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June 2018

3 Heralds

STORRINGTON



SULLINGTON



THAKEHAM

Sullington Flower and Craft Festival

29 June to 1 July

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St Mary's Church **SULLINGTON**



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

THE PARISH CHURCHES OF

**St Mary
STORRINGTON**



**St Mary
SULLINGTON**



**St Mary
THAKEHAM**

IN THE DIOCESE OF CHICHESTER

PARISH CLERGY

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SULLINGTON AND THAKEHAM WITH WARMINGHURST

Interim Minister	Revd Bernard Sinton, BSc (01403 741238) pa.sinton@tesco.net The Vicarage, Red Lane, Shipley, Horsham, West Sussex RH13 8PH
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Information about study and prayer groups, and requests for baptisms, weddings and home communions, for Storrington contact Revd Kathryn Windslow and for Sullington and Thakeham contact Churchwardens – details on pages 4 & 5.

All telephone numbers are 01903 unless otherwise stated.



After the round of activity from Easter through Annual Meetings to Christian Aid Week and Pentecost, June seems a month which shows every possibility of quietening down a little. How many times have we said that, and actually when we come to it the workload is as burdensome as ever?

Of course we are in a culture where productivity is everything and everyone is expected to justify their existence by being busy, or in some cases pretending to be busy. The economic downturn we have experienced over the last few years has encouraged that sort of feeling. For a number of years, jobs have been uncertain and we have all done our best to demonstrate that we are indispensable. And this approach pervades not only the world of work but other parts of our life, including our approach to retirement, and the life of the church as well. But we need to ask ourselves the question whether we are using our time to the best advantage both for ourselves and for those for whom we are working. Do we always need to be busy? If we are always busy, what happens to our inspiration and the judgement that this particular course of action is right whilst that course of action is not? If we are constantly rushing around where do we find time to reflect on what we are doing?

Jesus, in his life, spent time away from the crowds whenever he could, and there are stories in the New Testament of Jesus going off by himself to recharge his spiritual batteries so that he could face the next set of challenges. I believe that Jesus' model of work, which included time for spiritual renewal, is a good model for us too. I know that many of us come to church to gain some spiritual uplift for the week ahead, and whilst that is enough most of the time, sometimes we are looking for more. Sometimes we need a little more space, a little more time to focus on what we are doing and where we are going in our life. It is to meet such needs that people go on retreat, and there are many places where we can go for a few days to find refreshment.

Taking retreats and having some time with God are important aspects of being a member of the clergy too. During my training, those of us in my cohort of curates have been sent off on retreat at pivotal moments – for example before we were made deacon and before we were priested. This year is no different because, as we near the end of our training, we are going off on retreat again. This time to think about the future and all that might entail. We will be concentrating on listening to God's plan for us as we all begin to move to other places or move on to parishes of our own.

Whether you choose to have a few days on retreat or only manage a few hours of prayer and reflection, I hope you will find the time both physically and spiritually uplifting.

With every blessing

CHRISTINE SPENCER
Assistant Curate of St Mary's Church, Storrington

3 HERALDS WINS NATIONAL MAGAZINE AWARD

Amanda Hislop, editor of 3 Heralds, attended the national awards ceremony of the Association for Church Editors on 5 May in Coventry. She was delighted to accept a Certificate of Excellence on behalf of the magazine for 'Appeal to the Wider Community'. The award was presented by Revd John Leach, Developing Discipleship Advisor and Trainer at the Diocese of Lincoln.



Amanda said, "It was a fantastic day with an opportunity to meet editors of church magazines from all over the country. There were many varied magazines to view and I was so pleased we won this particular category, as it reflects the aim of the magazine in reporting church activities as well as an outreach for the community. An added bonus in travelling up and down to Coventry in one day was there were no traffic jams on the motorways!"

John Farrow, Chairman of ACE, said to Amanda, "The judges were impressed with your magazine and even though competition for the top awards was very keen, they had no hesitation in picking you out as one of the winners".

Amanda is celebrating her 4th year anniversary this month as editor of the magazine and would like to thank everyone for their contributions and support in making this such a successful publication.

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What's happening at

St Mary's Thakeham

www.thakehamchurch.com

Churchwardens

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Lyndene
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Child Protection Officer

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Electoral Roll Officer

David Peacock (745595)
5 Dean Way, Storrington RH20 4QN

Organist

Beryl Hardie (892349)

Church Bookings

Wynn Lednor (743025)
4 Crescent Rise, Storrington RH20 3NB

Bellringers: Tower Captain

Roger Watts (01798 813775)

Gift Aid Officer

Bob Timms (01798 813807)
Cootes, The Street, Thakeham RH20 3EP

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.

ADVANCE NOTICE!

A travelling supper will be held on
Saturday 28 July
commencing 6.30pm

Tickets £15 to include a three course meal.
Tickets and information contact
Wynn Lednor on 743025

SUNDAY TEAS

10 June at 3pm

at the home of
Andrea and Bob Timms
The Street, Thakeham

12 August Venue TBA

If you require further information
please contact Wynn Lednor 743025



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 7.15pm in the Church Rooms at Thakeham.

T&F (Thank God It's Friday), is aimed at years 9 upwards, and, like Milestones, has games and different activities based around a termly theme. It runs from 7.30pm to 9pm at the Church Rooms in Thakeham.

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

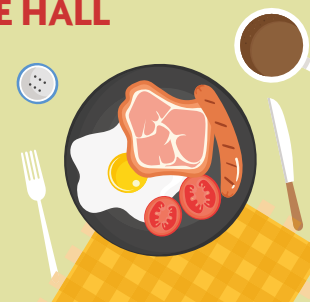
ST MARY'S THAKEHAM MEN'S BREAKFAST SATURDAY 9 JUNE

All are warmly invited

THAKEHAM VILLAGE HALL

8.30am

With guest speaker
Please call Derek or
Lis on 01798 813012
to book your place for
catering purposes.



GUIDED TOURS OF SULLINGTON CHURCH AND FARMSTEAD

At 2pm every Wednesday

Guided tour of the ancient farmstead and Church at Sullington.

Meet by the Rector's parking space.

No charge but donations to ongoing repair work greatly appreciated.



Knit and Stitch Tea on Tuesday



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

Thakeham Church Rooms
19 June 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,
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Churchwardens Emeriti

Heather Cotton (742587)
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Treasurer

Gail Kittle (745754)
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Pastoral Care

Ann Salinger (01798 813481)

PCC Secretary

Gail Kittle (745754)

Freewill Offering & Gift Aid Officer

David Baxter (744346)

Electoral Roll

Margaret Slinn (746769)
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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:

- 3 Jun Nursing and caring
- 1 Jul (6.30pm) Attitudes to race and different beliefs
- 5 Aug Slavery past and present
- 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

Tea with the Vicar

14 June, 3 to 5pm

Mike and Phillippa Warner
3 Riverside Park, Houghton Bridge
Amberley



Family Support Work Quiz Night

13 July at 7pm

Tithe Barn, Sullington

Tickets £12.00 to include supper
BYOB

Tickets from Allyson Heath 01798 873795



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

Wednesday 13 June • 11 July

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

Sullington Flower Festival

29 June to 1 July

A Gardener's World

See page 9
for more details





What's happening at St Mary's Storrington

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

Churchwardens

churchwardens@storringtonparishchurch.org.uk
Dennis Cowdrey (744372)
17 Bannister Gardens RH20 4PU
Barbara Buchanan (741916)
Broad Oaks, Melton Drive RH20 4RJ

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

Parish Secretary

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

PCC Secretary

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

Retired Clergy

Revd Stephen Turrell (741272)
Revd John Peal (743083)
Revd Jaquie Peal (743083)
Verger: Michael Taylor (742218)

Sacristy Team

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

Captain of Bellringers

John Taylor (745477)

Pastoral Scheme

Barbara Buchanan (741916)

Recorder

Rob and Alison Wall (743713)

Readers and Sidesmen

Vera Blake (743974)

Electoral Roll Officer

Vacant

Director of Music

Vacant

Assistant Organists

Chrystalle Kersley
Peter Lewis
Simon Whitchurch
Keith Smithers

Footsteps (Sunday School):
Jackie Lee (743661)

Church Flowers

Anna Forster (745392)

Child Protection Officer

Jackie Lee (743661)

Bible Reading Fellowship

Amanda Hislop (743700)

Bible Society

Jean Hunt (01798 813681)

Christian Aid Co-ordinator

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 Jaquie Peal – 743083.

Altar Servers: Revd Jaquie Peal (743083)

Bellringers: Fridays, 7.45pm - 9.30pm.

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

Church Cleaning: Jeannie Watten (742542)

Church & Churchyard Maintenance: Ray Hunt (01798 813681)

Mothers' Union: Jean Hunt (01798 813681)

Bible Study / Home Groups: The Monday Home Group is at 23 Orchard Gardens from 2.30pm, currently studying Romans. Contact Chrystalle on 744269.

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

STORRINGTON DEANERY SYNOD Open Meeting 27 June

The next Open Meeting of Storrington Deanery Synod will be held at Thakeham Church on Wednesday, 27 June at 7pm for 7.30pm. Everyone welcome.)

SUMMER SONGS OF PRAISE Sunday 22 July

The evening service at 6pm on Sunday 22 July will take the form of Songs of Praise. If you would like to suggest a hymn please contact the Rector on 742888. During the service you can explain why your choice is meaningful to you, or ask a member of the clergy to talk about the hymn on your behalf. The service will be followed by light refreshments in the Rectory Garden if fine.

St Mary's Church Storrington CONCERT COMMITTEE

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

Sat 16 June Detworth Town Band
Sat 21 July The Magic of Rodgers & Hammerstein
Please make a note of the dates in your diaries!

STORRINGTON REGISTERS

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

29 Apr Noah John Broadway (son of Victoria and Samuel)

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

19 Apr Alexander John Woodward (18 years)

23 Apr Ann Jerrard (88 years)

4 May Dennis John Day (85 years)

Interment of ashes only:

16 May Catherine Ada Fetch (85 years)

PARISH VISITING TEAM

The Parish Visiting Team is a team trained and commissioned by St Mary's Church, Storrington to undertake regular visits to any person who would like not to be alone for an hour or so.

Should you or anyone you know in Storrington Parish like to be visited, do contact Barbara Buchanan on 741916 or email barbarabuchanan16@gmail.com for an informal chat.

Church@4pm 17 June 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.

LEARNING ABOUT JESUS
SINGING
MAKING THINGS

ST MARY'S, THAKEHAM BUILDING PROJECT STATUS

Last summer, we received the estimate for the proposed addition of an annexe to the Church, together with the reordering and renewal of the services. This was well above the funds we have available and we therefore suspended work until we had a chance to reconsider our needs.

We went back to our basic requirements which were for more space at the crossing, toilets and a coffee area. In addition, the Church needs to be rewired and the heating system, lighting and sound updated. We also took into account the recommendation from the various amenity bodies required to make recommendations to the Chancellor for the approval of our Faculty.

We have now drawn up a new proposal for discussion which we feel will be affordable and meets the basic needs.

Recommendation from the Quinquennial Report: In order to improve the damp proofing it has been recommended we should replace the impervious mortar from the stonework. A trial is proposed in the Spring. We are also getting estimates to repair the damaged windows.

The floor and pews: Originally we proposed to remove the pews and lay a stone floor at a higher level. This had the advantage that we could eliminate many of the steps for wheelchair access. This has proved to be very expensive so the proposal is now to remove the front three rows of pews and place them at the back of the Church. By moving the font it will open up the area under the bell tower for seating.

The annexe: The existing vestry will be removed and an area for a larger vestry and two toilets built. The floor level will be lowered to allow disabled access.

The coffee area: A stand-alone coffee area is proposed with a sliding servery.

Heating lighting and sound: We are proposing to keep the existing radiators and to modernise the heating system. We will seek advice on the heating and sound systems

Refurbishment: After repairing the outside walls, the inside walls will be repaired and redecorated.

Moves: It is proposed to move the font to the south side of the Church by the existing screen. Our preference would be to put the screen just inside the west door. The pulpit would be fitted under the staircase to the bell ringers' gallery.

Bell ringers' gallery: It is proposed to build the bell ringers gallery at mezzanine level and use the existing floor area for seating.

Church rooms: As part of a future phase we are considering possible enlargement of the church rooms by adding new toilets and possibly an office on the west side

Public meeting: We are at present consulting the amenity bodies and the DAC for their views. The plans are available for inspection in the Church Rooms and we propose to have a public meeting on Sunday 22 July after morning service and hope that as many as possible of you will attend and give us your comments.

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 5 June Trinity Methodist Church will lead

Tuesday 3 July Our Lady of England RC Church will lead

One in faith and love and praise



St Mary's Church
Church Street
Storrington

Wednesday 20 June
10am to 11.30am
And every 3rd Wednesday of the month

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

A SINGING DELIGHT

St Mary's Church, Storrington hosted a delightful concert on the afternoon of Sunday 6 May, organised by Jill Arthur, in conjunction with the Concert Committee, and featured Jill's students and friends. The music included pieces from George Gershwin and Cole Porter, with some lovely surprises! It was a wonderful afternoon, ending with fabulous homemade cakes and tea.




St Mary's Church
Sullington

Flower & Craft
Festival

'A Gardener's World'

29th June - 1st July

10am - 6pm daily

Finishing with Evensong in our beautifully decorated Church on Sunday 1st July at 6.30pm

LOTS OF CHILDREN'S ACTIVITIES

ARTS & CRAFTS STALLS

PLANT STALL

SPECTACULAR FLOWER DISPLAY

COFFEES, LUNCHES & AFTERNOON TEA IN AN AMAZING 16TH CENTURY BARN

FOLK SINGING WORKSHOP

MEET THE SHEEP

ALL IN A 1000 YEAR OLD FARMSTEAD WITHIN THE HEART OF THE SOUTH DOWNS

We'd love to welcome you to this wonderful event

For further information please ring: 01903 745754
OR Visit: www.st-marys-sullington.org

Rev'd Christine
Spencer with
Fleur and
Frances

A SURPRISE VISITOR AT ST MARY'S, STORRINGTON

On Rogation Sunday, the congregation were invited outside into the churchyard for prayers and to bless the land. They were surprised to be met by Frances Sedgwick with her 11 month old Dexter calf, Fleur. Fleur was very well behaved and enjoyed the attention from members of the congregation, although she did take a fancy to some of the bushes! It was an inspiring way to focus on how much we rely on the dedicated hard work by our farmers to produce our food.

WARMINGHURST CHURCH CONCERT

Saturday 2 June at 5pm

**By the Kaleidoscope Singers
'Cathedral to Jazz Club'**

Tickets £8 available from Steyning Bookshop
or the Friends of Warminghurst Church
Tel 891312 or email info.fowc@gmail.com
Interval with drinks Bring a picnic for after the concert.



CHICHESTER CATHEDRAL FESTIVAL OF FLOWERS

31 May to 2 June

This Earthly Paradise

Thursday 31 May: 9.30am – 7pm

Friday 1 June: 9.30am – 6.30pm

Saturday 2 June: 9.30am – 6pm

The Preview Evening will take place
on Wednesday 30 May between 6pm and 9pm

**For more information and booking please
call 01243 782595 or see web site
<https://www.chichestercathedral.org.uk>**



ST MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS RAFA CHAPEL SUSSEXDOWN

**Communion with the residents
Thursday 28 June 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

PRAYER FOR THE MONTH

Grant, O Lord, that -
the perplexed may find guidance,
the tempted may find the strength to resist,
the doubting may find certainty,
the sad may find comfort,
the lonely may find friendship.

William Barclay



FARMING IN AN ECONOMIC AND ENVIRONMENTALLY SUSTAINABLE MANNER

**I am a small-scale lady farmer producing quality grass-fed
Dexter beef from within the South Downs National Park.**

Following a chronic and debilitating illness in 2007, I established my herd of Greyfriars Dexters in 2010 as a way back to health and to put into practice my passion and beliefs about producing quality food in a sustainable and environmentally friendly way.

I chose the Dexter not only for its fine, connoisseur beef, but also for their hardy nature, longevity and their use as a grazing tool. I am a member of the South Downs Land Managers Group and at a meeting in 2014 I was approached about using my Dexters for conservation grazing projects in the South Downs National Park. I am now assisting the Steyning Downland Scheme with the restoration of ancient chalk downland following the cessation of grazing many years back.



My cattle live in a natural environment and graze extensively using a rotational system to maintain good soil condition. This, together with the avoidance of chemical inputs, enhances the biodiversity of the chalk grassland of the South Downs National Park in which they graze. The breeding cows are kept on the home grassland, with calves left to suckle for around ten months, and the steers move over to the Steyning Downland on weaning where they stay until they are sent for beef at 30 months of age. All animals are fed a 100% natural grass diet. Scientific research shows that grass-fed beef has many health benefits: it is low in saturated fats and high in omega-3 essential fatty acids, with high levels of CLA, vitamin E and folic acid.



The way I farm is a sustainable, ecosystem approach to agriculture. What I have created is a rewarding system of livestock production, delivering high standards of animal welfare, enhancing biodiversity and providing a quality product with full traceability from field to fork. Garlic Wood Farm, to whom I supply, is a family-run butchery with their shop in Steyning High Street, dedicated to selling sustainably farmed meat from partner producers farming slow-maturing native and rare-breed livestock.

Frances Sedgwick, Greyfriars Dexters

WEST CHILTINGTON AND STORRINGTON MOTHERS' UNION

Walking the Camino de Compostela

Mothers' UNION
Christian care for families

On 19 April, Jeannie Watten with Jean and Ramon Hunt, visited The Manhood Branch at West Wittering to hear Chris Emson talk about what it means to be MU worldwide, with special reference to Kenya which she had recently visited. Apart from hearing more about the work done by MU, this was a good opportunity to enjoy fellowship with other members of Chichester District.

At our meeting on route 3 May, Andrew and Sheila Boulton took us on a retrospective Pilgrimage along the Camino de Compostela, a 500 kilometre walk which they did in two parts, the greater part completed last year. The is marked by yellow arrows and the sign of a scallop shell, carried by pilgrims, which can serve as a cup to scoop up water, a cutting tool, and a plate. We enjoyed the scenery along the way, and heard stories about other pilgrims they encountered. Some clearly wished to journey alone whilst others were in groups or couples. On one occasion, as Andrew and Sheila were eating their lunch under the shade of an olive tree, a lone pilgrim passed by singing a hymn. This gave Andrew the opportunity to lead us in singing the *Peruvian Gloria*, a very special moment. Sheila and Andrew stayed in hotels, but there were hostels along the route, one of which was free on a first come first served basis. At one stage, food was pressed upon them by a man who had put baskets of food outside his home from which the pilgrims could take freely, demonstrating Christian generosity. Andrew and Sheila gave us a delightful and inspiring afternoon.



Cathedral de Santiago de Compostela

Saturday 2 June is MU Members Meeting at Bishop Hannington Memorial Church, Hove from 11am to 3pm. We would very much like to welcome husbands, families and non-members to this event. There will be stands for storytelling about our MU Projects in the Diocese, such as Prison Work, and the Ministry of Cake. Those who have benefited from an *Away From It All Holiday*, or used the Eastbourne Family Contact Centre, will tell of their experiences. There will be activities for children, Bring and Buy and Cake Stalls, and refreshments. You are most welcome and if you would like to know more please contact me on 01798 813681.

The Speaker at our meeting on **7 June** will be Rob Wall, who will tell us of his time as a Hospital Chaplain at St George's Hospital, Tooting. We meet at 2pm in West Chiltington Church Hall and visitors are very welcome to join us.

As part of our Awareness Week, on **Wednesday 20 June** our Branch will be holding a Prayer Walk on the Downs. We shall meet at Chantry Post and walk and pray for the villages of Storrington and West Chiltington. Afterwards we plan to have lunch at Joanna's. Non-members are very welcome to join us but please let me know if you wish to join us for lunch. In the event of bad weather we shall proceed to St Mary's Church, Storrington to join in Café in the Church.

Part of MU Action and Outreach is to provide a pair of socks for each of the Gatwick Detainees as a Christmas Gift. This year, 680 pairs of new socks for men will be needed, so if any parishioner feels they would like to donate please let me have them before 1 October.

Jean Hunt



CHEMIN NEUF COMMUNITY The Priory, School Lane, Storrington

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 - 7 June

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



Fun morning group for babies and toddlers

We meet every Friday during term time from 9.30am-11am



£2.50 per family which includes refreshments



Come along, join in and make new friends by making crafts, hearing bible stories, singing, playing musical instruments, and playing with toys

Trinity Methodist Church
Thakeham Road, Storrington
For more information contact

Karlene - 07775 835842 or Katherine - 01903 245799

Rotary Club of Storrington & Pulborough District

CAR BOOT SALE

STORRINGTON LIBRARY CAR PARK

8am until 12noon

**Bank Holiday Monday
27 August**

Pitches available at £7 per car and from £10 for vans.
All proceeds go to charitable causes supported by Rotary.





SULLINGTON 122 YEARS AGO

EXTRACTS FROM CANON PALMER'S DIARY – JUNE 1896

Mon 1: Warm, 58 degrees. To the school which begins a new term with 20 children only. A fearful catastrophe at Moscow, owing to a panic among the lower classes crowding greedily after the Tsar's presents. Some 2000 killed and injured. Men at barn roof. Everything drying up fast, watering strawberry beds.

Tue 2: Very warm and thundery, 63 degrees. Drove Clara to Pulborough for Benges and then on to Midhurst and had a satisfactory interview with Albury. Then lunched with Fisher of Hilltop. Met a Mrs Richardson lately from the Antipodes. Mr Hare and others. Also fell in with Holist just back from Belgium and Mr and Mrs Chilver. Cut first part of front meadow by machine.

Wed 3: Very warm and still, 62 degrees. With May to Wantley calling on the Zwahlens and Pagets and Pickerings. Austin teaed, and we had much talk over questions affecting the Technical Education Classes and Poor Law. Wrote to Edward at the Hotel National, Wiesbaden. Front field cut. Church yard cut and cleared off.

Thu 4: Warm and close with thundery shower. Have had a good day with the hay and secured some excellent stuff in hay barn. Carried lower half of front field. Col Griffiths brought his son here in the afternoon and walked him up the Downs in the evening, an agreeable though slightly over-talkative man.

Fri 5: Fresh, 57 degrees. Col Griffiths left this morning. Much haymaking: got plenty of hand from the relics of Duke. Carried most of front field. Clara writes from Benges of the division of goods.

Sat 6: Dull and fresh, some rain, 57 degrees. Began with Gerald Griffiths: find him exceedingly backward. Finished front field. Get in some batons of excellent hay, quite green enough to heat well: begin cutting nine acre. Hal comes in from town about 10.30 having left at 3.30. Such is bicycle travel, averaging 8mph.

Sun 7: Trinity I. Wild, stormy rain scuds, 57 degrees. A thin Sunday, both services poorly attended. Dear May played on the organ all through quite respectably, omitting the evening Psalms only. Hal left on his bicycle at 2.30 intending the whole distance. Preached an old sermon on our Saviour's Prayer for unity and extempore on the Christian race from Hebrews.

Mon 8: Fine warmer unsettled, 60 degrees. Began work with Gerald Griffiths: alas, he has but the meierist smattering of the tongues but not unpleasant as a learner. Drove to Wiggonholt. Saw all the Jelfs under the acacia at tea and our old friend Frau Corber. Men repointing chancel roof.

Tue 9: Dull thundery, 63 degrees. Board of Guardians and District Council, discussed and settled Parham roads. Party here from Wiggonholt headed by Frau Corber. Played a first set of tennis with Griffiths. Little done in the hay field. First few strawberries.

Wed 10: Very dark and wet all day. Heavy rain and thunder, 60 degrees. First heavy rain since 16 March. Could not get out at all! Got all my accounts into working order – things look a little better for me than they did last year.

Thu 11: Clearing after the rain, sweet 62 degrees. A 'gracious rain' indeed, for which we must all be grateful to God. Turned the hay. Mrs Lillywhite and her sister came up to my great astonishment, both well, cheerful and chatty. To Austin's to a committee about the evening classes.

Fri 12: Splendidly fine, 62 degrees. A good days haymaking in the 9 Acre. Carried nearly half in capital order making a rick close to the hedge which as before helped by cart and horse from Storrington carrier. Had lower meadow rolled. Much voluntary strength out: servants and Newton.

Sat 13: Very fine and hot, 65 degrees. Finished half big field in

good order by dinner. Cutting six hours over four and a half acres. First pees. Clara returns full of all her divisional intelligences: happily no family rupture as so often. Hal too comes with her comes news of an appointment as manager to a mine in New Zealand. The boy goes over to Pulborough to see his home sick parents. To Cobden on horseback in cool of evening. Dalby (HMIS) says he will come on 16th when school is closed: let him!

Sun 14: Trinity II. Very warm, 63 degrees. Thin congregations. Morning sermon extempore on the Victory of Faith over Giant overwhelming forces of evil Judges IV and in the evening extempore on "swearing and foul language" James V. The grass cut yesterday bakes in the meadow today.

Mon 15: Hot and thundery: heavy shower about midday, 68 degrees. May to Pulborough for Town: missed her train. Watson came in; spoke to him about my two acres glebe and propose an exchange. A thunder shower stopped my hay carrying.

Tue 16: Fresher, 65 degrees. The school examined by Dalby and his wife, a portentously vulgar lady: however they were well satisfied with Mrs H. the 18 non-measely scholars out of 26, so all is well. We had a rare afternoon at the hay and finished. (Hay began 2 June – finished 16, 15 acres all well saved). The Walkers and Kings called and teaed.

Wed 17: Heavy summer rain, 61 degrees. Lucky to have cleared up our hay. Read very steadily with young Gerald who is miserably backward.

Thu 18: Fresh and fine, 60 degrees. Quite a pleasant change. Heard to my surprise from Col Griffith that Gerald is not to remain here.

Fri 19: Fine fresh, 62 degrees. To Town betimes visiting Hal at the office then May at 84 and Bradbourn at 73 Cornwall Gardens: discussed Carew Gibson's affairs and then met Albury at 5 and 6 Clements Ins. and settled reserves. Saw Pearce home from Bolivia and home on the 5.00.

Sat 20: Unsettled, 60 degrees. Hal and May return from town this afternoon. Put the settling touch to our 9 Acre rick about 8 tons. George King came to call cycling here from Midhurst.

Sun 21: Trinity III. Fresh, 58 degrees. Thin congregations. Sermons (notes) on "Hannah" an extempore on Faith, Honour, Courage etc. and on the Church Catholic, the Body and members, as we had a baptism in the evening service. Arthur King came over and left Hal a fine hat. Frau Corber walked over from the Jelf's.

Mon 22: As yesterday, 61 degrees. Clara drove Hal to Pulborough, much excitement about his departure. Pruned peaches only a fair sprinkling.

Tue 23: As yesterday, 62 degrees. Board of Guardians short sitting, over by 11.30 for us. My motion for a donation to Guys opposed. Votes square but did not cast in my own favour.

Wed 24: Fine but some thunder showers, 61 degrees. No school because of measles. To see Myles, ill from a weakened heart. Annie Marten Cicely and Hal arrive to celebrate our XXVI wedding day. Chartreuse tapped.

Thu 25: Thundery dull heavy showers, 58 degrees. Hal left home by the 12 train. We walked in the woods.

Fri 26: Fresh, 57 degrees. With May and Cicely to Town: thence to Tilbury, just in time row out and see Hal start on the Orizaba: much disappointment that we could not get on board in time, but saw the last of him, then with the Martineau to Graves End, lunched and home by L.B. where George Marten joined us.

CINDY AND FRANK WATERS' A272 ROAD TRIP

The idea of the Road Trip to publicise the Museum and raise much needed funds, came to Cindy and Frank some time ago after hearing a talk given by the authors of *A272 Ode to a Road*. Over the months, any reservations the rest of us might have had about such a project were swept aside by Cindy and Frank's enthusiasm. Sponsors began to sign up and eventually, after much planning, they set off from the Museum on Tuesday 3 April. What follows is Cindy's account of their venture, which they funded entirely themselves.

"The big day started at 7.30am with an interview with Neil Pringle on BBC Radio Sussex, and at 8.30am we were waved off from the Museum by fellow volunteers.

We visited 28 towns and villages on our way west to Stockbridge, and 42 on the way back to Hadlow Down. Our total mileage is difficult to judge. Frank put the 'trip' on as we left the Museum on 3 April, and by 10 April we had driven 600 miles. Had we driven direct on the A272 from Hadlow Down to Stockbridge and back again it would have been 200 miles (that is what the book says anyway!) but we went off-road many times to visit various villages and places of interest. And apart from one overnight stay, we chose to drive home at the end of each day rather than find B&Bs.

People we met along the way showed great interest and were very friendly, if a little puzzled at first about what we were up to.

At the beginning of our trip we called into Wilderness Wood where a worker trundling along a wheelbarrow full of logs, signed our list, and showed great interest in what we were doing. On our second day a lady on the counter at Camelia Botnar signed our list and had



Frank with
Vic Mitchell

quite a long chat with us as she too had helped with fund-raising for a charity. When we popped into the village shop at Cheriton in Hampshire the lady who runs it told us that she had lived in Greatham 13 years ago.

At Midhurst on 7 April, we visited the author of transport books, Vic Mitchell of Middleton Press. Vic is a delightful man and we spent some time with him. He

signed our list and I photographed him with Frank.

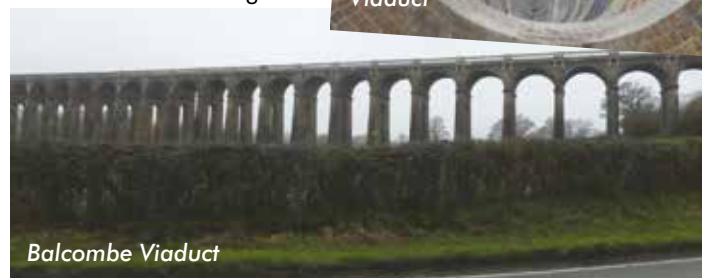
Donations sometimes were quite unexpected: we had lunch on 8 April at the Halfway Bridge pub near Petworth and fell into conversation with a party of people sitting nearby. One of the ladies, who told us that she lived in Leeds, was so interested in our project that she gave us £5.

There were plenty of highlights but two in particular: finding the house in Lodsworth where R H Shepard, illustrator of *Winnie the Pooh* and *Wind in the Willows* had lived; and finding a Stone Circle, tetralithon, similar to Stonehenge but much smaller, at a place called Woodlands. No lowlights, apart from getting very muddy walking across a field to take a photo of the inside of the arches of the Balcombe Viaduct near Haywards Heath, but it was well worth the effort as we got a good photo as proof!

Our last day started in Haywards Heath, and we arrived back at our original



Interior of
Balcombe
Viaduct



Balcombe Viaduct

starting point in Hadlow Down, early in the afternoon. We then made out way back to Storrington Museum, arriving there at 4.15pm to find we were driving past a Chequered Flag with a 'Well Done' sign.

Frank and I are absolutely delighted to tell you that we raised an incredible £1385.50 for the Museum, so once again a heartfelt thank you for your support and generosity. May Storrington Museum continue in the community for many years to come.

We'll soon be off on our travels, not sponsored this time, to visit our son in America to celebrate his 50th birthday, and when we get back we plan an exhibition of photographs and information on our trip so that our generous sponsors will be able to see all the details. This exhibition will be on Sunday 15 July at The Old School, with afternoon tea. So make a note of the date; details will be circulated nearer the time.

Cindy and Frank Waters

EXTRACTS FROM CANON PALMER'S DIARY – JUNE 1896

continued

Sat 27: As yesterday but warmer, 62 degrees. Spent the morning in business talk over Mrs Marten's estate and the letting of the Lodge. Probably about £2000.00 will be Clara's share, now invested so as to bring in about 4%. Strolled down to Storrington to see the end of a cricket match. Annie Marten and May sketched in the tangled garden of the deserted Sullington Manor Farm.

Sun 28: Trinity IV. Fine and hot, heavy thundering, 61 degrees. Thin congregations: preached old sermon on being active Christians "not slothful in business" and extempore in evening on John being Children of God.

Mon 29: Fine and fresh 62 degrees. Hal's first letter from the Orizaba. George Marten and Annie left us this morning. I attended with the girls the missionary tea at Pulborough which was a success though far from brilliant: Jelf the best orator. Today the Gibson Citadel put up to auction. Dr Graham inspects Cicely.

Tue 30: Rain scud from west then fine, 60 degrees. School 14 from 24. The sale of the Farms yesterday was practically a failure only one lot selling. Called on Bowers, Bartlett's, cottage and Sandgate. The girls went to Chantry to a picnic. Young Griffiths returns after three days sabbatical.



BINGO

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BOOK REVIEW – BRIAN SIMMONS

SURREY POLICE OFFICER TO STORRINGTON RESIDENT

Former Surrey police officer, Brian Simmons, has completely turned his life around after retiring from the force to become a successful writer and photographer.

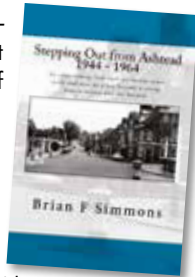
Brian, who now lives in Storrington, enjoyed a vastly diverse police career ranging from firearms squad, to recruitment and training officer. He also spent time in the media relations office at Surrey Police HQ in Guildford, where he developed a love of writing.

So when he left the force, after work overload resulted in health issues, he turned to writing and photography as a new occupation which has been extremely successful. He has had two books published and his photographs have appeared in magazines and are also sold as greetings cards.

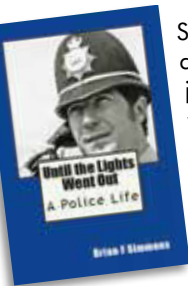
The idea to write a memoir initially surfaced about eight years ago, he explains. "I was in a conversation and heard myself say that I didn't really remember much about my young life. Then I thought, that's crazy, I know memory gets a bit poorer as the years pass but that's usually for short term stuff. So I decided to set myself a challenge and see exactly what I could remember."

He had heard about a technique called mind-mapping which is effectively solo brain storming and discovered he could remember a whole raft of stories, people, places and adventures that he believed could be very entertaining if he committed them to paper. So, with the guidance of a local writing group, he set about the task of writing a memoir and, on completion, he was delighted when his fellow 'students' reckoned his manuscript was definitely worth publishing.

His first book *Stepping out from Ashted 1944 - 1964* is a light hearted and enjoyable read about his childhood years and includes accounts of many daft and occasionally hair-raising stunts and pranks. These included almost shooting a policeman off his bike with a mis-aimed rocket, setting the local park alight and coming close to injuring himself with home-made gunpowder. He also recounts his early working life which included a fantastic round-the-world trip as a steward with P&O and a brief period in the Metropolitan Police and all before he was old enough to vote. He left the Met to return home after his mother was diagnosed with cancer. The book is also an interesting social commentary on those rapidly changing post war years with numerous references that will certainly tick a few nostalgia boxes.



Since the first book, Brian's writing career has continued and a new book *Until the Lights Went Out*, just released on Amazon, covers the following thirty years. "Apart from a brief four years as a 1960's motor trader which was very 'Arthur Daly', it's really about my life as a police officer in Surrey", Brian explains.



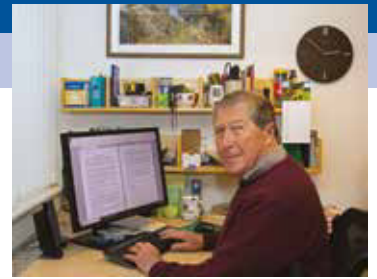
It recounts some of life's more serious stuff around bereavement, marriage and divorce, climbing the greasy career pole and an eventual breakdown which ended his career, hence the title *Until the Lights Went Out*.

But despite this rather gloomy title, the book also includes a great number of laughs arising from his experiences in the police and also lifts the lid on many aspects of the service the public may be unaware of such as firearms training, rural policing, press and media relations, recruitment processes and more.

Brian says, "Memoir writing and the self-publishing process is not going to make many of us wealthy but I have found it a most satisfying, mentally stimulating and enjoyable process, especially when readers take the trouble to get in touch to say how much they enjoyed my books, identified with the experiences or in some cases found themselves motivated to have a go themselves." He admits he

is now addicted to writing and will be picking up the pen again soon for the next instalment.

When not writing Brian loves photography and is particularly passionate about capturing the beauty of the landscape.



"I developed my website, *Surrey Hills Images*, primarily to share my passion for the Surrey Hills landscape with other like-minded lovers of the countryside" he says. "Although since moving to Storrington I can see that the Sussex countryside, while different, is equally beautiful"

The site contains a varied collection of wonderful images of landscapes, people and places that, Brian explains, have appealed to him over the years. His pictures are available as greetings cards, prints and wall art.

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SOUTH DOWNS PROBUS



We often learn of incidents that require the use of the Air Ambulance Service, such as road traffic accidents, where traffic gridlock makes road access difficult or impossible or where the serious nature of injuries requires immediate hospital treatment. Finding missing persons also accounts for 2000 calls each year.



Our speaker at the April meeting, Mike Barker, was able to give us much more detail of this valuable and vital service which, in the case of the Kent, Surrey and Sussex Air Ambulance Service, is on 24-hour standby.

The Service first started in 1968 and there are now 26 units across the British Isles. We are particularly fortunate in the quality of the service covering our area which has two helicopters and a third on order, each having a team of two highly experienced pilots, an NHS doctor qualified close to consultant level and a paramedic with at least 8 years' experience. Two thousand 999 calls daily are screened by a HEMS dispatcher.

The latest helicopter in use, the AW169, has a greatly increased space which allows the medical team to carry out more complicated medical procedures, such as blood transfusions.

The Air Ambulance Service which is distinct from Air Rescue Service, is a Charity funded entirely from donations from the public and clearly merits the support of each one of us. Mike concluded by saying, "Every coin in the collection box is vital to us".

Derek Down.

PARHAM HOUSE & GARDENS

ARTIST IN RESIDENCE EXHIBITION



Parham House & Gardens is hosting an exhibition showcasing artwork by its first Artist in Residence, Polly Dutton, this June. With over 20 pieces on display, the month-long exhibition will give visitors the opportunity to view Polly's interpretation of Parham before exploring the House and Gardens that inspired her work.



Known for its remarkable collection of paintings, furniture, needlework and antiques, this exhibition will be the first time Parham displays artwork inspired by the Elizabethan House and Gardens' own beauty.

A contemporary artist, Polly has been Parham's first artist in residence since last spring. Her work specialises in capturing the feeling of her experience in the landscape. The mark making is spontaneous and she uses various mediums to create work that is vibrant, energetic and atmospheric.

Polly Dutton comments, "I am delighted to be showing my creations from a year's work as Artist in Residence at Parham House & Gardens. I feel I have managed to capture the essence and energy of the seasons in a variety of areas in the gardens and pleasure grounds."

This residency has given me the opportunity to explore and expand ways of working, and pushed me to work with different expressive mediums. The joy of working amongst the artistry created by the gardeners has been a total pleasure. Every one of my creative senses has been stimulated and fulfilled as I have absorbed the extraordinary atmosphere and beauty that is Parham."

Visitors can see the Artist in Residence Exhibition from 3 June to 1 July, between 2pm and 5pm at Parham House & Gardens. The House is open on Wednesdays, Thursdays, Fridays, Sundays and Bank Holidays.

For more information, visit www.parhaminsussex.co.uk, call 742021 or email enquiries@parhaminsussex.co.uk.

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CHURCH SERVICES AT A GLANCE

DATE	FESTIVAL OR SUNDAY	STORRINGTON St Mary's	THAKEHAM St Mary's	SULLINGTON St Mary's
3 June	Trinity 1	8am Holy Communion (said) 10am Family Communion 6pm Evensong	10.30am Joint All-age Family Communion (with Sullington)	6pm Evensong
10 June	Trinity 2	8am Holy Communion (said) 10am Parish Communion + Footsteps 11.45am Baptism Service 6pm Evensong	9.30am Morning Prayer	8am Holy Communion (with Thakeham) 11.30am Morning Prayer
17 June	Trinity 3	8am Holy Communion (said) 10am Parish Communion with Prayers for Healing + Footsteps 4pm Church@4	8am Iona Communion (with Sullington)	10.30am Holy Communion (with Thakeham)
24 June	Trinity 4	8am Holy Communion (said) 10am Parish Communion + Footsteps 11.45am Baptism Service 6pm Evensong	9.30am Family Communion	8am Holy Communion (with Thakeham) 11.30am Family Communion
1 July	Trinity 5	8am Holy Communion (said) 10am Family Communion 6pm Evensong	10.30am Joint All-age Family Communion (with Sullington)	8am Holy Communion (with Thakeham) 6.30pm 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

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Daily Mass: Monday – Friday 9am.

For other midweek services, confessions etc., please contact

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2 St. John's, Fern Road, Storrington RH20 4LW

Tel: 740338

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North Street

Sunday Services 10.30am, 6.30pm

Church Elder: Graham Thrussell

Tel: 01243 545737

grahamthrussell.GT@gmail.com

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Steyning Grammar School – Rock Road Campus

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Community Church Office, PO Box 1020, Storrington RH20 3UY

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WEEKLY EVENTS

Tues	10am	Coffee Morning – Storrington Chapel
Wed	9.30am	Registrar of Births and Deaths – Storrington Library – pre-booking only – 01243 642122
Fri	10am	Storrington Community Market – Village Hall

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Monday to Friday	9.30am – 5.30pm
Saturday	10am – 4pm

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WHAT'S ON

JUNE	
Sat 2	
10am	Storrington Conservation Society – Working Party – p2
5pm	Concert – Warminghurst Church – p10
Sun 3 TRINITY 1	
2pm	Artist in Residence Exhibition – Parham House (to 1 July) – p17
6pm	Summer Evensong – St Mary's Sullington – p5
Tue 5	
10am	Inter-Church prayers – RC Church (side-chapel) – p9
2pm	SPACE – Arts and Craft Club – p28
Wed 6	
10am	St Barnabas Outreach – Library Car Park – p21
2.30pm	Arts Society Storrington – Meeting – p33
Thu 7	
9.30am	Priory Day – p13
10.30am	Pop-In Lunch Club – p18
2pm	West Chiltington & Storrington MU – Meeting – p13
Sat 9	
8am	Big Breakfast and Car Boot Sale – p16
8.30am	Men's Breakfast – St Mary's, Thakeham – p4
9.30am	Sandgate Conservation Society – Working Party – p32
Sun 10 TRINITY 2	
11.45	Baptism Service – St Mary's, Storrington Bonnie Crystal Hall (daughter of Shannon and Liam) and Sophia Monica Laker (daughter of Louise and Tim)
1pm	Sunday Lunch Club – p18
3pm	Sullington Sunday Tea – p5
Mon 11	
7.30pm	Thakeham Gardeners' Club – Meeting – p27
Wed 13	
10am	Wild Fortune Quiet Garden – p5
	Needlework Display – Parham House (to 24 June) – p24
Thu 14	
3pm	Tea with the Vicar – p5
7pm	Bingo – Mary How Trust – p15
Fri 15	
7.30pm	Storrington Horticultural Society – Meeting – p32
Sat 16	
2pm	Storrington Baby and Toddler Group – Fun afternoon – p16
7.30pm	Petworth Town Band Concert St Mary's, Storrington – p23
Sun 17 TRINITY 3	
	NOTE: No Evensong at St Mary's, Storrington
Tue 19	
2pm	Knit and Stitch Tea – p4
Wed 20	
10am	Café in the Church – p9
2pm	SPACE – Arts and Craft Club – p28
7.30pm	Sullington Windmills WI – Meeting – p24

Thu 21	
3pm	Tea with the Vicar – p5
Sat 23	
10am	Sandgate Conservation Society – Working Party – p32
Sun 24 TRINITY 4	
11.45	Baptism Service at St Mary's, Storrington Thomas Jason Lesuc (son of Heather and Catalin)
Tue 2	
7.30pm	Mary How Film Trust – <i>Battle of the Sexes</i> – p31
Wed 27	
2pm	Storrington Flower Club – Meeting – p27
7pm	Storrington Deanery Synod Open Meeting – p6
Thu 28	
11.30am	Holy Communion at Sussexdown Chapel – p10
Fri 29	
10am	Sullington Flower and Craft Festival – p9
Sat 30	
10am	Sullington Flower and Craft Festival – p9
3pm	Sandgate Singers Concert – p22

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

SAINTS AND SPECIAL DAYS

JUNE	
Tue 5	Boniface (Wynfrith), 754 , Bishop, patron saint of Germany, Martyr
Wed 6	Ini Kopuria, 1945 , founder of the Melanesian Brotherhood
Fri 8	Thomas Ken, 1711 , an English cleric considered the most eminent of the English non-juring bishops
Sat 9	Columba, 597 , Abbot of Iona, missionary
Mon 11	BARNABAS, APOSTLE
Thu 14	Richard Baxter, 1691 , puritan church leader
Fri 15	CORPUS CHRISTI , celebrating the real presence of the body and blood of Jesus Christ, in the Eucharist, known as transubstantiation. Evelyn Underhill, 1941 , an English Anglo-Catholic writer and pacifist known for her numerous works on religion and spiritual practice
Sat 16	Richard, Bishop of Chichester, 1253 , patron saint of Sussex Joseph Butler, 1752 , Bishop of Durham, philosopher
Sun 17	Samuel and Henrietta Barnett, 1913 and 1936 , social reformers
Mon 18	Bernard Mizeki, 1896 , apostle of the MaShona (South Africa), martyr
Tue 19	Sundar Singh of India, 1929 , Sadhu (holy man), evangelist, teacher of Christianity
Fri 22	Alban, c.250 , venerated as the first-recorded British Christian martyr
Sat 23	Etheldreda, c.678 , Abbess of Ely
Sun 24	NATIVITY OF JOHN THE BAPTIST
Wed 27	Cyril, Bishop of Alexandria, 444 , teacher of the faith
Thu 28	Irenaeus, c.200 , Bishop of Lyons, teacher of the faith
Fri 29	PETER AND PAUL, APOSTLES

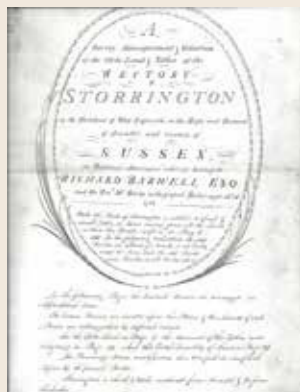
STORRINGTON & SULLINGTON – REFLECTIONS OF THE PAST

MAPPING STORRINGTON

The new ruler of England, William the Conqueror, ordered a survey of his new kingdom. A list of detailed questions was carried by his commissioners into every village and hamlet and they did not miss a plough, pig or person. Completed in 1086, it became known as the Domesday Book. It became accessible to more people in 1885 when the Sussex Archaeological Society published a fine facsimile edition with English translations and helpful introductions. This lovely book is prefaced with a map drawn by FE Sawyer, FSA, pinpointing the places named in Domesday, including 'Storchestone'. What would the king and his commissioners have given for a contemporary map, but the earliest recognisable maps of Sussex did not appear before the 16th century.

The earliest actual map I have seen of Sussex was not published until 1724, drawn by Richard Bugden; towns and villages are not detailed although churches are shown and such roads as there were, tracks and estates such as Parham, with house and boundary. Storrington has its Church and parsonage drawn, the street leading to it and continuing up to the Downs, the main street and indications of houses and a fragment of today's West Street. The River Stor is shown from Chantry Mill in Sullington through Fryern and to the mill at Hurston and on to Wiggonholt, through the park indicated which then joins a road towards Amberley.

The oldest map with real detail was made in 1788 for Lord Egremont who owned a large part of Storrington parish. The information contained in the top left-hand corner of the map is written inside a floral circle which says that it is, "A plan of the parish of Storrington in the County of Sussex taken in 1788", and that it is "Survey'd and drawn by Tho. Bainbridge, No. 7 Grey's Inn". A note written below the circle adds, "The whole of Storrington Parish is within the Manor of Storrington, except Hurston Place Farm, Hurston Street Farm, Chantry Farm and Lee Farm which are reputed to be each manors of themselves". It is not possible here to show the whole of the map which is approximately 73" x 26" with the Sullington boundary at the top and the Parham boundary at the bottom, so the map is read E-W instead of the more familiar orientation N-S with N at the top. In the centre, looking like a large hole in the map, is Storrington Common where "Sir JA Peachey has a Rabbit Warren 103 acres and 3 roods". This is there today from Monastery Lane to the Crown at Cootham, and from the northern edge of the recreation ground, which is the last remaining open part of the old common, to the foot of the Downs.

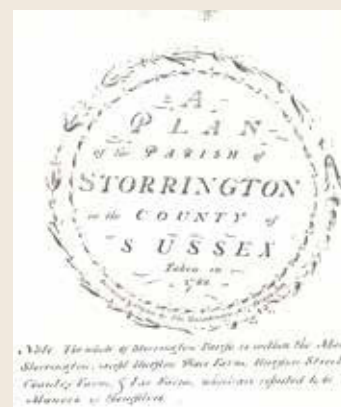


A road or track from the Common [West Street] leads to the open village centre and the distinctive thumb-shape of buildings facing eastwards to [High Street], another road from here southwards leads to the Church and Clay Lane [Greyfriars Lane] and on to the Downs. There is a small lane from [The Square] turning back westwards to the common and the fields north of the village. At the eastern end of [High Street] is Byne Common extending to the Sullington boundary. This map shows an open parish of fields with hardly any buildings away from the roads clustered near the Church, apart from an occasional farm house. There are nine houses with gardens on the western side of Clay Lane and opposite, the

parsonage house and three plots of glebe land around it. [Church Street] shows more intensive buildings with long gardens each side of the road leading back to the village centre and at the corner is one of the only two named inns, the "White Hs" [Horse] with a large yard behind and buildings, possibly stables. A few houses and long gardens are shown on the northern edge of Byne Common against the road; the two named as Brown and Bishop are beside an interesting feature. Here the road divides into two leaving a long wedge of land between them also marked as belonging to Brown and Bishop. The track on the south side of the 'wedge' continues through a wide open strip past the Byne Common boundary eastwards [up Manleys Hill] towards Sullington.

From Storrington Common, a track goes westwards across it to the only other named inn, "Crown" at Cootham and next to it, "Work House" at which point the map opens out onto the long narrow Cootham Common of 25 acres 1 rood and 16 perches which ends abruptly at the Parham boundary. Cootham has very few buildings, one of which is opposite the Crown and two more next to it. Sir James Peachey and Lord Egremont own many of the fields, also Clough who has large fields south of the Church and Kithurst [sic].

A fair copy of the detailed map recording many of the tenants / owners whose names are on their plots as well as the larger landowners was copied in 1788 for the Rector so he could calculate his tithes. The title page of this map was drawn with a large oval wreath inclosing the information, "A survey, Admeasurement and Valuation of the Glebe-lands and Tithes of the Rectory of Storrington in the Hundred of West Easewrith, in the Rape and Deanrie [sic] of Arundel and in the County of Sussex. The perpetual Advowson whereof belongs to Richard Barwell Esq., and the Revd Mr Bailey is the present Rector aged about 56. 1788." A further note adds, "The Rector of Storrington is entitled to Great and Small Tithes in kind arising from all the lands within the parish except in page 5." The note ends with a rounding up of the acreages, "... the odd Perches are allowed for wastes in all fields under 10 acres and the odd Roods and Perches in all the fields above". More notes are added under the ornamental cartouche about the arrangement of tenants and the glebe lands and also "... the Parsonage House and Gardens have been put in compleat [sic] repair by the present Rector". Information is added that "Storrington is about 8 miles from Arundel and 15 from Chichester". Two later hands at the top of the title page note that, "This book belongs to Wm Bradford Rector of Storrington", and, "This book was bot [bought] at the late Mr Bradford's sale by Mr Wm Stanford and was presented by Mr Walter Stanford on his leaving Springhead Farm on 4th May 1874 to me, JC Challen".



Another 18th century map of Sussex was drawn by Yeakell and Gardener. Although it shows the fields and roads in detail and



outlying farms, the village only has heavily blacked edges for buildings to the roads in the centre, showing it virtually unchanged. Interestingly, Storrington Common has a 'St Andrew's cross' arrangement of paths

from the corner of [West Street] to Wilshires Lane [no longer in existence except as a double hedge westwards off the Amberley Road] and from the Crown at Cootham to [School Lane] and the Church. Chantry Lane, the eastern boundary of the parish, continues to the top of the hill where there is a major junction of paths, one east-west across the top, the route of today's South Downs Way, and two more diverging southwards.

In 1806, the first 2" to the mile OS map appeared but Storrington village centre and its outlying fields and farms had not changed. There were other OS maps in 1813 and 1876.

A significant map was drawn in 1841, the Tithe Map, again mainly serving the interests of the Rector. It should not be read strictly as an accurate map of the parish but rather as a tax document. Properties and even ponds have their boundaries tidied



up, the edges of ponds squared off and numbered to correspond with a written schedule. It adds a lot of information about Storrington's property-owning population, buildings and field names. Among the fields, the church meadow is shown as the private property of the Rev Henry Warren who was the Rev William Bradford's curate. In subsequent years this piece of ground seems to have been the property of the curate at the time, and was known as "Mr ----'s Piece". In February 1877 a notice was published by the Revd James Beck of Storrington, Clerk in Holy Orders to the Churchwardens and Inhabitants of said Parish, that he wished to divert a certain footpath across a field "called or known as Dixon's Field". Dixon was the owner of the pill factory in the churchyard, making the popular "Dixon's Pills for all ills", the site now marked by the old pump.

The fine OS map of 1876 shows details of the built-up village centre with houses drawn accurately instead of simple blocks. The Post Office is in Church Street [Georgian House], and there is an animal pound off School Lane in the churchyard wall. There are bench marks shown past the Anchor 128ft, at the White Horse Inn 131ft 1in. and at the Church 154ft 6in. The OS triangulation point for these is at the top of the hill. Trees are drawn in the street east of the White Horse and West Street and in the Rectory garden, there are pine trees near the house and deciduous trees by the boundary. Storrington Gas Works also appears on the west side of the stream before it crosses the road and an un-named Inn [the Half Moon] is marked on the opposite side. The tree-lined River Stor then winds its way across the field to the mill pond. Storrington was a pretty village in 1876, surrounded by fields.

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STORRINGTON IN BLOOM LAUNCHES 2018 COMPETITION

Storrington in Bloom's local competition for 2018 was launched at the Storrington Duck Race on Sunday 13 May where we held a plant tombola to raise more funds towards our village centre displays. Thank you to everyone that came to see us at the event.



Spring is upon us and summer is on its way, and we've been looking around at all the wonderful front gardens and community areas in and around Storrington but are sure we've missed some worthy of a look. So please make sure you tell us about them! You can enter our competition yourself or nominate someone else's that you admire, or envy! 2017 saw the largest entry so far and a number of those were nominated by neighbours and passers-by. Our town centre entry in the *South & South East in Bloom* regional competition will be judged on Wednesday 11 July and we will be showing the judges some of the shortlisted entries before Tom Brown, Head Gardener at Parham House and Gardens, conducts his final judging later in the summer.



With thanks to Chanctonbury Lions and the Rotary Club of Storrington and Pulborough, we are hosting another scarecrow competition this year, with the theme 'Wedding Party'. For the enjoyment of residents and visitors to Storrington, we have asked

St Mary's Church for permission to have them all displayed in the Churchyard this year so do look out for the display, and of course, work with your family or a local group to create an entry!

Entries for the scarecrow competition, front garden and community area categories are invited until Thursday 28 June, and entry forms can be found on the website at www.storringtoninbloom.co.uk or you can collect them from The Card Shop, High Street, Storrington. For more information please contact us at storringtoninbloom@gmail.com.



Downland Ensemble

A community orchestra for players of all ages
Musical Director Peter Allwood

**Rehearsals: Saturdays 2nd & 16th June
9.30 - 11.30am**

In the Meadows Hall, Pulborough Village Hall

If you enjoy playing an instrument and would like to make music with others come and join us!

We now have a few places for brass players.

Contact Ros 01798 875804

downlandensemble@gmail.com



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St Barnabas House Hospice Outreach Project

St Barnabas House

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

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

Wednesday 6 June and 4 July – 10am to 2pm

For more information about the project please visit our website or email HospiceOutreachProject@stbh.org.uk or call 706357.



STORRINGTON & DISTRICT MUSEUM

History of Christ's Hospital

On 2 April, Bill Avenall talked to us about Christ's Hospital. He taught Geography there for many years and is now retired, but still absolutely full of enthusiasm and regard for the institution.

He said it was probably a myth that Edward VI founded it "on his deathbed". Nevertheless, at the promptings of Archbishop Ridley and Richard Dodd, Mayor of London, the school did receive his Royal Charter in 1553, not long before he died. The school was established in the Greyfriars buildings in London, which the friars had to leave when Edward's father, Henry VIII, dissolved the monasteries in 1536. Food, lodgings, and education were provided for orphans and very poor children so they would progress to useful careers. The enterprise was funded by the church, the City of London, and individual citizens of London. In 1552, it opened its doors to 380 pupils, boys and girls. The children usually stayed until they were 15 years old or ready to go into trade or commerce, but some stayed until they could enter University or go to the Royal Mathematical School for service with the Navy.



The School lost most of its buildings in the Great Fire of 1666, though no lives were lost, and a boarding school was built in Hertford which was used for over 399 years by the girls. The school in London was completely rebuilt by 1705, some of it having been designed by Sir Christopher Wren. Despite further makeovers, Greyfriars was eventually deemed too unhealthy and unsuitable an area for the education of children, and in 1902 all the boys from Hertford and London were transferred to Horsham. The girls remained in Hertford until, in 1985, they all came together again in Horsham. No expense was spared for this new campus.

At this point, Bill Avenall explained the funding structures for the school, which receives no state money but relies on donations, overseen by the Charity Commission. Also, its Old Blues, its old pupils, having benefited from an excellent education, offer other children the same experience and possibilities by means of bursaries to offset the fees. 14% of pupils pay no fees, and may even be given pocket money, 35% pay less than 10% of the fees, and of the rest, many get some support. Bill said that in fact 30% of the pupils would, in a state school, qualify for free meals. There are scholarships to be won as well, for academic excellence, music, art, drama and sport. There is, however, a stringent assessment of children seeking admission. Places are given to those who show they can keep up and benefit from the school's high academic standards; it is the top school in West Sussex for A* grades in GCSEs. There is no shortage of applicants however, with the school being on a par with Winchester and Eton in many people's eyes.

Having so long a history, it would be surprising if it did not have its own customs, even eccentricities. The uniform is a case in point, being almost the same for boys and girls, comprising an outer Blue Tudor greatcoat, called a Housey, breeches for the boys and a skirt for the girls, a white shirt with 'bands' and the distinctive yellow socks (to deter rats??) which are worn by all boys and junior girls, and a leather belt. This uniform was not forced on the girls, they voted for it.



The Lord Mayor of London attends the school on a Special Day to give out prizes, and some of the Livery Companies of the City of London are involved. The scholars still have to run up the Strand in London for their pocket money. The school band plays the pupils into their lunch every day, the school has its own language for many everyday things, and the classes have unusual names, such as Little Erasmus and Great Erasmus. There are great names associated with this school and an amazing tradition. Bill Avenall said that despite

funding difficulties in these depressing times, Christ's Hospital was determined to remain a wonderful place in which to be educated.

This month at the Museum we will have another exhibition for you to come and see. This one is called 'Dissections', which is what jigsaws originally were called. You may wonder what there can be about jigsaws, apart from pretty pictures and frustration, but the fascination lies in those shapes, so come and see!

Mary Wilson

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Weds and Sat 10am – 4pm • Sun 10am – 1pm

STORRINGTON BOWLING CLUB



Would you like to have a game of Bowls on our lovely green? It is a very enjoyable activity. New bowlers are given plenty of support and made to feel welcome, so do give it a try! Membership is good value for money, and informal bowling is free. Visitors, especially prospective members, are welcome to come and watch any of our matches. The Green is behind the cycle shop in Storrington.

During April and May, we had a number of Open Days to welcome new members, but if you missed these, you are welcome to come for a taster session; just contact any of the following: David Bain on 742526, John Rimmer on 744832 or Howard White on 01798 812206. We can arrange for you to roll up for an hour or two so you can experience bowls without commitment.

We also have regular open evenings throughout the season when qualified coaches are on hand to assist. Bowls can be borrowed initially and all that is needed for the taster sessions is a pair of trainers or flat-soled shoes.

Our website is www.storringtonbc.co.uk. It contains our match schedule, a picture gallery and other information about the Club.

"There are no strangers at this Club; only friends you have yet to meet."

John Rimmer, Chairman



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POST BOX JOURNEY

For most of us a post box is something we see on our streets and use to send a letter, post card or other items. We probably don't take too much notice of them or really look at the different types and styles or think about their history.

The first post box was introduced in Britain following the 1840 postal reform. Because of the demand for postal services, due to industrialisation and urbanisation, there was a need for places where stamped letters could be deposited. The novelist, Anthony Trollope, a General Post Office (GPO)



official, was sent to Jersey to make recommendations and provide a solution. His proposal was a locked, cast-iron pillar box at the roadside, like those we see today, which were then introduced in 1853. More than 60% of current British post boxes carry the EIIR mark of Queen Elizabeth II or a Scottish crown. Boxes from the reign of George V account for about 15% of the total. There are smaller numbers, in descending order, of boxes from the reigns of George VI, Victoria, and Edward VII and 171 boxes surviving from the short 1936 reign of Edward VIII.

Janet Brown, our Club vice chair, who is also an active 365'er (which means taking an image a day) is always on the lookout for something different to photograph. On a recent circular bike ride, Janet noticed the variety of post boxes and decided that they would make an interesting subject for a photographic record.



Janet said, "On a bike ride from home, I noticed a variety of post boxes along my route. I decided to repeat the ride on my e-bike, to make it easier to stop and photograph the post boxes, and make a pictorial record. Starting from the southern reaches of West Chiltington, my route took me through the village, past my first Victorian post box, to head past the Queen's Head to Broadford Bridge towards Coneyhurst. The surprise Edward VII box was along this country road. I continued through Barns Green, finding the George VI box outside the Post Office, then onwards to Southwater and the first full sized pillar box. Heading through Shipley and past the Countryman Inn, I came to Ashington, and the second proper pillar box, with a George V box at the bottom of the village.

My return to West Chiltington was via the rather muddy Mill Lane in Ashington, along the A24, up Malthouse Lane, and back to West Chiltington on the bridleway through Muttons Copse. All told 23.5 miles in 2 hours, and five of the six regents covering around 150 years!"



As Janet's journey clearly shows, there have been numerous changes in the design and manufacture of post boxes since the first hexagonal post boxes were introduced. 1857 brought us wall box-type post boxes, 1859 an improved cylindrical design of pillar box was created. The first elegant hexagonal box was seen in 1866, with a cap decorated with acanthus leaves. Rectangular variants followed in 1968 and 1974 and the distinctively modern cylindrical pillar box in 1980. Overall there

are over 33,500 post boxes with over 800 different types being identified.

All credit to Janet on picking on something that for most of us we will just pass by. It just goes to show that there is incredible variety around us and we just need



to take the time to look and notice. So maybe we will all be looking at our post boxes differently from now on.

May was our last month for meetings until September. We will be having our coffee mornings and monthly photo shoots over the summer so please see the website or use the contact details below for information on dates and location details.

Kevin Harwood

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E: vicechair@storringtoncc.org.uk

STORRINGTON COMMUNITY MARKET

Village Hall, opposite Stable Antiques

Every Friday in June 6, 13, 20,
27 - 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,
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village, it's a great way
to meet people!

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**During House
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Parham Garden Weekend

Saturday 7 - Sunday 8 July

10.30am – 5pm

One of the highlights of the gardening calendar, the Garden Weekend is celebrating its 25th Anniversary this year. Bringing together specialist nurseries from across the South East to showcase a wide variety of high quality flowers and plants, the flagship event also includes garden tours, talks and demonstrations from leading experts including Marina Christopher, Todd Longstaffe-Gowan, Tom Stuart Smith and Parham Head Gardener, Tom Brown.



Freshly prepared and locally sourced food reflecting the delicious produce from the Garden will be available throughout the weekend, as well as a range of refreshments from handpicked catering outlets.

ANNUAL SEASON TICKETS Enjoy unlimited admission to Parham House & Gardens throughout the year with an annual season ticket. Prices for season tickets start from £25.00 for an individual or £45.00 as a double and £70.00 for a family ticket (2 adults and up to 4 children).

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SUMMER FAYRE & COFFEE MORNING

Saturday 9 June

West Chiltington Village Hall RH20 2PZ

11am - 1pm

Admission £1 to include Coffee and Biscuits

Stalls include:

**Tombola • Cakes • Jewellery • Jigsaws, Cards &
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On a warm spring evening, the President opened the April meeting by highlighting the many events we have planned for the coming year, which includes a shuffleboard evening with Ploughman's Supper on **Saturday 9 June** at £10 each; a tour of Chichester Cathedral, followed by cream teas at Siddlesham WI in July; *Would I WI Lie To You* Evening with supper to be held in September; November an evening with wine; and in December, a Christmas wreath making workshop.

As the Welfare Officer had herself been 'off the road' due to a broken shoulder, the President also read this report, informing all present of any members who were not well. The President was followed by the Treasurer and Secretary both giving members their latest report. Jenny Waterhouse then spoke about the next walk planned for May, and finally Ada Ball who organises the weekly craft group gave members the latest information about the group. You will understand when I say the WI is most certainly not just about "Jam and Jerusalem".

The President introduced the speaker for the evening, Janet Denny, her talk entitled "The Man on the Mantelpiece". Members had been intrigued about this title, and wondered what the talk would involve, and were very pleasantly surprised with this interesting and poignant talk. Janet began by bringing greetings from her own WI Group in Bosham. Janet started her talk by explaining that the man on the mantelpiece in her childhood home was her father, who sadly lost his life in WWII, at the age of 21, on the same day and same hour that Janet herself was born. Seventy years after her father had written his diaries, Janet decided it was time to read them, discovering her father's ambition was to become a writer. At the outbreak of WWII he was a pacifist, but two years later (now a married man) he volunteered for the RAF Bomber Command. The last words her father was reported to have said was, "Night fighter attacking".

Janet had spent her childhood waiting for her father to return. For many years later, Janet, along with her husband, attended a creative holiday in Umbria, Italy, which was run for budding writers and artists. It was whilst she was there she was encouraged to study for an MA degree in writing, which she did at Chichester University, where she was encouraged to write a story involving her father's diaries. Janet achieved her MA, and felt she had done just what her father had wanted to do. Janet now decided to trace her father's tracts during his childhood and his training in the RAF. This journey took her to London, Lord's Cricket Ground, Wales, Scotland and Yorkshire from where her father flew his final flight. Janet immersed herself in every book available on WWII, wanting to find out every detail available. She decided to google her father's flight number and to her amazement up popped the Halifax Bomber her father had flown, followed by a picture of the crew of the German aircraft that had shot down her father's plane, and underneath their picture was the sentence that stated they too had all been killed later in the war.

Janet closed her talk by saying she still talks to her father, and says he would have been proud of Post War Britain, with free health care and education. She gave heartfelt thanks to all the brave servicemen and women who kept us all safe during that war. Janet was proud she had been able to fulfil her father's ambition of becoming a writer. Many members bought a copy of Janet's book, which carries the same title as the talk, profits of which were being donated to the Motor Neurone Society. This talk evoked many memories for members, myself included. I was almost five when my father returned from Burma in 1946, having last seen me when I was a few weeks old, and for me in my formative years my father was a picture on the sideboard, but I am grateful my father did return.

The next meeting will take place on **Wednesday 20 June**, the speaker Andy Thomas his talk entitled "Unexplained Mysteries and Cover Ups". The competition is to be a Summer Rose.

We meet at Sullington Parish Hall on the 3rd Wednesday of each month (2nd Wednesday December) at 7.30pm. Visitors and New Members always welcome. Should you require further information please contact, Erika Brichta (President) 742039 or Sara Harden (Secretary) 741350.

Pat Snape



Legal nightmares unravelled

On 3 May, the Fryern Ladies Probus Club held their monthly meeting at the Roundabout Hotel, West Chiltington. After convivial pre-lunch refreshment and chat, the members convened for a delightful lunch after the President had given details of a forthcoming trip to Windsor. The Programme Secretary then introduced the speaker Clare Archer, a London based lawyer. Clare, partner and head of Private Client at Pennington Manches Solicitors, gave us an insight into the legal world. As an 18 year old, she apparently hoped for a place at drama school but found, on returning from a pre-university trip to Australia, that she had been enrolled at law school instead. Clare explained that she quickly found her feet and embarked on a profession that she loves.

Clare has, for the past 20 years plus, specialised in working with individuals and families, whether it be by way of advising on wills, capacity issues or tax and estate planning. In addition, Clare works closely with families who are looking at how to pass the family business down the generations or appropriately reward children who are working in a business and those who may only be shareholders but are not otherwise involved in its management.

As Clare made it clear that her clients rely on confidentiality in all she does, she took the example of HRH Prince Harry and Megan Markle to take the audience through the knotty questions of why one might have a pre-nuptial agreement, who owns an engagement ring and the complexities that may arise in marriages where parties are from two sides of the pond. Clare also looked at issues in relation to wills, estates and tax planning. There were many pertinent questions from the members which Clare answered with expertise and clarity, plus some lively discussions about choosing trustees and executors, making lifetime gifts and possible lifetime planning.

We had all enjoyed a fascinating and informative talk and Muriel Astley gave a vote of thanks on our behalf before the meeting ended with the customary toasts.

Jo Gatley



Creating beautiful baskets and tubs

'Baskets and Tubs' was the subject of the April meeting, when Mark Dobell demonstrated planting up a basket. Mark had worked in a bedding plant nursery before moving to Little Mynthurst Farm Estate as head gardener, where the garden comprised 10 acres within the 125 acre estate. He now trades as 'Gardeners Den'.

He showed as the type of liner he uses, fibre with a plastic coating sold by the metre, gel, and osmacote feed. Baskets were filled with a 50/50 mix of peat-based compost and John Innes No 2. He told us that using just a peat-based compost harboured vine weevils. He also recommended double lining a winter basket for root warmth. The plants that Mark favoured were nepeta and surfinias and trailing antirrhinums, which are becoming increasingly popular. He also thought panolas were better than pansies and said plants bought from the likes of B&Q are good if bought on delivery day.

After planting the basket, which was donated to our raffle, Mark showed slides of many baskets, tubs and containers which were stunning.

The speaker for the next meeting on **11 June** is Liz Gibbison, whose subject is Clematis. The Club competition will be 'A Single Rose'. 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

SPRING GARDENS NURSERY

Newly refurbished Farm Shop celebrating 40 years



Farmer, Alan Harris, keeps his long-standing business in the family by working with his granddaughter, Holly, who has expanded and refurbished the Farm Shop and introducing a Cafe.

Alan will continue to grow quality fruit and vegetables on the Nursery both for 'pick your own' and for sale 'fresh on the shelf', offering delicious, seasonal produce.

As well as home-grown produce, the shop is stocked with other products, all mainly sourced locally, supporting local businesses, including meat, cheese, artisan bread, grain and even local gift products, such as pottery.



You will find the Farm just off the A24 in Washington; visit our new shop, pick your own fruit and vegetables and finish with lunch or an afternoon tea and cake.

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MEN'S BREAKFAST

Saturday 9 June at 8.30am

Thakeham Village Hall

With guest speaker

All men are warmly invited

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STORRINGTON FLOWER CLUB

Wednesday 27 June at 2pm

Sullington Parish Hall

Demonstrator: Gill Homer

Theme: Creative Thinking

Competition: Out of the Box



STORRINGTON FLOWER CLUB



AGM

Sullington Parish Hall looked sunny, despite the showers outside, as members had bought vases of spring flowers to decorate the many tables for the AGM.



Sylvia Tilley, the outgoing president, opened the meeting. Chrissy Desmond, the Chair, welcomed everyone. Sarah Hardman, the secretary read out last year's minutes. The business of the meeting was begun with many thanks to committee members and people who help to run the Club. The Chair and Treasurer, Stephanie Lewis, read out their reports. The Club's finances were in a positive place but owing to increasing costs of demonstrators and flowers the year membership will go up by £3. Everyone agreed this was still good value for 10 meetings with refreshments, with each meeting having a NAFAS approved demonstrator. It was confirmed that the program secretary, Mollie Williams, had arranged a full program for next year, with a possible outing to Lees Castle.

Members who won tokens for their competition arrangements were: Beginners, Diana Smeaton; Intermediate, Sheila Pickering; and Advanced, Mollie Williams. Diana was also presented with the June Banks Trug for excellent progress with flower arranging.

Committee members agreed to serve for another year. Two members who support the Club by writing a report for 3 *Heralds* and looking after the sound system stood down and were given a plant as a thank you. Brenda Justice stood down from organising the refreshments which she has done for 14 years. The Chair presented Brenda with a beautiful flower arrangement and echoed the member's appreciation of the many years Brenda has supported the Club. Jean Minter agreed to be the President for the forthcoming year.

This year the Club has supported the charity Aldingbourne Country Centre. A representative shared with the members some of the work the Trust does with young adults with learning difficulties. Chrissy presented the Charity with a cheque from the Club. Next year the chosen charity will be Brighton based 'Whoops a Daisy'. New President, Jean Minter, closed the AGM.

Afternoon tea followed with delicious cakes, and friendly chat amongst the members.

The Club is pleased to welcome visitors and new members. You do not need to be a flower arranger to come and join us. The meeting is informal welcoming a monthly demonstrator whose arrangements are raffled at the end of the meeting. We have a second hand bookstall and an accessory- stall for flower arranging. Refreshment and chats end a pleasant and informative afternoon.

Susanne Carter

CHICHESTER CATHEDRAL FREE LUNCH TIME CONCERTS

JUNE

Tuesday 5 June	Angela Zanders (<i>piano</i>)
Tuesday 12 June	The Chagall Piano Quartet
Tuesday 19 June	Details to be advised
Tuesday 26 June	Kyoko Canaway (<i>organ</i>)

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



CRICKET IN STORRINGTON



Too much rain

Our warm-up game on the last Saturday in April, and the seniors' first League fixture on 5 May, had to be cancelled as the ground was unplayable owing to heavy rains that also caused other matches in our Division to be cancelled. The Cygnets first outdoor practice session and home match were cancelled for the same reason.

In contrast, however, a well-supported Cygnets U10 team was able to play its first away match at Littlehampton on Saturday 5 May against a composite side from Littlehampton, Clapham and Patching. After a good opening stand, the home side finished their innings on 197 runs. Two debutant Cygnets, Adam and Beatrice, bowled tightly with other bowlers, Luke and Seb, taking a wicket apiece. In reply, the Cygnets lost early wickets, and their innings ended on 156 runs after top scores from Lewis and Luke. But for one exceptional player in the home side, with both bat and ball, the match would probably have been more evenly contested. For several Cygnets it was their first game of cricket. James Harrington has taken on the managing role for the U10's, and he can be contacted on 07838 185441 by parents of prospective players, boys or girls.

On Saturday 23 June, the Cygnets and their parents will be running an all-day Car Wash and mini Fete in the car park at the recreation ground as part of the fund raising activities for the new outdoor practice net. Attractions will include BBQ refreshments, tombola, cake stall, and a bouncy castle.

It was interesting to read Joan Ham's article about the Mant family law firm in last month's 3 *Heralds*, as the Mant name regularly appeared in our 19th century cricket history. In 1850, a young George French Mant opened the batting for the Juniors in a match against the Club's Seniors, scoring 27 and 4 runs. The 1854 Averages showed he played in four matches, top scoring 42 runs in a match against Sixteen of the Neighbourhood. In 1857, after the final match of the season, the players repaired to the White Horse in Storrington where, under the presidency of Mr G F Mant of London, a most agreeable evening was spent. In 1859, he took 11 wickets and scored 19 runs in a double innings match against a side called the Strangers. 1861 was, probably, the last year that he played. At some point, he became the Club's Hon Secretary and Treasurer, posts that he held up to at least 1887; he died in 1893.

George French's son, Frank, featured in a number of matches in the period from 1874 to 1880. An Arthur F Mant is recorded as playing between 1878 and 1883. Frank and Arthur Mant were Joint Hon Secs in 1894, and Frank was then Hon Sec and Treasurer in subsequent years up to 1901, after which he served on the Committee until 1905; he died in 1909. Frank Mant is recorded as having paid a subscription of 5 shillings in 1901, equivalent to 25p today.

Chris Winter

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Getting Scientific at Herstmonceux Castle

The 'Beast from the East' (who thought that up?) came and went. The 'Heat from the South' (I thought that one up!) also came and went, but the rain kept on coming. The central heating was on and then it was off and then it was back on again. Our members did not know whether their jackets and ties were on, or their shorts! Unfortunately, the inclement weather led to the traditional Bluebell Walk being cancelled, as the ground was too wet to walk safely.

Despite the weather, our members have enjoyed more tasty carvery lunches at The Tollgate, Bramber, overseen by the President, Bob Manning, and organised by Tony Girard. John Wilkinson organised two excellent speakers for after the lunches. The first was Harry Pope who talked to us about 'Buried Secrets' which turned out to be about his life in funeral services and some of the macabre and somewhat darkly humorous things that happened during funeral services. I think our members laughed, but maybe not too loudly! The second speaker, Bill Gage, spoke to us on a lighter subject, 'Steaming through Sussex', which was all about the birth and history of all the local railway lines in our part of the world of West Sussex. Bill told us of the importance to the area of the steam trains and the dangerous working conditions that the railway men had to endure in building the railway lines and the early accidents that occurred on the lines. Bill showed lots of interesting pictures of the early days of the railway at locations which can still be identified today. Of interest was the movement of Queen Victoria's coffin from the Isle of Wight through Gosport to Fareham and then to London with many Royal relations on board the train, including Kaiser Wilhelm.

Don Cleary organised another very enjoyable coffee morning at The White Horse Hotel in Storrington, with 23 members attending, who were pleased with the large cups of coffee that were on offer.

The highlight of the spring social calendar was a visit to Herstmonceux Castle by 26 members of the Club, organised by Cliff Palmer and Rob Neale-Smith. A guide took the group on a humorous and very

informative tour of the castle, which was constructed of brick by Dutch builders in 1441. The tour was a wonderful experience as it included haunted rooms, dungeons and anecdotes about the owners of the castle. After a very pleasant lunch in the Tea Rooms, the group finished the day playing with the many games and scientific instruments in the Science Centre.

Coming up, our members will be enjoying visiting Painshill Gardens and 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



STORRINGTON CONSERVATION SOCIETY

Mindless vandalism destroys Storrington riverbank walk



Before the vandalism

After vandalism

It is so much easier to destroy than to build. Vandalism comes in many forms, be it deliberate or mere thoughtlessness; the result is the same. That which has taken time, effort and resources to create has been damaged, sometimes beyond repair. The original Vandals, who give us the term, are remembered for sacking Rome, so they have a bad press, yet they also had a constructive side; they simply reflected two aspects of human nature. Those who damaged the river bank stabilisation in Fryern Dell were probably unaware of the hours put in by volunteers, and the cost of materials used in the construction work. The project was undertaken to ensure the footpath beside the river remained usable for the benefit of all. Fortunately, the damage can be repaired, but at the cost of effort, resources and money, all of which could have been used for other worthwhile projects. Questions remain. Why vandalism? What can be done to help perpetrators be more constructive?

The working party on 5 May tidied up the river and its banks on the stretch by the library car park in preparation for the Annual Duck Race. We hope our efforts contributed to the enjoyment of the event by all.

Our next Saturday working party meets on **2 June at 10am** when we will be at The Glade again, clearing paths of undergrowth and overhanging branches to enable walkers easy access. As ever, we are always pleased to be joined on any working party by more volunteers. Suitable clothing and footwear are needed, other equipment is provided. And we enjoy a coffee break.

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.

Stuart Kersley

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SANDGATE CONSERVATION SOCIETY

Into June, reputed to be the best month of the year for sunshine and is believed to be the reason why the Wimbledon Tennis Tournament is held during this month, so here's hoping.

The work-parties have done a wonderful job on both Sullington Warren and in Sandgate Park by clearing wild rhododendrons and brambles from overtaking the numerous paths.

Together with the National Trust, areas of pine have been removed to enable the heather to regain hold on Sullington Warren, while the heather in Sandgate Park has really come on a treat after the painstaking work carried out by the volunteers in removing areas of moss and grass.

The work parties will be operating on Sullington Warren on **Saturday 9 June** from 9.30am till 12.00noon and will also be in action on **Saturday 23 June** in Sandgate Park from 10am till 12.00noon. So if you feel like a spot of gentle exercise with a coffee / tea break during mid-morning, then you know where to find us. 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 our Chairman, Jacinta White on 01798-813545. www.sandgate-conservation.org.uk.

Brian Burns

RUDE MECHANICAL THEATRE COMPANY

Outdoor theatre in West Chiltington

The very popular Rude Mechanical Theatre Company will be coming back to West Chiltington, on the recreation ground, this summer on Thursday 28 June. It will be their 20th year of touring and the play is *Oberon's Cure*. In this prequel to *A Midsummer Night's Dream*, an old goat of a fairy is not capable of resisting a beautiful young 'ooman woman. Now when has that not been in the news recently! But the waspish Hippolyta, running amok in the forest, is more than a match for him. Love is thwarted as the human and fairy worlds collide. But will it triumph in the end? A funny and, at times, deeply romantic play about how we deal with desire. It starts at 7.30pm, but you can get there from 6pm with your picnics. Bring your own low-backed chairs and warm clothes. Tickets are available online from the Rudes' website, www.therudemechanicaltheatre.co.uk, or locally from NISA, Haglands Lane. You won't want to miss this funny, romantic and rather poetic offering from the Rudes.



STORRINGTON HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

Pelargoniums and geraniums – what's the difference?

Mr Roger Butler, a specialist in the growing of pelargoniums, gave a detailed talk on the growing and care of these plants. He started by telling us he wasn't a professional but an enthusiastic amateur, but pelargoniums were his hobby. He explained about the many different types and species to be found, ranging from the smallest miniature to the largest regal and that geraniums sold in garden centres were all actually pelargoniums and true geraniums were in fact the small flowered perennials.



He explained that cuttings should be taken in July, inserted in pots filled with sieved compost and kept in a frost free place over winter and kept reasonably dry, blooming in May or June the following year. They should be fed at every watering with a liquid fertiliser high in potash. His illustrations showed how to use pelargoniums in hanging baskets and containers to make a colourful display.

He brought along an array of his home grown plants which members were able to buy at the end of the evening.

The next meeting on **15 June** is an illustrated talk by Andrew Gaunt about the role of the DEFRA Plant Health Service and quarantine pests and diseases in West Sussex.

Storrington Horticultural Society membership is now full and has a waiting list. This unfortunately means that due to a high attendance at all meetings they are now no longer able to admit guests.

Sheila Webber

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HAM MANOR GOLF CLUB TO HOST ST BARNABAS HOUSE CHARITY GOLF DAY



Worthing hospice St Barnabas House is holding a charity golf day on Thursday 19 July at Ham Manor Golf Club in Angmering, celebrating 45 years since the hospice first opened.



(left to right) Jim Miller, Kevin Buck MBE, Jill Howell and Ian Jaggard

The event was inspired by Jim Miller and Jill Howell, Ham Manor's Men's and Ladies' Captains who are supporting the hospice as their 'Charity of the Year'.

Jim said, "We have chosen to raise money for the Hospice at Home service provided by St Barnabas House, our local hospice, as both Jill and I have had family and friends cared for by the caring

and compassionate nurses of St Barnabas who have given great comfort at a very difficult time."

Jill added, "We are so happy to be hosting the St Barnabas House Golf Day and look forward to welcoming everyone here for some good golf on our parkland course."

The day will start at 9am with registration, bacon rolls, tea and coffee, followed by an 18-hole competition on Ham Manor's beautiful parkland course. There will also be longest drive, nearest the pin and putting competitions included in the day.

Afterwards, teams will enjoy a two-course meal in the Grade II listed manor house, as well as a raffle and auction.

Mary Bye, Community Fundraiser at St Barnabas House, said, "We are really lucky to have the help of not just Ham Manor and the Captains, but Ian Jaggard and Kevin Buck MBE, who have kindly given up their time to help on the committee. Places are limited, so if you have a team of four please contact us as soon as you can to reserve your place."

In addition to teams, St Barnabas House is also looking for companies to sponsor a hole or provide raffle and auction prizes.

If you can help, or to reserve your team's place, please contact St Barnabas House on 254777, email fundraising@stbh.org.uk or visit www.stbh.org.uk/golf-day.



(left to right) Ian Jaggard, Jim Miller, Jill Howell and Kevin Buck MBE

West Chilmington Dramatic Society

Our May production of *A Sense of Achievement* proved, once again, to be a great success and a review will follow in future edition of 3 Heralds.

The next event on our calendar is a 'Play Reading for Fun' evening. This will be held at the Five Bells Inn, West Chilmington at 7.30pm on **Thursday 14 June** when we will be reading extracts from Derek Benfield's farce *Off the Hook*. All ten parts are 'characters' so there will be plenty of scope for those attending to demonstrate their talents. This fun evening represents a good opportunity for potential members to get a taste of what our Society is about and for our more seasoned actors to demonstrate their skills. If you do not want to read you are welcome to come and listen whilst partaking of some excellent refreshment from the bar.

We are now beginning the planning of our major event for 2019, namely the Drama Festival which is our contribution to the Horsham District Year of Culture 2019. We are forming a Working Party to organise and manage this event which we hope to stage during the last week of July 2019. An important role we are looking to fill, not just for this event but for all the Society's events, is that of a Press and Publicity Officer. One of the aims of the Year of Culture is to bring together the various communities within the Horsham District, and we believe the Drama Festival will benefit West Chilmington and its immediate surrounding communities, both commercially and culturally. We intend the Drama Festival to be a competition open to amateur dramatic societies throughout the district, and bringing the event to the attention of the whole district will be important. The Press and Publicity Officer will be fully supported by the publicity team at Horsham District, so if you are interested in aiding the community please contact us at mailing@wcde.co.uk.

In the shorter term, however, we will be commencing work on our next production which will be a thriller, *House Guest* by Francis Durbridge, to be directed by Ralph Wigg. More details regarding auditions etc will follow closer to the time. On the social front, we will have a stand at the West Chilmington Village Fair and will be providing support to the visit of The Rude Mechanical Theatre and their production of *Oberon's Cure*. This annual visit from an excellent travelling theatre group takes place at the West Chilmington Recreation Ground on the evening 28 June. Tickets, £16 each, are available from Nisa Stores, West Chilmington and on line from www.therudemechanicaltheatre.co.uk. The grounds will be open for picnics from 6pm and the performance will start at 7.30pm. Further details on page 32.

Geoffrey Steward, Chairman

THE ARTS SOCIETY STORRINGTON



American impressionism

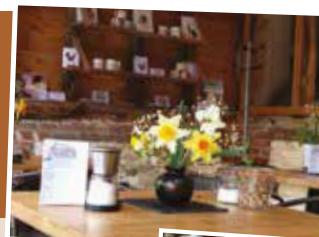
The June lecture is on **Wednesday 6 June** from 2.30pm to 3.30pm at West Chilmington Village Hall. A lecture by Bernard Allan, entitled 'From Paris to New York: The Story of American Impressionism'. This visually exciting lecture embraces many superb artists who are barely known this side of the Atlantic and seeks to redress that situation. Attendance is free for members, guests are asked to make a donation of £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.flong@gmail.com.

Linda Hannaford

NEW CAFÉ AT SULLINGTON

The café at The Old Workshop is now open Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays, 10am to 5pm.



Over two years after the launch of 'Saving Sullington's Heritage' and the start of work on The Old Workshop, the café is now in action! Accompanying an informative and interactive exhibition on the history of Sullington and farming on the Downs, which is housed in a 16th century barn, the early 20th century lean-to extension has been converted into a stylish, modern café environment. Serving breakfast, specialist coffee, homemade cakes, light lunches and afternoon tea, this is the perfect pit stop after a bracing walk on the Downs! The cycle racks and fix-it station make it an ideal stop for the intrepid cyclist too. Please come and see for yourselves!



SHIPLEY ARTS FESTIVAL

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Note from the editor....

If you have heard, or read in the magazine this month, *3 Heralds* has won a national magazine award from the Association of Church editors (see p3). Many people have given me personal congratulations, but the magazine is not just down to me; I rely not only on the contributors who send in the articles and pictures, but mainly on my right hand woman, Viv Stuart, the graphic designer and layout wonder woman, Fiona Bowring, the magazine committee and distributors – it really is a team effort! I could not do it on my own! And that is also true in our everyday lives – we cannot do it alone. We need the support of those around us; friends, family, the church, and most importantly, God. Many times I have been struggling with what to write in this piece, but, with prayer and pleading, God has always come up with an answer! So, don't forget, He is always there for you – just ask – believe me, I ask lots!

God's blessings – and keep on reading!

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