayne. It was hard at first, as my father had been married before and for my mum to be with a married man was unheard of in those days and she suffered many pointing fingers. What made it worse was that she also lost her Mum around that time, when Mum was only 30. She missed her a lot and this left a huge hole in her life.

We had a fantastic childhood, in a perfect location with Meadowside, the stream and the South Downs, allowed to run and roam free, few restrictions, the coal fire was always lit and garden pristine. She would always listen to what we had done at school but no pressure. Considering it was a council estate, we never wanted for anything. Brought up with good principles; a job is not worth doing if not done properly; never do tomorrow what can be done today; have a bath once a week on Sunday.

For me, and even more so for Wayne, life changed when our parents went separate ways. Mum brought us up single-handed and had to go back to work. We did go on our first ever and only family holiday though to Butlin's in Minehead, all the way in the wonderful blue Ford Anglia.

We all remember shopping being such a painful experience; she knew everyone in the village and would always stop to talk, knew all the neighbours, and neighbours would just pop in without even knocking. She had so many friends.

She also loved her grandchildren and they fondly remember the card games, the fruit growing in the garden and just making them laugh. In addition, of course, growing up with food rationing meant she could never waste anything and made sure we did the same.

She also discovered a love for travelling. She didn't go abroad until she visited Paris when she was in her 40s, but then went to Holland, Portugal, Spain and on a cruise. She used to talk about these trips so much.

But then, all the health issues came along; difficult years where everyone did whatever they could, as she went through heart attacks, strokes, Bell's Palsy, dementia, and broken bones from regular falls. But despite all the health issues, she kept fighting. Importantly, she had happy memories of all the homes she lived in during her final years.

She leaves a legacy of four children, eight grandchildren and ten great grandchildren.

She may have felt the odd one out as a child with her brothers not having children, but she did her bit and the Edwards' family tree continues.

Have a safe journey Mum.

Note: Alice's ashes were interred in her parents' grave at St Mary's Church, Storrington, on 15 August.



THAKEHAM AND SULLINGTON YOUTH

Truly blessed, once again, as the forecast cloud bursts moved across Champs Hill and waited another week before pausing to douse our fields. The Youth Camp was held over the last weekend of term in July and our theme followed the example of Bishop Richard's message last month, the environment and our responsibilities towards it. It was all about the three R's – Reduce, Reuse, Recycle.

As a fitting finale of our Attidudes theme this term, we explored how our attitudes have got us where we are now and why they have to change; a challenge for us all. Whether we like to admit it or not, these young people are the future, and





previous generations have left a mixed bag of role models and billions of tonnes of refuse to deal with!

No pressure guys, off you go and save the world. But do you know, if the rest are anything like our little group, then they might just do exactly that.



EVENTS AT THE PRIORY

PRAYER GROUP

A time of worship and praise with a charismatic flavour 8-9pm on Tuesdays

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

PRIORY DAYS 9.30am-2pm – Dates TBC

Come and join in the life of the Priory with gardening, cooking, sewing or DIY, Midday Prayer and Lunch. Please let us know you are coming so we can cater for you for lunch.

> Phone 742150 • storrington@chemin-neuf.org www.chemin-neuf.org.uk

FOOD AND WINE PAIRINGS

FIVE COURSE TASTER MENU & WINE EVENING

(MATCHING SOFT DRINKS AVAILABLE)

SATURDAY 8 SEPTEMBER 7.00 for 7.30pm

at the Old School, School Lane Storrington, RH20 4LL

TICKETS: £12.50 per person

from Fowlers Estate Agents, Storrington (745844) and King & Chasemore Estate Agents, Storrington (745761)

TASTE YOUR WAY AROUND THE WORLD!

ORGAN RECITAL

St Peter's Church, Parham

Sunday 16 September at 5pm

Organist: Anthony Hancock





To be followed by Traditional sung Evensong at 6pm

With wine and refreshments afterwards.

Programme to include organ music from the Baroque period to the present day with truly something for everyone! Looking forward to seeing you there!



As Canon Palmer spent September in Normandy the following is an extract sent by his son Hal on board ship on his way to Australia to start his job as a mining engineer.

RMS Orizaba. July 29th 1896

Dear Father,

This has been or could have been rather a dull voyage if there had not been some very pleasant fellows on board. The only thing of any interest which we do is to play cricket in the afternoons on coconut matting, on a full length pitch and double wicket and a string ball. I sent some whist markers to you from Colombo and some other things to Mother which if she does not want perhaps she will divide between herself and May and Cicely as I thought they were rather pretty.

Colombo is the most interesting place we touched at and we were lucky in having a fairly cool day. Of course all the natives and the Indian look of the whole place make it interesting. We had to spend the day on shore as they were coaling the ship and I amused myself by going along the sea face with another man in a jinrickshaw to the Point Galle hotel which is about the pleasantest place in Colombo. There we had lunch and drink and went for a drive around the neighbouring country, through some coconut and coffee plantations and through some native villages. The catamarans also are curious with which the natives come alongside of the ship. There were a good number of ships in the harbour there; one Russian full of soldiers and convicts (4000) going to Vladivostock also one French ship and a good many coal ships all full of South Wales coal. There is young fellow named Philcox who comes from somewhere near Brighton on board, going to Sidney. He knows Wigram and the Hadows and a good many people round our way at home. He has been tea planting 3 years and is taking a holiday. I think he played once or twice for the County at Brighton.

We are out of the tropics now thank goodness and are able to live comfortably as we are getting into the Australian winter. It is a very pleasant change. I cannot tell when the mails leave till we get to Albany so shall not post this until I know.

Farrells Mines, Macetown. September 7th 1896

Dear Father,

At present I like the life very much and my work is very interesting. Of course I am in a good positions for upon the result of my report on the mines will perhaps largely defend whether the company is floated to work them. As far as I can judge most of the men working and the people about are good fellows and it is fairly certain that there is a good deal of gold on the properties, the whole district being a gold bearing one.

The chief object of my work is to prove by trial crushing of stone and prospecting levels driven into the hills to what extent the gold exists in the reefs. The company are sending me out £300 per month for the purpose and by listening to the old miners and others who have worked upon the small workings which were formally opened on their properties. I think I shall be able to develop a fair amount of gold bearing stone. However, it is rather early days to predict.

There is a tremendous lot of hill climbing to be done to get at the workings which are some of them nearly 1000 feet above this hut. It is a very interesting work and of course one watches the development of quartz in the tunnels with great interest. This place has been about 20 or 30 years or so a great field for alluvial gold mining and there are a few old diggers about now, what they call "fossicking" round in the creeks and driving tunnels into the old river terraces which line the side of all the valleys.

There are also some hydraulic workings where they work down half the mountainsides by water brought in pipes under pressure from neighbouring hills and then get down to the gold bearing terrace or stratum and get big returns. But I could go on pages on the subject and after a certain point I expect it will not interest you.

The miners here are wonderfully well off when in work, for they get 10/- a day wages clear and meat can be had at 3d a pound, but then of course other things are very much more expensive. For instance I paid 8/- to have a pair of boots resoled and parcels coming are expensive. Any letters also over the colonies cost 2d. But it is a grand healthy place with big mountains all round and I am sure it will be a long time before I get tired of it as long as there is work going.

On Friday I rode 22 miles down to Queenstown to a dance and met the society of the neighbourhood, they are a very jolly sort of folk and I enjoyed the outing. There was a young Hoare there a relation of the Surrey family and with the family likeness. I have written to AuntTattie this mail and suggested to Aunt Minnie should take a trip out here. I am really sure they would enjoy it and if they had reasonable weather they would enjoy the voyage. I have got Mothers magazines and letters and please tell Mother I am forwarding the illustrateds to Tom (Carew-Gibson).

Your affectionate son

Henry G. Palmer

July 30th 7.00pm

We have just sighted land which we suppose to be Cape Naturalist and a swell is getting up. There is generally very rough weather round Cape Lewin and the Great Australian Bight is usually very rough.

That man Philcox knows C. Curwin "the Meteor". His people live at Southwick. I have taken a good many photographs during the last two days but of course being a beginner spoilt a good many but one learns more by failures than successes at photography. I took two of "boat and fire stations" which is a muster of the crew and lowering of the boats for practice, I believe enforced by the Board of Trade Regulations. They blow the steam siren about the middle of the day when no one is prepared for it and all the sailors and officers take their places at the boats.

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SEE BEHIND THE SCENES AT CHICHESTER CATHEDRAL

Saturday 8 September 1pm to 4pm

As part of Heritage Open Days, two areas of the Cathedral normally closed to the public will be open to visitors: The Song School and the Cathedral Library; both located high up in the Cathedral's triforium – come and find the secret chamber! (Please be aware there are 40 spiral stairs to each). Free entry. All are welcome.



THE ARTS SOCIETY STORRINGTON

The September lecture is on Wednesday 5 September from 2.30pm to 3.30pm at West Chiltington Village Hall.

A lecture by Professor Marie Conte-Helm: The Art of Japan – Highlights of Japanese Art and Culture. This lecture will provide an introduction and overview of the arts of Japan over the centuries, including an exploration of the impact of Zen Buddhism and the reopening of Japan to trade with the West in the mid-19th century.

The October lecture is on Wednesday 3 October from 2.30pm to 3.30pm at West Chiltington Village Hall.

A lecture by Dr Mari-Anne Mancio: Richer than the Romanovs: The art of Prince Nikolai Bonsovich Yusupov (1750-1831). The Prince was the director of the Hermitage and during his travels abroad to buy art for the Tsar he amassed one of the most comprehensive collections of paintings as well as art from the Far East, tapestries and other objets d'art. Discover the man and his legacy.

Attendance is free for members, guests are asked to make a donation of $\pounds 5$.

Coffee and tea will be served before the lecture from 2pm.

For further information please contact the Membership Secretary, Caroline Long, on 744797 or by email: caroline.fflong@gmail.com



SUNDAY 23 SEPTEMBER AT 4 PM

Sullington Barn, Sullington Manor Farm

Opera Holloway I Capuleti e i Montecchi Bellini's Tragic Tale of Romeo and Juliet

Opera Holloway present a thrilling and passionate interpretation of the classic love story, as depicted by Bellini, one of opera's true legends. Following a sell-out tour of its 1940s inspired *Cosi Fan Tutte*, Opera Holloway present a fresh contemporary take on one of the most famous love stories of all times. Performing alongside piano and string ensemble, this show will star some of the nation's best emerging singing talent.

£20.00 (interval refreshments available)

SUNDAY 30 SEPTEMBER AT 6PM

Windlesham House School

Bernardi Music Group J.S.Bach: Brandenburg Concerto no.3 Mozart: Piano Concerto no.12 Mendelssohn: Octet in E flat major Op.20

In aid of the Windlesham House School Endowment Fund to support children's education from all backgrounds.

£35.00 (including canapés and Wiston sparkling wine)

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SANDGATE CONSERVATION SOCIETY

Work in Sandgate Park has been concentrated on removing some of the many wild rhododendrons that are stifling the natural woodland plants.



Despite the shortage

of rain, except at the end of July, the ponds in this site are not short of water, due mainly to the high rainfall during the early part of the year that has maintained the underground water table.

The National Trust has introduced Ashley Dalleywater, as the new Warden to the area who will be working with the team on Sullington Warren this month. (Ashley is at the back in the centre of the picture.)

Our series of popular presentations at Sullington Parish Hall will commence this month, where Alan Perry will give a presentation on 'Heathlands & Their Birdlife' on **Wednesday 26 September**, commencing at 7.30pm.

The work parties will be on Sullington Warren on **Saturday 8 September** and in Sandgate Park on **Saturday 22 September** from 10am till noon, so if you feel like a bit of gentle exercise why not come and join us, with a coffee/tea break during midmorning. Even if it is for an hour or so, you will be most welcome.

To learn more about the Sandgate Conservation Society, who work closely with the National Trust and Horsham District Council, please contact Jacinta White on 01798 813545. www.sandgateconservation.org.uk.

Brian Burns

LIVE BETTER TOGETHER

FRIDAY 21 SEPTEMBER -TUESDAY 16 OCTOBER 2018

Come along to events taking place at Chichester Cathedral starting on Friday 21 September, International Day of Peace, to help us think about what peace means in our own lives, local community and the wider world today.

To find out more contact the Learning and Engagement Department at booklearning@chichestercathedral.org.uk or call 01243 812997 CHICHESTER CATHEDRAL f ChichesterCathedral

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WEST CHILTINGTON AND **STORRINGTON MOTHERS' UNION**



the news of the death of Christian care for families Laurie Watten, husband of our friend and member Jeannie. Laurie welcomed MU on numerous occasions to events in their home, even during his recent ill-health. We will remember him with great affection, and hold Jeannie in our hearts and prayers, extending our deepest sympathy to her and the family.

In the past, our Diocesan President, Kathryn Anderson, has taken part in Ride London but this year on 22 September she will be doing the London Marathon Walk. She will do this to raise money for the many projects that MU members run across the world, including parenting programmes, literacy circles, prison parent-and-child centres, disaster relief and much more. If you feel you would like to sponsor her please visit:

www.justgiving.com/fundraising/Kathryn-Anderson7

On Thursday 6 September we shall be holding our annual fundraising Garden Party with invited guests at Owl End, Roundabout Lane, West Chiltington as we continue to celebrate the Centenary Year of the West Chiltington part of the Branch.

Jean Hunt

LOCAL WEATHER WATCH

Blue skies and Mediterranean warmth

July carried on the remarkable weather that we experienced in June and there was a sequence of 39 successive days without measurable rain. This was one more than occurred during the infamous burning summer of 1976. It was not until 27 July that rain was recorded



during the month, with the absolute drought lasting from 18 June. We generally regard a hot day in the UK when the temperature reaches 27°C (around 80°F). We had 17 such days in July and 6 above 30°C. In Storrington, the hottest day was 31.6°C on 8 July.

For many places in Sussex, July may prove to be the warmest of any month in our meteorological record, spanning at least back to the Victorian era and beating the previous warmest of July 2006, August 1995 and July 1983. Whilst flowers and shrubs wilted, Sussex vineyards were thriving in an environment that was more reminiscent of southern Europe.

It was sunny too, averaging over nine hours a day but short of the UK record when places along the Sussex coast measured a daily amount of over 12 hours during July 1911.

The evaporation during June and July in Sussex amounted to almost 2 million litres for every piece of ground the size of a football pitch. There were cases of trees shedding large limbs or completely collapsing, a phenomenon called 'Summer drop'. It occurs on the hottest days often when the wind is light or calm and the sun is strong and is not confined to weak or diseased trees. Oak, ash , poplar, sweet chestnut and beech and even cedars can be affected and extreme heat and drought seem to be the triggers. Certainly across Sussex lawns and fields became straw like as the drought continued and there were several rural blazes. The long drought would have been far more serious had the winter and spring been as dry as 1976.

The jet stream, a concentrated high level current of air, is a leading player in causing our often changeable weather . However, it was far to the north of Sussex for much of June and July leading to the prevalence of the dry weather. It came south late in the month with Storrington recording 39mm of rain from 27 to 30 July

Ian Currie- Weatherman, speaker and editor of Weather Eye magazine

STORRINGTON AND DISTRICT PROBUS

New President appointed

Andrew Boultbee was elected by the members of the Storrington and District Probus Club to take over as President for the 2018/2019 year at the Club's Annual General Meeting. Bob Manning, the retiring President, handed over the Chain of Office



and congratulated Andrew and wished him well. In return, Andrew thanked Bob for his superb leadership and Bob, being an ex-naval man, his "light touch on the tiller". Other members of the Club were also elected to various positions on the Management Committee. At the same meeting, a new member was inducted to the Club, Geoff Lockerbie, bringing the Club's membership to 45. Before retiring, Bob presided over a varied range of summer activities and events.

Whilst some people may have been hiding behind their curtains with the fan going full blast during the hot weather, this was not for our members. They have been out enjoying the beauty of the countryside and making the most of the sunshine. A summer's walk was organised by Alan French, and despite a predicted temperature of 30C, 17 members set out, after having had coffee, from The Chequers Inn, Rowhook, on a circular walk, returning to The Chequers Inn for much needed refreshments, shade and an excellent lunch.

A group of our intrepid members, led by Cliff Palmer, visited Painshill Park in Cobham, Surrey on a lovely, fine day with a guide who could not have been more enthusiastic and informative. Painshill Park was created from heathland into a feast for the eyes. Follies lead the eye from one vista to the next, from the Gothic Temple to the Turkish Tent, an amazing grotto filled with stalactites, to the recreated Temple of Bacchus. Painshill Park was a surprising and wonderful example of 18th Centuary landscaping.

Don Cleary organised another of his coffee mornings exploring the different hostelries of the local area. This time it was at The Riverside Tea Rooms, Houghton where some lovely short bread biscuits and big cups of coffee were enjoyed in the sunshine by the river.

At the monthly lunch at The Tollgate, Bramber, the speaker Mel Rees gave members a very humorous talk, taking a light-hearted look at life from his personal observations of family life and those that control our everyday lives. It was a very entertaining 40 minutes.

Bob Manning presided over the Ladies' Lunch at the West Sussex Golf Club where a full house of members and their ladies enjoyed the usual very high standard buffet of the Club.

Coming up, our members will be enjoying visiting Court Gardens Vineyard, Ditchling, plus our usual lunches, speakers, coffee mornings, skittles and BBQ evening and, later in the year, a holiday break to Nottingham and the Derbyshire Peak District National Park.

If you want to know more about our Club or join, please look on the website at: www.storringtonprobus.com.

Peter Kearns



CRICKET IN STORRINGTON

Mixed Results for Seniors and Busy Month Ahead for Cygnets

Despite losing two of their last four League matches, the Seniors remain in 4th position in their Division. Arundel, above us in the League table, were beaten by 4 wickets after we chased down their total of 211-7, with Steven Livermore taking 3 wickets for 45 runs. Half centuries from Mark Haggart (66) and Dan Pickard (52), plus 46 from skipper Ian Homewood, steered the team to victory. We then lost a second time to Crawley: our total of 164-7 (Dan Pickard 69 not out) being easily overhauled by second placed Crawley who lost six wickets, Andy Livermore and Dan Pickard taking two wickets apiece. In the return match against Horsham Trinity, we turned the tables with a comfortable victory by eight wickets. Andy Livermore's 5-22 and Ian Homewood's 3-32 saw the visitors bowled out for 109 runs. Miles Scerri (72 not out) and Mark Haggart (20 not out) took us to an eight wicket victory. Pulborough then avenged their earlier defeat by winning by 77 runs after posting 208-8, Ian Homewood taking 4-36, and father and son Livermore two apiece. Despite a 50 from Miles Scerri, we were bowled out for 131.

The annual friendly fixture with the Old Citizens at the beginning of August was another enjoyable encounter. The visitors topped 150 in their 35 overs. In our reply, Ian Homewood fell just short of a century, for the second time this season, in steering the Club to victory.

August will be an extremely busy month for the Cygnets: the U10's have fixtures with Middleton, Pulborough (twice) and Findon (twice); the U11/12's with West Chiltington, the U13's with Midhurst and Pulborough. The newly formed All Stars are having a mini festival, with parents joining in, on Sunday 26 August, and the U11's are competing in East Preston's U11 Festival on Saturday 8 September. During July, the U11/12's lost to West Chiltington in a closely contested local derby. Despite a 57 partnership between the Fisher brothers, the U11's just lost to East Preston in a high scoring match. New membership enquiries for children aged 5 to 14 years should be directed to Martin Fisher, Colts Manager, on martin_fisher@hotmail. co.uk or to Jude Houghton, Welfare Manager, on judehoughton@ hotmail.com.

Chris Winter

EXHIBITION AT CHICHESTER CATHEDRAL

Thresholds – An exhibition by award winning international sculptor, Diane Maclean

A stunning collection of five largescale sculptures by the awardwinning sculptor and installation artist, Diane Maclean, can be seen at Chichester Cathedral until 30 September. Exploring themes of transformation and journey, Diane's unique sculptures incorporate light, reflection and colour. The sculptures are positioned both inside and outside



the Cathedral, and several have been created especially for this event. Visitors are invited to follow a sculpture trail and experience these fascinating installations in this very special setting. Diane Maclean is a fellow of the Royal British Society of Sculptors; her work has been exhibited in the UK, China and Norway. Open daily with free entry.



CHICHESTER CATHEDRAL FRIENDS

What is a Cathedral for?

This interesting question was the subject of a Food-for-Thought lunchtime talk given by the Bishop of Chichester, the Right Reverend Dr Martin Warner, to a recent meeting of the Chichester Cathedral Friends.

In his talk, the Bishop covered many wide-ranging facets of modern Cathedral life and also helped those present to travel back in history to further their understanding as to how and why they came into being.

A clear theme that emerged from the Bishop's talk was that the main purpose of a Cathedral has been, and still is, a centre for worship and mission. Mission and love are involved in the complex task of creating an appetite for faith at a time when western culture says there is no need for this dynamic, and so it should continuously aspire to be a house of theological enterprise of relating faith to life.

The Cathedral will uphold the musical traditions of the church and continue its patronage of the arts, which has been a major form of its life in honouring God with these expressions of human gifts.

The Bishop also spoke of the Cathedral as an open space, available to all and a place to bring people together, and not only for formal services. With its active learning and engagement programme, it is encouraging children and young people to come in. While there, it is important for them to appreciate that this is a sacred place, where they can experience the presence of God within; a big and holy building, and in the true sense of the word, awesome!

The Cathedral is for all time and for all people a sacred place, the House of God and a gate to heaven.

Chichester Cathedral Friends is a registered charity. Membership costs £15 per year and £25 for a couple. For more information visit www.chichestercathedral.org.uk/friends or email friends@ chichestercathedral.org.uk.

HISTORY BOOKS WANTED We are collecting history books NOW for a sale in October.

Chichester Cathedral Friends and West Sussex Archives Society Together we are running a fundraising second-hand history book sale in the Vicars' Hall at Chichester

Cathedral in October 2018 Please donate your unwanted history books NOW to the sale and hand them into the Friends Office at Chichester Cathedral Tuesdays and Fridays between I0am and Ipm

Any type of history books are welcomed but please no historical novels or history magazines enquiries email wsascom@btinternet.com

The Friends Office,The Royal Chantry, Cathedral Cloisters, PO19 I PX

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2 Sept	Trinity 14	8am Holy Communion (said) 10am Family Communion 6pm Evensong	10.30am Joint All-age Family Communion (with Sullington)	8am Holy Communion (with Thakeham) 6pm Evensong
9 Sept	Trinity 15	8am Holy Communion (said) 10am Parish Communion + Footsteps 6pm Evensong	9.30am Morning Prayer	8am Holy Communion (with Thakeham) 11.30am Morning Prayer
16 Sept	Trinity 16	8am Holy Communion (said) 10am Battle of Britain Commem. Service with Prayers for Healing + Footsteps 4pm Church@4	8am Iona Communion (with Sullington)	10.30am Holy Communion (with Thakeham)
23 Sept	Trinity 17	8am Holy Communion (said) 10am Parish Communion + Footsteps 11.45am Baptism Service 6pm Evensong	9.30am Family Communion	11.30am Family Communion
30 Sept	Trinity 18	8am Holy Communion (said) 10am Parish Communion + Footsteps 6pm Evensong	8am Holy Communion (with Sullington)	10.30am Joint 5th Sunday Service (with Thakeham)
7 October	Trinity 19	8am Holy Communion (said) 10am Harvest Family Communion 6pm Harvest Songs of Praise	10.30am Joint All-age Family Communion (with Sullington)	8am Holy Communion (with Thakeham) 6pm Evensong

Midweek Holy Communion services on Thursdays at St Mary's Church, Storrington, at 10.30am Holy Communion Service at Sussexdown on the fourth Sunday of each month 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 grahamthrussell.GT@gmail.com

COMMUNITY CHURCH

Steyning Grammar School – Rock Road Campus

Family Worship – Sundays 10am Enquiries to Mrs Val Augustine Community Church Office, PO Box 1020, Storrington RH20 3UY Tel: 01798 817596

TRINITY METHODIST CHURCH

Thakeham Road

Sunday Service 10.30am Minister: Revd Dawn Carn 4 Gorse Avenue, Worthing, BN14 9PG Tel: 260356 (Church Office: 746390) www.trinitymethodiststorrington.uk www.facebook.com/TrinityStorrington

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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

The Churches of Storrington invite you to

SUNDAY LUNCH CLUB

A CHANCE TO GATHER TOGETHER OVER A MEAL, AND BE WITH FRIENDS OLD AND NEW

1pm on Second Sunday each month (except August) at the Old School, School Lane, Storrington

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

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Sat 1		
10am	Storrington Conservation Society – Working Party – p21	
2pm	Wedding at St Mary's, Storrington:	
	Jonathan Verrall and Myfanwy Fisher	
Mon 3		
10am	Garden Masterclass - Parham House – p28	
7.30pm	Storrington Museum – Talk – p22	
Tue 4		
10am	Inter-Church prayers - RC Church (side-chapel) – p9	
2pm	SPACE – Arts and Craft Group – p33	
Wed 5		
10am	St Barnabas Outreach – Library Car Park – p32	
llam	Parham House – Clocks' Tour – p28	
2.30pm	Arts Society, Storrington – Lecture – p15	
Thu 6		
10.30am	Pop-In Lunch Club – p18	
7.30pm	Storrington Camera Club – Meeting – p27	
Sat 8		
9am	Ride and Stride – p9	
10am	Sandgate Conservation Society – Working Party – p15	
2pm	Wedding at St Mary's, Storrington:	
	Martyn Freeman and Janet Parr	
7.30pm	Five course Taster Menu & Wine Evening – p13	
Sun 9	Trinity 15	
1pm	Sunday Lunch Club – p18	
Mon 10		
7.30pm	Thakeham Gardeners' Club – Meeting – p33	
Wed 12		
10am	Wild Fortune Quiet Garden – p5	
7.30pm	Rotary Film Night – Darkest Hour – p21	
Thu 13		
7pm	Mary How Bingo – p16	
Sat 15		
10am	Storrington Museum – Old School Reunion – p23	
Sun 16	Trinity 16	
10am	Battle of Britain Commemoration Service – St Mary's, Storrington	
4pm	Church@4 – p9	
5pm	Organ Recital – Parham Church – p13	
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10am	Café in the Church – p6	
	Sullington Windmills WI – Meeting – p32	
7.30pm		
Thu 20	Licensing of Revd Rupert Toovey at St Mary's, Storrington	
300	Tea with the Vicar – p5	
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Sun 23	Trinity 17		
10.30am	Parham Autumn Fair – p28		
10.45am	Baptism Service at St Mary's, Storrington: Francesca Elizabeth Ray (daughter of Lucy and David)		
4pm	Shipley Arts Festival Concert – Sullington Barn – p15		
Tue 25			
7.30pm	Mary How Trust Film Society – Finding Your Feet – p21		
Wed 26			
2pm	Storrington Flower Club – Meeting – p27		
7.30pm	Sandgate Conservation Society – Talk – p15		
Thu 27			
11.30am	Holy Communion – Sussexdown Chapel – p 3		
Sat 29			
10am	Macmillan Coffee Morning – p4		
7pm	Storrington Museum – Quiz Night – p23		
Deto	Details of all church activities on pages 4,5,6 and 18.		

SAINTS AND SPECIAL DAYS

SEPTEM	BER	
Sat 1	Giles, c.710– Hermit – founded Abbey of St Giles, France, a popular pilgrimage site. Also patron saint of Edinburgh	
Mon 3	Gregory the Great, 604 – Pope Gregory I – patron saint of musicians, singers, students, and teachers	
Tue 4	Birinus, 650 Venerated as a saint, first Bishop of Dorchester	
Thu 6	Allen Gardiner, 1851– British Royal Navy officer and missionary to Patagonia	
Sun 9	Charles Fuge Lowder, 1880 – Founder of Society of the Holy Cross	
Thu 13	John Chrysostom, 407- Archbishop of Constantinople	
Fri 14	HOLY CROSS DAY	
Sat 15	St. Cyprian, 258– Bishop of Carthage - Early Christian writer	
Sun 16	Ninian, c.432 – Christian saint 8 th century missionary for the Pictish peoples (now Scotland) Edward Bouverie Pusey, 1882 – One of the leaders of	
	the Oxford Movement	
Mon 17	<i>Hildegard, 1179</i> – Founded monasteries of Rupertsberg in 1150 and Eibingen in 1165	
Wed 19	Theodore of Tarsus, 690 – Eighth Archbishop of Canterbury, reformed the English	
Thu 20	John Coleridge Patteson, 1871 – Anglican bishop and martyr	
Fri 21	ST. MATTHEW, APOSTLE AND EVANGELIST	
Tue 25	Lancelot Andrewes, 1626 Bishop of Chichester, Ely and Winchester and oversaw the translation of the Authorized Version (or King James Version) of the Bible	
Wed 26	Wilson Carlile, 1942 – English evangelist – founded the Church Army; Prebendary of St Paul's Cathedral	
Thu 27	Vincent de Paul, 1660 Renowned for his compassion, humility, and generosity – known as the 'Great Apostle of Charity'	
Sat 29	ST. MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS	
Sun 30	Jerome, 420 – Known for his translation of the Bible into Latin (the Vulgate)	

STORRINGTON & SULLINGTON – REFLECTIONS OF THE PAST WHEN THE FORCE WAS WITH US (THE POLICE FORCE, THAT IS!) PART 2

Post war, the village policeman had the added problems of returning servicemen with 'souvenirs' of miscellaneous firearms, as well as ordnance left by departing Canadian troops, only too pleased to be going home, to worry about shells, bombs and other military hardware left behind. We were chatting to one policeman by the village pond during a summer of extreme drought and he was anxious about the water level dropping in the pond. It had been a useful dump for ammunition and such like, saving a great deal of paperwork.

Barn's Farm Camp was another problem as it was used as a resettlement base and hospital for Poles and other nationals. The village policeman had to help the Home Office with screening and immigration procedures for the district. Then there was Mulberry House, used as the Food Office, causing great embarrassment when it was burgled for ration books, petrol coupons, and so on, all valuable loot and right next door to the police houses!

PC Terry Smart in Greyfriars Lane



Mr Post, the village policeman with all these problems, was promoted to Sergeant and, after leaving Storrington, had an illustrious career. He was here when radio was first installed in police cars. He recalled a car chase that could have come straight from a TV police episode.

At the time, the paper shop at the end of the Colonnade had a cigarette machine outside and some lads had broken the glass, so Mr Ridge, the proprietor, phoned PC Post who had just come from the village and seen nothing untoward. His friend, PC Harry Murgatroyd, a Traffic Control Officer based at Steyning, had a brand new Riley police car newly fitted out with radio for the first time, and he happened to arrive. Mr Post thought the lads might have come from Findon or Worthing and stolen a car, a popular way of getting home after the last bus had gone. The two policemen decided to patrol the Washington Road to see if they could see them, but with no luck. They decided on one last run through Findon to the Worthing boundary, against orders as it was outside their area, when just past the Findon roundabout a large 3 – 5 ton army lorry, then used by the War Agricultural Committee, came out of the depot and drove very fast into the patrol car's path, nearly ramming it. Two lads were inside, so the patrol car turned, overtook them and jumped out to stop the truck.

I will let PC Post continue the story ...

"They drove straight at us with the engine revving very fast and both Joe and I dived gallantly into the ditch. This did not please us at all, so we drove after the lorry which had turned into Findon village and defied all our efforts to overtake



it. Eventually it took a minor turning which we know went only as far as rough downland so we thought we had trapped them. However, they drove straight onto the Downs – terrain for which the lorry was designed but not our patrol car! We kept on its trail across country – easily the roughest high-speed drive i have ever experienced and there was no way in the dark we could tell where we were or in which direction ... We alerted all other units by radio which I was operating ... not an easy task when one's head was continually thumping the car roof ... Joe drove magnificently and never let the lorry get away from him. We must have driven thus for some 40 minutes ... and in our headlights, we could see huge clouds of dust, rabbits, etc, racing all over the place and showers of sparks flying as the lorry hit stones and boulders. It was not doing the car much good either. I did not realise that I was using the radio but I was told later by the Control Operator that it sounded like a Wild West Show - it certainly looked like it ... eventually we



found ourselves on tarmac with lights below us and we recognised the narrow lane that ran down into Steyning where it joined the main road – the lorry was completely out of control on the steep hill and increasing to a frightening speed but fortunately at 2am not many people were walking towards the Downs!

"There was a triangular grass island at the junction ahead ... houses on either side of it - there was no way in which the lorry could stop and we envisaged it ploughing into the houses. However, we had forgotten the stout wooden pole on the island which carried electricity cable ... The front of the lorry hit this at great speed and reared up. There was a blinding flash and it caught fire ... Joe went to the passenger door where he pulled one man out and I went to the driver's door. I got it open but the man in there was unconscious and I could not move him. I called Joe and we both tried to pull him out, but the lorry was high off the ground and flames were all around us. With much heaving eventually he came out and we managed to smother the flames on him and ourselves with the lorry seat cushions. We learned later that we had nearly severed his foot which was jammed in the pedals in pulling him out ... Steyning was in total darkness as the pole carried the main power cable, but people came from the houses to help including a doctor. We all went off to Southlands Hospital but Joe and I were virtually unhurt. In fact, we felt quite well until we realised that we had grabbed the metal doors of the lorry before we knew whether it was alive with current or not."

It is as well that there was no Health and Safety Executive to demand a risk assessment before action in those days! In spite of the mess they had made of the patrol car, both policemen were promoted within the year and were highly commended by the Court at the

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men's trial. They were also presented with certificates by the Carnegie Hero Trust Fund by the Chairman of the Steyning Branch.

Ted Post, a very popular village policeman, was given a farewell party by his friends where he was given the only special edition of the Chanctonbury Cornet and Storrington Examiner on his promotion and transfer to Arundel.

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

STORRINGTON & PULBOROUGH DISTRICT ROTARY CLUB



ROTARY PROVIDES NEW PLAY HOUSE FOR CHILDREN AT ST MARY'S C OF E PRIMARY SCHOOL, PULBOROUGH

As part of its commitment to supporting, through local schools, the development and ambitions of young people, the Rotary Club of Storrington & Pulborough District teamed up with St Mary's C of E Primary School in Pulborough to provide a Play House in the Early Years garden for children there.

At the opening ceremony, attended by the school children, and Rotary Club Members who erected and painted the Play House, Deputy Head teacher, Mrs Sam Copus, commented: "I would like to say a huge thank you to them all for the purchase, installation and decoration of the Play House which was a much needed addition to this space." Parents provided cakes for the opening occasion and gave up their time to serve drinks.



Rotarian Ray Miles commented: "Rotary is here to serve our community and this project, which gives a great deal of pleasure to so many, fits very well with our ambitions."

L/R Ray Miles & Rotary President Penny Barnes





Starring: Gary Oldman, Lily James & Kristin Scott Thomas Performance commences at 7.30pm with an interval and Bar & Raffle. Tickets £5 from The Card Shop' in Storrington. Unsold tickets

will be available for purchase on the door on the night. Anyone needing transport should contact Roger Jamieson on 01798 813956

For further details please contact Ken Collins on 01903 740745.

Rotary Club of Storrington & Pulborough District

STORRINGTON CONSERVATION SOCIETY

Creating a natural world for children

There is something very special happening when a child first shows wonder at a natural beauty. It might be a butterfly warming itself or a bee gathering nectar. Perhaps a bird feeding a fledgling. Even a spider weaving a web can fascinate those with eyes to see. There is so much loveliness around us, yet we don't often pause to enjoy it.



Particularly sad when children don't have the time or opportunity to do so.

Research has found that only 10% of children spend any time in contact with the natural world. Urbanisation and electronic gadgetry get in the way, to say nothing of pressures at school. As a result, too often they grow up unaware that wild life is wonderful, valuable and needs to be cared for. Exploring woodland, pond dipping, bird watching, rock pooling and so on are joys in themselves. Great therapy. They also may be the start of a lifetime of love for the natural world. We hope the work we do in making Fryern Dell more accessible enables children, of all ages, to enjoy our local woodland, and provide inspiration.

The work party on 7 July was involved in the preparation for the In Bloom judging later in the month, working mainly at the West Street garden and Old Mill Drive. We were glad to support the many others who give their time to keep our community attractive. We hope all such efforts will be recognised by the judges!

We meet up again on **1 September** at 10am at Fryern Dell, to continue our project of restoration of and care for the Victorian Garden. Those who share our concerns are invited join us if possible. Healthy exercise, coffee break and cheerful company guaranteed. Tools provided, work clothes recommended.

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

THE MARY HOW TRUST FILM SOCIETY Screenings take place at 7.30pm on the fourth Tuesday of every month at West Chiltington Village Hall

FINDING YOUR FEET (12A)

"A delightful late-life rom-com trifle [that delves] into the bumpier realities of senior living" – Susan Wloszczyna, RogerEbert.com

Tuesday 25 September

New loyalty card - watch 6 films and get your 7th free! Collect your loyalty card at your next visit.

Tickets: £6 including membership, available on the door and from the following:

Mary How clinic and charity shop (Ticket hotline 01798 877646); Guy Leonard Estate Agents in Storrington & Pulborough; The Card Centre, Storrington; Nisa Local Stores, West Chiltington; West Chiltington Post Office.

www.maryhowtrust.org

All proceeds to the Mary How Trust for Cancer Prevention Independent Health Screening Charity, Registered Charity No.1122393

STORRINGTON & DISTRICT MUSEUM

The exhibition 'Dissections' will end on 16 September, and a new exhibition, 'Local Arts and Crafts' will be installed by 29 September to run until the middle of December.

This is probably a good time to thank all our friends who regularly visit the Museum and who make worthwhile the considerable effort it takes to mount these temporary shows. They may appear to be quite simple, only two display cabinets being devoted to them, but trying to gauge what will interest the public from the goods we have at our disposal, gathering up the items that are relevant, thinking how to arrange them to their best advantage, labelling and describing them, takes effort and time. It is sad that, in a seemingly thriving community like Storrington, there are so many people who never visit even for a few minutes, so to the few people who do come in often and write encouraging words in the visitors' book, thank you very much.

Our monthly talk on **3 September** will be given by Brenda Mathews, entitled 'The History of the Handkerchief – Nothing to be Sneezed At', and on **1 October** Dawn Shrives will tell us 'The History of Chocolate'. Talks begin at 7.30pm and cost £5, to include coffee and biscuits; £4 to Museum Society Members.

This year marks the 150th Anniversary of The Old School's opening. The reunion for ex-pupils, staff, and friends, will be held on **Saturday 15 September**, from 10am to 4pm. Home-made refreshments will be available.

There will be a Quiz Night on **Saturday 29 September**, which will begin at 7.30pm prompt. Make up a table of four or join a table on the evening. Tickets are $\pounds 10$ to include home-made supper and are available from 743437 or 746569.



Cindy and Frank Waters brought their epic fundraising adventure along the A272 to a happy close when they invited all the people who had sponsored them to enjoy afternoon tea and view an exhibition of their photographs of the trip. They had been seen off early on 3 April by Museum friends, and had made their way towards the beginning of the A272, which was at Poundford. This place, not far from Heathfield, proved hard to find, but they found Poundford Cottage and began their journey in earnest. They obtained their first signature as proof of

their visit, in Wilderness Wood. On the way to Buxted, they found Nan Tuck's Lane. Nan Tuck had allegedly murdered her husband in 1810, escaped punishment, but returned to haunt the lane after her death. In Maresfield, they found an old milestone which gave the distance to St Mary le Bow. It was decorated with bells and a bow of ribbon, Bow Bells.

At Piltdown, the public house which for many years had been The Piltdown Man after the great hoax which was perpetrated nearby, has reverted to its original name of The Lamb. Between Isfield and North Chailey they found a signpost for Winchester and Canterbury, marking the Pilgrims Way. They called at Chailey Heritage School (where in 1903 Mrs Grace Kimmins founded a school for children with complex physical disabilities), then on through Scaynes Hill, Haywards Heath, Ansty and Bolney, ending the day at Cowfold.

On day two, they visited the Camelia Botnar Garden Centre which provides homes and work experience for young people, and then crossed the A24 to go 'off road' to Shipley to see Hilaire Belloc's home and windmill. On again, visiting Coolham D-Day Airfield site, and the Blue Idol at Coneyhurst, the Quaker Meeting House attended by William Penn. Billingshurst was the next stop, then Wisborough Green and Petworth, where they visited Mrs Cummings' Cottage Museum. They turned off the road again and went to Selham and on to Cowdray and Easebourne and Midhurst's Knockhundred Museum. At Petersfield they went to the station and the signal box (right up Frank's street!) and the town square with its statue of William III.

On day three, Cindy and Frank arrived in Winchester and paid their respects to King Alfred. This is almost the end of the A272. Surprisingly,

it pops up again on the west side of Winchester and runs for about ten miles towards Stockbridge. Here they ended their westward travels, having already done over 250 miles.

Day four saw them in Crawley, Hampshire, then Micheldever and Cheriton. They found the corrugated iron church on Bramdean Common and an old church at Privett. In Langrish they found two interesting memorials, one to Bombadier Ernest Harlock 1885-1917, and the other to Lt Commander Eric Robinson 1882-1965, who both received VCs for gallantry in separate incidents in WWI.



Near 'Woodlands' they found the small stone circle which is possibly as old as Stonehenge, and nearby they discovered a memorial to Melksham, a horse, buried where it died by its owner Col R Meinerzghagen. They photographed a sign to a Buddhist Monastery at Chithurst, and ended day four at Stedham.

Next day at Midhurst they visited Vic Mitchell of the Middleton Press who, like Frank, is a transport buff.

On day six, they had coffee at Cowdray Park Golf Club and then saw the memorial near Benbow Pond to the 3rd Viscount Cowdray 1910-1995. In Lodsworth, they found EH Shepherd's house, the illustrator of all AA Milne's *Christopher Robin* books, and many others. At Kirdford, there was a plaque on the vicarage wall about the evils of drunkenness. A little off the road at Dragons Green, they found a memorial in the George and Dragon garden to the landlord's son, Water Budd, who drowned himself as a result of being bullied. Finally, they went to Shipley Scout HQ which has a thatched roof (no camp fires for them then!).

On day seven, Frank and Cindy found the disused station at West Grinstead and then went on to Wobblegate Apple Farm, where cider and apple juice are produced, and marmalade with oranges and cider. At Bolney they visited the Bolney Estate Vineyard, the Eight Bells Pub, and the Church of St Mary Magdalene, where they were impressed by the huge Horsham slab-roofed lychgate. At Cuckfield they saw an original A272 road sign, and made their way to Balcombe Viaduct where they got a) very muddy and b) a wonderful photo beneath the railway of all its arches.



On the last day they went to Haywards Heath, Lindfield and North Chailey. They visited Sheffield Park Station on the Bluebell Line, and went on to Buxted and found Frog Hole Lane and Poundford Cottage again, where they had started from.

They made their way back to Storrington and passed the chequered flag at Storrington Museum at about 4.15pm. In all they covered over 600 miles, met many interesting people, and learned a great deal about the road. In the process they raised more than £1400 for the Museum and for that the Museum is truly grateful.

I'm sure Cindy and Frank would like to acknowledge the support and encouragement they received in many different respects from Museum members. The tea in July was a very fitting end to an ambitious and successful venture; the delicious tea buffet and celebration cake, plus the splendid raffle prizes, produced by Museum volunteers, all added to an enjoyable afternoon.

Mary Wilson

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Storrington & District Museum Society

OLD SCHOOL REUNION

Did you go to Storrington's old school? Are you interested in its history? Come along to the Storrington Museum on



The 2018 Reunion marks the 150th anniversary of the opening of the Old School. Home-made refreshments will be available as well as copies of the Old School Book to purchase (£6). 10am to 4pm. At the Old School building, School Lane, Storrington. Free entry

The Old School, School Lane, Storrington

Storrington & District Museum is open every Wednesday and Saturday 10am - 4pm and Sunday 10am - 1pm. Registered Charity No 1084853

CHICHESTER CATHEDRAL **FREE LUNCH TIME CONCERTS**

SEPTEMBER

Tuesday 11 September David Malusa (*piano*) Tuesday 18 September

George Fu (piano) Tuesday 25 September Markella Vandoros (violin) Emma Abbate (piano)

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





ABSTRACT IMPRESSIONISM & NEW SEASON OPPORTUNITIES

How we see and interpret shapes and images is personal to each of us. We often see different colours and shapes in the landscape or in clouds and objects. Being able to capture this and translate it in an image can be both a challenge and an opportunity.

One of our competitions in a previous season had the set subject of 'Abstract'. It attracted a good deal of interest and ingenuity. When one member indicated that he had looked up "abstract impressionism" some wondered what substance he was on, but it is a genuine artistic genre, for example Jackson Pollock's work. More recently our member Norman Kirby has been experimenting with abstract photography by taking existing images of places and objects and transforming them into abstract impressionist form. They will not necessarily appeal to purists as they are essentially post-processing manipulation. Norman, however, believes that

the content of the original can be referenced in these abstract images even though abstract is not representational.

This image of the New York complex on the Las Vegas Strip is illustrated in the following image that references the Strip.



Two interpretations of the multiple facets and the garishness of the whole 'Strip' are illustrated below with the second showing a more complex version.

An example from the UK is Dungeness where again many photos have been taken of rotting boats on the extensive



shingle in various weather conditions. The original image was meant to illustrate the gloom of the boat graveyard.



The boat, the sea, the sky and the shingle are the key features. The decay of the boat is a slow process but speed it up and imagination gives expression to an abstract vision of the same scene.

So, photography is not just about making images. Images can be processed and in that post-processing, as it is known, creativity and imagination can be given full rein to create a different form of photographic art in the same way that an artist



will interpret what they see. Post-processing is one of those subject areas of interest to photographers and where members are able to pick up support and tips from within the Club.

With the start of our new season on Thursday 6 September we have a number of different talks, such as iPhoneography, What Makes a Good Photograph, Macro Photography and sessions that I am sure will provide opportunities to both help and challenge us when out there taking photos.

Kevin Harwood and Norman Kirby

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The History of Ancient Woodland by Jonathon Huet

Jonathon started his talk with a poem about woodland trees and plants and then went on to entertain us with his passionate, fact-filled celebration of ancient woods. He first explained that although we are the least wooded country in Europe, our woods are internationally important.

Ancient woodland is defined as woodland dated before 1600. He described three aspects of our woodland:

- 1. Planned countryside a strip through a centre of England.
- 2. Upland countryside in the highlands of Scotland, Devon and Cornwall.
- 3. Ancient Countryside on the Welsh borders and the largest area in SE England including Suffolk, Norfolk and Essex.

He mentioned several ancient woods, including Hatfield Forest near Braintree, a wood untouched since Mediaeval times with coppiced areas. Nearer to home is the Mens woods, close to Petworth and Low Weald, which ages back to Roman times and has 46,000 acres of coppiced woodland and the remains of their iron works.

Other woods are West Dean, famous for their daffodils, and Funtington for bluebells in coppiced woods, Kingley Vale and it's chalk downland flowers and ancient yew woodland, one of the most important ancient woodland in Europe with 2000 year old yews.

Jonathon then went on to tell us about various aspects of woodland management such as pollarding, coppicing, stripping and cutting down trees altogether. Woodland regenerates naturally in about 30 years.



He finished off with a few words explaining how in early days every part of a cut tree cut down would have been used to make things and how common nettles, even to this day, have medicinal uses and when stripped can be used in weaving and rope making.

On 21 September, Alan Martin is giving a talk on Weird and Wonderful plants. Spring bulbs will be on sale.

Sheila Webber



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SOUTH DOWNS PROBUS



Visit to Chartwell House

At our July Luncheon, we stood in silence remembering

Len Harvey who died recently at the age of 94. Len had played a major part in the development of the Club, both as one of its Founders and as a Past President. He will be greatly missed by his many friends.

The Luncheon talk on Border Control and Boundaries given by Alan Craig, one of our members, could not be a more topical subject. Alan's career, starting as a Passport Manager, has given him forty years' experience at the very centre of this subject. He reminded us that the need for countries to control their borders goes far back. From 1540, Passports have been required internationally, giving full personal details, and this was codified into the current booklet by the League of Nations after the First World War.

The exceptional increase in global travel over the past 70 years has presented an immense challenge to border control, with more security points, more trained officers and identity systems able to rise to this. Biometrics, which provides a statistical analysis of biological data, is applied by using electronic scanning to the key features of identity, facial structure, finger printing and the iris of the eye. There is great skill and training for Passport Control personnel to use these tools effectively.

A flood of questions at the end of this talk showed the strong interest in Alan's subject. We are grateful for the benefit of his extensive experience.

With a new Committee appointed at the Annual Meeting in May, an exciting social programme is planned for the year 2018/19. This started with a Black Tie Dinner at West Sussex Golf Club hosted by the newly elected President, Roger Arthur, and his wife, Mary.

The very next day it was off to Chartwell House and our Social Secretary Jim Keeling reports:

"On 27 June, 27 Probus members travelled to Chartwell House, Westerham, in Kent, which is the family home of Winston Churchill. Some members had visited the house before but were so enchanted they wanted to go again.



We were blessed with a beautiful sunny day and were greeted by a National Trust volunteer who allocated entrance tickets. Courtesy buses were readily available for the less mobile amongst us.



"First impressions were of a cosy family house, clearly influenced by Clementine Churchill. Churchill purchased the house in 1922 and lived there until he passed away. Moving from the library, sitting room and dining room we were able to uncover the home and family

man behind the statesman. The house is adorned with Winston's paintings and we were able to visit his studio.

We were all impressed with the efficient way the house tour was organised by the National Trust and it ran like a well-oiled machine. The gardens were stunning and beautifully maintained, and we enjoyed fantastic views over the Weald of Kent. There is ample room to have picnics by the lake, but most of us opted for the on- site restaurant."

Derek Downs

FRYERN LADIES' PROBUS

Who knew that about dictionaries!

The extreme heat of summer did not discourage members from attending the monthly meeting on 2 August at the Roundabout Hotel. It certainly did not deter chatter amongst the ladies.

Following a relaxing drink in the bar and lunch, Programme Secretary, Jo Gatley, introduced the speaker,

Susan Purcell and her topic 'The A-Z of Dictionaries'. Susan had been a modern language teacher but as her children got older she became a 'proof reader' for the magazine, Puzzle, based at Redhill. For 20 years she obtained an overall view of finding suitable words to fit into puzzles. This experience eventually led her to become a lexicographer and Susan informed us of the history of dictionaries, which are a relatively new phenomenon.

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Before 1604, most dictionaries were used to translate Latin into English, like a glossary aimed at intellectuals wanting translation. Unsurprisingly, Shakespeare wrote without a dictionary. Robert Caudrey started just before Elizabeth I died. New plants and foods were being introduced into England so they were placed in Fable Alphabetical, a volume for ladies and gentlewomen or any other ladies who weren't so clever. This was a simple 2,500 word volume which can now be found at the Bodleian Library, Oxford.

After 1066, French and Latin, the language of scholars, was spoken but after 1700 the use of English became more commonplace and scholars such as Shakespeare, Milton, Pope, Defoe and Swift were horrified at the state of the English language as there was no standardised spelling or punctuation. If we think of the language of Chaucer, it is not widely understood today, so for the English language to survive we needed to look to the continent for a role model with language academics specialising in French and Latin.

Academics wrote the definitive dictionary and book sellers realised that they could make something out of it. Susan went on to explain how academics, such as Samuel Johnson, started the difficult and mammoth task of composing dictionaries in the mid-18th Century, the first being divided into 40 sections.

By the middle of the 19th Century, society was changing and an interest developed in not just the meaning of the words but how they were used. The Grimm Brothers wrote a German dictionary and travelled around Germany researching language. In 1878, Oxford University Press became involved (The Oxford University Dictionary). James Murray wrote it mainly in the evenings as he had 13 children. Twelve volumes were published and later, in 1989, 20 volumes were published. Fifteen hundred new words are entered quarterly and there is huge help from the use of computers. Oxford and Collins dictionaries have different spellings because they are sourced differently. Chambers dictionary is Scottish and renowned for different meanings, such as "Mullet – a hairstyle, long at the back" and "Éclair – long in shape and short in duration". Susan declared that the job of lexicographer is a solitary one and sometimes a harmless drudge!

Sue Povey expressed warm thanks to Susan for her fascinating talk, a subject we must all be surely interested in. After loyal toasts, President Liz Allen-Williams reminded members of the invitation lunch on 4 October to be held at West Sussex Golf Club and menus needed to be chosen.

Our next meeting is on 6 October at the Roundabout Hotel when the speaker will be Wieslaw Rogaski with his talk, British Polish Forces 1946-49.

Wendy Cliffe



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 6 September 7.30pm

Start of Season Welcome, Season Programme and Summer Photos

Thursday 20 September 7.30pm

Critique of Images – Paul O'Toole will be reviewing and commenting on submitted prints and projected images to help members improve their future competition entries.

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STORRINGTON FLOWER CLUB Wednesday 26 September 2pm

Demonstrator: Jean Plaskett Theme: Solo Plastic Competition: Gee and Tee



Garden Masterclass Creating and developing a late summer border **Monday 3 September**

This one day course is in collaboration with Gardens Illustrated and is taught by nursery owner and plants woman, Marina Christopher, and Parham Head Gardener, Tom Brown. Focusing late-flowering plants, on the workshop will give an insight into



the collaboration between Marina and Tom on developing this exuberant late summer border here at Parham. Tom will explain the process of soil preparation, design and plant selection, followed by a talk from Marina Christopher on late summer colour and the plant associations in the newly planted Gold Border.

Parham Autumn Fair

Saturday 22 – Sunday 23 September

A celebration of traditional estate life and all that harvest brings, Parham's annual Autumn Fair presents the very best of homemade food and locally grown produce as well as activities for all ages. With estate tours, deer walks, gun dogs and falconry displays, there is plenty to



see and do. Visitors can also enjoy a wide array of stalls selling food, drink and country wares.

Parham Clocks Tour Wednesday 5 September, 11am

A tour of Parham's timepieces

Discover Parham's horological history with this one hour guided tour of the Elizabethan House's beautiful clocks and wonderful stories behind them. Dating from the 18th to the 19th centuries, Parham's clocks were collected by the Bisshopp and Pearson families.



Text written and researched by Elspeth Clarkson.

Presented by Stephen Howarth (Parham Guide) and Valerie Myers (Parham Warden and Keeper of the Clocks).

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OPERA PRODIGY GETS ASTROPHYSICS **DEGREE** AFTER WORKING WITH NASA



At the age of 19, opera prodigy Jessica May Hislop was singing at the prestigious Royal Conservatoire in Glasgow.

Five years later, she has swapped arias for academia and graduated from Sussex University with a first class honours master's degree to spend her life looking at the stars.

Jessica, 25, who was born in Storrington, had a love of maths and the sciences from an early age. At an age when other children were colouring in pictures, she used to ask her mother to write down sums for her to calculate at the dinner table.

But despite displaying early signs of being a scientist, her vocal talents drew her into the world of opera singing.

Jessica was accepted into the Royal Conservatoire of Scotland, one of the oldest and most prestigious performing arts schools in the UK, which was last year ranked third in the world.

Jessica said: "When I was a singer I was spending eight hours a day singing to myself in the mirror. But something was missing; I missed using my brain."

An avid watcher of documentaries, Jessica would spend hours watching TV scientists Brian Cox and Carl Sagan, engrossed by the endless complexities of the heavens. So after just three months at the conservatoire, she decided to pursue her first love and headed to the University of Sussex to begin her journey into the world of astrophysics.

She said: "People think that because space is massive it is intimidating. When I chose to do physics, it was a huge gamble but it's the decision I've made in my life and I've never questioned it. I'm so happy and proud that it's worked out."

After completing a foundation year, her hard work and natural talent won her a place working on Nasa's James Webb Space Telescope. The £7 billion telescope is the scientific successor to the Hubble Telescope and is set to launch in 2021. Jessica's roles on the project included predicting data that would be sent from the probe when it is sent into space. She also was sent out to drum up excitement about the project with members of the public, a role she used to tackle the perception that science is a male environment.

She said: "A seven-year-old girl said to me that she thought science is not for girls – I don't know who told her that. I don't know why it's considered a male subject that women can't do. There are so many studies showing that no gender is better than the other. We need to teach children in primary schools, not just at GCSE level, that science is open to everyone."

Jessica graduated in July with a first class integrated Masters in Physics with Astrophysics. She was also awarded the University's award for an outstanding project. It was one of just three awards given to students. Jessica's was for her computer simulation work predicting gravitational waves during the merger of the heaviest objects in the universe such as black holes and neutron stars.

Not one to rest on her laurels, Jessica is set to leave the the UK behind and is moving to Germany to gain her doctorate. She will be using her knowledge of computer simulations to analyse the formation of galaxies at the world-renowned Max Planck Institute in Munich.



West Chillington Dramatic Society

Despite the hot weather, West Chiltington Dramatic Society has been extremely busy and will remain so for the coming months. We had a successful stand at the West Chiltington Village Fair and were able to make a donation of £40 to the organising committee for 'good causes'. During the Fair, the stand was visited by the Lord Lieutenant of Sussex, Susan Pyper, accompanied by Anne Sugarman, Chair of the Show Committee. Our theme for this year's stand was Midsummer's Night Dream and all our helpers were in appropriate costumes ranging from glamorous fairies to Rude Mechanicals to Oberon himself. This theme was chosen to complement the visit to the village of the touring company 'The Rude Mechanicals' and their excellent production of Oberon's Cure. On the Village Show stand this year we featured a Treasure Hunt and Pin the Tail on the Donkey. The Society will be announcing its presence again at the Pulborough Autumn Fair on 25 September; let us hope the good weather continues until then.

Prior to that date, however, we will be holding another of our Play Readings for Fun at The Five Bells Inn, West Chiltington on 5 September at 7.30pm. The play we have chosen to read is a Noel Coward's comedy Nude with a Violin, and as this play has 14 characters we will be looking for a good turnout from the Society and the community. These play reading evenings present opportunities for those who are not sure that AmDram is for them, to either just listen to the dialogue whilst enjoying a drink, or to have a go at reading in a very relaxed atmosphere.

The auditions for our November production, *House Guest* by Francis Durbridge, are now complete and we will be starting rehearsals on 3 September at the West Chiltington Village Hall. The playing dates for this production, directed by Ralph Wigg, are 22 to 24 November. In addition to our normal Box Offices at Nisa Stores, the Post Office and the Card Shop, Storrington, we will be introducing an online system, more details of which will be in our next newsletter and in 3 *Heralds* next month.

The Horsham District Year of Culture 2019 Working Party has held its inaugural meeting and our plans for the Drama Festival to be held In the West Chiltington Village Hall in July 2019 are taking shape. We will be inviting Dramatic Societies within the Horsham District to participate in the One Act Play Competition. As you can imagine, staging an event of this type will not be inexpensive and whilst we have secured a grant from the YoC organisers it will not cover our costs. Hence we will be looking for sponsors from the local business community and our Working Party will be assembling what we hope will be an attractive package. The Year of Culture web site www.hdculture2019.co.uk is now populated with a number of the events being planned including our Festival. Further details can also be found on our own web site www.wcds. co.uk together with information about our past and future activities.

Geofrey Steward, Chairman

STORRINGTON COMMUNITY MARKET Village Hall, opposite Stable Antiques

Every Friday in September 10am to 11.15am

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 &

peren nials. 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!



In the depths of winter, when I'm sorting through my halfempty packets of seeds, it's hard to imagine that every single shiny speckled runner bean or tiny mustard seed contains a small immature plant, just waiting for the right



conditions to start growing. Last year I had a go at saving seeds and the glut of plants I was rewarded with spurred me on to take it seriously. Here's the advice I've gleaned from research and my own experience:

Start with the easy ones. That's the hardy annuals and perennials that you know germinate well and are famous for self-sowing such as Lady's Mantle (Alchemilla), Columbine (Aquilegia), Foxgloves, Viola, Poppies and Pot Marigolds (Calendula). With these, you can even just shake or scatter some of the dried seed heads where you want them to grow and let them take their chances but I also like to keep some back to sow in seed trays this month and next so I can guarantee some



sturdy plants for transplanting, or passing on, in the spring.

Keep them dry, cool and labelled. I cut seed heads when they're paper dry and just about to shed or catapult their seeds, and pop them in a paper bag, labelled with the date, name and



flower colour (although I may get a surprise thanks to crosspollination). I then leave them for a few days or even weeks to fully dry out and then remove the seeds and pop them into small, labelled envelopes which I seal and store in a tin in the shed

or garage. Having said all that, I left a sunflower head out on display in the greenhouse at school until May this year, and the seeds still germinated brilliantly.

Leave some standing. Seed heads add interest to a garden that's short on autumn and winter flowers and provide welcome food for birds and homes for hibernating insects. Before you

reach for your secateurs this month, imagine how striking your alliums, globe thistles, love-in-a-mist and poppies will look when their stems and seed heads have been decorated by the frost.

Cheryl Brown



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.





On a hot summer's evening, the members of Sullington Windmills WI met for their July meeting. Erika Brichta, President, opened the meeting by welcoming all members and outlining all forthcoming events, followed by reports by the Treasurer, Secretary and Welfare Officer.

The President then introduced the speaker for the evening, Richard Draycott, who is a representative of the Kent, Surrey and Sussex Air Ambulance. Richard, in his own words, described himself as an almost-retired Chartered Surveyor and has worked for the Air Ambulance charity for 11 years, being one of around 200 volunteers. The Kent Air Ambulance was established in 1989 by Kate Chivers, and was the second of its kind in England. Changes took place in 2006, when the two paramedics that went on each mission were changed for a critical care medic and one doctor. In 2007, the Kent Air Ambulance merged with the Surrey Air Ambulance to cover the three counties of Kent, Surrey and Sussex. Today, each mission is made when a life or lives are at risk, at a cost of £2,500 per mission. In the future, it is hoped the air ambulance could be used to transfer patients from one hospital to another.

The current MD 902 Helicopters are being replaced by the larger AW 169 Westland Helicopter, which will enable staff to treat patients in the cabin rather than on the roadside; slides were shown outlining the comparison of the two helicopters.



There are currently two aircraft, with one based at Marden during daylight hours (this base is due to close in the near future), and the second based at Redhill, 24 hours a day. The pilots used must have a least 1000 hours flying experience. As a result of a tragic accident in 2013, a generous donation of £300,000 was made, used to purchase three containers to store and carry blood on board the air ambulance at 2 - 4 degrees. Each day, £1,000 worth of blood is delivered, but, if not used, this can be returned to the blood bank with no cost to the charity. Prior to 2013, it had not been possible to carry blood on board.

Richard closed his talk by saying the advantage of the air ambulance being a charity is the fact that they can take patients out of the area to hospital; if they were governed by the NHS they would not have this freedom. As a charity they rely almost entirely on donations and fundraising, and without this support they could not continue their life saving work. Many members asked questions which Richard answered in detail. Erika Brichta thanked Richard for his interesting talk.

The next meeting will take place on **Wednesday 19 September**, when the speaker will be Harry Vinsome, his talk entitled 'A Personal Musical History Through Talk and Tunes'. The exhibition will be 'Something Musical'.

Why not pay us a visit, and see what the WI has to offer; all ages most welcome. We meet on the 3rd Wednesday of each month (2nd Wednesday in December) at 7.30pm, at Sullington Parish Hall. Should you require further information please contact Erika Brichta on 742039.

Pat Snape

or call 706357.



To prune or not to prune? That is the question!

Paul Templeton made a further repeat visit to the club in July. We have previously heard his talks on 'no digging' and 'no such thing as a herb'. This time his talk was 'Fruit Growing in the Garden' and the main point he wanted to make is that you shouldn't prune fruit trees. He said that unwelcome new



growth should be rubbed out with your thumb, the natural pruners we were born with! Their overall growth should be controlled by the rootstock that is used when grafting and the interstock will also affect when the tree fruits. He recommended buying trees grown by micro propagation. He pointed out that the main upright is a vegetative shoot and the side ones produce fruit, Cordon training being especially productive. When growing as Espaliers, once a branch is at a 90° angle it will not grow any longer but becomes productive at every leaf joint. He hoped that more varieties would come back on the market as at the beginning of the century there were hundreds more than are now obtainable. Paul said that plants should be bought bare rooted and have all the soil washed off their roots before planting at 2.5ft spacing. Paul then showed slides of various fruit trees and bushes in growth. Our Chairman thanked Paul for an enlightening and amusing talk.

Roger Butler will be talking about Hydrangeas at the meeting on **10 September.**

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





Our St Barnabas House hospice shop in Storrington opened in 1993 and we recently celebrated 25 years of trading with a party for staff, volunteers, customers and supporters.

We were delighted that Rupert Toovey of local auction house, Toovey's, attended. Rupert is a keen supporter of St Barnabas and works closely with the Storrington shop. Rupert kindly launched the shop's Silent Auction with some fantastic items to bid for, including a Paddington Bear and a sought after Hornby model train.

Hugh Lowson, Chief Executive of St Barnabas House, presented longstanding service awards to some of the shop volunteers. There were refreshments and a beautiful birthday cake which was cut by Rupert Toovey and Shop Manager, Sue Baldwin.



Head of Retail, Jan Harper said:

"Storrington is one of our most profitable shops. Last year alone, our incredible team of volunteers processed and sold over 48,500 items that had been generously donated by the community. The profit made by the shop last year would pay for 236 individual 24 hour stays in the In-patient unit. We would like to thank everyone for their support over the last 25 years".

The Storrington shop was closed for a week in June and has undergone a refurbishment, giving it a fresh new look. Pop in, have a browse, and say hello to Sue and the team.



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 contact: Storrington Rectory Office (742888)

STORRINGTON & PULBOROUGH DISTRICT ROTARY CLUB

Penny Barnes is the new President of Storrington & Pulborough District

Penny joined Rotary as a founder member of Brighton & Hove Breakfast Rotary Club (the first dual gender Club

PRESIDENT

Rotary Club.

ROTARY CLUB NEW ROTARY



in our District) in 1993 and, having moved to Thakeham, she joined the

Storrington & Pulborough District Rotary Club in 2000.

She is Sussex born and bred, having been brought up at North Farm, Washington. She lived and worked in Hove for some time and finally moved back to her beloved Sussex Downs. Penny worked for some years as an Estate Agent in Hove and then for the Sussex Mutual Building Society; a three year stint as an assistant producer for Miranda Birch's afternoon programme at BBC Radio Sussex and finally seven years as the Sussex Fundraiser for Marie Curie Cancer Care. Amongst events she organised for MCCC were the very popular annual *Son et Lumieres*, two at Wiston House, one at Sompting Abbots and two at Michelham Priory.

Penny and her husband Michael have five sons between them and six grandchildren living between Aberdeen, Hong Kong, Singapore, Ashington and Thakeham.

For her year, Penny says: "Rotary has changed tremendously over the years, scrapping rules which would not suit our younger generation with their long working hours. We try to help those in our Community whether they be young or the old, not only to donate or help financially, but to be involved as much as we can, where we can, in meeting their needs. At the same time, we have a wonderful fellowship within our Club which makes all that we do, whether it be our monthly cinema evenings, fundraising events or singalong afternoons at Sussexdown, such fun to be involved with. I am honoured to lead Rotary's efforts to make a real difference in our area.

We are very fortunate to have a number of new members who have joined our Club over the past couple of years and it is important that people from our area know that our Club is always looking for like-minded members who want to enjoy fellowship and to help in a variety of ways within our Community."

Note from the editor....



August saw young people receiving exam results. Some will have been delighted, but others

disappointed. However, whatever the results, those qualifications don't necessarily map a future, life-long career. How many adults have completely changed their career path? I have, for one!

I believe everyone can achieve their goals, even if those goals need to be adapted, or changed. Also, we may need to alter goals when circumstances change, or even with age.

We must always believe in ourselves, be ready to adjust, never give up, and know we will be supported by family, friends and, of course, God.

Good luck to all the young people in the next step in their lives.

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