

A view from the South Downs



St Mary's Church SULLINGTON



St Mary's Church STORRINGTON



St Mary's Church THAKEHAM



Holy Sepulchre WARMINGHURST (Churches Conservation Trust)

THE PARISH CHURCHES OF

St Mary **STORRINGTON**

St Mary SULLINGTON **THAKEHAM**

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PARISH CLERGY

Despite the bright weather there seems to have been a chill in the air for much of this year but in recent weeks it has been bright and warm. As I sit writing this note at my bureau, summer has arrived.

There is a timeless quality in the landscape and its

changing seasons. Qualities which are reflected in the building and community of the Parish Church of St Mary's, Storrington.

As you stand in the Parish Church, this ancient place gathers you and you become aware of the weight of prayer and history. It appears outside of time, fixed in our imaginations. But for more than a 1000 years, like the seasons in the landscape, this sacred place and community has been generously changing as it has accommodated, rooted and sent successive generations of Christian people out into the world.

Reflective of Jesus' own ministry, the qualities of hospitality and invitation should always be at the heart of what we do. Hospitality embraces servanthood, a care for the needs of another without thought of ourselves. Invitation is dependent on the quality of our open-hearted and open-minded welcome.

Young and old bring a richness of experiences, gifts, generosity and needs to our community which blesses all of us. And we know that a true celebration of this richness in our Church is born not out of a tolerance of difference, but rather a celebration of diversity in a spirit



of love. We are united when our common desire is for each member of our Christian family to flourish.

As summer follows spring in the ever-changing seasons of our Church, let us resolve to be ever mindful, in prayer and action, to remain open hearted in our hospitality and invitation to one another and the communities we serve.

With my love and prayers

RUPERT TOOVEY Assistant Priest, St Mary's, Storrington C L

PRAYER FOR THE MONTH

Father, you give us life, Jesus, you give us love, Spirit, you give wisdom, Holy Trinity, you give us yourself. Help us, O Holy One, To give our lives To give our love To give our minds To give ourselves To you.

The Open Gate by David Adam Celtic Prayers for Growing Spirituality



round, covering Newhouse Lane and the north end of Hampers Lane area, currently 12 magazines. This round has become available as the current delivery person is relocating. If you are able to help with this delivery round please contact Karen Arkle on 744844.

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What's happening at



St Mary's Thakeham

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PASTORAL ARRANGEMENTS FOR THAKEHAM: Please contact Revd Sara-Jane Stevens on 01798 813121 to make arrangements for Baptisms, Weddings and Banns of Marriage. She can be contacted at Thakeham Rectory throughout the week. Her day off is Friday.

www.thakehamchurch.com



Cheese & Wine Evening Thank you

Cecily and Harold Linfield would like to thank all who supported their Cheese & Wine evening and they were delighted to raise more than £600 towards the Storrington Area Christian Aid effort. Thank you for friends from Sullington and Thakeham, and thank you to Barry and Barbara Laker for their attending to liquid refreshment!

The first year the sun joined us for some time!

Harold

Knit and Stitch Tea on Tuesday



All welcome. Enquiries to Wynn Lednor - 743025

SUNDAY TEAS

Sunday 14 July, 3pm – 5pm At the home of George and Jane Blunden Sunday 11 August, 3pm – 5pm At the home of Chris and Elke Whitehead

For further information please contract Wynn Lednor on 743025

ST MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS RAFA CHAPEL SUSSEXDOWN

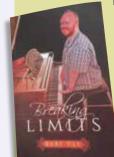
Communion with the residents Thursday, 25 July at 11.30am

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

MEN'S BREAKFAST 1 JUNE

The June date saw attendance soar to over 40 for another excellent full English. This was not just because the inspirational Bart Gee was back in Thakeham for a return visit, but because the gentlemen were generous enough to share the event with their female guests this time. If you couldn't make it, you missed a treat! Bart told his story with wit and modesty but the

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incredible achievements of this young man moved many to tears of joy. He brought along copies of his new book too so we could spread the joy of his testimony to others we know. We pray blessings and protection over his journey to India in August where he has been invited to speak as his amazing story spreads and goes before him.

Thanks to Derek and Lis Osborne for organising this very happy event.



"Loving God and Loving our Neighbour"

What's happening at St Mary's Sullington



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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

- 7 July No, not magic mushrooms but the magic of fungi!
- 4 Aug Wait and see
- **1 Sept** Down and out not necessarily
- 6 Oct My Peace I leave with you

Key thought: For Jesus no one was or is untouchable.

Tea with the Vicar

4 July 3pm till 5pm Harold and Cecily Linfield, Plum Tree Cottage, Thakeham All welcome.

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

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

10 July, 10am-12.30pm

This year is our 20th anniversary of being affiliated to the Quiet Garden movement. There are over 300 gardens worldwide and we are very pleased to be able to continue to be part of this very gentle, vital and often hidden ministry of prayer and welcome.

The next dates for quiet mornings are 10 July and 11 September. The house and garden are closed during August.

As previously, places are limited to eight and booking is essential.

If you would like to come, please let us know your preferred date, either by phone or email. There is no charge, but donations are welcomed in aid of the Quiet Garden movement.



Arrivals are from 9.45am. We begin at 10am with a time of welcome and focus, followed by some personal time to sit, walk, pray, read, be, in the house, 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, finishing by 12.30pm.



What's happening at

PCC Secretary

12 Turners Mead,

Retired Clergy

Sacristy Team

Revd John Peal (743083)

Revd Jaquie Peal (743083)

Captain of Bellringers

John Taylor (745477)

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St Mary's Storrington

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

REGULAR ACTIVITIES

Church Services see page 18.

Footsteps (Sunday School): 9.45am every Sunday, except 1st Sunday of the month, half term and school holidays. Choir: Fridays, 6.40pm - 7.45pm. Anyone interested in joining

the choir please contact the Revd Jacquie Peal – 743083. Altar Servers: Revd Jacquie Peal (743083)

Bellringers: Fridays, 7.45pm - 9.30pm.

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

Church Cleaning: Jeannie Watten (742542) Church & Churchyard Maintenance: Ray Hunt (01798 813681)

Mothers' Union: Jean Hunt (01798 813681)

Bible Study / Home Groups: The 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 ... 26 May Iris Emma Lia Copeland (daughter of Nicola and Ian)

Marriages – to love and to cherish ... 8 June James Webber and Emma Tompkins

Funerals – we commend to God's nearer keeping ... 10 June Raymond Edward Dilley (86 years)

Interment of ashes only:

31 May Bernard Searle (92 Years)

Church@4pm 21 July

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.



Pastoral Scheme Barbara Buchanan (741916) Recorder Rob and Alison Wall (743713)

Vera Blake (743974)

Val Rice (918958)

Stephen Bloxham

SEA SUNDAY – 14 July

At the 10am Service on Sunday 14 July, one of our parishioners, Keith Taylor, will talk about the work of the Mission to Seafarers and some of his own experiences.

SUMMER SONGS OF PRAISE – 28 July

The evening service at 6pm on **Sunday, 28 July**, will take the form of **Songs of Praise**. If you would like to suggest a hymn please speak to the Rector or Viv Stuart (tel. 742888); during the service you can explain why your choice is meaningful to you, or ask a member of the clergy to talk about the hymn on your behalf. The service will be followed by light refreshments in Church.

WHY PLANT OLIVE TREES IN PALESTINE?

Illustrated talk by Rob Wall at St Mary's, Storrington, on Tuesday, 30 July, at 7.30pm. There will be refreshments and a retiring collection.



TOWER REPAIRS START AT ST MARY'S, STORRINGTON

Seven years ago, the fundraising programme by the congregation of St Mary's began and has raised over £70,000. Repair work finally got under way on Monday 3 June.

Ian and Danny, from Sussex Flint and Stonemasons of Bognor Regis, expect the work on the East and South of the Tower to take about two months. We all look forward to admiring their work when the scaffolding has been removed.

Readers and Sidesmen Electoral Roll Officer

Director of Music

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

Church Flowers Anna Forster (745392) **Child Protection Officer** Jackie Lee (743661)

Footsteps (Sunday School):

Bible Reading Fellowship

Amanda Hislop (743700)

Jean Hunt (01798 813681)

Anna Forster (745392)

Christian Aid Co-ordinator

Bible Society

Jackie Lee (743661)

NEWS FROM WARMINGHURST



The Plant & Cake Sale at Warminghurst Church

This year at least the sun shone for most of the Plant & Cake Sale on Saturday 11 May before the black clouds rolled in! However not before the early bird crowds had arrived and the push for plants and



the crush for cakes had emptied the tables. Boosted

by hot dogs, they could browse the books for bargain buys, guess the weight of the most beautifully decorated cake, complete with Warminghurst Church in sugar paste, adding in some annuals from Village Nurseries, admire the gorgeous posy arrangements by Amanda of Becky-Lou Florist, choose a lovely natural skin product from Bee Cosmetics, and watch a demonstration of outdoor life and fire lighting by whittling Matt of Bluebell Bushcraft.

It was a fantastic sale and the response was brilliant. We beat last year's record sum. Thank you to all our helpers and those who came to make it such a busy and buzzy event.

The Shoreham Chamber Choir Concert

We were extremely pleased to welcome the Shoreham Chamber Choir to Warminghurst on Saturday 18 May as part of their tour in support of Sussex historic churches in the care of the Churches Conservation Trust (CCT). It was a beautiful evening and made more so by the quality of the concert, which included a varied programme of works by Duruflé, Wilcocks, Handel, Tallis, and Bruckner to name but a few.

Mlena Urquhart, Choir Director, said, "the Holy Sepulchre is a marvellous place to perform - the acoustic is amazing, and the choir felt really inspired." The audience thoroughly enjoyed the music of this free concert and the delicious refreshments afterwards. Our sincere thanks go to all the choir members for giving their time and song in support for this beautiful Church.





THIS MY THEATRE

WIND IN THE WILLOWS

Thursday 25th July, 3pm

WARMINGHURST CHURCH RH20 3AW



"Hang spring cleaning" cries Mole as he abandons this seasonal task for the call of the world above."

Closely adapted from the original and best-selling children's book by Kenneth Grahame and combined with traditional folk music this will delight children and adults alike this summer!

Tickets available from This is My Theatre

www.thisismytheatre.com

For more information contact info.fowc@gmail.com or call 01903 891312

Christian Aid Week

The total collected this year for Storrington, Sullington and Thakeham is £3,243.99 which includes the amount that can be reclaimed via Gift Aid. Thank you to all supporters and counters, and special thanks to all who collected for this really worthwhile cause. Harold and Cecily thank everyone who attended their Cheese & Wine Evening.

Anna Forster

MESSY CHURCH AT THAKEHAM

The Revd Sara-Jane Stevens, along with two members of the Splash team, and ably assisted by volunteers from both St Mary's, Thakeham and St Mary's,

Sullington, organised the first Messy Church event in Thakeham Village Hall, on Tuesday 21 May. Thirteen young people of varying ages attended, all accompanied by a parent or guardian. Revd Sara-Jane opened what is hoped will be the first of many Messy Church events, and in her welcome message she explained the theme of this event would be "God calls us by name".

There were many activities for the young people to enjoy, including making a clothes peg magnet, decorating a wooden heart to give to someone else, play-dough, make a play-dough friend, Lego, make a welcoming village, and painting a welcome banner, which would include hand prints and names of all who attended. There was even a bouncy sofa, which was much used. Before long the Hall was soon buzzing with excitement as all the children took part in the various activities.

All too soon it was time to clear the tables in readiness for the food. Before the food was served, Sara-Jane told a story based on John Chapter 1 v 43-51. After the Grace was said, everyone sat down to a delicious meal, consisting of chicken, potatoes and two vegetables, followed by cupcakes and ice lollies, the food being freshly prepared by volunteers. Finally, all the children joined in singing the Goodbye song, before being taken home.

The volunteers and helpers at this first Messy Church event thought it had been a success, and all believed the children had enjoyed themselves. The next Messy Church was held on the 25 June, with a break during July and August, but is due to restart in September. Should you require further information, please contact Revd S J Stevens on 01798 813121.

Christians in Storrington Monthly Inter-Church Prayer Meetings Everyone welcome

Do join us in the side-chapel at Our Lady of England RC Church – 10am - 10.30am on the first Tuesday of each month. Tuesday, 2 July - Community Church will lead Tuesday, 6 August - Our Lady of England RC Church will lead One in faith and love and praise

MILK BOTTLE TOPS Please keep collecting!

The tops are given to Storrington Primary School. The Friends of Storrington School (FOSS) collect the tops to raise money for the school and we are pleased to give them our support.

Please remember clean, plastic milk bottle tops only should be delivered to Storrington Rectory Office - do not leave them anywhere in Church (office is open Tuesdays and Thursdays, 10am - 1pm).

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



£1.50 child's meal offer with a valid voucher semicond NEXT FAMILY ACTIVITIES: Friday 1 November 2019

or further details contact Luna on 01243 812986 nall luna russell@chichestercathedral.org.u

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COME AND VISIT THE PRINCE'S GARDENS AT HIGHGROVE

Wednesday 25 September

Departing Storrington 8am and West Chiltington at 8.15am

Includes either a farm visit to Prince Charles' Organic Farm or spend time at the picturesque Village of Tetbury.

Two course lunch and coffee.

Free time to visit the shop.

A conducted tour around the gardens at about 2.30pm and 3pm.

Depart 5pm.

Cost is £80.00 per person

(payable by 23 August) of which a deposit of £10.00 is required. This includes entrance fees and tips.

All cheques to be payable to West Chiltington Probus Club.

For details contact John Coventry 446483.





CHICHESTER CATHEDRAL FRIENDS

Chichester Cathedral Friends are proud to be the sponsors of The Southern Cathedrals Festival being held in Chichester from 18 to 20 July.

We are delighted to invite you to the Southern Cathedrals Festival, and to an exciting programme of events, performances and services held in Chichester Cathedral and other iconic venues around the city centre. The Festival is a rich celebration of the friendship between the



three Cathedrals of Chichester, Salisbury and Winchester.

The 400th anniversary of Heinrich Schutz's *Psalmen Davids* falls this year and pieces from this exquisite collection feature in two of the concerts.

Three choral concerts take their place in the programme alongside four services (one recorded for broadcast by the BBC) and there is evening entertaining being staged in a marquee in the Deanery garden on the Friday and Saturday evenings. The Festival culminates in a performance of one of the greatest achievements of Western music, JS Bach's *St John Passion*, in which the three choirs are joined by an exciting line-up of soloists and the acclaimed period-instrument orchestra Florilegium.

We look forward to seeing you there! Full details and tickets are available on Chichester Cathedral's website https://www. chichestercathedral.org.uk/services-events/southern-cathedralsfestival-2019 or from the Cathedral shop in the Cloisters.

WEST CHILTINGTON AND STORRINGTON MOTHERS' UNION



It was with great sadness that we heard of the death of our member and friend Mo Mall. She is missed by us all, and we extend our heartfelt sympathy to Bali and their family.

May was a very eventful month for our members, starting on 7 May with two members attending a Quiet Day at Easebourne Church.

Five of us were at the Members' Meeting at Bishop Hanninghton Church, Hove on 11 May. The Eucharist was led by Bishop Richard of Lewes. The first speaker was Rachel Shackleton from Spurgeons, giving us a potted history of how Spurgeons was founded. They are now paid to run the crèche in Lewes Prison and the play area at Ford. She explained how surprised and delighted she was to find MU volunteers doing such an excellent job in both places, and hoped this would continue.

The second speaker, David Ewaku, Head of IT at Mary Sumner House, explained how members could access and manage their details on the members' database. Everyone there received a helpful and informative leaflet. During the lunch break members had the opportunity to consider what constituted modern slavery and how to detect it.

Chichester Diocese was privileged and delighted to receive a twoday visit from our new World Wide President, Sheran Harper, who comes from Guyana. On 27 May she visited Selsey Branch and the caravan site where a family were enjoying their holiday provided by MU, and attended Evensong in Chichester Cathedral at which three of our members were present. The next day she visited the neo-natal unit at Haywards Heath and the Ministry of Cake team. Afterwards, members gathered at the Methodist Church for a Bring and Share Lunch. Sheran is a lady worth listening to and we heard how as a young bride she was drawn into becoming a member. Two of our members represented our Branch and were able to present Sheran with a Prayer Shawl knitted especially for her by Jeannie Watten. Sheran said she would offer up an arrow prayer for our Branch whenever she used it. Her next stop was Peterborough before departing for Kigali, Rwanda the following weekend. Having met her, we know the joy she will take with her in her gentle and gracious way.

There was a good attendance for our monthly meeting on 6 June. Rob Wall kindly played piano for our service and then went on to give his talk and show slides from his February visit to the Palestinian West Bank. He went to plant olive trees to help stop Palestinian land being taken over by Israeli settlements. Very thought provoking and eye opening to hear of the difficult conditions that the Palestinians are living under in occupied territory.

We have no meeting in July but will hold our Annual fund-raising Garden Party for AFIA, with invited guests, at the home of Jean Hunt.

CHICHESTER CATHEDRAL FREE LUNCH TIME CONCERTS

JULY

Thursday 4Victor Ryabchikov (Piano)Tuesday 9Alessandra Pompili (Piano)
& Einar Johannesson (Clarinet)

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

SULLINGTON 122 YEARS AGO EXTRACTS FROM CANON PALMER'S DIARY – JULY 1897

Thu 1: Hot. 66 degrees. School 23/25. A Marten on cycle from Bognor; pleasant and appreciative as usual. Doing up Church Walk.

Fri 2: Dull, hazy. 63 degrees. Men at Church painting and gilding weather vein. Take a drive round by West Chiltington and Thakeham. AM and Cicely and May cycling in turns. Neel returns.

Sat 3: Fine, bright. 60 degrees. Brilliant, much good hay saved topped up rick. Annie Marten left. To see with May cricket match at Storrington versus Ashington. Then to Fenwicks with form 1X, returned for a signature.

Sun 4: Trinity III. Fine and bright. 60 degrees. Fair congregations, eleven to Holy Communion. Old sermons. Catechising two youths to evening Church and supper. Spent some time preparing my paper for tomorrow.

Mon 5: Fine bright until 3pm then dull to a south west gale.60 degrees. Mowed lawns. At 1pm received my Clerical Society brethren (9) and read them a paper on Hymns: there was a fair discussion and some difference of opinion, Springett, Barwell, Allen and Fallows chief speakers: there were also Parkinson, Alexander (Trinity Worthing) Williams (Patching) Orme etc. Neel hears of his failure to enter University.

Tue 6: Fine after some rain in morning. 58 degrees. Board of Guardians and District Council. Old John watches his ditch interest very grimly. Young Neel comes to us on a visit. All go to Wiggonholt for tennis. I pay a Rate of 20d in the £! only 7d of which for the Poor.

Wed 7: Fine and very fresh. 54 degrees. School 24/27. A curiously cool day after our late experience. Hay being made and carried in the Farm meadows. Called on people in Sandy Lane. Mr Page and family ask will I serve on their new committee. If elected my answer will be to decline.

Thu 8: Fine bright and brisk. 58 degrees. Started at 7am and returned 8.30pm making today at Winchester to meet her old school fellows: there was also a party at the Deanery. John Astell came here. A tennis party was given this afternoon.

Fri 9: As yesterday bit warmer. 63 degrees. To a garden party at Andrews', taking 6! He lends me *Roberts' Life* which I am glad of. Am told I am elected on the organising committee of this new act: write to decline.

Sat 10: As yesterday. 60 degrees. Emmie Carew-Gibson writes accepting the situation. All the party excepting self to a picnic at Chanctonbury. I tea with Faithful.

Sun 11: Trinity IV. Bright and warm. 58 degrees. Fair congregations, morning sermon on Samuel retirement from Judgeship with his warning to the people; evening from old notes on Martha and Mary. George Cartwright to evening church so a goodly congregation of young men. The agricultural labourer seems to have given up his Parish Church.

Mon 12: Fine fresh. 60 degrees. Bothered in making out Church accounts, Church Wardens business. Young William Neel leaves us, rather loath.

Tue 13: Very fine. 63 degrees. Rick thatched, 11 tons. Passed our Church accounts this morning at 10.30am and the Squire squared to the tune of \pounds 4.5/-. Made hay at Wantley. Neel hears from Exeter and leaves happy.

Wed 14: As yesterday. 62 degrees. Received a capital School Report and a good grant. Had a garden party – Jelfs, Bourkes, Austins, Amphletts etc. weather quite perfect.

Thu 15: Very hot and bright. To Cobden in evening seeing all the people. The rest to Fryern to a garden party.

Fri 16: As yesterday. 63 degrees. G Neel left after a stay of nearly one year, May with him for Northlands. Lift the first store potatoes. The heat very great and in evening to Storrington to pay many little bills, everyone liking a chat. GA Foyster of All Saint Hastings writes about the house.

Sat 17: Very fine and hot, a few drops of rain. 64 degrees. Into Brighton early to the Government Body meeting, all jangle over the Rules for Business taking from 11.30 – 2.30 when I had to go to the dentist. Called on old Snowdon who, though bent, was wonderfully brisk at 88.

Sun 18: Trinity V. Hot. 63 degrees. Fair congregations, sermons on St Paul's farewell at Ephesus, comparing him with Samuel: and on the unrecorded saying of the Lord Jesus - "Giving". Baptised a child of the many-childrened Deen of the High Tittens.

Mon 19: A thunderstorm about 3pm. 58 degrees. Kate brought 'Old Charlotte' over from Worthing. Heard of Clarkson's death at Hythe yesterday. Mrs Hoare and Deedes with two nieces came to tea.

Tue 20: Hazy morning then hot. 62 degrees. Board of Guardians. The Foysters came over and agreed about the house. Put out two rows of leeks. Rosebudding. I took Faithful to Amberley and read the prayers over my old neighbour GA Clarkson, a good man with a very kind heart, but odd withal.

Wed 21: Thundery with some rain. 62 degrees. School 23. Took the Forrester's service at Washington with the Revd HA Williams in temporary charge: addressed them on Unity Psalm 123. Dinner not so lively as usual as the MP Lord Edmond Talbot used it as a show place and things went off dull if dignified.

Thu 22: Much as yesterday some heavy rain. 60 degrees. School 23. To the Workhouse about a night nurse, then to Miss Walker's where a lawn party. Walnuts for pickling. Wrote to Hal *an ent* Colombians and other business.

Fri 23: Very close and dull. 65 degrees. County Council. Long discussion about Technical Education classes. Handed over Committee Service to Birkett. Lunched with Miss Elms. On return to a Garden Party at Fryern of some dimensions. Ended day with practice at school.

Sat 24: Bright and hot. 68 degrees. Clara brought May home from the Wigrams. I to High Tittens where gave 5/- to a mother, one Deen, just risen from XIIIth! We are now making out our programme for August and think of Overstrand near Cromer.

Sun 25: Trinity VI. St. James. Breezy, fine. 61 degrees. Preached in morning from the Epistle and in evening from notes from the subject of the day, the Divine Call; congregations very fair. The locum tenens at Washington came over with two boys, Williams by name of Christ Church.

Mon 26: Dull and galey. 60 degrees. Pruned fruit trees and roses. Attended an SPG meeting at Wiston Rectory. A Canon Curran, of Niagara, amused rather than inspired us while Canon Jelf added the spiritual element: Mr Mayrick of Beeding was dry and dull; on the whole a good meeting: result £11.15/-.

Tue 27: After a thunder shower fine and bright. 61 degrees. Had a lawn party here, last before we leave. Meades and Deeds and the two Hoare girls, Misses Walker, Mr and Miss Williams, (Washington vicarage) two Misses Margesson, Mrs Cunliffe and Wright, two Austens boys, young Mrs Simpson and her sister-in-law, lunched and stayed.

Wed 28 and 29: Very warm. Went to Tunbridge Wells from Brighton where I had teeth stopped and attended a meeting of schools. Found mother a little feebler.

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Gill Quince opened the meeting, mentioning the forthcoming plant sale, and welcomed the speaker Amanda Patten who spoke to the Club on 'Water in the Garden'.

Amanda is both an artist and illustrator and has enjoyed gardening for many years. She has illustrated all but one of Alan Titchmarsh's books. Her talk was based on designing gardens with water and she showed many large scale gardens with lakes, such as Sheffield Park or Chatsworth, both designed by Capability Brown. She explained the 'Why, What and How' of incorporating water. It draws the eye, especially to the centre of a circular pond, and gives a focal point. It gives movement and creates sound which can be varied by adding rocks. Drama can be created with water jets. Most importantly, it creates a habitat for wildlife and allowance should always be made for wildlife to be able to exit the water. They can be natural or man-made and often include architectural features such as centre statues, fountains or bridges and borders of lawn or plantings. Still water ponds are usually more formal and the darker the water is the greater the reflections are. Amanda was thanked for her talk and for judging the monthly competition.

The Spring Plant Sale also took place in May, the first to be held in the new large Village Hall and was a great success. Thanks to all helpers on the day.

Our next meeting is on 8 July when Guy Deakins will talk on 'Defeating Garden Pests and Diseases using Sun Tzu'.

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



EXTRACTS FROM CANON PALMER'S DIARY - JULY 1897 continued

Fri 30: Very hot. 63 degrees. School holiday till 6 September. Mrs Hallett quits the scene: she has been very successful as a mistress but nervous and rather odd as a woman. Took Heartley's duties at the workhouse having 3 hymns and preaching extempore from the Miracle of the Syrophanician Woman. Lectured a man on drunkeness. Visited Mrs Humphrey and ended with practice at the school with Mrs Paine.

Sat 31: Hot. 61 degrees. Heard from Hensley (to whom I wrote on the death of his son) of the illness of JST so wrote to him. To chantry and got Mrs Paige to clean the Church.

ACTnow CAMPAIGN ENDS ON A HIGH NOTE

World renowned trumpet virtuoso, Crispian Steele-Perkins, is coming to Amberley's St Michael's Church in aid of ACTnow, the church tower appeal, in a stellar concert alongside Andrew Bernardi's Bernardi Music Group.

The concert takes place on Saturday 13 July at 7.30pm and promises to be a sell-out. Wouldbe concertgoers are urged to purchase tickets while they can. They are priced at £35, to include interval refreshments of canapés and Nyetimber English sparkling wine, and can be obtained www.amberleystmichael. via org.uk/events or by contacting amberleystmichael@gmail.com. Crispian Steele-Perkins The programme will include works



from John Ireland to Handel to Howard Goodall.

Crispian Steele-Perkins, who started playing the trumpet aged just 10, has built a career over four decades which has taken him to the very pinnacle of his art, performing to critical acclaim all over the world. He has been described by Virtuoso magazine as "the world's leading exponent of the Baroque Trumpet", an accolade which has allowed him to work with top ensembles, such as the Academy of Ancient Music and the English Baroque Soloists, and perform duets with the likes of Dame Kiri Te Kanawa, Emma Kirkby and Bryn Terfel.

But his musical repertoire is also eclectic, having also played his trumpet along with Led Zeppelin, Kate Bush, Lulu and Sir Bob Geldof. His work features in film and TV scores including Jaws, Dr Who and six Bond movies. Appropriately enough, since he has a passion for collecting and restoring antique trumpets, his playing features on the theme to the BBC's Antiques Road Show.

Bringing such a world-class performer as Crispian Steele-Perkins to Amberley is a stunning coup for ACTnow.

The Steele-Perkins/Bernardi concert (part of the annual Shipley Festival) is ACTnow's swansong. Over the past three years the fundraisers have surpassed the original target of £200,000 and, as costs inevitably increased, have now raised over £220,000 to restore ancient stone and woodwork in St Michael's Church tower.

This they have achieved through securing serious grant aid from the likes of the National Lottery Heritage Fund and organising a popular series of community events in the shape of talks, choral concerts, Burns Night suppers and a sculpture garden day. St Michael's Church tower work is nearing completion and the scaffolding is down.

The Black Horse is offering a special pre-concert dinner menu priced at £25 for two courses and £32.50 for three. To book call 01798 831 183, guoting the concert.



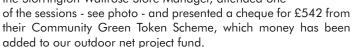
Russell Ingram, Store Manager of Waitrose, with Cygnets

CRICKET IN STORRINGTON

Mixed Fortunes for 1st XI in May

Away to Arundel on 11 May, we elected to bat and could muster only 117 runs for the loss of 9 wickets in our 40 overs. Mark Haggart scored more than half the runs with his 68. After losing an early wicket, Arundel's second wicket pair both scored unbeaten fifties to see their side to victory, off just 20 overs. At home the following week to a strong Broadwater side, we put the visitors into bat and skittled them out for 138, Ian Homewood taking 4-39, his son Adam 2-36, and vice-captain Andy Livermore 2-20. Our openers David Livermore and Miles Scerri, scoring 39 and 47 respectively, provided a sound foundation for a 6 wicket victory, with Mark Haggart unbeaten on 29. There was a complete reversal of fortunes on the final Saturday in May when Chichester Priory Park defeated us by 9 wickets. Without several regular players and batting first, we could score only 119-8, Laurence Nash making 38 and Toby Larkin 23. With three wins from five matches to date, we had achieved third place in our Division by the end of May.

The Cygnets have had a good early season with training still every Friday evening from 6pm. Russell Ingram, the Storrington Waitrose Store Manager, attended one



The All Stars training sessions are also weekly, on Sundays from 9.30am, and during May the boys and girls were entertained by a surprise visit from Sid the Shark and Twinkle the Star from Sussex County Cricket Club - see photo - along with the Sussex Cricket Development Officer Alex King.

On the playing front, the U9's start their festival matches in June, the first one being at the Storrington Rec. During May, the U11 squad continued with their fortnightly league fixtures, playing well against Chichester Priory who proved to be a very experienced and well drilled side. A blended U12/U13 side had a fine match on the new West Chiltington & Thakeham Ground, looking favourites



to snatch a victory, before fading to some excellent West Chiltington bowling. The return match at home will hopefully see an equally close game. The U14's had their first 'win' of the season against Goring, with a walk over!

We are delighted that Sussex County Cricket Club has agreed to host a Holiday Roadshow at our ground on Thursday 15 August for youngsters aged 5 to 11 years. Bookings can be made via www. sussexcricket.co.uk.

On the fund raising front, by the time this report is read, our Cygnets will have done a sponsored walk followed by a BBQ. Future fund raising activities will involve another carwash, a race night, and more raffles.

Chris Winter

FRYEN LADIES' PROBUS



The May meeting at The Roundabout Hotel started off with the usual drinks and chatter with the welcome of two new members, being Joan Pettinger and Mari Gledhill, plus two visitors, whom we trust will join our Probus at a later date.

After a most suitable Grace by Betty Parker, who gave reference, thanks and tribute to D-Day, and a companionable, relaxed lunch, we were introduced to our speaker of the day, Philip MacDougall.

Philip is a well-known local, social historian who has written many books on southern England with particular reference to naval and military complexes, plus crime and police development.

The topic was Chichester Murders and Misdemeanours, which is also the title of one of his books, and offers the readers a look at the dark side of Chichester down the centuries. We

were introduced to a young 11 year old girl, Vera Hoad, who was murdered in February 1924, but the case has remained unsolved to this day due to the conviction, at the time, that people local were presumed to be innocent, which played a major part in letting a killer go free.



We were told that nothing was quite as it seemed during the Victorian times, and public executions, 'The Morning Drop', turned out to be an entertaining day out for the family and excellent for local trade. Not quite so excellent for some locals though, as murderers, poachers, thieves, pickpockets and vagabonds frequented the streets and all went about their business with impunity and frequenting the tap rooms, pubs, with enthusiasm.

An introduction to Glorious Goodwood in 1802 and the aristocratic looking Swell Mob, who inflicted tricks and violence from attendees at race meetings, was also detailed. There was much relief when The Bow Street Runners were replaced by The Metropolitan Police in 1829.

So from other intriguing mentions, such as Elephant Prendergast, Bare Knuckle Prize Fighting, Superintendent Walter Brett, Graylingwell Mental Hospital, Sloe Fair and Ordzhonikidze & Portsmouth, we learned a great deal about our local history, so thank you very much Philip.

Thanks were given by Muriel Astley and said jokingly that she'd found his talk "fascinating but was disappointed that he hadn't told us how to kill someone". His joking reply was to "wait until next time!". The afternoon ended in laughs.

Our next meeting will be held on **4 July** when we shall hear about Childhood in a Polish Resettlement Camp by Wieslaw Rogalski.

Russ Fry

STORRINGTON PRIMARY SCHOOL





At Storrington Primary School, we are always looking for ways to help children get closer to nature and enjoy its various scents, sounds and textures. This summer we have started developing an area of the school garden linked to the five senses which can also be used to add a new dimension to the topics children are studying in class.

In the 'Ancient Herbs and Potions' patch, our students will be able to find Roman remedies and smell the plants that the Egyptians used for mummification. Meanwhile, the 'Listen' patch invites children, and adults, to experiment with the music that can be made by rustling grasses and playing with garden tools. We look forward to sharing this new area of the garden with visitors to the school later this year.



STORRINGTON FLOWER CLUB Wednesday 24 July at 2pm Sullington Parish Hall Demonstrator: Christine Payne Theme: Whiskets Competition: Sea Sand And Sunshine



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7 July	Trinity 3	8am Holy Communion (said) 10am Family Communion 6pm Evensong	10.30am Joint Family Service (with Sullington)	8am Celtic Communion 6pm Evensong
14 July	Trinity 4	8am Holy Communion (said) 10am Parish Communion + Footsteps 6pm Evensong	9.30am Morning Prayer	8am Holy Communion 11.30am Matins
21 July	Trinity 5	8am Holy Communion (said) 10am Parish Communion with Healing + Footsteps 4pm Church@4	8am Celtic Communion	10.30am Joint Family Communion (with Thakeham)
28 July	Trinity 6	8am Holy Communion (said) 10am Parish Communion + Footsteps 11.45am Baptism Service 6pm Summer Songs of Praise	9.30am Family Communion	11.30am Family Communion
4 August	Trinity 7	8am Holy Communion (said) 10am Family Communion 6pm Evensong	10.30am Joint Family Service (with Sullington)	8am Celtic Communion 6pm Evensong

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

Saturday

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

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

July	
Tue 2	
10am	Inter-Church prayers – RC Church (side–chapel) – p10
2pm	SPACE – Arts and Crats Club – p23
Wed 3	
10am	St Barnabas Outreach – Library Car Park – p21
Thu 4	
10.30am	Storrington Pop-In Lunch Club – p18
3pm	Tea with the Vicar – p5
Sat 6	
10am	Storrington Conservation Society – Working Party – p24
Sun 7	Trinity 3
6pm	Summer Evensong – St Mary's, Sullington – p5
Mon 8	
7.30pm	Thakeham Gardeners' Club – Meeting – p15
Wed 10	
10am	Wild Fortune Quiet Garden – p5
Thu 11	
7pm	Mary How Trust Bingo – p28
Sat 13	
9.30am	Sandgate Conservation Society Working Party – p28
3pm	Sandgate Singers Concert – p13
Sun 14	Trinity 4
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10am	Family Festival at Chichester Cathedral – p10
Sat 27	
10am	Sandgate Conservation Society Working Party – p28
7.30pm	Drama Festival (Horsham Year of Culture) – p28
Sun 28	Trinity 6
11.45am	Baptism at St Mary's, Storrington, of Callum Andrew Haulkham (son of Kayleigh and Daniel)
6pm	Summer Songs of Praise at St Mary's, Storrington – p6
Tues 30	
7.30pm	Talk at St Mary's, Storrington – p.6

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

SAINTS AND SPECIAL DAYS

JULY Henry, John and Henry Venn the Younger, 1797, 1813 Mon 1 and 1873, father, son and grandson, Henry (senior) founded the Clapham Sect of Anglican Church, John was founder of Church Missionary Society Wed 3 THOMAS, APOSTLE Sat 6 Thomas More, 1535, scholar and author of Utopia John Fisher, 1535, Bishop of Rochester, Reformation Martyrs Thu 11 Benedict of Nursia, c.550, patron saint of Europe Sun 14 John Keble, founder of Keble College, Oxford, and Patron of St Mary's Church, Storrington Mon 15 Swithun, c.862, reputation for posthumous miracleworking and if it rains on his day, it will rain for 40 days! Tue 16 Osmund of Salisbury, 1099, Bishop of Salisbury Thu 18 Elizabeth Ferard, 1883, revitalized the deaconess order in the Anglican Communion Gregory and Macrina, c.394 and 379, Gregory Fri 19 was one of the 3 Cappadocian Fathers, and his sister, Macrina, was a nun Mon 22 ST MARY MAGDALENE Tue 23 Bridget of Sweden, 1373, founder of the Bridgettines nuns and monk Thu 25 ST JAMES, APOSTLE Brooke Foss Westcott, 1901, Bishop of Durham and Sat 27 author of many influential writings Mon 29 Mary, Martha and Lazarus, Companions of our Lord Tue 30 William Wilberforce, 1833, leader of the movement to abolish the slave trade

Wed 31 Ignatius of Loyola, 1556, founded the Society of Jesus (Jesuits)

STORRINGTON & SULLINGTON – REFLECTIONS OF THE PAST RULES AND REGULATIONS – PART 1

Our lives are bounded by rules and regulations, whatever we want to do or wherever we want to go. It seems very easy to introduce them, but how often do we hear that this or that rule is now discontinued or no longer in force? One example which springs to mind was told by an ex-Metropolitan Policeman friend, who asserted there was a law that all taxis were still legally obliged to carry a bale of hay on the roof, a relic of horse-drawn cabs, that had never been rescinded. A local duck race, after years of tradition, had to be discontinued recently because one health and safety officer in attendance was not considered adequate. Presumably people were not considered sensible enough to avoid falling in the water!

5 May 1812 marked the Royal Assent to "An Act for repairing the road from Storrington to the Balls Hut in Walberton in the County of Sussex." The preamble to the Act began:

"Whereas the road leading from the Town of Storrington through the several parishes of Storrington, Parham, Amberley, Houghton, Madehurst and Slindon as to a certain place called Balls Hut in the parish of Walberton ... is in many parts narrow and incommodious for Travellers, and in the winter season so very ruinous and deep, that carriages cannot pass without great difficulty and danger; and said road cannot be effectually amended and repaired by the ordinary course of Kaw: But if the sae were to be altered, widened, amended and kept in Repair, it would facilitate the communication between the Market Towns of Horsham, Storrington, Arundel and Chichester, and other parts of the said County, and be of Utility to the Public."

A very long list of Trustees followed, including Sir Cecil Bisshopp, Bt, Sir Charles Meric Burrell, Bt, William Bradford, William Dennett, The Hon George King, many Gentlemen of the Cloth, and the Mayors of Chichester and Arundel, all of them landowners. The Act, with every detail and aspect covered, ran to 35 foolscap pages. The Trustees could not hold any place of profit under the Act; any five of them could appoint Collectors of Tolls, Treasurers and Surveyors of the Road. The Trustees could also erect tollgates, the tolls for passing through them being set out in the Act in exhaustive detail: any coach, chariot, landau, Berlin, chaise, curricle, calash, hearse or other such vehicle drawn by six horses or other beast of draught, 2/-; drawn by four horses, 1/6d; three horses, 1/3d; two horses, 1/-; and by one horse, 6d. Waggons, wains and carts were charged according to the very detailed specifications expressed in the Act concerning the construction of the vehicle and how it was drawn, from 2/- to $3\frac{1}{2}d$; the first was for a four-wheeled vehicle, also taking into consideration how much of the road it was flattening, the lower fee for one horse or ox-drawn vehicle; the tolls paid covered a whole 24 hours from midnight to midnight passing and re-passing with the same equipage. Evasion of tolls by detouring behind the toll-house and gate and re-joining the road



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further on, unless the driver owned that piece of land, or forcibly driving through the gate without paying, carried a fine of $\pounds 56$ in addition to any damages.

Exemptions from tolls were for the carriage of materials for road and bridge repairs or between 1 May and 1 October every year, when it was enacted there was free passage for earth, dung, mould, compost or other manures if it was not for sale, but for the use of the landowners or occupiers, or Articles of Husbandry, such as ploughs and harrows, horses being taken to water or pasture or to be shoed in the next parish, not passing more than two miles on the road. Soldiers in uniform and with all their Furniture and Accoutrements could pass freely, or those carrying supplies for His Majesty's Forces. Parliamentary voters could use the road freely on Election Day, also Mails "under the Authority of His Majesty's Post Master-General, also any Clergyman or people going to or returning from Church on Sunday".



Surveyors could help themselves to materials for making or repairing the road, toll-houses and bridges from waste ground, commons, quarries, rivers and brooks near the road without paying, but had to level the ground from which such materials were dug or fencing off such pits. Surveyor's powers were extensive in the maintenance of the road; they could lop or remove trees, divert watercourses, make causeways and dig ditches beside the road. Roadworks detours are nothing new – "... shall make and cause to be made any temporary road or roads through, over and upon

Grounds adjoining to any narrow or ruinous part or parts of the said Road to be made and used as a road whilst said old road shall be repairing".

The existing road to Greatham was through Parham Park entering at Cootham, passing round the house, leaving at the Fighting Cocks and on through Crossgatres to Amberley. Sir Cecil Bisshopp wanted the road through Parham Park "stopped up" so he agreed to make, maintain and keep



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1ST STORRINGTON RAINBOWS

In an age of technology it is always pleasing to see the Rainbows enjoy something we may have played with in the past. They had lots of fun designing clothes and making peg dolls. The wooden pegs were transformed with wool hair, colourful dresses and pretty scarves. Even the leaders had a go at creating their own doll.

We are currently working on our group collage for Storrington in Bloom. The Rainbows had fun with painted hand-prints which will decorate our finished entry.



Wednesday 3 July - 10am to 2pm

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

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up, at his own expense, a new road 20ft wide and stoned for the width of 12ft across Wiggonholt Common and through two fields, part of Greatham Farm, to communicate with Greatham (owned by William Peere Williams Esq, Admiral of His Majesty's Navy). Opposed by many farmers as it cut through their agricultural fields, the new road, nevertheless, was constructed, uniting with a new road at the toll house at Amberley [where the building still exists] near the bridge and displayed, until recently, a board with the tolls painted on it.

The toll road was to be fenced with posts and rails and quickset hedges. This was not done until some time later, and behind the toll house at the junction with today's Clay Lane, there was a wellused path worn by those dodging the gate trying to avoid paying the fees. The new 'road' itself was, for some time, remembered as just two wheel ruts with a heap of grass and animal droppings between them. Next time you drive down the Amberley Road, remember it was the old Turnpike and you would have been forced to pay to use it.

Joan Ham (Village Historian)

SIGNIFICANT DATES IN HISTORY IN JULY

1838 – British scientist Charles Darwin presented a paper to the Linnean Society in London, on his theory of the evolution of species and natural selection.

1644 – Parliamentarian forces defeated Prince Rupert at the Battle of Marston Moor, their first victory over the Royalists in the English Civil War.

1996 – It was confirmed that the Stone of Scone, the symbol of the Scottish nation taken by Edward I of England in 1296, was to be returned to Scotland from Westminster Abbey where it has been used in the coronation of 30 British monarchs.

1776 – Congress accepted the Declaration of Independence written by Thomas Jefferson, formally ending American links with Britain.

1535 – Former favourite of King Henry VIII Sir Thomas More was executed after refusing to recognise the King as the head of the Church.

1307 – English King Edward I, conqueror of Wales and "Hammer of the Scots" dies on the way to Scotland to fight Robert the Bruce.

1877 – The inaugural Lawn Tennis Championship was played on top of the croquet lawns at Wimbledon, Spencer W Gore taking the men's singles title.

138 – Death of the Roman Emperor Hadrian who ordered the building of a wall across northern England to keep out the barbarian Scottish tribes.

1923 – The British parliament passes a law banning the sale of alcohol to under–18's.

1858 – Birthday of Emmeline Pankhurst, English suffragette who suffered imprisonment in order to gain the vote for women.

1453 – French troops defeat the English at Castillon, effectively ending the Hundred Years' War. Calais remains under English control.



1920 – 750,000 war dead are commemorated with the unveiling of a new national monument in Whitehall, London. The Cenotaph takes its name from the Greek words kenos and taphos meaning empty tomb.



1545 – King Henry VIII looks on as his newly refitted flagship the Mary Rose sinks in the Solent, off England's south coast, with the loss of 700 lives.



1969 – The Eagle lands on the moon and US astronaut Neil Armstrong is the first man in history to walk on its powdery surface.



1814 – The chief engineer at the Killingworth colliery, George Stevenson, unveils Blutcher, a steam powered locomotive that can haul eight carriages loaded with 30 tons of coal at the break–neck speed of 4 mph.



1978 – The world's first test–tube baby is born in Oldham General Hospital near Manchester. Gynaecologist Patrick Steptoe and physiologist Dr Robert Edwards are credited with this pioneering work.



1966 – England win the Jules Rimet trophy, Association Football's World Cup, at Wembley Stadium in London after beating Germany 4–2 in extra time.



1667 – The Second Anglo–Dutch War ends with the peace of Breda. The Dutch acknowledge the loss of Delaware and New Jersey, New Amsterdam is renamed New York.

STORRINGTON & DISTRICT MUSEUM

Rydon School and Treasures from Home

A new exhibition will have been set up at the Museum when you read this. It is about Rydon School.

When Rydon closed and the buildings became part of Steyning Grammar School, the Museum was given some boxes of memorabilia which the curatorial team has been busy sorting and cataloguing, and now they feel they have sufficient material to make a display, which will be of interest to all those who went to school there from 1940, when it opened, right up to 2017 when it closed.

The previous exhibition, about the mills in our area, aroused considerable interest. Obviously our industrial past evokes a great deal of nostalgia and people are keen to learn more about it. The two mills walks, on Saturday 11 May, were arranged by Vivian Doussy to coincide with the annual National Mills Open Day, and each covered the same ground.

We began at the Museum and went to the site of Kithurst Mill. Then we crossed the Glebe Field and along Love Lane to the River Stor. We stopped for a moment to work out where the stream, which had turned the wheel of Gatley's Mill, joined the main flow of the Stor. Then we proceeded to the Mill Pond and worked out how the mill must have been placed. Satisfied, we walked on up to Fryern Road to see where the small black windmill stood. Then back to the village, over the crossing, and through to Hanover footpath near the stream, and so into Ravenscroft and along the footpath, again beside the stream to Chantry Mill.

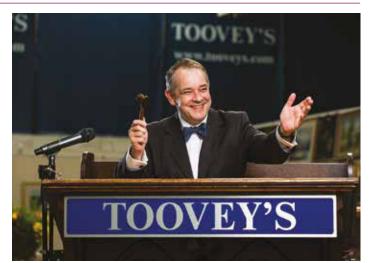
Finally, we returned to the Museum where there were very welcome refreshments, including home-made bread and soup. In all, these walks each took over an hour-and-a-half and some Storringtonians were introduced to paths they did not know existed! Although there is little of our old mills actually to see, their ghosts definitely are there!

On Sunday 12 May, Viviane and her husband, Tony Whitbread, opened their house and grounds to the public, and were very pleased to attract over 100 visitors during the day. Having bought Hurston Mill some years ago, they have been trying to piece together the Mill's history. There are walls, dips and gullies, and Viviane has done a great deal of research, but it is difficult to make it all fit the painting which we have in the Museum of this mill when it was working. It is a beautiful place though, full of wild life, with a waterfall and the Stor running through; it is positively idyllic!

The talk in May was given by Rupert Toovey. Rupert has so much energy and such a happy take on life that it is always a pleasure to listen to him. He spoke about 'Treasures from your home', but first he praised the Museum as a force for good in the village, enabling people to understand their rich heritage and share their stories, giving people a sense of place and of their own worth. The Museum collects things in exactly the same way as they are collected in the home. We collect not only what is beautiful but also what is meaningful to us, and fortunately we do not all like the same things! These items may not be valuable, though some are priceless treasures in a sense, but most are just 'stuff' which is personal and of little intrinsic value, but still loved.

So, asked of Rupert Toovey, how did he become an auctioneer? His mother asked him, "What do you want to become?", and he didn't know, although there was a streak from the art world in his family. So he went to see Grandpa and encountered there an 18th century table and a Bauhaus chair, and Grandpa said, "Actor, auctioneer or vicar". "So", said Revd Rupert Toovey, "you see the result".

He went to Horsham Carfax Auction Rooms and watched the proceedings and heard the patter at Steyning Cattle Market, and was drawn into the business with its *Lovejoy* highs and lows: the hopeful articles which are worth nothing, and the scruffy goods worth thousands of pounds.



He then went on to talk about some of the articles brought in by members of the audience. There were several examples of Chinese and Japanese craftsmanship, some in ivory, and Rupert said that ivory is causing ethical problems nowadays because of the terrible slaughter of elephants. The rule in England is that the sale of ivory, with very limited exceptions, is banned. Only items of museum quality or pre-1947 may be sold. "But", said Rupert, "who decides?". China itself exempts ivory 'relics' from this ban, but no date is set for this, and relics can be manufactured.

Rupert commented on how different he found China from England and the West in general, with different concepts of right and wrong, and different ways of maintaining law and order. The rules about trade in ivory do not apply to marine ivory, such as the extraordinary model of a scene at the guillotine in fantastic detail, made by a French prisoner of war in the early 1800s, which Rupert valued between £1000 and £1500.

There was a Mr Punch in bronze from the early 1900s, which was novel because smoke came out of it, apparently a piece of social history and fun, worth perhaps £150. A set of Beatrix Potter books, not being first editions, were worth very little, but that was not the point; they were 'family' and loved. Despite all the E-books and the digital world, never were more books sold than now. People like the feel and the smell and the comfort of real books.

There were several other items; a lovely dancing girl in bronze, which Rupert called "a joyful celebration", and a David Shepherd painting evocative of the quiet English countryside. A very detailed political cartoon prompted the comment that we seem to have lost the ability to laugh at ourselves.

Finally, there was a model ship, a destroyer, brought in by a member of the audience with a naval background, which was made entirely out of matchsticks by a non-smoking family member when he was on board the very destroyer that he was modelling. Rupert Toovey wondered if it had breached the Official Secrets Act, it was so exact. While the modeller was on the destroyer, his wife was enduring the blitz in London as a midwife!

What makes the watch, the flint axe, the earthenware collectible? In the end it is your choice because it is special to you and it becomes special to your family; that is really the only reason.

Rupert has been an auctioneer for 35 years. He has been shocked, saddened and surprised, but it is very obvious that he really loves it.

Old School, School Lane, Storrington RH20 4LL Tel: 740188 www.storringtonmuseum.com E-mail: contact@storringtonmuseum.com Registered Charity No. 1084853 Weds and Sat 10am – 4pm • Sun 10am – 1pm



animal-life in the garden and I have a strict no-kill attitude to pests. However, I don't think you should make things easy for every meddling mollusc that sets up home in your backyard. There's no shortage of suggestions for how to deter slugs and snails from destroying dahlias but what works?



The Royal Horticultural Society (RHS) receives thousands of enquiries each year on dealing with pests and diseases. Slugs and snails were the second most common pest they were asked about in 2018. But with the use of metaldehyde slug pellets banned from spring 2020, even gardeners who prefer to wage chemical warfare will need to reconsider their tactics. So the RHS carried out a trial of some of the barrier methods that are often recommended: crushed eggshells, pine bark mulch, copper tape, sharp horticultural grit and wool pellets. Each barrier was laid around a lettuce plant in a raised bed and in a pot, with unprotected lettuces included as a control. Sadly, the trial found no less nibbling of lettuces with a barrier, and those without.





The study concluded that people should consider carefully whether alternative remedies are making enough difference to be worth the investment. But anecdotally they do sometimes work, for some people, and the RHS is planning to repeat the experiment at a different site and look into other methods like beer traps. In the meantime, their advice as alternatives to pellets is:

- Get something in to eat them: either buy nematodes or attract birds, frogs and hedgehogs. There are even slugs that eat other slugs and you can encourage Leopard slugs by providing damp, rotting wood for them to live in.
- Move them on: the RHS advises the most humane way is to collect them at night and release them in a local wood; or freeze them before binning them!

My tactics are growing things out of reach, such as strawberries in hanging baskets, and learning to like plants that slugs don't, and hairy-leaved ones are a good start.

Cheryl Brown



Everyone will be very welcome (men and women, any age or ability). Either bring along something you can already do, or have a go at something different.

For more information contact: Storrington Rectory Office (742888)



STORRINGTON CONSERVATION SOCIETY

At time of writing we are experiencing a dry spell. Clouds come and go but don't deliver very much, if at all. Farmers and gardeners are looking for rain, so necessary in the growing season. We are generally fortunate with rainfall in this country, though sometimes we feel over-provided, especially if our outdoor activities are cancelled. However, we only need to look at those countries where drought is a life threatening matter to realise we shouldn't grumble but be thankful. And projections show that at the current rate of usage we too could well be experiencing water shortages here before very long. One of the problems is wastage. Leaking mains are part of the problem, but industry, agriculture and domestic users are also guilty. Water companies provide advice and equipment to help us reduce waste, but we have to cooperate. Perhaps every tap should be labelled 'THINK'. Another problem is pollution. As we have seen, contaminated lakes, rivers and streams can devastate wildlife and damage crops, as well as reducing supplies of our drinking water.

Most of us have been fairly slow to take heed of our contribution to climate change. Let us be more alert to the need to conserve clean water before the situation becomes critical.

The work party met again on 1 June in the Glade to continue the work of path clearance. A beautiful morning, with plenty of bird song to enjoy as we cut back undergrowth and overgrowth for the benefit of walkers. The next time we meet will be on **6 July at 10am.** This time it will be at Old Mill Drive. We will be preparing the site (and maybe elsewhere) in readiness for the annual 'In Bloom' judging. Something for the whole community to appreciate. Everyone is invited to do their bit, so join us if you can, necessary tools etc. will be provided. As usual, there will be the welcome coffee break. We look forward to seeing you.

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

Stuart Kersley



The date of the next meeting will be **Wednesday 17th July**, when the speaker will be Bob Wragg his talk entitled "Bobby On The Beat" there will be an exhibition of Police Memorabilia.

NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH



Why Not Join?

With the ever increasing strain on the resources and priorities placed on police forces across the country, the National Neighbourhood Watch Network (NWN) now plays a vital partnership role with Sussex Police, and other agencies, to ensure the ongoing safety and well-being of our communities and residents.

We should be able to feel safe in our homes and communities, relax with family and friends without fear of crime. However, in this day and age, the reality is that many of us may feel isolated or vulnerable in our day-to-day lives; Neighbourhood Watch (NHW) can help alleviate such isolation and vulnerability.

Members of NHW street schemes play a vital role by being watchful and sharing messages that keep us safe. Sharing information with the police and your neighbours is a proven way of ensuring potential threats to our way of life are kept to a minimum. Many people say that NHW members are "curtaintwitching busybodies" with nothing better to do than spy on their neighbours! Nothing could be more untrue! NHW helps ensure that everyone in a community, from the very young to the very old, are as safe as we can help them be.

NHW helps with protecting our homes, communities and loved ones; NHW provides information about making our homes and property safe, contact details for helping those with worries about the young and old and for reporting crime or suspicious activity. NHW can also help provide street signs, door and window stickers to inform others of NHW schemes and to deter cold callers. All in all, NHW schemes help connect communities and help neighbours look out for each other.

Why not join NHW today?

You can find out more about NHW activities and schemes in the Horsham District, including joining an existing NHW scheme or setting up a new scheme by making contact by any of the following means:

http://horshamnhw.btck.co.uk/ HDNHWA website

www.ourwatch.org.uk OurWatch – to see NHW schemes in your area

horshamnhw@gmail.com General contact address for HDNHWA Committee Members

secretary.horshamnhw@outlook.com Secretary of HDNHWA

Quote from Superintendent James Collis of Sussex Police...

"I am delighted to have such a proactive network of volunteers to turn to but who also then go about making our communities safer each and every moment of each day without any direction from us. Keeping your eyes and ears open to prevent crime in the first place, to share tips and information and make your communities safer means you make Sussex a difficult place for criminals to go about their business unseen or unchallenged. In turn we all enjoy a safer community and hopefully enjoy a better quality of life... thank you".

WEATHER WATCH

May 2019 - Generally quiet and uneventful

On 30 May, I flew to Glasgow and my plane landed at Glasgow Airport sending up billows of spray. There was water everywhere with low cloud almost hugging the ground. Rain had been virtually continuous for several days. I left Sussex in sunny, warm conditions with only about 4mm of rain having fallen since 7 May. We may be a relatively small land area but Britain can often have markedly different weather from north to south.

Like February, March and April 2019, most of the rain in May fell during the first part of the month. But unlike them it was slightly below par in temperature, though there was nothing too extreme, except for those who have a barometer hanging on the wall. You may have noticed on 13 May that the dial was in a very strange

position showing particularly high pressure indeed. It was reading 1040 millibars (hPa) or 30.7 inches in our area and across East Anglia it peaked at 1041 millibars. The record for the month of May was set back in 1881 at 1042 millibars, so a very close call.

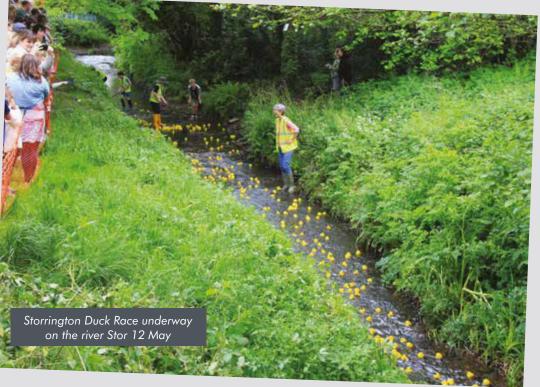
An old adage runs "if the glass is high and rising still, no rain today, no weather ill". This proved mostly correct, with dry conditions. However, with clear night skies it was chilly and there was frost on the grass by dawn on many nights during the first half of the month. Perhaps this should not be a surprise as 13 May is known as St Servatius' Day with St Mamertus and St Pancras being the two previous days. Collectively they are known as the 'Ice Saints'. Chilly weather can do particular damage to fruit, flowers and crops at this stage of the spring.

Sunset from Rackham 15 May

In fact, it is sometimes said that "in the middle of May comes the tail of winter".

For those who like some statistics, I recorded 22mm of rain in Storrington, and this is just about 40% of the average. The dry spring meant the 'ducks' needed a bit of encouragement to travel downstream at the annual Storrington Duck Race this year. They were aided though by the only substantial rain of the month of 14.3mm on 7 May helping to maintain a modest flow to the river Stor. The mean temperature of 12.1°C was a few fractions of a below par. The nights were clear and chilly during the first half and I recorded 13 grass frosts. By day, bright sunshine was rather at a premium with cloud spoiling things and it registered at about 5.8 hours a day, short of the average by some 9%.

Ian Currie, Weatherman and editor of Weather Eye magazine





SANDGATE CONSERVATION SOCIETY

The work parties will be in action on Sullington Warren on **Saturday 13 July** on Sullington Warren from 9.30am until 12 midday and in Sandgate Park on **Saturday 27 July** from 10am till 12 midday, so if you feel like a bit of gentle exercise at your own pace, then you will be more than welcome.

To learn more about the Sandgate Conservation Society, who work closely with the National Trust and Horsham District Council, please contact www.sandgate-conservation.org.uk or Brian Burns on 743001.



Thursday 11 July

and on the second Thursday of every month Doors open 7pm Play starts at 7.30pm Storrington Village Hall, 59 West Street RH20 4DZ

Entry only 50p (includes the chance of winning a mystery prize!) Great prizes, raffle and refreshments – and fun for everyone!

www.maryhowtrust.org

Rotary Club of Storrington & Pulborough District CAR BOOT SALE STORRINGTON LIBRARY CAR PARK 8am until 12noon Bank Holiday Monday 2019 26 August

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

😢 West Chillington Dramatic Society 🛛 😕

In spite of many obstacles, the production of JB Priestley's When We Are Married, directed by Caroline Woodley, has been successfully completed and was greatly enjoyed by our audiences. The EU elections meant that our first night, Thursday 23 May, had to be switched, at late notice, to a matinee on the Saturday with a consequently smaller audience than the production warranted.

Our next major piece of work is the West Chiltington Drama Festival which takes place from 24 to 26 July and will involve seven dramatic societies from the Horsham and surrounding districts in a competition of one act plays. Tickets are on sale at £10 from our box offices at Nisa Stores, and Post Office Stores, West Chiltington and on-line through our web site www.wcds. co.uk. Audience members who book for all three nights will be given a £5 rebate if they present their booked tickets at the Hall on the first night. This rebate only applies to first night audience. More details regarding participating societies and the programme of plays can be found on the website www.wcds.co.uk

We are also taking part in the West Chiltington Village Show on 13 July when we will have a themed stand with costumed personnel and a competition for young and old alike. The year 2019 is the 100th anniversary of the Village Show and this will be reflected in our theme of a travel through time.

Another anniversary to be celebrated this year is 70 years since the formation of WCDS, in the Spring of 1949, when the Rector at that time, together with his daughters and members of the community, put on a performance of *Cuckoo in the Nest*, by Ben Travers. We will be holding a special Members' Evening in September to celebrate this milestone, and more details will be forthcoming in the future.

As one can see, the Society is very busy and contributing to community life and if you would like to be a part of all this activity please come and see us at the Village Show or contact our Membership Secretary, Christine Pearson, at membership@wcds.co.uk

Geofrey Steward, Chairman

STORRINGTON & DISTRICT PROBUS

Visit to Windsor Castle

On a beautiful, blue sky day, 26 Storrington Probus Club members and partners set off by coach from West Chiltington and Storrington to Windsor Castle for a blue badge guided tour. The tour was organised by Cliff Palmer, who ensured that a splendid day was had by all.

First though, the group went to Savill Garden, which is part of the Windsor Great Park. This is an absolute gem of a garden, with acres of marvellous grounds planted sensitively with many different areas of endless flowers, some planted in traditional flower beds but others in intriguing hidden areas with many different trees and bushes, including a lovely walk through scented azaleas, camellias and rhododendrons. There is a Chelsea rose show garden from a previous winner at the Chelsea Flower Show. To top it all, the fountain in the Golden Jubilee Garden has an engraving which was done by our 'mason' Cliff Palmer. After a very nice lunch in the big café and an obligatory look at the gifts and plants to buy in the shop, it was off to the Castle.

Amanda, our blue badge guide, jumped on the coach as we arrived in the rail station car park. Amanda pointed out this was where Queen Victoria used to arrive from London on her train and a replica is standing in the station to view.

The group then toured the outside of the Castle and Amanda gave a complete history of its beginnings under William the Conqueror, to the present day, when recently, Prince Harry married Meghan Markle in St George's Chapel in the grounds of the Castle. After spending some time in the spectacular Chapel, it was time to visit the State Rooms. This is where the Queen entertains visiting dignitaries and has state banquets. It is also where the main hall was destroyed by fire, and after five years of work, was restored to its previous glory. After a quick cup of tea in the station café, it was back on the coach for a snooze whilst the coach driver navigated the M25.

Unfortunately, two of our members passed away recently. John Tunnell, an ex- treasurer of the Club who kept up his good humour throughout his illness, and Peter Whittick who, after a fall, had a stroke and passed way very quickly. Peter was always a snappy dresser and had a sharp wit. Both will be much missed, and condolences go out to their families.

At the Tollgate, the usual lunches were enjoyed, together with two very interesting speakers on nautical themes. A walk around the grounds of Polesden Lacey in the Surrey Hills was taken up by a small group of





the dedicated ramblers in the Club. Don Cleary continued to organise successful coffee mornings at local venues which were well attended.

Future events include more coffee mornings, lunches with a variety of speakers, participating in a Croquet competition with other local area Probus Clubs, a holiday trip to the Isle of Man and much, much more.

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

Peter Kerns

STORRINGTON COMMUNITY MARKET We're open every Friday between 9.45am and <u>11.15am in the Village Hall in West Street.</u>

Cakes, biscuits, pies and savouries, jams and marmalades, local honey, eggs, k nitted 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.



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

CAN YOU EVER FORGIVE ME? (15)

"Melissa McCarthy and Richard E Grant's tragicomic fraudsters are genuinely fantastic" – The Telegraph

Tuesday 25 June

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

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STORRINGTON CAMERA CLUB WINNERS OF THE NIGHT AND SEASON

NO MEETINGS NOW UNTIL SEPTEMBER

As we come to the end of another season, the competition evenings have continued to show the variety of interests and photo capabilities of our members. This has also been a good year for a number of our newer members who have had success and received high scores for their images.

Over the season we held five competitions where on some nights we have managed to get everything right and are awarded with success, and others not so due to the judge picking up an aspect that we may have overlooked and missed. The variety of judges we had also added another element as to which images were finally selected.

We are all different and have our own views on what subject interests us, or what we select to hang on a wall. This is what makes life interesting and when entering competitions, sometimes challenging! So, when a judge has to select their favourites where, from a technical perspective there are no real differences between the images, they often say "the final images are down to my personal choice".

For the final competition, 'Best of the Year', our judge was Andrew Mills who had also been a guest speaker earlier in the season with a talk titled 'What makes a Good Picture'. So, the challenge had been set!

For 'Best Print of the Year' category Andrew awarded seven images top marks. These being; Daisy Kane with 'Shoreham Houseboats', Martin Tomes with 'London Underground', Liz Barber with 'Pulsatilla', Sarah Beard with 'Contemplation', David Perks with 'Red Arrows', Kevin Harwood with 'Posing Beach Pelican', Janet Brown with 'Poppy' which he then selected as 'Best Print of the Year'.



Andrew then made his selections for 'Best Projected Image of the Year'. After viewing all the images four were awarded top marks these being, Daisy Kane with 'Mist on the pond', Anne Nagle with 'Three frogs', David Seddon with 'Heron fishing at sunset'.

His final image was Andy Jones's 'Intimacy', which he awarded 'Best Projected Image of the Year'. He praised it for being an amusing and well-observed piece of street photography, the newspaper making this a beautiful, well-seen subject which Andrew, as a fellow street photographer, just loved.



With all the competitions now complete, the winners for this season's awards are:

Photographer of the Year - Liz Barber

Print Worker of the Year - Chris West

Projected Image Worker of the Year - ended up being a tie between Liz Barber and Kevin Harwood.

Congratulations to all the winners and those that entered and were just pipped at the post.

This has been a great season with a number of new joiners becoming active members and participating in Club events. We have had a good variety of guest speakers, competitions, monthly photoshoots and coffee mornings that members have supported and enjoyed.

Coming up we have our library exhibitions in Pulborough from 7 to 17 August and Storrington from 19 August to 7 September. With summer now arriving we take a break until the new season starts on 12 September. During this period our monthly coffee mornings and photoshoots continue, details of these are shown on the website. Potential members are welcome to come and join us at these informal events.







Heron Fishing at Sunset – David Seddon





www.storringtoncc.org.uk or contact Janet Brown T: 01798 812183 E: chair@storringtoncc.org.uk



Members and friends packed the Hall to hear Richard Ramsey from Withypitts give an illustrated talk on Dahlias.

Withypitts grow a wide number of Dahlia blooms on a 1.5 acre site situated at Turners Hill in West Sussex.

Their prime activity is supplying cut specimen Dahlia blooms to florists via Covent Garden as well as a number of specialty florists direct



and also send blooms all over the country to event and party planners by courier, where they are used at very many prestigious venues in London and around the country.

Richard has been involved with Dahlias since his childhood, growing up on a nursery that specialized in Dahlias, Chrysanthemums and Delphiniums, under the guide of his grandfather who was the nursery manager.

Although his interest in Dahlias has remained an important hobby, it was not until 2010 that he sold cut blooms for the first time, selling all he could produce both direct and through a very prestigious farm shop.

In 2011, the majority of production was sent to New Covent Garden for the first time and in 2012 saw the move to a larger new 1.5 acre farm at Turners Hill.

Richard gave the meeting many tips on growing Dahlias, from the correct way to grow Dahlias, how to split Dahlia tubers to maximize the crop as well as how to get the maximum life from a cut bloom. To do this, first cut the stem at 45 degrees, remove all the lower leaves and then dip the cut end in hot water before placing in a vase of cold water; the water should then be changed daily.

The meeting ended with light refreshments and a raffle.

At our next meeting on **19 July**, David Standing will be talking about Old Fashioned Flowers, with plants on sale.

Web Site: - storringtonhorti.org.uk

MJ Webber



STORRINGTON FLOWER CLUB



Sunny afternoon workshop in Storrington

Storrington Flower Club ran a Flower Arranging workshop on 1 June at the Old School.

The Club's Chairman, Chrissie Desmond, welcomed flower arrangers from Steyning, Storrington and West Chiltington. Chrissie introduced Gillian Homer who would lead the session. Gillian had recently returned from Chelsea where she won a Gold award.

Whilst everyone was enjoying refreshments and miniature cupcakes, Gillian gave out a bunch of mixed flowers to us all. The flowers were particularly delightful, Roses, Carnations Lisianthus and White Daisy-like flowers. The arrangers each brought a selection of greenery.

Gillian demonstrated creating a triangular shaped arrangement. Gillian commented that this shape forms the basis of many flower arrangements and is particularly appropriate for pedestal arrangements in church. She took us through each of the



stages, beginning with placing the outlines with greenery.

By the end of the afternoon everyone had successfully created a very attractive arrangement to take home. Further refreshments and chats ended a very enjoyable and informative afternoon.

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

Susanne Carter

Note from the editor....



As I write, it is pouring with rain! But as Elkie Brooks sang, there is "Sunshine after the rain".

Even though times may seem dark and depressing, there is always light and sunshine somewhere. And that gleam of hope can come in different ways, but most often can be found in people around us.

My very dear friend and adopted 'mother', Jacquie Peal, had a very nasty fall in Church, just before a service she was taking part in to commemorate her 25 years ordination. She and I spent the service on the floor at the alter waiting for the ambulance – a new experience for both of us, and the congregation! Fortunately, Jacquie is making a good recovery, but she said she had been overwhelmed by the love and concern by so many people.

Don't just let those dark times or crisis situations prompt us to look for help, or give help and support to others – show your love for those you care for, every day, in good times and bad.

You never know what's round the corner - but look for that rainbow. God promised us that, and it's there for all of us - hope and love.

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