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May 2019

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Storrington Duck Race
Sunday 12 May – see p17



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

THE PARISH CHURCHES OF

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STORRINGTON



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THAKEHAM

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SULLINGTON AND THAKEHAM WITH WARMINGHURST

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Dear Friends,
EASTER PEOPLE

The Church of England has a Calendar which divides the year into Seasonal Time and Ordinary Time. The Easter 'season' is when we Christians learn what it means to live in the power of Christ's death and resurrection. Pentecost (Whitsun) will be the season when we learn what it means to

go out and share the good news of Jesus Christ with the world, and of course we pray that as we live out the Gospel daily that in itself becomes a proclamation and sharing of good news.

The six weeks of Easter are when we focus on living as people who have committed their lives to following Jesus. We seek to live in the power of Jesus' victory. We want His light and truth to permeate our every thought and action as beloved and liberated children of God.

Paul, in 1 Corinthians chapter 13, in a throwaway line in verse 13, says: "Faith, hope, love abide, and the greatest of these is love".

Faith: there is an old joke from the Alpha course where a pupil comes out of a geography exam praying: "Lord, make Paris the capital of Germany"! Faith is NOT asking for the impossible. Faith is believing that with Christ all things are possible. Faith is holding on to the promises of God even when we cannot see the way. Often, all we can 'see' are the difficulties, the muddle we are in, the mistakes we have made. Faith is not allowing the enemy to snatch from us the glorious truth that God wants only our wellbeing and what is right for us. Faith is about walking in the dark, however faint the light is, trusting in things unseen, (2 Corinthians 4.18, Hebrews 11.1).

Hope: like faith is about not giving way to despair. But Hope is also about focussing on the promises of God. We are made in His image, we are redeemed by the blood of Christ from the dead end of our own selfishness; we have a home with God in heaven. So, thankfulness is the great antidote to despair. We have a hope which nothing I am, nothing I do, can destroy (Romans 8.38). A great Anglican monk, Father Andrew, wrote: "Hope makes a good breakfast".

Love: like faith and hope is a gift, direct from the heart of God. We can work at love, and sometimes it is pretty hard work! But we cannot create it. Love is only truly love when we are taken out of ourselves and something much bigger, richer, deeper flows out from us to the other person and into the situation where love is

challenged. Love is so much more than words or actions: love is a state of being, of being open to God.

We will need the Holy Spirit to reassure us of God's love for His children. Without the Holy Spirit our words and actions as individuals or as the 'body' of Christ, the Church, will sound a hollow note. That is why all through the Easter season we also await the celebration of Pentecost, the outpouring of the Spirit on all who say: "Jesus is Lord".

May the Lord teach us all what it means to be disciples and what it will mean to be witnesses.

CHARLES HADLEY

Assistant Priest, St Mary's, Storrington

PRAYER FOR THE MONTH

Dearest Lord, teach me to be generous;
Teach me to serve you as you deserve;
To give and not to count the cost,
To fight and not to heed the wounds,
To toil and not to seek for rest,
To labour and not to ask for any reward,
Save that of knowing that I do your will.
Fill me, I pray, with your light and life,
That I may show forth your glory.
Grant that your love may so fill my life
That I may count nothing too small to do for you,
Nothing too much to give
And nothing too hard to bear.



Ignatius Loyola (1491-1556)

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What's happening at

St Mary's Thakeham



Sullington & Thakeham with Warminghurst

Same family. Two parishes. Working together.

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RH20 3EP

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A TRAVELLING SUPPER

Saturday 11 May

Tickets £15 to include a delicious 3 course meal

First course to be served at 6.15pm

For further information and tickets

Please contact wynn lednor on
743025 or sandy clark on 741419



Thakeham Church invite you to the next

MEN'S BREAKFAST

SATURDAY 1 JUNE 8.30am

With guest speaker

**PLEASE NOTE LADIES ARE INVITED
TO THIS MONTH'S BREAKFAST**



St Mary's Thakeham

FLOWER FESTIVAL & OPEN GARDENS

14 to 16 June 10am - 5pm

"Walk on the Wild Side"

See
page 13
for
details



Cheese & Wine Evening

Saturday 18 May 6pm

**at Plum Tree Cottage, Coolham Road,
Thakeham RH20 3EW**

Please ring Harold and Cecily Linfield (01798 812276) if you would like to come to this informal evening to raise funds for Christian Aid (any donations welcome). Possibility of croquet if the weather is fine!

Knit and Stitch Tea on Tuesday



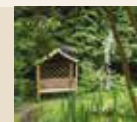
Come along, meet with friends and catch up over your favourite stitch-craft project.

Thakeham Church Rooms
21 May between 2pm and 4pm

All welcome. Enquiries to Wynn Lednor - 743025



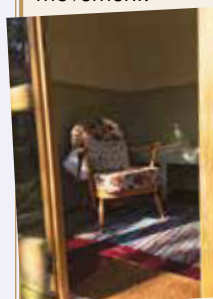
The Wild Fortune Quiet Garden



*'The Father spoke one Word, which was his Son,
and this Word he speaks in eternal silence,
and in silence, It must be heard by the soul.'*
John of the Cross

Following the renovation of our home after the water damage in November last year, we are looking forward to opening the Wild Fortune Quiet Garden for the summer on 8 May, 12 June and 10 July, 10am-12.30pm. This year is our 20th anniversary of being affiliated to the Quiet Garden movement so we are especially pleased to be able to continue to be part of this very gentle, vital and often hidden ministry of prayer and welcome.

As previously, places are limited to eight and booking is essential. If you would like to come, please let us know your preferred date; our email address is below. There is no charge, but donations are welcomed in aid of the Quiet Garden movement.



Arrivals are from 9.45am. Each morning will begin at 10am with a time of welcome and focus, followed by personal time to sit, walk, pray, read, be, in the house and prayer loft, garden or woods. Refreshments are available through the morning on a self-serve basis. We shall then gather at the end of the morning for shared reflection and closing prayer. The mornings finish by 12.30pm.

wildfortune@btinternet.com

"Loving God and
Loving our Neighbour"

What's happening at St Mary's Sullington



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Electoral Roll

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Organist

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Church Flowers

Altar Rota Muriel Astley (01798 812706)

Safeguarding Officer

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Sullington RH20 4AF

Lifts to Church

Anne Owen (743973)

Church Fabric Officer

Douglas Parkes (743106)

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Let the beauty of Jesus be seen in us

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

SUMMER EVENSONG AT SULLINGTON CHURCH

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

From a classical saying
Medici cure to ipsum

Quoted by Jesus in Luke 4: 23, he suggested that his home
supporters would have liked him to note "Physician heal
thyself".

We will think on subjects contributing to His Healing
Ministry

5 May Stay put – don't put others at risk

2 June Vaccines – gateway to survive

7 July No, not magic mushrooms but the magic of fungi!

SULLINGTON REGISTERS

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

18 Dec 2018 Julian Price Aviss (71)

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

2 Jan 2019 George Miller

13 Feb 2019 Chris Bicknell

Interment of Ashes

11 Feb 2019 Jacqueline Luxford (72)

11 Feb 2019 George 'Johnny' Johnson

ST MARY'S CHURCH, SULLINGTON VISIT TO THE BROWNIES

Every year at St Mary's Church, Sullington,
we give donations to causes close to our
hearts.

We recently visited both the Sullington
and Storrington Brownies where Revd
Sara-Jane presented a cheque from the
Sullington PCC to the Brownies and their



leaders. Both Brownies
are good friends to our
Church and help us at
our Christmas Fayre by
singing and running a
stall for us.

Thank you, Brownies,
and we look forward to
you visiting us again
during the summer



Our annual Garden Party will be held on
5 May 3 - 5pm
at Ann Salinger's home
Please phone Ann on 01798 813481
for further details.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

Saturday 14 September

Table Top Sale at Thakeham's new Village Hall

Saturday 23 November

Christmas Fayre at Sullington Village Hall



Tea with the Vicar

23 May 3pm till 5pm

Jill Yeoman, 6 Hillside Road.

All welcome.





What's happening at St Mary's Storrington

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

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PCC Secretary

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Revd John Peal (743083)
Revd Jaquie Peal (743083)

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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

Val Rice (918958)

Director of Music

Stephen Bloxham

Assistant Organists

Ian Miles, Chrystalle Kersley
Peter Lewis, Keith Smithers
Simon Whitchurch

Footsteps (Sunday School):
Jackie Lee (743661)

Church Flowers

Anna Forster (745392)

Child Protection Officer

Jackie Lee (743661)

Bible Reading Fellowship

Amanda Hislop (743700)

Bible Society

Jean Hunt (01798 813681)

Christian Aid Co-ordinator

Anna Forster (745392)

REGULAR ACTIVITIES

Church Services see page 18.

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

Choir: Fridays, 6.40pm - 7.45pm. Anyone interested in joining the choir please contact the Revd 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 Tuesday house group meets at 23 Orchard Gardens. New members are always welcome. Contact Chrystalle on 744269.

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

STORRINGTON REGISTERS

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

10 Mar Emilia Philippa Tucker (daughter of Ellie and Josh)

17 Mar Nelly Belinda Marie Windeatt (daughter of Lucy and Dion)

31 Mar Rudy Jonathan Rex Wyatt (son of Lucy and Nick)

Marriages – *to love and to cherish ...*

16 Mar Benjamin Toovey and Nancy Teago

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

18 Mar Robin Roy Piggott (90 years)

Interment of ashes only:

25 Mar Jean Lilian Priscilla Holbrook (95 years)

ROGATION SUNDAY – 26 May

It is all too easy to take our daily food for granted, forgetting that every bit of it is the result of the work of farmers and growers. On Rogation Sunday we ask for a blessing on the land, and on those who work to produce our food. Prayers will be said in the open air if fine.

ASCENSION DAY – Thursday 30 May

Ascension Day celebrates the completion of Christ's earthly ministry. Holy Communion will be said at 10.30am, and in the evening there will be an Ascension Day Service.



St Mary's Church
Church Street
Storrington

Wednesday 15 May
10am to 11.30am

And every 3rd Wednesday of the month

Come and join us for a
friendly 'cuppa' with the Clergy

Christians in Storrington Monthly Inter-Church Prayer Meetings Everyone welcome

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

Tuesday, 7 May – Trinity Methodist Church will lead

Tuesday, 4 June – Church of England

One in faith and love and praise

Church@4pm 19 May
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.



LETTER FROM THE BISHOP OF LEWES



A few years ago a major credit card coined the slogan, "Taking the waiting out of wanting." Since then the ready availability of credit has fostered a society that is more and more impatient. We are all very busy (probably too busy) and the lure of shortcuts in every area of life is very strong. But Christian discipleship is not like that. Jesus told the disciples that after his ascension they should wait until the Holy Spirit came. Wait; do nothing; simply be; hardly ideas that have a contemporary resonance. Similarly, St Paul, when he was looking for metaphors for Christian growth, used agricultural ones: fruit slowly maturing, something that comes in its time after a long gestation. If we are to grow as Christians there is no substitute for the well-travelled paths of prayer, study, worship, silence and self-discipline. The gentle rhythm of weekly worship is not something God asks us to do because he has self-esteem issues and needs us to say nice things about him, it is for our benefit. In a world that screams at us from Monday to Saturday, "the world revolves around you", worship is a necessary re-calibration. As we meet the Lord in word, sacrament and community our minds are refocussed.

Just as most of our meals are unremarkable, so these simple acts of worship may not be memorable of themselves. However, you will soon notice if you stop eating! Christian maturity grows slowly with these disciplines instituted by God in his goodness. Nourished by these things may we show the fruits of the Spirit.

+ Richard

MOTHERING SUNDAY AT ST MARY'S, STORRINGTON



Lots of volunteers helped make beautiful posies of flowers which were handed out at the services on Mothering Sunday, 31 March, at St Mary's, Storrington.

A big thank you to all the helpers; the flowers were gratefully and joyously received by so many to enjoy.



St Mary's Church, Storrington

PAELLA & QUIZ EVENING

Come and enjoy a relaxed, fun evening with good company at the Old School, Storrington

Saturday 1 June

7.30pm

Tickets: £12.50

available from Barbara Buchanan (741916) or Storrington Rectory Office (open Tues and Thurs mornings)

Please bring your own drinks – glasses provided

Quiz teams will be made up on the night



Tea & Songs



SATURDAY 8TH JUNE 3.30PM

ST MARY'S CHURCH, STORRINGTON

*Songs of love
& poems for the summer*

FOLLOWED BY TEA & CAKES AND A RAFFLE



*Soprano: Jillian Arthur
Piano: Liz Hewson Winning
with students and friends*

**ENTRANCE FREE: WE INVITE DONATIONS
ALL PROCEEDS WILL GO TO ST MARY'S CHURCH**

Arranged by St. Mary's Church Storrington Concert Committee



*Music at St Mary's Church,
Storrington*

**DATES FOR
YOUR DIARY**

Monday, 6 May 2019 @ 7.30 pm

Lyra Vocal Ensemble of St Petersburg

Introducing the rich heritage of Russian music for voices

Saturday, 8 June 2019 @ 3.15 pm

Tea and Songs

An afternoon of music from Jill Arthur and friends,
followed by tea and cake



CHRISTIAN AID WEEK 12 – 18 MAY

Could you help the hungry and needy?

Please keep the above dates in your diary if you are able to help with the street collections in this area.

We are extremely grateful to all those who have given their time to collect for Christian Aid in past years, and we shall need several collectors in order to repeat the success of previous years. This is an inter-Church appeal - members of all churches are invited to help.

This fundraising does depend on the commitment of a band of volunteers. This year we will be street collecting for the whole of Christian Aid Week so if you could spare an hour to help at any time during the week please contact me.

Envelopes will be available in churches for donations and Gift Aid is always appreciated. Your generosity really does make a difference.

Anna Forster (745392)



CHEMIN NEUF COMMUNITY The Priory, School Lane, Storrington EVENTS AT THE PRIORY QUIET DAYS AT THE PRIORY

**Wednesdays 10am-4pm
5 June 2019**

Step off the world for one day... a talk, guided prayer and simple lunch. Spiritual Accompaniment if you would like it.

For any further information or to reserve a place,
storrington@chemin-neuf.org

ST MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS RAFA CHAPEL SUSSEXDOWN

**Communion with the residents
23 May at 11.30am**

BCP Holy Communion in the Chapel at Sussexdown
Please do come and join us. Visitors are welcome.
For more details phone Kay Channon on 892461

Come and join our SPACE

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

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

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

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

For more information contact: Storrington Rectory Office (742888)

St Mary's Church, Storrington presents

LYRA

from St. Petersburg, Russia

Monday 6 May at 7.30pm

Tickets £10 to include refreshments

from Fowlers (745844)

or King & Chasemore (745761)



www.lyra-singers.com

The LYRA ensemble of St Petersburg are an outstanding vocal quartet who have travelled extensively, including annual British tours, bringing a vivid flavour of their national heritage in folk and church music, opera and art-song, singing together and accompanying one another in various combinations.

Their founding director and tenor is Andrei Sysoev, choirmaster of St Peter's Cathedral in their home city and international chamber choir prizewinner (Rome, 1995); his colleagues are bass Aleksei Goloviznin, also an accomplished jazz singer, and Zlata Gogol, alto, baroque specialist, topped-out vocally by soprano Marina Busse from Novgorod.

Their usual concert format opens with a selection of Russian Orthodox pieces, including original compositions, and classics by the likes of Tchaikovsky and Rachmaninov; after the interval they don national costume to share generally lighter traditional, folk and art-songs.

Storrington will be a new venue for them, the first of some 20 engagements on their spring 2019 visit. They will almost certainly have CDs and a range of transportably small Russian craft memorabilia (matriyoshka dolls, etc) for sale so early in their trip, that audiences will have the opportunity to buy, of which we will have first pick!

Altogether this offers an unusual, refreshing and colourful occasion to round-off this year's first spring Bank Holiday, so please join us to welcome LYRA to what, for them, should be a mutually attractive new corner of Britain!

— St Mary's Thakeham —

FLOWER FESTIVAL & OPEN GARDENS

14, 15 & 16 June

10am - 5pm

"Walk on the Wild Side"

— www.stmarysthakeham.org —

FRIDAY

10am–5pm Events include:

- Flower Displays in St Mary's Church with theme 'A Walk on the Wild Side'
- Bric-a-brac stall
- Refreshments

Evening entertainment in Thakeham Village Hall 7pm for 7.30pm **£10***:

- Auction of Promises (auctioneer Rupert Toovey)
- Cheese & Wine Tasting

*Entry is **FREE OF CHARGE** unless otherwise stated.*

** Evening event's tickets **must be purchased in advance** by ringing **01798 813012***

All proceeds to be shared between St Barnabas House, Jubilee Bakes & St Mary's Church

St Mary's, The Street, Thakeham, Pulborough, West Sussex RH20 3EP

SATURDAY

10am–5pm Events include:

- Flower Displays in St Mary's Church with theme 'A Walk on the Wild Side'
- Bric-a-brac stall
- Refreshments
- Open Gardens in The Street & Crays Lane **£5**
- Barbeque
- Stalls
- Open Mic
- Children's Activities
- Bell Tower Visits

Evening entertainment in Thakeham Village Hall 7pm for 7.30pm **£20***:

- Performances from Male Barbershop Chorus Sussex Harmonisers
- Professional Magic Circle Close-up Magician Mike Fairall
- Food included

SUNDAY

10am–5pm Events include:

- Flower Displays in St Mary's Church with theme 'A Walk on the Wild Side'
- Bric-a-brac stall
- Refreshments
- Open Gardens in The Street & Crays Lane **£5**
- Barbeque
- Stalls
- Guest Appearance from BBC Radio Sussex's star gardener Tom Brown
- Children's Activities
- Dog Show
- Morris Dancing
- Steel Band
- Happy Days Big Band
- Teddy Bear Parachute Jump

Evening event in St Mary's Church Thakeham:

- Worship Group 5pm followed by Songs of Praise at 6pm



SULLINGTON 122 YEARS AGO

EXTRACTS FROM CANON PALMER'S DIARY – MAY 1897

Sat 1: Fine. 48 degrees. Left at 1 reached home at 7 having had nearly two hours at Brighton: Cicely and May meet me; they had paid many a call.

Sun 2: Easter II. Fine with strong fresh SW overcast. 49 degrees. A fair morning but thin evening congregation. Preached a first of a set of sermons on Jesus Risen, at the lake and extempore in the evening. Baptised a child of Nicholls from Barks Farm.

Mon 3: Fine but a cool NW 45 degrees. Clara and May to Town to dentist: they return with Neel. The two Wigram girls (bouncing and picturesque) come on a visit. Spend much of the day in the garden. Prick out tomatoes, plant out ivy leaf geraniums.

Tue 4: Fine, bright cold 48 degrees. School 25/30. Began work again with G Neel, Homer and Horace. Visited down Sandy Lane. First game of tennis.

Wed 5: As yesterday, some rain in the morning 46 degrees. School inspection. Heath lunched here and then inspected for one and a half hours. 24 children: all did well, some very well. Cosham came up and advised me about vines and tomatoes. Diocesan meeting about 2pm.

Thu 6: Bright cold 44 degrees. Had a good long and fairly descriptive letter from Hal dated Denver, Colorado 23 April. All well so far that he arrived safely at Frisco we have already learnt. We mow lawns tight: much moss. All the younger party to Petworth to visit the House. The awful catastrophe in Paris in the Rue Goujon fills the papers.

Fri 7: Dull and cloudy 49 degrees. To County Council at Horsham; a brief meeting only three quarters of an hour: felt a chill on my return. All the others go to a concert at Findon where the duologue was performed.

Sat 8: Dull to fine then fog in evening 52 degrees. To Brighton as delegate on the Education Act: got beaten in my voting, which was all for Civil rather than Ecclesiastical areas. Mrs Wigram arrives so we have three here now.

Sun 9: Easter III. Fine, bright but cold 50 degrees. Fair congregations. Did not feel up to much, my chilly cold making me feverish and weak. Frau Corber over from Jelfs, whom she is about to leave for financial reasons on their part. Preached old sermons and had Catechizing on Duty To God.

Mon 10: Fine but squally in late evening 50 degrees. People to first tennis, but, as usual, cold and blustery and overcast. Kept in a good deal as cough is tiresome.

Tue 11: Bright with a very strong cold north wind 44 degrees. The Wigrams left for Eastbourne. With a heavy cold to the Board of Guardians where a long business about Parsons, who was just saved from destruction. Wyatt was put in the district council chair in my place. Organ tuned by Bryceson. Glad of fires.

Wed 12: As yesterday 42 degrees. Heard from Mr Pearse of the death of his wife: she was a very kind friend to Hal and a young and pleasant woman: I was sorry not to be able to take her funeral for him on Friday next.

Thu 13: Rather less cold though thermometer last night was 34 degrees, 45 degrees now. Kept at home to try and get rid of my cough. Wrote to Hal at the Mines.

Fri 14: Milder 50 degrees. Weak and pulled down, cough hangs about me this ungenial weather. Called on Widow Hemingway, Frewer says valet for Honiton Parva.

Sat 15: Fine 50 degrees. Night continues cold though days warmer. Actually laid in bed till 12 – lumbago! French sends me “his” solicitors comment on Alburys bill, little or nothing in them but more trouble for me.

Sun 16: Easter IV. Generally fine but a strong North and showers in evening 53 degrees. Got through services very well. Preached another sermon on the Tiberius miracle and in evening from notes on the “Church”, taking my text from 1Timothy 5, our Lesson.

Mon 17: Quite summery 59 degrees. A plunge into July. Our dining room “up”; we “meal” in the hall. Called at Sandgate where rook shooting and children. Mrs Fenton promises a treat on the 22nd.

Tue 18: As yesterday 55 degrees. Have felt stronger and lumbago nearly gone. School exam in drawing. Spent afternoon at Workhouse, tenders for haulage agreed on: went round with Parish about a room for his “stoker”. Put out with Cobhams help some tomatoes in the greenhouse. Clara jumbles at West Chiltington.

Wed 19: Fine, bright NE 50 degrees. Weather bright but not growing. Put out a few bedders. Clara etc. go to Fittleworth and Bedham: join Clara at dinner at Austins, where Mrs Arnold, Earnest Farmer and Fenwick.

Thu 20: As yesterday 56 degrees. Much moving of furniture and expected van which did not arrive. Letter from Hal to May; safely arrived at the Mine, but not yet settled down. Brewster goes on a day's leave. Put out dahlias sent by Mrs Eyre.

Fri 21: As yesterday though NE stronger 54 degrees. With Cicely, getting well after a sting on the nose, to the Workhouse. Saw Mrs Hodge who had been sent into the House from the Cottage, and was much excited thereby.

Sat 22: Much as yesterday 50 degrees. Much excitement in the arrival of a van load of furniture from Benges: this was all well and truly housed by 5pm when WBC came, driven by the girls who had combined a visit to the Jelfs. Mr Padwick sends me a sitting of his game birds. Clip grave in churchyard which is now closely bitten off by sheep.

Sun 23: Easter V. Clear, cold, fine 52 degrees. Fair congregations. Preached on the Tiberius miracle. In evening on the Resurrection Body (notes). No lights in evening Church. Walked in the woods with WBC very hot.

Mon 24: Much as yesterday 51 degrees. Had a fire this evening in the drawing room. Grass well forward in front meadow but nowhere else. General Godman offers a Jubilee Treat to the Union.

Tue 25: Fine 55 degrees. WBC left, he seems far from well. Board of Guardians, gave Godmans offer of a dinner to inmates on 22nd then to Worthing where Annual CDA service. Bishop preached on Zephaniah XI 4 on the many sheep marked for slaughter (ie destruction through sin) and neglected by those who are responsible for them.

Wed 26: Dull some rain at night 52 degrees. Had the tennis hut thatched again: cut up the last hay, put out melons, with Neel for a walk.

Thu 27: Ascension Day. Some little rain 50 degrees. Took Faithfull's morning service, he in bed. Evening here with small attendance. Address on Hebrews IV 1 Christ in Glory.

Fri 28: Dull, cloudy fresh, some rain 53 degrees. To Chichester, Asylum business. Chose a Chaplin. Girls to Worthing per foot and bus. They are busy practising the Jubilee Anthem.



EVENTS at Warminghurst Church

Plant and Cake Sale

Saturday 11 May
12.30pm - 2.30pm



This popular event is a highlight of the year and the Friends are busy sowing seeds, potting on and cultivating flowers and veg for you to buy. The bakers and jam makers will be busy just before to fill the celebrated cake stall with delicious homemade goods. Along with other stalls of interest and the raffle, there is plenty on offer, even just another opportunity to look round this beautiful country gem of a Church. We look forward to welcoming you. For more information call 891312 or email info.fowc@gmail.com

Shoreham Chamber Choir

Saturday 18 May at 7pm



The Shoreham Chamber Choir are supporting the Sussex CCT (Churches Conservation Trust) churches with their special concert for the charity. Entrance is free but please register your interest with the Friends to make sure of a seat, by calling 891312 or emailing info.fowc@gmail.com.

Drinks will be available and donations to the Friends of Warminghurst Church will be gratefully received towards the upkeep of the Church.

Sat 29: Some rain from the south 55 degrees. Kept in with hoarseness. The others attended the Workhouse where a treat by Louise Sandham, Mrs Bazely and Mrs Mant etc. Put 5/- verbenas from Brown of Mayfield.

Sun 30: Sunday after Ascension. Fine thundery, storm with rain at 6pm. 56 degrees. Got through pretty well, but could not sing. A thunder rain very welcome but spoilt evening service. A last sermon on Tiberius Miracle, and a lectern lecture on Moses, lesson being Duet. 34.

Mon 31: Fine, warm some rain at night 58 degrees. Bourke sends me despatches in bulk about this new Diocesan Education Scheme. See Faithful. Put out 70 geraniums over tulips under library window. Young Watson to play tennis.

STORRINGTON VILLAGE DAY

Headline opening Act for Storrington Village Day announced



The Happy Days Big Band is the headline opening act at Storrington Village Day on 29 June at the Hormare Recreation Ground in Storrington.

The Band was formed in September 2018 by Chris Day. Based in the Storrington area of West Sussex, it is made up of adults and young people from the local area. They are making a name for themselves playing big band classics, jazz and swing numbers from the likes of Herbie Hancock, Josef Zawinul and Bill Withers alongside well-known contemporary tunes from artists like Stevie Wonder and Bruno Mars.

They join a host of family attractions at this free event that include Magician & Entertainer Nick Clark and Storrington First School choir & dancers. Impulse Leisure will demonstrate Zumba Dancing. There will be a best Scarecrow Building Competition, Funfair and Amusement stalls, Morris Dancing, a SADCASE Classic Car exhibition, a dog show run by Crossways Veterinary Group and an Archery demonstration participatory for Village Day visitors. The culmination of an exciting day will be a performance by the hugely popular Chance Singers - so get ready to dance, dance, dance!

Village Day Chairman Tony Vaughan said, "We are delighted that Happy Days Big Band is to be part of our big day and they will provide a rousing start to events in the Show Arena".

Are you enthusiastic about learning new things and have the time to do so?

Do you enjoy history, art/craft or drama activities?

Do you enjoy being part of a team?

Are you well organised with a friendly and helpful manner?

We are currently looking to expand our team of Learning and Engagement Volunteers to work with visiting schools, colleges, adults and families. If you are interested in finding out more and would like a copy of our Volunteer Role Profile please contact Sue, Schools and Adults Officer, on 01243 812497 or sue.poil@chichestercathedral.org.uk



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WEST CHILTINGTON AND STORRINGTON MOTHERS' UNION

Mothers' UNION Christian care for families

Eight Branch Members attended the Commissioning Service of Kathryn Anderson and the Trustee Board for 2019 – 2022 in Chichester Cathedral on 23 March. The service was conducted by Bishop Martin.

We received a very informative and lively talk from MU Speaker Karen Hill at our April meeting. Twenty one years ago Karen's Branch in Worthing started making emergency toiletry bags for the maternity wing in Worthing Hospital, which they continue to do, but now they also provide a Ministry of Cake. Every Monday, two members go laden with cakes or scones for the staff and parents on the Children's Ward and neo-natal unit. Volunteers needed to go through various processes before being allowed on the ward, such as blood tests and gaining a Level 2 Hygiene Certificate. The ministry has grown over the last three years, with the wider community and parishes without a MU Branch donating funds or goods to support this work. MU has also provided three specialist stethoscopes for use on premature babies, much appreciated by the nursing staff. MU members have shown great commitment in this work, and it is hoped that Chichester District members may be able to start something similar in St Richard's Hospital, Chichester.

We have another MU Speaker at our meeting on **2 May**, telling us about the MU Parenting Programme. Visitors wishing to know more are very welcome to join us at West Chiltington Church Hall at 2pm.

Saturday 11 May is MU Diocesan Spring Meeting at Bishop Hannington Church, Hove from 10am. Speakers will be Sam Hart and Rachel Shackleton from Spurgeons, and David Ewaku from Mary Sumner House. Refreshments will be available but please take a packed lunch. There will be Bring and Buy, Cake Stall, and MU goods and greetings cards on sale. Bishop Richard will preside and preach at the Communion Service.

Jean Hunt

1ST STORRINGTON RAINBOWS AND 2ND STORRINGTON BROWNIES

As another term ended, we said goodbye to the girls who are moving up to the next section. Four Rainbows are joining Brownies, and three Brownies will become Guides. We also said farewell to a young Brownie Leader who has A-level exams coming up, and will be off to university in September.

When the Storrington Rainbow unit opened six years ago, some girls were having to wait until their sixth birthday for a place at Rainbows. With another unit opening at West Chiltington, numbers are more manageable now, and we are generally able to offer places to five year olds who can stay with us until they reach the Brownie age of seven. If any readers have a daughter or granddaughter who may like to join Rainbows or Brownies, then it is never too early to put their name on a waiting list, as it helps us to plan ahead.

To register online, search 'Join Girlguiding' and you will be directed to a link for 'Register your Daughter'. Simply follow the instructions to input your details and choose a unit that is convenient, and a leader will contact you within a few days. If any ladies over the age of eighteen are interested in getting involved and helping with Girlguiding themselves, they too can register on the website, through the link 'Register your Interest'.

Joan Parkes



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

ARUN VALLEY U3A Thursday 23rd May – 10.30am

HOW TO AVOID BANK SCAMS



**A TALK- BY Sam Collier
of Nat West Bank
Pulborough Village Hall, Swan View,
Pulborough, RH20 2BF**

Cost: £1 donation to cover refreshments and hall cost.

So, you feel confident you wouldn't fall victim to a scam!

Unfortunately, the scammers are always one step ahead,

Whether you've been the victim of fraud,

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700+ million e-mail addresses were recently exposed to the web.

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**This as an Arun Valley U3A Open meeting
and is open to non-members**

Come along and find out more about U3A.

U3A is for retired people with common interests to meet in groups
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Meetings or visits are 1 to 4 times a month depending on the group.

Simply - 'Google': 'Arun Valley U3A' for more information

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Looking for an opportunity
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Come and join us, visitors welcome.

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



NEXT MEETING

Thursday 2 May 7.30pm

Print Walk – Some of the members will be presenting and
talking through their images in small groups. Visitors are welcome
to get an insight into our members' interests and images.

Thursday 16 May 7.30pm

Best Print & Projected Image of the Year Competition.
Our judge will be Walter Benzie Hon FRPS

MORE INFORMATION:

www.storringtoncc.org.uk or
contact Janet Brown

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SOC Storrington
Camera Club

JULIA DONALDSON TO SET OFF THE STARTING PISTOL AT THE 21ST STORRINGTON VILLAGE DUCK RACE ON SUNDAY



12 MAY

The Friends of Storrington Primary School are delighted to announce that we have a special guest joining us for the 21st Storrington Village Duck Race from midday on Sunday 12 May at the Library Car Park. Julia Donaldson will be coming along to start the first race of the day and to show her support for one of the most 'quackers' local events in West Sussex.



Julia Donaldson CBE is an English writer, playwright and performer, and the 2011–2013 Children's Laureate. She is best known for her popular rhyming stories for children which include *The Gruffalo*, *Room on the Broom* and *Stick Man*. Julia will come along to get the day underway by starting the first race of the day which promises thrills and spills as the ducks race to glory alongside a great range of entertainment for all the family.

First race starts at approximately 12.30pm at Riverside Walk and Library Car Park; Sat Nav RH20 4PA, raising money for the Friends of Storrington Primary School.

There will more hotly contested races this year with 6 heats; the top ten ducks from each heat being entered into the Grand Finale, making 7 races in all. Prizes are on offer for each of the heats with cash prizes available for the winning ducks in the Grand Finale.

To add to the fun, there will be; fun-fair rides and face-painting, hook-a-duck, craft stalls, music, bar, refreshments, ice-cream and cakes plus the ever popular BBQ and local band Rocket Rockit will be performing classic tunes, old and new.

All proceeds from the Duck Race will go to Storrington Primary School to provide and maintain facilities and equipment for the children.

The Duck Race team are taking bookings for stands now so if you have an idea for a stall or a craft business that you want to promote please get in touch with georgedelarue@hotmail.co.uk.

And the Car Boot is back! Car boot pitches must be booked. Set up from 10.30am for a midday start. Limited number of spaces available. Book in advance via foss.school@aol.co.uk.

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RACE SPONSORS:

Race 1 – 'Sussex Local Hoisin Sauce Handicap' sponsored by Sussex Local

Race 2 – 'Crossways Quackers' sponsored by Crossways Vets

Race 3 – 'Run a Muck with a Physio Duck' sponsored by Storrington Physiotherapy Clinic

Race 4 – 'Taxi for Mr Hoad sponsored by MJ Cars' sponsored by MJ Cars

Race 5 – 'The HD Tribe Mallard Mile' sponsored by HD Tribe

Race 6 – 'Howling Dogs Grooming Race' sponsored by Howling Dogs Grooming

IT COULD BE EITHER OR!

We carry it around in our handbag or pocket.
We flip through it several times a day.
We turn back to get it if we forget to take it with us.
We use it to receive messages from a text.
We treat it like we couldn't live without it.
We give it to our children as a gift.
We use it when we travel and visit places.
We use it in cases of emergency.

You don't have to be very bright to realise it's probably referring to the mobile phone.

But read the statements again and think about the difference it would make to each of us, and probably to those we meet, if we happened to be referring to the Bible!



West Chilt Jazz Club

West Chiltington Village Hall RH20 2PZ

CONCERTS

FEATURING THE VERY BEST JAZZ BANDS

7 May

The Gresty / White Ragtimers, Dixieland Jazz at it's very best, with a 4-man front line

4 June

The Dart Valley Stompers

Jeremy Huggett and his west country stars

Doors Open 19.00 Concerts start at 19.30

Licensed Bar with Draught Beer

Tickets £10 from NISA (Cherilyn) Store in West Chiltington and the Card Centre, Storrington.

More information and late tickets from Keith Rushton

742914 ckrushton@outlook.com

www.westchiltvillagehall.org go to "Jazz Club"



Thursday 9th May 2019
2pm

Chicago Bridge Drive

In aid of Family Support Work



The Old Workshop,
Sullington Manor Farm
RH20 4AE



£50 a table including afternoon tea

and refreshments

Prizes to be won!

For more details contact:

Susie Fischel: 01403 713 394

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CHURCH SERVICES AT A GLANCE

DATE	FESTIVAL OR SUNDAY	STORRINGTON St Mary's	THAKEHAM St Mary's	SULLINGTON St Mary's
5 May	Third of Easter	8am Holy Communion (said) 10am Family Communion + Baptism 11.45am Baptism Service 6pm Evensong	10.30am Joint Family Service (with Sullington)	8am Celtic Communion 6pm Evensong
12 May	Fourth of Easter	8am Holy Communion (said) 10am Parish Communion + Footsteps 6pm Evensong	9.30am Morning Prayer	8am Holy Communion 11.30am Matins
19 May	Fifth of Easter	8am Holy Communion (said) 10am Parish Communion with Healing + Footsteps 4pm Church@4	8am Celtic Communion	10.30am Joint Family Communion (with Thakeham)
26 May	Sixth of Easter ROGATION SUNDAY	8am Holy Communion (said) 10am Parish Communion + Footsteps 6pm Evensong	9.30am Family Communion	11.30am Family Communion
30 May (Thursday)	ASCENSION DAY	10.30am HC 7.30pm Ascension Day Service		

Midweek Holy Communion Service on Thursdays at St Mary's Church, Storrington, at 10.30am.
Holy Communion Service at Sussexdown on the fourth Thursday of each month at 11.30am

OTHER CHURCH DETAILS

ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

Our Lady of England, Monastery Lane

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

Daily Mass: Monday – Friday 9am.

For other midweek services, confessions etc., please contact

Parish Priest: Fr Charles Howell

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

Tel: 740338

STORRINGTON CHAPEL

North Street

Sunday Services 10.30am, 6.30pm

Church Elder: Graham Thrussell

Tel: 01243 545737

grahamthrussell.GT@gmail.com

COMMUNITY CHURCH

Steyning Grammar School – Rock Road Campus

Family Worship – Sundays 10am

Enquiries to Mrs Val Augustine

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

Tel: 01798 817596

TRINITY METHODIST CHURCH

Thakeham Road

Sunday Service 10.30am

Minister: Revd Dawn Carn

4 Gorse Avenue, Worthing, BN14 9PG

Tel: 260356 (Church Office: 746390)

www.trinitymethodiststorrington.uk

www.facebook.com/TrinityStorrington

WEEKLY EVENTS

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

Fri 10am Storrington Community Market – Village Hall

Storrington Library Opening Hours – Tel. 839050

Monday to Friday 9.30am – 5.30pm

Saturday 10am – 4pm

The Churches of Storrington invite you to

SUNDAY LUNCH CLUB

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

1pm on Second Sunday each month (except August)

at the Old School, School Lane, Storrington

Tickets (£4.00) are available from

Louisa Austin, Church Street, Storrington



STORRINGTON POP-IN LUNCH CLUB

Storrington Village Hall

First Thursday of each month

(except January and August)

COFFEE served from 10.30am

LUNCH available: £3.00 12 noon – 1pm

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

ALL ARE WELCOME. Come and meet old friends

and make new ones. No need to book – just turn up.

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



WHAT'S ON

MAY	
Wed 1	
10am	St Barnabas Outreach – Library Car Park – p27
2.30pm	Arts Society Storrington – Meeting
Thu 2	
10.30am	Pop-In Lunch Club – p18
2pm	MU – Meeting – p16
7.30pm	Storrington Camera Club – Meeting – p16
Sat 4	
10am	Storrington Conservation Society – Working Party – p27
12.30pm	Wedding - St Mary's, Storrington - Alexander Chasmar and Susanna Farrell
Sun 5 3rd of Easter	
11.45am	Baptism - St Mary's, Storrington, of Ethan John Forster (son of Lauren and Mark)
3pm	St Mary's Sullington Annual Garden Party – p5
Mon 6	
8am	Rotary Club Car Boot Sale – Library Car Park – p24
7.30pm	Concert – Lyra Vocal Ensemble of St Petersburg – p10
Tue 7	
10am	Inter-Church prayers – RC Church (side-chapel) – p6
2pm	SPACE – Art & Craft Club – p10
Wed 8	
10am	Wild Fortune Quiet Garden – p4
7.30pm	Rotary Film Night – <i>Bohemian Rhapsody</i> – p21
Thu 9	
2pm	FSW Chicago Bridge Drive – p17
7pm	Bingo – Mary How Trust – p34
Sat 11	
9.30am	Sandgate Conservation Society – Working Party – p24
10am	Storrington Museum – Mills Walk
10am	MU Spring Meeting – Hove – p16
12.30	Warminghurst Church Plant & Cake Sale – p15
6pm	Travelling Supper – p4
Sun 12 4th of Easter	
<i>Start of Christian Aid Week</i>	
12noon	Storrington Duck Race – p17
1pm	Sunday Lunch Club – p18
Mon 13	
7.30pm	Storrington Museum – Talk – p22
7.30pm	Thakeham Gardeners' Club – Meeting – p24
Wed 15	
10am	Café in the Church – p6
7.30pm	Sullington Windmills WI – Meeting – p28
Thu 16	
7.30pm	Storrington Camera Club – Meeting – p16
Fri 17	
7.30pm	Storrington Horticultural Society – Talk – p23

Sat 18	
11.45am	Visiting bellringers from St John the Baptist Church, Crawley, at St Mary's, Storrington (ends 12.45pm)
2pm	Thakeham Gardeners' Plant Sale – p23
6pm	Christian Aid Cheese & Wine Evening – p4
7pm	Concert – Shoreham Chamber Choir – Warminghurst Church – p15
Sun 19 5th of Easter	
4pm	Church@4 - St Mary's, Storrington – p6
Tue 21	
2pm	SPACE – Art & Craft Club – p10
2pm	Knit and Stitch Tea – Thakeham Church Rooms – p4
Wed 22	
2pm	Storrington Flower Club – Meeting – p28
7.30pm	Sandgate Conservation Society – AGM – p24
Thu 23	
11.30am	Holy Communion – Sussexdown Chapel – p10
3pm	Tea with the Vicar – p5
Fri 24	
10am	Visiting bell ringers – St Mary's, Storrington (ends 10.45am)
Sat 25	
10am	Sandgate Conservation Society – Working Party – p24
Sun 26 ROGATION SUNDAY – 6th of Easter	

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

SAINTS AND SPECIAL DAYS

MAY	
Wed 1 PHILIP AND JAMES, APOSTLES	
Thu 2 Athanasius, 373 - bishop of Alexandria and renowned theologian	
Tue 7 Julian of Norwich, c.1417 - Christian mystic; her work, <i>Revelations of Divine Love</i> , is first book in English language known to have been written by a woman	
Sat 11 Gregory Dix, 1952 - English monk; his work influenced reform of Anglican	
Mon 13 ST. MATTHIAS, APOSTLE	
Wed 15 Caroline Chisholm, 1877 - English humanitarian, involved with female immigrant welfare in Australia	
Sat 18 Dunstan, 988 - much loved saint; patron saint of goldsmiths (hallmark year date runs from 19 May after him); charities and churches named after him	
Sun 19 Alcuin, 804 - considered among the most important architects of the Carolingian Renaissance	
Thu 23 John and Charles Wesley, 1791 and 1788 - credited with the foundation of the evangelical movement of Methodism	
Sat 25 The Venerable Bede, 735 Augustine of Canterbury, 605 - the first Archbishop of Canterbury in 597 and a founder of the English Church	
Tue 28 Lanfranc, 1089	
Thu 30 Josephine Butler, 1906 - feminist and social reformer, particularly welfare for prostitutes	
Fri 31 VISIT OF BLESSED VIRGIN MARY TO ELIZABETH	

STORRINGTON & SULLINGTON – REFLECTIONS OF THE PAST

THE STORRINGTON VILLAGE BAND

Preceded and perhaps suggested by a band composed of monks and brothers from the local Praemonstratensian Priory, numbering nine or ten performers, all playing brass instruments. Rehearsals were held in a temporary shed on the site now occupied by the Monastery Church. Before very long, this band had ceased to exist, owing principally to deaths among the players, and there is now only one survivor. The Prior's interest, however, did not cease with the cessation of his band and when the village band appeared, he not only subscribed to its funds, but invited it two or three times a year to play in the monastery grounds and liberally rewarded their efforts.



The village band was formed on 15 February 1904 by Mr Trotter who lived at The Abbey, helped to some extent by public subscriptions, but mainly out of his own resources; he provided the instruments as well as the music. He, himself, played both the oboe and trombone and superintended the practice on Mondays and Fridays. Later, Mr Bampton came over from Christ's Hospital and coached the band on Wednesdays. The rehearsals were held, at first, in Dr Lee's house, Southdown, which was then empty. From there, the band moved to the old malthouse in Lady Place grounds [since burned down] and subsequently Mr Trotter rented a site from the monastery on the waste piece of ground facing the Church and erected a wooden room there. When the Village Hall was built and opened its hospitable doors to the band, this wooden room was sold by Mr Trotter to the Thakeham Rural District Council and removed to the top of School Hill, which then became the Council Office.



At the outset, only two or three of the band knew anything about music, but energy and enthusiasm soon overcame all difficulties, and when the band was only ten months old it gave its first concert.

This was held at the Village

Hall on 4 December 1904 and, in preparation for the great event, a Mr Smith from Queen's Hall, London, came down to coach the performers. At his own expense, Mr Trotter had been sending one of the clarinet players to London to get lessons in his instrument and a month or so after this concert he took the whole of the band to Brighton to hear Sousa's band when Sousa himself conducted.

In June 1906, the band, which had started with brass only, added reed instruments and entered for contest at Horsham. The result was not altogether happy, as the judge caustically advised them to go home and learn to play in tune. The band must have profited by this advice for the next year, 1907, it gave two concerts at Pulborough and Steyning. As the years went on, its sphere of activity widened and it was engaged to play at church parades at Washington and Arundel and at a Flower Show as far afield as Southwater.

The war played havoc with the band; several of its members were called up for service and some of them were killed. Mr Trotter left Storrington and the secretary, Mr Harry Gibbs, died, and the band went through a period of suspended animation. At the end of the war, Mr C Mitchell of saxophone fame came to the rescue, revived the band and acted as bandmaster with Mr Gordon Mitchell as secretary. The latter was soon succeeded by Mr Ewen Goff who,

from his first appearance in Storrington, had always taken an interest in the band, being a useful performer himself on the clarinet. Mr George Daughtrey had now succeeded to the band mastership and a new career of prestige followed in its services at flower shows at Pulborough and Bignor and at church parades at Broadwater and even Worthing. In 1920, Stopham Regatta, which had been revived since the end of the war, heard the revived band and in succeeding years continued to hear it until this time-honoured institution was gathered to its fathers. The year 1923 saw the band for the first time in uniform, a symbol of its increasing recognition in the world of Sussex. Not only was Stopham calling for it to make music at the Regatta and Conservative rallies, but Wisborough Green sent for it when the Gymkhana came and even Lancing thought its music essential to the success of its flower show. As the years went on, Mr Pickard succeeded Mr Daughtrey as bandmaster, then his turn was followed by Messrs E and W Summer acting conjointly. Finally, the office was conferred upon Mr Pratt, who has shown that he is behind none of his predecessors in skill, hard work and untiring devotion to the interests of this fine village institution.



[A few other memories of the Storrington Village Band can be read in *Storrington in Living Memory* available at Storrington Library]

I must add my own footnote to the story of one of those lovely moments of serendipity which occur during research. We often received items of historical interest which did not fit in with our local history and one such was a log book and other documents of a vintage car. We always tried to find the right home for such things, so we sent this to the curator at Beulieu Motor Museum. Back came a letter of thanks from the nephew of Mr George Trotter, the then curator, who wrote that he had found, in his attic, a large hand-inscribed testimonial to Mr Trotter from the band, made in 1910, when Mr Trotter was in the process of moving from The Abbey to his newly-built Lutyens house, Gerston [later St Joseph's Hall].

It began, "To George Trotter Esq, Founder and President of the Storrington Military Band, we...." [followed by names and instruments of all the bandsmen including the writer of the foregoing story]. Beneath the names it continues "The members of the above band, at this season of the year, are desirous of expressing our sense of the great obligations we are under to you for your kindness in first organising and teaching the Band and for your assiduous care and generosity in its maintenance and improvement ... As inhabitants of the village we recognise the value of the institution, the existence of which is solely due to your efforts ... We offer you both our best wishes for your continued welfare ... Xmas 1910".



How often can such a wonderful piece of tangible village history come into a researcher's hands?

And lastly, a short memory of village life:

Mr Brockhurst was Storrington's policeman, and somewhat deaf. The poaching had got out of hand and 'Brock'

BOOK REVIEW

"FROM CANCER TO CODDIWOMPLE" – A STORY OF LOVE, LOSS AND DARING TO DREAM

Have you ever had one of those days? A day where one call changes the rest of your life? Wendy Jennings had one of those calls, from her father, on 19th December 2011.

The call was to say her Mum was in severe pain...nine months later she had lost both parents to the big C.

From Cancer to Coddwomple follows Wendy's journey through her parents' illnesses and how she re-built her life after losing them both, within weeks of each other, in 2012. Travel with her as she embarks on her trip of a lifetime to Bali and Australia. Her coddwomple blogs, to let friends and family know she was OK, were never meant to be other than personal musings but writing with such warmth and humour she was encouraged to share her experiences with a much wider audience.

"Ovarian cancer careered into my family's life in 2012 when my mother was finally diagnosed. (Sadly, her symptoms had been missed by our GP and they were already at the advanced stages). Mum underwent gruelling chemotherapy, but the cancer spread to her liver, she developed blood dots on her lungs and past away nine months later. Dad was also taken ill during Mum's illness and he passed away 5 weeks before her from oesophageal cancer. I felt lost and without a purpose after they passed away. I wasn't a daughter anymore and I don't have siblings, so who was Wendy? After a lot of soulsearching I decided to go on a once in a lifetime trip". says Wendy

From Cancer to Coddwomple is a beautiful true account of loss and love, and one that will give the reader hope to carry on, whatever life, or death, throws at them.

About Wendy Jennings:



Wendy Jennings, 50, The Coddwomple Lady, is the author of 'From Cancer To Coddwomple' and a Reiki Practitioner based in Tunbridge Wells, Kent. She lives with Tim; her other half, soulmate, best friend and 'Coddwomple companion'.

www.thecoddwomplelady.com

From Cancer to Coddwomple £12.99.

Stockists: www.thecoddwomplelady.com and Amazon.

The book will support St Barnabas House in Worthing a hospice very close to Wendy's heart. stbh.org.uk



was "kicked from upstairs" to do something about it. He went out on the Downs early one Sunday morning and met a local poacher with a heavy sack over his shoulder. Brock shouted to him, "I want you – you're the second one I've caught." The equally deaf poacher shouted back, "Only two Brock? I've got twenty of the b---s in this sack."

Joan Ham (Village Historian)



PARHAM HOUSE & GARDENS

EVENTS

Embroidery Masterclass with Chrissie Juno Mann

Tuesday 28 May
10am – 4.30pm



Join Parham for an Embroidery Masterclass with Royal School of Needlework tutor Chrissie Juno Mann this May.

Parham is well known for its ancient and alluring espalier fruit trees, so this workshop will look at the regal stature and cottage charm of an espalier pear tree. A combination of techniques will be taught to create this appealing design with its stumpwork pears and ribbon work leaves.

All materials are included and the workshop is suitable for abilities ranging from confident beginners to more advanced stitchers.

Parham Clock Tour

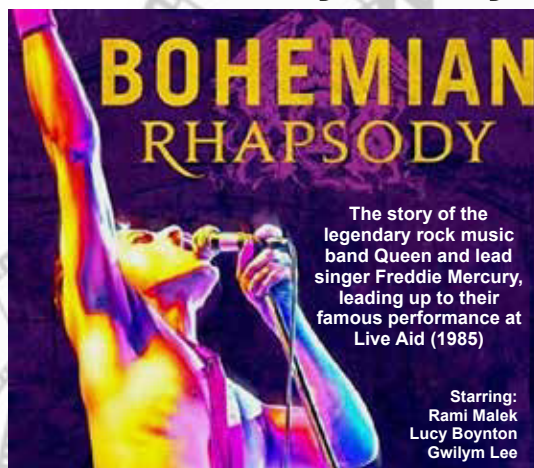
3 May and 6 September
10.30am



Discover Parham's horological history with this one hour guided tour of the Elizabethan house's timepieces and the stories behind them.



Rotary Film Night at Sullington Parish Hall Wednesday 8 May



The story of the legendary rock music band Queen and lead singer Freddie Mercury, leading up to their famous performance at Live Aid (1985)

Starring:
Rami Malek
Lucy Boynton
Gwilym Lee

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

Anyone needing transport should contact Roger Jamieson on 01798 813956

For further details please contact Ken Collins on 01903 740745

Rotary Club of Storrington & Pulborough District

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STORRINGTON & DISTRICT MUSEUM

One might have expected our monthly talk on 1 April, “*The Wind in the Willows* with reference to Edwardian times”, to have been rather dry, but in Mark Perry-Nash’s hands it was very entertaining and informative. Who would have dreamed so much could be read into such a well-loved and seemingly straightforward children’s book?

Kenneth Graham was born in 1859 into an upper class Scottish family. His mother died when he was five, and his father could not cope, so Kenneth was sent to live with relations at The Mount, Cookham Dene, in Berkshire. This was the place that gave him the setting for *The Wind in the Willows*, though he lived there for only two years. This might account for the nostalgia which runs through the book. Although he was academically very bright, he did not flourish at school, and did not go to University because it was too expensive. Instead he went into banking in London and eventually rose to be Secretary of his firm. In 1908 he retired early, possibly from ill health resulting from a shooting incident at work, or possibly because of a quarrel with one of the directors, and moved from London back to Cookham, near to where he had lived as a child.

His marriage in 1899 at the age of 40 was not a happy one, but he had one child, Alastair, whom he called Mouse, who was visually handicapped and frail in body and mind. It was to this child he had told the bedtime stories of the animals of the riverbank, which were published in 1908. Sadly, Alastair was not a happy person. He went to Oxford University and met his death there in 1920, whether by accident or suicide is not really known. Kenneth Graham died in 1932, an unhappy man, without writing anything after his son’s death.

The Wind in the Willows was not greeted with any enthusiasm by publishers or critics, but it was a huge success with the reading public and has been reprinted many times. The Edwardians were not sentimental about animals, so *The Wind in the Willows* was considered by some to be very odd, having sentient animals who behave with all the emotions considered to be felt only by humans. The four main characters show how responsible lives should or should not be lived according to ideas current in Edwardian upper class lives. Mole is often a bit dim and gullible, but kind, gentle and sensitive. He lives at Mole End, his own house, and is a country gentleman who, Mark Perry-Nash thought, belonged to the upper middle class.

Ratty shows what being decent and honourable means. He has high standards and expects the same from others but he is also compassionate and forgiving. He is loyal and brave and a gentleman of leisure, inclined to versify, he loves nature and the open air.

Toad is the aristocrat (or is he *nouveau riche*?), feckless, not very bright, and unable to control himself. High in his own estimation, he always comes out on top, having walked over everyone in the process. He has too much money and lives in a mansion. He is a bad example until almost the end of the book.

Badger is a solitary hermit, a reliable strong man, feared but respected by all. He is ‘old money’ and has no need to brag. He lives in the remains of a Roman settlement, convenient and timeless.

There are other characters: Otter, Portly his son, the gaoler, and various car owners, policemen, and a train driver, and of course the stoats and weasles, but only two women, the barge woman and the gaoler’s daughter.

The picnic scene shows the Edwardian attitude to food and what was considered to be a good meal. Ratty packed for his “little excursion” four sorts of cold meat, salad, rolls, and three sorts of drinks. These “people” are living well. The friends go for a brief holiday in the very well-stocked canary coloured caravan, and the motor car arrives. In 1908 these were still seen as rich boys’ toys: dirty, smelly, and unreliable to boot. (In the story the chauffeur is a ‘pilot’!) People were still saying that they would never replace the horse.

The wild wood is the embodiment of all the disquiet of Edwardian times, the rising unrest of the poor, the unease with Germany, the residue of

the Boer wars, the uprisings in Russia. There is a feeling of darkness, danger, fear, foreboding, a nameless dread which is overcome by the discovery of the foot scraper outside Badger’s door, and the appearance of Badger. Inside his home is the atmosphere of a gentleman’s club: comfort, security, companionship, and a slap up meal.

Kenneth Graham gives his animals spirit; the true Empire spirit of lasting strength, and so it will be for ever.

The chapter *Dulce Domum* enhances these feelings; love of home, of country and of tradition. The animals are utterly human and utterly believable. They talk of old times and gossip about local affairs, they are all friends together, full of joy and contentment. These animals, Mark said, are far ahead of their time.

In the chapter *The Piper at the Gates of Dawn*, the feeling of the divine nature of all things pervades; not a specifically Christian divinity, rather an all-embracing natural spirituality that holds the animals and the countryside spellbound. The story moves back to Toad and his addiction to motor cars. That intransigent creature is eventually sentenced to twenty years in prison. In an awful dungeon, he meets the gaoler’s daughter who is sorry for him and restores his self-belief. Puffed up Toad even regretted that the social gulf between them was so great. He is so condescending, but does not allow himself to become the much despised washerwoman, but manages to leave himself destitute. Toad’s journey home from prison involves, more than any other part of the book, a complete suspension of logic, which the reader accepts as Toad swings between remorse and boastfulness. He is intelligent Mr Toad, but we wonder because we know him so well!

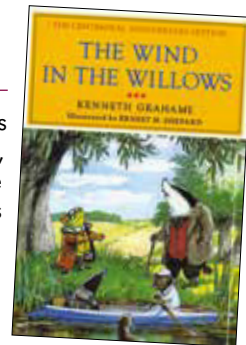
Finally there is the return to Toad Hall, *The Return of Ulysses*, yet another indication that the author was writing for very literate people. Not many children would now understand that phrase, unless of course it has been included in *Horrible Histories*. The lower class stoats and weasles are beaten. The courage of honourable men will always win, the forces of darkness are destroyed. Despite the old certainties waning things are still good. It all ends in joy and contentment, and it still appeals, despite being the product of a different era, so re-read it, and enjoy!

We hope you will all come to the Museum to view the new exhibition which will go on till 9 June. It is about the mills, water and wind, in our area and includes interesting photographs and artefacts. Cliff Wilks made models to illustrate the different types of mill, and Horsham Museum and Weald & Downland kindly lent us paintings and artefacts.

National Mills Weekend is on 11 and 12 May, and the sites of five local mills will be covered by walks on **Saturday 11 May**, starting at the Museum. The Mills Exhibition at the Museum will be open from 10am to 4pm and home-made bread and other refreshments will be available. The exhibition will also be open all day Sunday 12 May, from 10am to 4pm, but no refreshments will be available.

The remains of the sixth mill, Hurston Water Mill, will be on view on Sunday 12 May, when the owners, Viviane Doussy and Tony Whitbread, will show visitors around the site. Please telephone Viviane on 07796 261 296 if you would like more details

The talk on **Monday 13 May**, will be given by Rupert Toovey who, I think, needs no introduction. He will talk about “My Life in Antiques” and further information will be on our website.



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STORRINGTON HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

To a well-attended meeting, Barry Newman gave a very interesting talk illustrated by slides of 'A Year on the allotment' which took us through the tasks necessary on a monthly basis during the year to ensure the allotment is in prime condition to produce the maximum yield from a wide variety of crops.

Barry is a member of the National Vegetable Society and has an extensive knowledge of growing vegetables. His objective is to have crops available throughout the year and never have an empty allotment.

His allotment is cultivated on raised beds which, in his opinion, are easier to work, giving many advantages such as ease of weed control, crop rotation and ground preparation.

He also has a few poly tunnels on these beds which are erected to help in creating a micro climate in the colder months and provide protection for brassicas etc.

Barry also gave the members a number of tips on improving plant growth and cropping. One of these was to grow courgettes off the ground up stakes which avoids damping-off and makes the crop easier to harvest. He has written a detailed article on this which will be published in the May edition of the Royal Horticultural House magazine.

There were many tips, including how to grow straight, large parsnips and carrots, grow runner beans in a north / south direction for maximum yield and earth up beetroots to protect the bulb and maximize the useable crop, as well as suggestions on how to use the allotment to provide produce for a full 12 months.

The meeting ended with a raffle, light refreshments and the judging of the best Hyacinth grown by members from bulbs given to the Society by The Village Nursery, West Chilton, for which we offer our thanks. This year's best plant was awarded to Ted and Maureen Arnett.



At our meeting on **17 May**, Mr Richard Ramsey from Withyplants will be talking about Dahlias.

Web Site: Storringtonhorti.org.uk

Michael Webber

Living in the garden

Do you have the garden that you want yet? We've lived in Storrington now for getting close to five years, but I am still working out what I want our garden to be and, in the meantime, it seems to be creating itself.

Coming from a small balcony, our garden seemed huge at first, but was just a raised bed with some busy lizzies and petunias, a small area of patio covered with artificial grass and a patch of pebbles dominated by a Portuguese Laurel.



The hard landscaping has stayed (no mowing for us!) and despite my best efforts with the pruning saw that pesky laurel will not disappear. But I keep finding ways to squeeze more plants in as inspiration strikes: growing fruit along the fences, trees in large containers, salad leaves in hanging baskets, and replacing that broken bit of fence with a native hedge.

There is no design to our garden, just the influences of the youngest gardener in

the house, whatever calls to me in the clearance section of the garden centre and the need to add some more living space to our cottage without doing any building work. Our conservatory is the suntrap pebble beach garden complete with hammock and chairs. Our dining room is the back garden with pick-your-own fruit for dessert in the summer, and the playroom is the whole thing, constantly reinventing ("I want to make this patch a Tropical Garden, Mummy" or "Where can we fit in a pond?") spotting which new plants have self-sown and sitting back and watching.



Tip for the month? Spend less time in your own garden and have a nose around other people's. Maybe you'll



discover that a dinosaur in the flower bed or a piano on the patio is just what your garden is waiting for.

Cheryl Brown



THAKEHAM GARDENER'S CLUB

Spring Plant Sale

Saturday 18 May at 2pm

There will be 8 tables for plants, plus one table for 50p items and one table for silk flowers and sundries.

A selection of cakes will be available to buy

Entrance Fee 50p to include tea/coffee









SANDGATE CONSERVATION SOCIETY

We are delighted to announce that the project to obtain funding to build a footbridge between the new Country Park off Water Lane and Sandgate Park has been achieved.

The crowd-funding campaign to raise funds exceeded all expectations. We were really pleased to receive such generous donations from the general community that will enable us to use the additional money to enhance the access paths between the two areas. Significant funding was received from the West Sussex County Council, Horsham District Council and the Sullington & Storrington Parish Council. It is hoped that the bridge will be installed during this summer under the supervision of Horsham District Council. The Society greatly appreciate the work of everyone involved, especially those who donated money in supporting the project; thank you all for making it possible.

The Society's work parties will be in action on **Saturday 11 May** on Sullington Warren from 9.30am till noon and again on **Saturday 25 May** in Sandgate Woods from 10am till noon.

On **Wednesday 22 May** we will be holding our AGM at the Sullington Parish Hall, followed by a talk by our President, Bill Cutting, who will bring us up to date on the Sandgate Country Park.

If anyone cares to join or wishes to learn more about the Sandgate Conservation Society, who work closely with the National Trust and Horsham District Council, then please take a look at our website www.sandgate-conservation.org.uk or contact Brian Burns on 743001.

Brian Burns



THAKEHAM GARDENERS' CLUB

Stuart Lees was the speaker in March and he showed us slides of planted containers, starting with single shrubs or small trees in a large pot, followed by similar plantings with the addition of small plants, such as pansies, and concluding with containers planted with a collection of complimentary plants. Stuart judged our narcissus competition which was won by Gill Quince.

Amanda Patten will be speaking about 'Water in the Garden' at our next meeting on **13 May** and the members competition is a small bunch of early flowering shrubs.

One of the Club's major events, the May Plant Sale, takes place on **Saturday 18 May at 2pm**. Come on time to get the best bargains.

Meetings take place at 7.30pm on the second Monday in the month in the new Thakeham Village Hall. We welcome new members and guests; come along to the Hall on Club night or ring our Secretary June Jordan on 741772 for further details.

Sandra Jenkins

STORRINGTON & DISTRICT PROBUS



Storrington Probud Club Goes To The Dogs

"And they're off and running!!"

In case you thought otherwise, it was the greyhounds that were off and running not the Storrington Probud Club members. Together with their partners, a group of 20 enjoyed a fun evening of greyhound racing, together with a meal and drinks at the Brighton & Hove Greyhound Race Stadium. Seated in window seats overlooking the winning post in the Stadium's newly refurbished large restaurant, the group had an excellent view of the races. This was all organised by Probud members Peter E Smith and Rob Neal-Smith.



There were 12 races for members to have a flutter on and, despite mixed results in hoping to find the winners, everyone had a great time trying. To cap it all, the officials nominated race Number 8 to be sponsored by the Storrington & District Probud Club. The race was won by *Burgess Honey* and several of our members chose the winning greyhound because the 100 Bus runs from Storrington to Burgess Hill. A bit of long shot but it paid off! A picture was taken of the owners and trainers with the winning greyhound and Probud members. A great evening was had by all and can be thoroughly recommended for a good night out.

Recently, the Probud members enjoyed another excellent lunch at the Tollgate, Bramber, with Barbara Yarrow from Fryern Ladies' Probud Club as the speaker. She talked of her reminiscences as an evacuee in the second world war to America paid for by the Hoover Company. She talked fondly of her four and half years in America with two foster families and all her experiences and life as a child growing up in a very different situation from the one back at home. Barbara was reunited with her family at the end of the war. Also, Don Cleary organised another great coffee morning at The Labouring Man, Coldwaltham, which was well attended and was a return visit by popular request.

Future events include more coffee mornings, lunches with a variety of speakers, participating in a croquet competition with other local area Probud Clubs, a country walk around Polesdan Lacey and the Surrey hills, a coach trip to Windsor Castle and Saville Gardens, a holiday trip to the Isle of Man and much more....

If you want to know more about the Club or join, please visit the website at www.storringtonprobud.com

Peter Kerns

Rotary Club of Storrington & Pulborough District

CAR BOOT SALE

STORRINGTON LIBRARY CAR PARK

8am until 12noon

Bank Holiday Mondays 2019

6 May * 27 May * 26 August

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



Rehearsals are well underway for our next production, *When We Are Married*, by J B Priestley, directed by Caroline Woodley. The play should open on the 23 May for three nights, EU elections permitting, and I would just remind you that tickets, £10 each, are available from Nisa Stores, and the Post Office in West Chillington, together with The Card Shop in Storrington. If you would prefer to order on line go to our website www.wcds.co.uk and follow the links.

Another major event on our calendar is our Drama Festival, part of the Horsham District Year of Culture 2019. The Festival is a competition of one act plays performed over three evenings in the West Chillington Village Hall with a number of dramatic societies from the area taking part. We have appointed a professional adjudicator to judge each entry and we will be awarding prizes at a Gala Evening on Saturday 27 July. Performances will take place on the evenings of 24, 25 and 26 July and more information regarding the plays and participating societies will be available shortly. In addition to the grant we have obtained from Horsham District, we have to date three sponsors, namely Crossways Veterinary Practice, Batcheller-Monkhouse Estate Agents and Southern Cranes and Access Ltd. If you would like to become a sponsor then please e-mail chair@wcds.co.uk for more information.

Before the Festival, however, we will be supporting the 100th anniversary of the West Chillington Village Show, featuring a treasure hunt and membership information. We will also be providing support to the visit of The Rude Mechanical Theatre Co and their production of *Ikarus Inc*. This annual visit from an excellent travelling theatre group takes place at the West Chillington Recreation Ground on the evening of 13 June. Tickets, £17 will be available from Nisa Stores, West Chillington 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 (see p28 for further information).

If you would like to join us and help with any of our activities, please e-mail membership@wcds.co.uk and we will be happy to tell you all about our plans. In the meantime, we look forward to welcoming you at one of the performances of *When We Are Married*.

Geoffrey Steward, Chairman

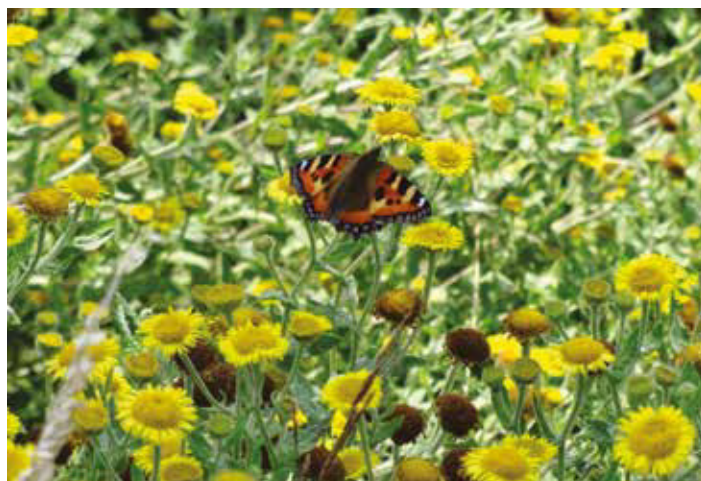
STORRINGTON COMMUNITY MARKET

We're open every Friday between 9.45am and 11.15am in the Village Hall in West Street.

Cakes, biscuits, pies and savouries, jams and marmalades, local honey, eggs, knitted hats, jewellery and crafts, books and magazines, DoTerra Essential Oils, local fruit and veg, plants, mushrooms, The Village Deli, Boutique 35 fashion and Forever Aloe health products. Tea, coffee and biscuits in our cafe.



The Village Minibus is available every other week.
Contact Velda on 892962.



STORRINGTON CONSERVATION SOCIETY

"During the 1960's the conservation of nature was beginning to be proclaimed. It was presented as a rule of prudence. Care for nature was seen as important to the present and future well-being of mankind. Scientists and naturalists were able to show that the exploitation and abuse of the natural world might have consequences more serious and more immediate than had previously been suspected. The maintenance of the balance of nature is of great importance even to the survival of mankind." That was written in 1977 by WH Vanstone. Prophetic words. More than 40 years later, we are becoming aware of their truth. Latest concerns include the decline in the number of insects vital for the pollination of food crops due to use of insecticides and the dramatic loss of ancient wild-flower meadows. Jane and Michael Joseph spoke at our 'Talk and Tea' some months ago and showed how such habitat can be restored and the benefits that result. Recently school children have demonstrated their concern at the sort of world they will have to live with unless urgent action is taken. It is up to the present generation of adults to respond if we wish to hand on a worthy heritage.

On 6 April the work party met by the Riverside Walk bridge in Love Lane in order to clear the banks and the stream between the Lane and Fryern Dell of unwanted vegetation and rubbish. We meet again on **4 May at 10am** in the Library car park to continue the work upstream in preparation for the annual Duck Race. A chance to put on wellies and paddle in the stream not to be missed! All comers welcome, equipment, other than suitable clothing, provided. Mid-morning break with refreshments adds to the enjoyment.

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.

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St Barnabas House

St Barnabas House Hospice Outreach Project

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

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

Wednesday 1 May and 5 June- 10am to 2pm

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



THE RUDES ARE BACK IN WEST CHILTINGTON

Put Thursday 13 June in your diary to see the Rude Mechanical Theatre Co who will be on the recreation ground in West Chiltington again for their annual outdoor theatre.

They will be performing a revival of their inspiring *Ikarus Inc*, a play about hopes and dreams. You won't want to miss it! Set in the little town of Dreamville, Indiana, in the '50's, a travelling salesman, Daedalus H Gildersleeves, and his son, Ikarus, sell dreams from a suitcase. Secret hopes are laid bare as they begin to fly the townsfolk up into the clear blue skies to their dreams. Hilarious, romantic, tender, searching, and laced with rock'n'roll! Meanwhile, the ladies of the local Buffalos Club, the Buffalesses, enter a competition to make the biggest pumpkin pie ever to raise money for 'the sufferin' poor'. For Ol' Mercy Coffin it is just the devil tempting them. But will they fly and achieve their dreams or come crashing down to the cold hard earth? Will the pumpkin pie get baked? Will they win the competition?

Tickets are £17 + concessions, available from NISA, Haglands Road, or call 01323-501260.

Also online at www.therudemechanicaltheatre.co.uk. Bring a picnic, your own chair and warm clothing for an English summer.



THE MARY HOW TRUST FILM SOCIETY

Screenings take place at 7.30pm on the fourth Tuesday of every month at West Chiltington Village Hall

BOHEMIAN RHAPSODY (15)

"As the charismatic frontman Freddie Mercury in the Queen biopic, Rami Malek 'makes the role his own'"
– BBC Film Review

Tuesday 28 May

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

Tickets: £6 including membership, available on the door and from the following:
Mary How clinic and charity shop (Ticket hotline 01798 877646); Guy Leonard Estate Agents in Storrington & Pulborough; The Card Centre, Storrington; Nisa Local Stores, West Chiltington; West Chiltington Post Office.

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



The President opened the March meeting by welcoming all members, including two new members who had joined in February. Erika highlighted the WI events planned locally and from County. Volunteers were needed for the Pop In lunch on 4 April, which Sullington Windmills always cover in April and October. A coffee morning was planned in the new Village Hall at Thakeham and it is hoped some of the new residents would be interested in joining the WI. A further event is planned for Thakeham Village Hall, organised by County, on **7 May** entitled "Inspire us to Inspire you". On Saturday 16 March at Northwood National Trust Estate, Slindon, 100 oak trees were planted to commemorate 100 years of the WI in West Sussex. On behalf of Sullington Windmills, Erika Brichta and Pat Jenkins planted a tree, the tree paid for by Pat.

Following the usual business reports, the president introduced the speaker for the evening, Helen Prosper. Her talk entitled "Exploding the Myth of Eating 5 A Day". Helen opened her talk by saying she loves life and people, and as she spoke this was so apparent. Her working life began as a Play Specialist at Great Ormond Street Hospital, and she is now an Integrative Nutritional Health Coach. Helen outlined her five ways to great health naturally:

Look after your microbiome – eat pre and probiotic foods, reduce sugar and processed foods, sleep is essential, take regular exercise of at least a 20 minute walk per day and destress.

Keep alkaline – eat at least five alkaline foods per day, meditate, drink lots of water, and breathing exercises are a must.

Enjoy a daily dose of antioxidants – which include fruits and spices.

Improve your circulation – increase production of nitric oxide with supplementation, touch and exercise.

Lifestyle choices – mental health: find your sunshine moment (by this Helen said we should all make time for a 'me' time in the course of a day), remember the power of words and thoughts, and take regular sleep, rest, meditation and exercise. Most of all, love life and the people you come into contact with each day.

Russ Fry warmly thanked Helen for this intriguing and extremely interesting talk, maybe we will all be a little wiser after listening to this talk, which will hopefully point us to a healthier and happier lifestyle.

Following Refreshments, Cheryl Brown gave a presentation on the screen of the National WI webpage, 'MY WI'. This covers everything you need know, on subjects as diverse as a short video on how to chop onions without tears, to the ideal way to wrap a gift, or the latest knitting pattern. All current campaigns are highlighted, and this webpage is a must for all WI members to view from time to time.

The next meeting will be on **Wednesday 15 May**, the Resolutions Meeting. The two resolutions to be discussed and voted on are 'The Decline in Local Buses' and 'Don't Fear the Smear'. We meet on the 3rd Wednesday of the month at Sullington Parish Hall 7.30pm. New members and visitors are always most welcome. Should you require further information please contact Erika Brichta on 742039.

Pat Snape

STORRINGTON FLOWER CLUB

Wednesday 22 May 2pm

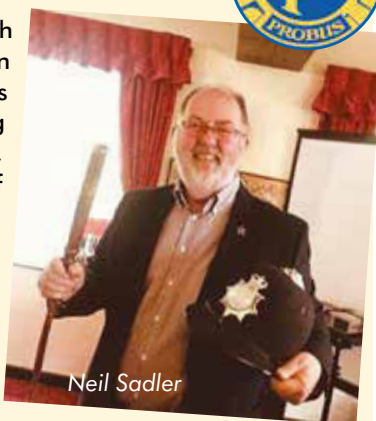
Demonstrator: Kathryn Austin Goddard
Theme: A Vine Romance
Competition: Twist on Tradition





The speaker at our April lunch was Neil Sadler, well-known amongst local groups, his talks covering an interesting and diverse range of topics, over the last ten years of his retirement from Sussex Police.

Neil spent much of his 30 year service as an operational officer in various ranks across Sussex, working briefly in Hong Kong, Trinidad and Abu Dhabi and finally back in the UK in Bognor Regis, Haywards Heath and Crawley. Being a 'well-bearded' gentleman, he recounted his difficulties in initially applying for a job in the Police during the seventies, as in most counties 'bearded men' were not appointed. Apparently, when he initially phoned to ask that obvious question he was told by the recruiting officer in Lewes that beards were not a problem but recruitment was, so please join as they'd take anybody; the rest is history.



Neil Sadler

We found Neil a relaxed, amusing and engaging speaker and we were a keen and receptive audience to such diverse questions and coverage as:

When is a bomb not a bomb? The Richard Reid incident and the policing of Gatwick Airport

Searching for missing persons and the miracle of the lost two year old in The Babe in The Arundel Wood Saga who had managed a solo two and a half mile walk into the forest. We also heard that there were an amazing 3,381 missing person reports during the year of 2010!

The rise of 'Robo - cop' and changes in uniform and equipment since 1978 when lady constables used to keep their truncheons in their handbags and many more examples detailing the frailties of human nature.

Brexit was, of course, mentioned with an example of wording from a Hell's Angels motorcyclist's T shirt which conveyed the message that in a good Brexit Heaven would mean Britain would control the Police, Mechanics by Germany, Chefs by Italy, Lovers by France, and all organised by the Swiss.

But a Brexit Hell would mean Chefs by Britain, Mechanics by France, Lovers by the Swiss, Police by Germany and all organised by the Italians - HELP!

So after an entertaining talk, retired Police Officer Neil Sadler's - Warrant No. 006 (just missed out on the Bond audition) - talk came to an end with much applause. Wendy Cliffe thanked him on behalf of us all and said how much of an insight he had given us into the work of the Police. A question raised by Jo was about the loss of our village bobbies on the beat and how vital they were to the discipline and reassurance of the neighbourhood; we all agreed that times past seemed better than times present and the definition of the word 'Progress' needs greater scrutiny. Thank you Neil for such an interesting talk.

Our planned trips to Leonard's Lea in May and to the RNLI in July were discussed and our next meeting will be held on **2 May** at The Roundabout Hotel.

Russ Fry



ALL CHANGE THIS YEAR FOR STORRINGTON IN BLOOM

Spring is upon us and the 2019 In Bloom campaign is underway! This year we have decided to take a break from the regional competition run by South & South East in Bloom. Since our first entry back in 2012, our fabulous volunteers have worked tirelessly and achieved a few more points each year, but although it is an amazing achievement, not getting gold is somewhat disheartening. We need a break from the pressure of the competition and trying to persuade all the relevant parties around us to play their part and instead want to enjoy what we do for our wonderful village.



Fear not folks of Storrington, we are still here and will still be committed to organising the wonderful displays that you all see throughout the village, alongside the planters which are planted and looked after by Storrington Greenfingers. We will continue this in 2019 with the same care and passion but without the pressure of trying to go for Gold.

On Sunday 7 April, a group of willing volunteers spent two hours litter picking and weeding in Storrington town centre as part of the Keep Britain Tidy Clean Up Our Streets Campaign. We will no doubt arrange a summer clean up event and be asking shop keepers to tidy up the areas outside the front of their stores. Additionally we have introduced a monthly work party, meeting on the third Wednesday of the month at 3.30pm. If you would like to join us please do. We will be meeting at the area in the Waitrose car park outside Mr Chips. Bring any tools you think might be useful.

Entries are now invited for our residential competitions which will be judged during July and August. So all of you blooming gardeners please do enter, and don't forget you can also nominate the front garden of one of your neighbours. Our children's competition this year is open to entries from individuals or groups. We would like a collage of 'What Storrington means to me'. This competition will be judged in June and the winners will be announced at Storrington Village Day. Entry forms for the children's competition and residential categories are available on our Facebook page or from The Card Centre or the library. We hope, as always, that the local businesses will continue with their beautiful floral and window displays.



For further information please contact storringtoninbloom@gmail.com

The Floral Fringe Fair

We are very excited to announce that our seventh Floral Fringe Fair has moved for 2019 to Amberley Museum and Heritage Centre, Station Road, Amberley, Nr Arundel, West Sussex BN18 9LT.

The Floral Fringe Fair is 1 and 2 June from 10am to 5pm. There is ample parking in the station car park and beyond in the farmer's fields.

For visitors to the fair the entrance price is £10.00, which includes entry to all the museum exhibits (their normal charge is £14.50) children £2.00, under 4's free. Dogs on leads.

Amberley Museum is a registered charity. It is an exciting 36 acre site in a former chalk pit containing not only some very well preserved lime kilns, a greenwood village, a steam crane, a bus garage, a print workshop, a wireless exhibition, Nature trails, an electricity museum, a steam train running on tracks round the site and much more, including a quite extraordinary collection of Industrial vintage items, such as an extensive collection of old buses, televisions and bicycles. The Floral Fringe Fair still has the theme of encouraging visitors to make their gardens wildlife-friendly but it has evolved into much more. It has become a unique fair with a personality and atmosphere, very popular with families and dog-owners.

The fair is a must for plantaholics and wildlife enthusiasts. We try to make our fair special by ensuring, as far as possible, that everything on sale is hand-made or home-made, or at least designed and produced by the stall-holder selling it, except in the case of Steampunk and Vintage stalls. Also we are particularly keen on promoting and choosing businesses from Sussex, Surrey, Kent and Hampshire. The fair is all about artists and makers and producers of aesthetic and beautiful things; it is about food that is locally grown and raised and all things green, health-enhancing and countryside-based. Last year saw the introduction of an inventive new flavour of Steampunk. It is typically English, massively creative and totally eccentric, so fits in well with our ethos and the industrial history surroundings. We have invited several Steampunk societies to come this year dressed in Steampunk style. We also are very excited to announce that the talented and eccentric Ichabod Steam will be bringing his new invention to the fair.

See our Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/floralfringefair> and our website www.floralfringefair.co.uk Find us on Instagram @floralfringefair and Twitter @floralfringe.

Contact Jean at jeanjackman@hotmail.com or call 07939 272443

Classic car owners are invited to bring their cars to display but need to fill in a registration form please. Available by email as above.

WEATHER WATCH

In like a lion and out like a lamb

Compared to some parts of the UK, our area had the best of the March 2019 weather conditions. Northern Ireland had its wettest March on record and it was almost as record-breaking in Cumbria and North Wales too. Capel Curig in North Wales had almost as much rain during the month as London would receive in an average year! Yet the Sussex coast had totals actually slightly below par and for all of us in Sussex the second half of the month was virtually rainless. Storrington recorded 70mm of rain, about 7% above the average.

March certainly came in 'like a lion' but went out 'like a lamb'. In fact studies of this old weather adage have found that it has a 60% to 70% success rate. The fine weather in the second half peaked on 30 March with a temperature of 19°C and overall the temperature during the month was about 2°C above the average. Every day bar one brought a maximum at or exceeding 10°C and with only a few slight air frosts my magnolia flowered marvellously throughout the month. What a contrast to last year when March was beset by several spells of bitterly cold, snow-laden north-east winds when even day temperatures struggled to reach 0°C.



However it was not all plain sailing as 4 March was a particularly unsettled day with lightning and thunder observed during the night and mid afternoon brought a fierce hailstorm which could be heard approaching through nearby woods with a roaring, rushing, clattering

sound. The air, chilled by the swathes of falling hail, led to vicious downdrafts of wind that almost bent double some of my shrubs and trees and piled the hailstones up against fences, filling some of the gutters. Yet soon the shower passed, the wind abated and sunbeams lit up the neighbourhood.

The unsettled conditions had one final fling. A very windy day on 16 March, as a deepening low-pressure system crossed Scotland, produced 60mph gusts along the Sussex coast and 80mph on the south coast of the Isle of Wight. Cars were crushed by fallen trees in Brighton and a house was badly damaged in the north of Sussex at Crawley. Spume covered some of the beach and breakwaters at Ferring. This is sea foam and it is formed by the dissolved gases in the water, trapped air, as it is agitated by wave action. The bubbles are made more persistent by the organic material such as algal blooms in the water churned up by the waves. They adhere together to form a foamy, frothy layer that often congregates on the water line but can be blown quite a distance inland.



Spume on beach at Ferring

Frothy is a good description too for the flowers of the blackthorn and were seen somewhat early this year amongst our hedgerows during March. Cold weather in early April is often known as 'the blackthorn winter' and does occur on quite a few occasions. Indeed, this year the benign end of March gave way to some chill days during its first week.



Blackthorn

Ian Currie, Weatherman and editor of Weather Eye magazine

Recently, as part of our programme, we had an enjoyable evening with a guest speaker who provided a different perspective, plus one of our regular competitions.

The guest speaker was professional photographer Jerry Webb who hails from Brighton. His talk was titled 'Mono Photography with an Edge'. Jerry's work is often at odds with conventional perceptions, interpreting what he sees using his own individual methods and distinctive style. His talk was certainly entertaining as he talked through a wide variety of his images. Whilst showing the images, he shared tips around street photography, such as taking images from within a crowd, sitting to one side or placing your camera on the floor. We also heard tips on how he deals with a situation when caught out taking shots of people.

When we select images for competition the focus can be looking at images that meet the elements a judge will be looking for. Many of Jerry's images broke at least one rule that our Camera Club competition judges continually criticise us for, all of which reminds us that we should take images for our enjoyment and not just to please a judge to obtain a high score.

For our fourth competition of the season a wide variety of images were again on show. After reviewing all the images, the judge awarded three with top marks: Chris West for 'A calm morning', Janet Brown for 'Poppy' and Liz Barber with 'Autumn over the Highlands'. The challenge came when he had to select one for 'Print of the night', the winning accolade going to Liz Barber.

During the second half of the evening the 'Projected Images' were judged. For this selection, two images were awarded top marks these being 'A Cornish Sunset' from Liz Barber, which the judge commented as having beautiful colours which worked well and was very pleasing. The other image was 'Heron fishing at sunset' from David Seddon, which was praised for its detail and positioning of the bird. It was also chosen as Projected Image of the night.

Well done to the winners, and especially Liz, who had top scores in both the 'Print' and 'Projected Image' categories.

Kevin Harwood



A Calm Morning
– Chris West



Jerry Webb



Poppy – Janet Brown



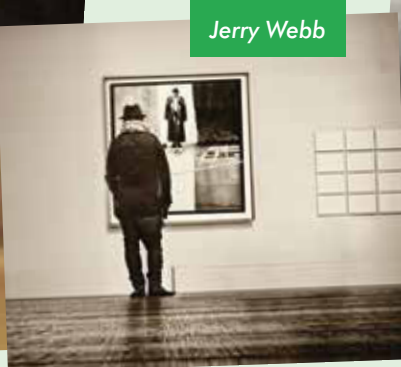
Heron Fishing at Sunset
– David Seddon



A Cornish Sunset – Liz Barber



Autumn Over The Highlands
– Liz Barber



Jerry Webb



Jerry Webb

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STORRINGTON ROTARIANS RAISE EMERGENCY FUNDS FOR THE CYCLONE IDAI APPEAL



Cyclone IDAI has left a trail of destruction in Mozambique, Malawi and Zimbabwe. Aid workers, including Rotary International, are working to get help, food and water to desperate survivors.

Storrington & Pulborough Rotary Club members reacted quickly by collecting £481 in Old Mill Square, Storrington. This was made up by the Club to £500 which went to the Disasters Emergency Committee for distribution where needed.

The Rotary Club also sent £1,500 to ShelterBox, a Rotary partnership that gives support to devastated communities and families, to fund three ShelterBoxes that include family-size tents, water storage and purification equipment, thermal blankets and cooking utensils.



Rotary President, Penny Barnes, thanked Storrington shoppers for their support for the appeal: "We have all been moved by the plight of the people affected by this disaster and thanks to the generosity

of local folk in Storrington we have been able to provide some small humanitarian assistance to this devastated region."



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Note from the editor....



I love the month of May! The temperature starts to pick up, the sun shines, hopefully, and new life starts in the garden.

I will be busy putting in bedding plants, sorting my tomatoes and watching my various peas and beans growing. It is the start of a more healthy diet of salads rather than the heavy, comfort foods of winter. A vigorous time of growth in the garden, with new life, but we can also take the time to reflect on renewed life and connection with God. Embrace His love and the care He bestows on each and every one of us. The seasons may change but God is always there. So whatever keeps you busy this month, make sure you take time out to think about the precious gifts given to us by God.

So I am now getting my sunbed out and dusting off my summer clothes, which have definitely shrunk in the wardrobe since last year!

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