LOCAL NEWS FROM BOOKHAM COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

Autumn 2017

Bookham Village Day hits the hot spots



Bookham's Village Day on Saturday 17 June was a scorcher: big crowds turned out in the sunshine to cheer on local children dressed as stars, planets, aliens and astronauts their kaleidoscope of colourful costumes representing the Space Age theme.

The children from local playgroups and infant schools paraded down the High Street, enjoying the fun and spectacle of the day along with the crowds. There was music along the way, with Brian White's Magna Jazz Band and Steelonium Steel Band on Leatherhead Motor Company's lorry. Many of the groups sang as they walked along eventually reaching the Old Barn Hall in Church Road. Jason Wright's vintage Austin 7 led the procession.

An excited crowd waited in the sunshine to hear the results. Eastwick Infant School won the Roland Catt for the best school-age fancy dress entry, and Polesden Lacey Infant School won the runners-up trophy. Peter Pan Playgroup won the Peter Hancock Cup for the

best pre-school entry, and Bus Stop Pre-School won the runners-up trophy.

Great Bookham Belles won the BCA cup for the best dressed stall on the field, Patrick Gardner the Vineries Cup as runners-up. Bookham Seniors Computer Club took the BRABA (Bookham Retail and Business Association) Cup for the best themed stall in the hall.

MC David Evans, in his trademark Union Jack jacket, kept a lively programme of entertainment in the main arena swinging along. Displays by Polesden Lacey, Dawnay and Eastwick Infant Schools were followed by the Dancing Roses belly dancers and Bookham U3A's tai chi group.

There was non-stop music the rest of afternoon with the lively Stomping Nomads and a new attraction, the Natalie Goodacre Trio, also popular with the crowds. Steel band groups entertained at the entrance to the field, while those enjoying lunches and teas in the main hall had the Downsmen barbershop men to serenade them.

The Vineries Garden Centre, main sponsors of the event, had a colourful display of plants in the car park, and among the many attractions on the field was the Bucking Bronco sponsored by Di Carlos Hairdressers and Elios Barbers.

Genie Hancock, president of Bookham Community Association, organisers of the day which raises funds for the Old Barn Hall, said: "The hottest day of the year made this one of the best ever Village Days. The community comes together at this event, and with so much going on everyone had a wonderful time. Cold drinks and ice creams did a roaring trade.

"But it couldn't have happened without the support of many local organisations, businesses and individuals who volunteer their time to support us, and I'm enormously grateful to them all."

A week of activities centred on the Old Barn Hall followed Village Day ending on Friday 23 June with a new attraction, a family barn dance. For more photographs see our website bookhamcommunity association.org.



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Letter from the Editor

As I sit in the garden, armed with the usual warm weather contingency - sunglasses, factor 50 suncream, an icy drink, and a wide brimmed hat -I can hardly believe that summer is already in full swing (the oddly shaped tan lines on my body say otherwise). Summertime in Surrey has been an absolute scorcher this year! And it has been wonderful to see what seems like the entire population of Bookham out and about in the unseasonably warm sunshine in full force.



On Saturday, 17th June 2017, we started Village Week on an absolute high with Bookham Village Day. As one of the most important calendar days within Bookham Village, many of you may have heard of the event, or had even got the chance to attend. For those of you who braved the sunshine, you may remember that the day began with record high temperatures, and got up to nearly thirty degrees! Despite the melting conditions, there was a huge turn-out for Bookham Village Day Parade with many little space creatures wandering the highstreet with parents in tow. After the parade, the masses of Bookham were funneled into the the large outdoor area behind the Old Barn Hall. The music was entertaining, awards were given, food was eaten, and much fun was had by all including the many volunteers who made the day possible. A great big thank you to all who gave up much of your time and energy to create a fantastic experience for all whom attended. It was yet another memorable day!

For this edition's "Meet the Makers" feature, I am absolutely thrilled to introduce to you Millie Midgley, a portrait artist and genuinely wonderful human being. Her perspective on painting people's portraits is absolutely fascinating and is a very interesting read. Bookham resident, Millie has also recently been featured on the television programme, Sky Arts Portrait Artist of the Year 2017 as a contestant! I encourage all of you to take a peek at her website www.milliemidgley, and peruse through her varied and absolutely talent-dripping portfolio.

Our "Community Hero" for this edition of the Bookhams Bulletin is the astoundingly active, and inspiring Peter Dillow. Peter, who will be celebrating his 70th birthday this year, is man on a mission! After retirement, he has refused to slow down and through his partnership with the Grange, participates in various events throughout the year. One of these events was the Ride London-Surrey 100 mile Challenge that took place on 30th of July 2017. Peter Dillow is breaking the mould of what retirement looks like, and we couldn't be happier.

Yet again, we had a wonderful selection of heart-wrenching stories of random acts of kindness anonymously submitted. If these don't make you want to get out and spread the love, I don't know what will! These pieces truly embody the wonderful, tightknit community in which we live.

What an edition this has been! The Bookhams Bulletin would not have been possible without the amazing support system that is our team. I would like to thank every individual who contributes time out of their busy schedules to help create this wonderful magazine. To our chairman, Keith Slark, Simon Jordan, Clare Cody, and the entire BCA for pulling together as team, plus our army of distributors who deliver the Bulletin to your door. To the contributors, thank you for your consistency and love for the publication. And to all of our readers, thank you for your unwavering support. It has been such a pleasure to hear all of the positive feedback about the previous edition, and I am truly grateful and humbled by the experience.

If you have any suggestions or questions regarding the Bookhams Bulletin, please feel free to contact me by email at jennifer. rian@hotmail.com or bookhams bulletin@gmail.com

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Chairman's Report

Village Day

There are reports on our very successful Village Day in the Bulletin but I would like to thank everyone who helped in any way in the very hot conditions of the day.

Many thanks to those manning stalls, providing the refreshments, the bar (very necessary!) and the displays - involving hundreds of people and the BCA Village Day and Management committees led by Mike McCann. We have had many messages saying how much it was enjoyed which is, of course, our aim.

Setting up from 7am was greatly helped this year by a willing group of bodies from Bookham Baptist Church Men's Keep Fit Group who really made a difference in getting everything up and in place for the day, Thanks guys!

The following day was just as hot for Open Gardens and saw a record 770 people enjoying the lovely private gardens open this year as well as two schools, the allotments and The Grange Walled Garden.

Thank you to all of you who contributed whether on Committees, stewarding, opening your garden or in any way at all.

If you like to help plan next year's event please ring me on 457375. Younger faces and ideas really would help us evolve Village Day!

If you have got ideas to make next year even better let me know on keithslark@tiscali.co.uk

Keith Slark (Village Day absentee!!)

Many thanks to all the local businesses who provided help, raffle prizes or cash donations towards Village Week.

Also to our Sponsor for both Village Day and Open Gardens: The Vineries Garden Centr

This year we received some very generous donations:

£1,000 from Youngs Brewery, £250 Elios/Di Carlo's Hairdressers to sponsor the Bucking Bronco, £225 from Bookham Scottish Dancers, £200 from Mole Valley Quilters, £100 from John Wadsworth Estate Agents.



Village Day raised £10,585 from all of your hard work on the Day, sponsorship, generous donations and advertising. Village Week – a great £8504 made up of £6,536 from Open Gardens (another record), £850 from Bookham Bridge Club, £150 from Mole Valley Silver Band, £768 from Quiz Night, £200 from the Family Barn Dance.

A total of over £19,000. A wonderful result thank you all. Second highest ever

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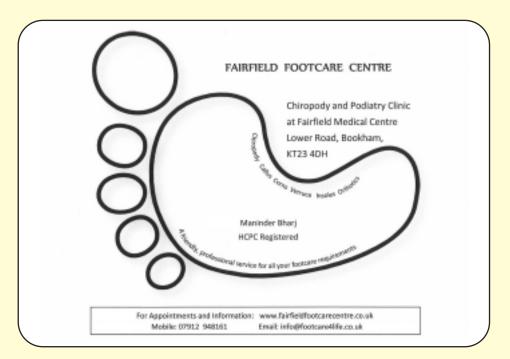
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Community Heroes



Having retired nearly five years ago, Peter Dillow, a local resident of Bookham has refused to slow down! After moving to Bookham from St. Johns, near Woking, where

he worked in the Oil and Gas Industry, Peter's schedule has been boiling over with activity. Peter, who helps at the Grange to support adults with various disabilities, also has many rather active hobbies that he is passionate about. Having done a bit of cycling previously, Peter decided to take up a place in the Ride London-Surrey 100 mile Challenge on 30th July 2017. As if this wasn't enough of an achievement, Peter has also entered the River Arun 'Ironman' 3.8K swim. Did I mention that he will be celebrating his **70th birthday** this year?

For this man on the move, spare time is limited and is usually filled with his many varying hobbies. Peter says "as for spare time, I don't seem to have much. I do a lot of training, mainly cycling and swimming with a bit of running, as I like taking part in triathalons. We also have ten grandchildren between the ages of eight years and three months." And as if this wasn't enough for this busy Grandfather, Peter had also mentioned that he is in the process of writing his second novel, and likes to play his guitars as well!

What initially attracted him to working with the Grange, was the idea that he could combine his hobbies with helping them. Peter says "I learned about the Grange since we moved to Bookham, and when a friend suggested that I ride for them in the Prudential Ride London-Surrey 100, I jumped at the idea". However training for such a lengthy event is not without its challenges, "training for a 100mile cycling event is considerably more than a hobby, it's rather hard work." he says. Despite a rather large laundry list of achievements, Peter goes on to compliment that "the Grange does a wonderful job in the local community by helping disadvantaged adults to equip them with the skills and confidence to be independent in the community". An inspiration indeed.

For any further information or enquiries, Peter Dillow can be contacted through his Facebook Page. If you are interested in donating to the Grange, you can leave a contribution by visiting Peter's Fundraising Page at http://uk.virginmoneygiving.com/fundraiserweb/fundraiser/showFundraiserProfilePage.ac tion?userUrl=peter-dillow-ovy-PRLS-2017-42513754.

Jennifer Terry

Pay It Forward

A single act of kindness can change the entire course of a person's life. Today, follow their lead. Pass it on and pay it forward.

"My children were playing in the large playground in Bookham with many children that they didn't know when a little boy's shoelaces became untied. My daughter, who recently learned to tie her shoes on her own, immediately knelt down and tied them for him. After that, they parted ways and continued playing! Proud mummy moment indeed!"

"I was having lunch at Carolina's in Bookham when I was asked if I knew any taxi numbers, as a lady was stuck after a little too much shopping. I was on a day-off with my daughter and wife and we had just finished lunch, so I

thought I would simply give her a lift home as she only lived in Fetcham. She was very grateful, and I only hoped she managed to hide all the shopping when she got home!"

"We don't have many opportunities to get into town with a newborn in the house, and when we do manage to get out it can be a little hectic. Once while we were out grocery shopping, I suddenly realised that I had forgotten my purse at home. As I began to frantically explain that I would come back another day, the woman behind the till who was a complete stranger but also a parent, paid for my entire shop!"

Do you have a heart-warming story that you would like to share? Submit your story on the kindness of others and we will add it to our next edition to inspire our readers to spread the word! All of our submissions will be added anonymously. Please submit your stories by email to bookhamsbulletin@gmail.com.

Village Day White Elephant Stall

A big thank you to all of you who gave so generously, and to those equally important people who came to buy from this stand on Bookham Village Day. Together you enabled us to raise an astounding £638 to help support the Bookham Community Association, and our

beloved Old Barn Hall for yet another year! Thanks to all!

Margaret Pankhurst

Bookham, Fetcham And District Garden Society

In May, we had a coach trip which took us to the Air Forces Memorial, and the Savill Garden in Windsor Great Park. The Memorial was dedicated to the 20, 456 men and women in the Air Forces of the British Empire who were lost during World War II, all of whom had no known graves. Their names were engraved into the stone walls according to their squadron and country. We were all deeply moved by our visit.

The coach then took us to The Savill Garden, where we could wander around at our own leisure. These gardens were created after the World War II by the Deputy Ranger, Sir Eric Savill, and his head gardener, Hope Findlay, with the support of both King George VI and

Queen Elizabeth. We admired the azaleas and camellias in the Spring Wood, the Queen Elizabeth Temperate House, and the Rose Garden featuring a raised walkway which was opened by Her Majesty in 2010.

We enjoyed refreshments sitting under parasols on the terrace in the sunshine, and naturally came away with some plants from the shop! A lovely day, with the added bonus that some of us were fortunate enough to glimpse a view of Prince Charles walking around the estate with his party and the head gardener!

In June, we were very busy with preparations for our Annual Show on Saturday 15th July

2017, which will be held in the beautifully restored Tithe Barn in Little Bookham. It was a celebration of the best locally grown vegetables, fruit, and flowers, flower arrangements, homemade preserves, cakes, crafts, photo sessions, and much more!

Our next meeting will be Monday, 25th September 2017, in the Harrison Room of the Old Barn Hall in Bookham. It will begin at 7:30pm, and Claire Brown will be speaking to us on 'Colour in the Garden All Year Round'.

For more information, please contact Angela Stevens by telephone at 01372 456713.

Anita Laycock and Jennifer Smitheman

Mole Valley Indoor Bowling Club

A bowls club or a photo club? No, it's still your local Indoor Bowling Club showing Ladies Captain, Petrina Barnes, with one of the six large prints of Leatherhead Town centre at the turn of the century, produced from originals provided by the Leatherhead Museum. The enlarged displays were printed locally for the Bowls Hall and have added a new topic of discussion amongst our members and visitors alike. They have been very well received, particularly by those who can pick out existing buildings. Please note that none of our current members appear in any of the displays!

Petrina is shown presenting Tony Matthews, representing Leatherhead Museum, with a donation from Mole Valley Indoor Bowling Club as a thank you for the use of the originals.

Last month, many Bookham bowlers helped support the Macmillan Cancer Support fundraising week organised by the Bowls Development Alliance and Bowls Clubs across England. Bowlers at our summer indoor sessions took part in two fun 'Spider' events to raise a donation for this worthy cause. Bowls skills on these particular occasions were not greatly advanced, but it was a rewarding experience for all involved.



The Club Finals were held as the previous issue of the Bookhams Bulletin went to print, and regular readers will remember that we mentioned publishing the results of those players now temporarily hold additional silverware following our winter championships.

Mole Valley Indoor Bowling Club is a club for everyone, it's fun and sociable yet challenging - physically and mentally - all within the bounds that you as a member wish to set for yourself. If this sounds surprising to you then you are just the person to come along to our Open Days for a FREE bowling experience to be held on every Saturday morning in

September, from 10:00am until 1:00pm. All are welcome, show us your interest and we guarantee you a warm and enthusiastic reception with all the help and advice you may ask for. Our slogan this year is: Get Active, Stay Active, Enjoy Bowling.

For more information, please visit our website at www.mvibc.co.uk. You can also email us at mail4mvibc@gmail.com or call Guy Tortise by telephone at 01372 374653 if you have any questions or queries that you would like to discuss before your visit. Helpful posters and directions to the club are available in Leatherhead Leisure Centre.

We look forward to meeting you in September!

Michael Mackie





Bookham Open Gardens

Visitors and garden hosts basked in the very warm sunshine, and a good time was had by all as they admired the magnificent range of gardens on offer this year. We had around 770 visitors, our second best ever, and raised a record amount of over £6, 500 towards the upkeep of our Old Barn Hall, where our team of ladies provided tea, coffee, cold drinks, rolls, and their usual mouthwatering selection of cakes. Inside, there were also stalls from Bookham Country Market, and outside our own plant stall made records profits yet again. We hope the winners of our grand raffle enjoy their prizes.

Our selection of private gardens this year included 3 new ones and 9 old favourites, some back after a few years off. There was a delightful mix of formal and informal styles, and this year we had a number of gardens that had left their lawn to grow long to support wildlife. In a couple of cases, they were rewarded with orchids popping up, whereas some had been planted with native wild flowers. Several featured wildlife ponds and many had edibles, now not limited to the fruit and vegetable patches.

Manor House School, who kindly allow us use of their minibus each year, opened their beautiful and extensive grounds for the second time. Formal areas were set off by rolling lawns surrounded by trees, shrubs and seasonal planting. There was also a natural area enjoyed by wildlife, as well as an orchard, a new rose garden, and vegetable plots for the pupils to 'grow their own'.

The Walled Garden at the Grange, was again looking, magnificent with the green-fingered 'Grange Gardeners' demonstrating their abilities to personalise their individual plots with imagination and endeavour. Of particular note, there were the Bee Orchids that appeared in several areas of grass allowed to grow long, and the new 'Insect Hilton' bug hotel.

At Little Bookham Allotments, visitors could see over 80 plots tended by enthusiastic gardeners who enjoy a community atmosphere and rural setting surrounded by birdsong. Once again, they were selling flower and vegetable plants, plus cut flowers.

You will be able to see a fuller selection of photos of the event on our website www.bookhamopengardens.co.uk or our Facebook Page BookhamOpenGardens. You can also let us know through either page, if you might be interested in opening your own garden in 2018 - we are always looking out for new gardens. Please email tina.hutton@btinternet.com for more





information, and we would be happy to come and look around.

Our enthusiastic garden openers now deserve a well earned rest, but they won't be leaning idly on their spades for long before the next seed of an idea germinates in their ever fertile minds! Gardens don't stand still, and neither do gardeners. A big thank you to the garden openers for putting on such a splendid show; 1st and 3rd Bookham Scouts and Manor House School for once again providing their minibuses; all the volunteers involved with driving the minibuses, making and serving refreshments, selling tickets and plants, marshalling the car parks, and stewarding at the gardens on the day; one of our committee members, Su, who grew most of the plants for our stall; our main sponsor, The Vineries Garden Centre, our other supporters, and

those who donated raffle prizes. On behalf of the Committee and Bookham Community Association, thanks to everyone involved who worked so hard to make the day so enjoyable and successful, and gave so freely of their time.

Diane and Steve Poole



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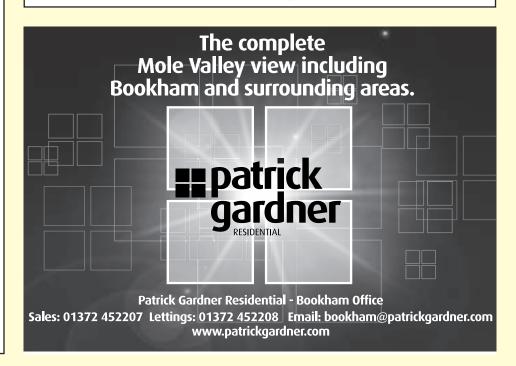
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The Bookhams Youth Project is flourishing thanks to the hard work of Oli Bell and his team. The Monday and Friday sessions are very well attended by a mix of young people.

Other youth organisations continue to use the large amount of space that is available, together with much improved supplementary facilities. This allows the groups using the facility a large degree of flexibility in activities in a spacious environment.

It is used by other youth and young adult groups such as Disability Challengers, Barnardos, and St. Nicolas Church. All of these groups run Clubs in the evenings, and Disability Challengers use the centre during the holidays. Other groups use the facilities on an ad hoc basis.

The Action Theatre, for 4 to 7 year olds, is proving very successful. The theatre runs on Wednesday afternoon to early evening. For more information, please contact by email at elizabeth_crawford@me.com or by telephone at 01372 200162.

Discussions continue to be held with Surrey County Council and Mole Valley District Council to replace the existing building with a new community facility, but this will take the building beyond the current lease which is due to expire in 2019. The plan is to extend the lease for another period to allow time for the longer term solution to be implemented.

During term time, Smarty Pants Preschool use the centre and can be contacted by calling the centre during term time hours or on their website at http://www.smartypantspreschool.co.uk.

The centre is used by other members of the community for leisure activities, such as U3A and fitness classes, using the Sports and Social halls.

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We have had very positive comments from people who have used the Centre as a party venue, such as for a 50th Birthday with a band, etc. There is seating for 100 people, and cutlery and plates can be provided for a small additional charge. We also have decorative chain lights to brighten things up!

The Event Rate (6-11pm) is £100 for Friday and Saturday, and £80 on Sundays and Bank Holidays. This includes private parking on the hard court at the back of the Centre.

If you would like more information on the centre and the activities that take place here, please visit our website at www.bookhamyouth.org.uk or contact our volunteer Booking Manager, Ellen Thomas by telephone at 01372 458019. You can also reach us by email at ellenthomas@hotmail.co.uk, or bookhamyouth@o2.co.uk. If you feel that you could offer a bit of time as a volunteer and would like to contribute to a vital part of our community, please contact David Cox by telephone at 07825 354763.

David Cox



Bookham Afternoon Bridge Club

We had another great turnout for Bookham Village Week Bridge Drive on the 19th June 2017, which is one of our biggest calendar events during Bookham Village Week. Despite the soaring temperatures, 86 club members and visitors came to the lunch and bridge at the Old Barn Hall still decorated in line with the 'Space Age' theme. Everyone was good natured and friendly throughout the day and the event was highly successful.

The two-course lunch was provided by our local caterer, 'Home Cooking by Elizabeth', and there was also a choice of wine or soft drinks over lunch. Neil Higgins devised an amusing and, in parts, challenging guiz which kept

everyone hard at work while they enjoyed lunch. The raffles was expertly run by Geraldine Brock and both members and estate agents on the local high street were generous in their donation of raffle prizes. We all played duplicate bridge in the afternoon with tea and biscuits at the halfway stage, with prizes for the highest scores.

We raised over £825.00 for the Bookham Community Association, which maintains the splendid facilities at the Old Barn Hall, an invaluable asset to the community. Michael Herbert on behalf of the BCA, thanked the club committee, and everyone else who gave so generously in time, effort, donations, and

prizes.

Bookham Afternoon Bridge Club continues to thrive with our bridge sessions on Monday and Thursday afternoons at the Old Barn Hall in Bookham. We usually have in excess of 19 tables, and visitors are always welcome. We aim to be a friendly club with a warm and pleasant atmosphere. Our website http://www.bridgewebs.com/bookhamaftern oon/ is always up-to-date with the latest news and events, and has a wealth of information about the club for both members and visitors.

Lawrence Penney

Bookham Stamp Club

In June, we had another Member's Day, with the usual varied material. Starting with Barry Stephens with the Norfolk Island, Tony Burbidge with Sarr, John Jordan showed Antigua, and Denis Littlewort with his 1960s Thematics brought the talks to a close. In the second half, we had Derek Weston showing Coleman's Mustard, Michael Cope with Out of Congo, and finally Graham Mytton with Iraq/Liberia and Zambia.

In May, we had our AGM and John Dicker was appointed our new Chairman for the second time! Our Secretary, Barry Feltham was made an Honourable member, and the Norman Frost Salver went to Michael Boatman. We had a marvellous display in May, when Jean Alexander brought her 'Social Philately' collection of 'Supermarket Philately'. And entertained us, she did!

Jean explained that the collection almost started by accident, when one day in the late 1970s she was on her weekly shop when she spotted a tin of Heinz soup with a promotional offer of a GB presentation pack, which you could obtain in exchange for eight soup labels. She quickly snapped up the required number of tins and after stripping off the labels, duly sent off for the offered stamps. It was only later that she realised she now had several tins of 'something' (the contents of which she knew not), and that for some time dinnertime was a surprise as she never really knew what was in the suspect tins!

From this first promotion many soon followed, for example Kellogg's Corn Flakes offered a FDC, SMASH Instant Potato promotion was a 50p postal order, whilst Cadburys Chocolate Fingers sent you a free book of stamps. There seemed to be quite an interest amongst manufacturers to include some form of philatelic material in their promotional offers, and Jean made sure during the 1980s and 1990s the she never missed one. Even the family pet had to join in as, in exchange for 35 tokens from tins of Kattomeat, you could obtain a free booklet of 1st Class stamps.

The second part of the display concentrated more on special offers and promotions purchased from the biggest retailers including ASDA, M&S, Boots, WH Smiths, and Royal Mail itself. There were even promotional booklets containing 'scratch covers' for the 1996 Olympic Games. However, Jean never knew if she had won any of the free prizes on offer, including a free trip to the Games, as she didn't want to ruin the booklets by 'scratching' the cover to reveal the prize!

Not only did Jean show the 'freebies' she had obtained, all beautifully mounted and written up, but she brought along much of the packaging displaying the original promotional offers, drawing each one from her many 'shopping baskets' as she explained each of the promotions, along with many amusing anecdotes!

Our next few meetings will be held on Tuesday 22nd August 2017, with a talk on the Cayman Islands from Graham Booth; Tuesday 26th September 2017, with Barry Feltham discussing the Victorian Postal Stationery Postcards, and Simon McArthur talking on the Third Reich State Labour Service and the Strength Through Joy Sea Cruises; Tuesday 24 October 2017, Chris Harman will discuss Modern Postal History 1936; and Tuesday 28th November 2017, Simon Richards will talk of Dominica.



Bookham Stamp Club meets every fourth Tuesday of the month (except for December) at the Old Barn Hall in Bookham. Our popular Trading Tables open at 1:30pm, with displays commencing at 2:15pm. Our programme includes visits from an impressive list of visiting speakers, members displays, and Auctions that are held three times a year. We also have a packet exchange through which members can buy and sell stamps. We are interested in purchasing unwanted collections, so if you are thinking of selling or in need of advice concerning your collection, please contact our Trading Secretary, David Bravery on 01372 452537. We are reputable locally, and are prepared to offer very competitive prices. If you are new to stamp collecting, or want to rekindle and old hobby, please come along to one of our meetings. You will be warmly welcomed by our 60 plus members that attend each meeting. To find out more information, please contact our Membership Secretary, Fred Mitchell by telephone at 01372 374614, or visit our website at www.bookhamstampclub.com

Barry Feltham

Bookham Recorded Music Club

On Thursday, 23rd March 2017, our guest presenter was Peter Conway with a talk on 'Vladimir Ashkenazy - A Celebration for his 80th Year'. Before he moved to the West in 1963, he travelled extensively around Russia giving concerts as a pianist. When he arrived in England, he was immediately signed up by DECCA and was loyal to them for 50 years. Peter's first choice was "Two Pieces", from the ballet "Romeo and Juliet", arranged on the piano by Prokofiev. In 1972, Ashkenazy and Daniel Barenboim played the "Concerto for 2 Pianos" at the Kingway Hall; composed by Mozart for himself and his sister. Ashkenazy recorded Chopin's "Barcarolle in F sharp minor" in 1967 at the DECCA Studios, and in 1972 Ashkenazy conducted "Festival Overture" by Shostakovich who composed the piece in 1947. However, it was repressed until Stalin's death and not played until 1954 to commemorate the 37th anniversary of the October Revolution. Ashkenazy recorded three youthful preludes by Rachmaninoff in 1974, at All Saints Church in Petersham, and to end the evening, Peter selected the 2nd and 3rd

movements from Chopin's Piano Concerto No. 1 which was recorded in 1997 where Ashkenazy was both soloist and conductor.

Lore Graham's programme, entitled 'A Musical Potpourri', consisted of water themes. Offenbach's 'Barcarolle' in "The Tales of Hoffman" is an imitation of Gondola songs. Mendelssohn wrote his "Overture The Hebrides - Fingal's Cave" after his visit to Scotland in 1829. "Sea Fever" words by John Masefield and music by John Ireland was followed by Respighi's "The Foundations of Rome" representing different times of day. Herb Brown wrote the music for the film "Singing in the Rain" and Lore played the number danced by Gene Kelly waving his umbrella and splashing in the puddles. Smetana's "Ma Vlast" depicts the course of the river from the hills of South Bohemia before surging into Prague. In Schubert's "Die Forelle", the trout enjoys swimming in the water before he is caught when the fisherman muddies the water. 'The Aquarium' from "The Carnival of the Animals" was chosen by Lore as her last piece as

it depicted her watery theme so well.

My own programme, on the 27th April 2017, was entitled "Through the Night with Radio 3", and I praised the wonderful station which produces such a wealth of classical music. My first choice were the 3 movements from Mozart's "Concerto for Flute & Harp K299". Rachmaninov composed an unaccompanied choral work 'Liturgy of Saint John Chrysostom', "Praise the Lord from Heaven", followed by the 1st movement of Brahms 3rd Symphony. Butterworth's "Banks of Green Willow" was followed by 2 piano works by Faure, "Nocturne No. 7" and "Barcarolle No. 6" were played by Vlado Perlemuter who was 90 at the time of the recording. Next, the 2nd movement of Schubert's String Quartet in C major, and I concluded with Beethoven's "Moonlight Sonata".

If you are interested in joining the Bookham Recorded Music Club, please contact Mary by telephone at 01483 283507, or by email at lyncombe@btinternet.com

Mary Brooks

Polesden Lacey Infant School

If there is one thing that Polesden Lacey Infant School excels at, it is shining a light on the many things that make our world so wonderful. This was the focus last term, as the children took part in 'Wonderful World Week', which was comprised of a whole range of activities enabling the children to discover and learn new skills through games and activities from around the world. A musical and productive time was spent by all, creating a variety of instruments from a huge selection of recyclable materials. The children were able to participate in a 'Singing Afternoon' led by the very talented and imaginative, Judith Royal, from Surrey Arts. And where there was music, there was undoubtedly movement in the form of a lively Bollywood dance!

A wonderful world needs wonderful people to care for it, and during 'Waste Week', the children learned about the problems caused by rubbish and waste. Specifically, ways of reducing unnecessary amounts of packaging when purchasing household items or food. Their 'Pledge to the Planet' resulted in many ideas such as, using soap bars instead of liquid soap,

buying loose fruit and vegetables, and buying tinned food in separate cans rather than joined ones with extra packaging.

The children undertook some wonderful gardening projects, creating a herb wall from old guttering and planting strawberry plants in the cut off tops of plastic bottles. The children in the Badger class even had the chance to care for chicks as they hatched from their in-class incubator. These fluffy little friends felt right at home, and were welcome additions to the Year 2 class!

Further use of recycling occurred as the children collected bottles to be transformed into rocket backpacks, enabling them to blast their way down the high street on Bookham Village Daydestination, PLANET POLESDEN! This year's Space Age theme had both astronauts and constellations reaching for the stars to claim a very fitting star-shaped runner-up trophy!

And as a very fitting testament to what stars and eco-ambassadors the pupils of Polesden Lacey Infant School are, they have just won the Green Schools Sustainability Award for their sustained





eco-awareness. The integral cycle of events such as 'Fairtrade Week', 'Waste Week', 'Birdwatching Week', and fortnightly Forest School within the school's curriculum, eco-sustainability is at the forefront of our principles. The school plays a hugely formative role in educating children about the importance and impact of our actions on the future. With such a creative and inspiring curriculum, eco-awareness has become second nature to the pupils. It is a wonderful world in which we live, and the children of Polesden Lacey Infant School are the shining lights!

Julie Welby



Bookham Bowling Club

On Saturday the 17th of May, the current President of the Bookham Bowling Club, Tessa Davis, held her final 'Presidents Day' after four wonderful years in office. It was an excellent day, and a chance to get out in the sunshine and have some fun.

The day was filled with many friendly competitions, and many members turned out for the event. Not only did Tessa arrange the entire event of bowling for the club, but she had also supplied a much needed feast afterwards in the clubhouse for the club members in attendance.

Our president was presented with a 'bucket' of beautiful live flowers, with much thanks from the many grateful club members.



The Club was founded in 1933 following an Agreement, dated 11th February 1933, between Bookham Social Service Bureau and Alfred Longhurst, a local landscape gardener, to execute and complete a Bowling Green in Great Bookham Recreation Ground for a total cost which was not to exceed £200. The Contractor handed over the completed Green in a condition which was ready for play on 5th June 1933. Since 1935 the Club has been open to men and women bowlers and there is an extensive programme of Men's, Ladies and Mixed friendly matches against other Clubs, as well as many Club competitions. The Club enters teams in several National and Surrey County Competitions and Tournaments. On Tuesday and Thursday afternoons, as well as Friday evenings, members can enjoy social "Club bowling afternoons".

We are one of the larger Clubs in Surrey with a current Playing membership of 67 men and 54 Ladies, together with a further 63 Social (non-playing) members. In addition to the summer outdoor bowls season we have a Short Mat indoor section which meets in the Old Barn

Hall on Monday evenings during the winter. Weekly Whist and social events take place in the Pavilion. New members are always welcome and we offer a comprehensive programme of coaching for both new bowlers and those who wish to brush up their skills. For more information please visit our website at http://www.bookhambowls.co.uk/ or contact us by telephone at 01372 456280.

Richard Sealy



Bookham Butterflies WI



Bookham Butterflies WI have been enjoying a busy few months of community events, outings, and activities arranged by our various special groups. All of this, on top of a very interesting schedule of speakers at our monthly meetings.

In May, assisted by West Horsley WI, we managed to raise more than £700 at a charity coffee morning at the St. Nicolas Pastoral Centre. The event was held in aid of Cherry Trees, a local care home which provide respite care for children and young people with disabilities. Once again, our members did themselves proud, cooking up a huge array of cakes, biscuits, scones, and traybakes. Our fundraising total was also helped by the proceeds from a raffle, with prizes kindly donated by local businesses, including Nomad Theatre, Fine Fettle, Squires Coffee Shop, Plantpassion, Ken Davey Butcher, and Brackenbury Hardware.

Our baking skills were once again called upon during Bookham Village Day, as we made sure that visitors to the Old Barn Hall were suitably revived with tea, cold drinks, and homemade cake. We also served cream teas featuring delicious scones made by residents at The Grange. We were delighted to run the refreshments stall on Village Day again - it was wonderful to be part of such a fantastic community event.

Later during Village Week, we also had a lot of fun taking part in the Village Week Quiz, with our team finishing 12th. We need to brush up our knowledge of Surrey a little!

We have enjoyed a busy schedule of trips, coordinated brilliantly by our Events Organiser, Linda Rockett. On a very hot Saturday in June, twenty members of the Butterflies, including guests, visited the Hogs Back Brewery near Farnham for a tour and tasting session! We tasted four different beers, as well as a lager, and cider. Samples were very generous, and we were all very grateful for our designated drivers Gillian and Margaret.

A group of Butterflies visited Shakespeare's Globe Theatre in London for an excellent behind-the-scenes tour. We had a riverside lunch before taking in the afternoon performance of 'Romeo and Juliet', which was a very modern interpretation of Shakespeare's famous play. Another group of Butterflies got crafty with a visit to the Jo Downs Glass Workshop in Ripley.

Recent speakers at our monthly meetings, have included Helen Bullen, owner of Fine Fettle, who gave a talk about the 'History of Osteopathy'; Rhoda Nevins, who gave us a very interesting talk on her 'Adventures in Embroidery', which included working on the Duchess of Cambridge's wedding dress; and Ashley Mills, who runs Daisy First Aid,



providing first aid courses for people who work with children.

Between monthly meetings, we also have a number of very active groups - walking, cinema, theatre, book groups, a Supper Club, a Ladies Who Lunch group, Mah jong group, and Exploring Gardens group. Our Ladies Who Lunch recently dined at the RAC Club in Epsom. Our Exploring Gardens group have visited a number of beautiful gardens, including Ramster Garden in Chiddingfold, Vann Garden near Hambledon, and Ashleigh Grange in Westhumble.

For more information about our WI, please visit our website at www.bookhambutterflieswi.com or our Facebook page, Bookham Butterflies WI.

Jen McAllister



Quilters Guild of the British Isles

Unfortunately due to circumstances beyond our control, Surrey Regional Day on 23rd September 2017 has had to be cancelled. However Surrey Regional Day in 2018 is already booked for Saturday, 22nd September 2018 at the Old Barn Hall in Bookham. Jenny Rayment will be one of the featured speakers. Further information will be in the Bookham Bulletin for March 2018 with booking details and more information on the event.

The Quilters Guild is an educational charity

aiming to offer ways of learning about patchwork and quilting for beginners with a keen interest of any age. For the past two years, a small group of dedicated volunteers have offered 'taster courses' at the Old Barn Hall in Bookham, for people who have little to no experience with quilting or patchwork. Over 30 people have taken part in these three week taster courses and some have now moved on to learn more advanced skills in quiltmaking. These courses are a wonderful introduction to quilting and patchwork, and

provide a foundation of skills that become invaluable to anyone who is new to the craft.

The Guild also offers affiliation to quilt groups who meet in halls, or wish to host exhibitions with help insuring these events. For more information about the organisation and what we offer patchworkers and quilters, please visit The Quilters Guild of the British Isles website at www.quiltersguild.org.uk.

Jan Godding

Bookham Choral Society

The members of Bookham Choral Society are now enjoying their summer break after a very busy and most successful year of singing.

In April, the choir competed in the annual Leith Hill Music Festival and were thrilled to be awarded the highest aggregate score after winning the awards for the Ladies' Song, The Song for Lower Voices, and the Madrigal. It was the result of a lot of hard work by choir members under the leadership of our very talented Musical Director, Christopher Hann. We will have to see whether we can emulate this achievement next year.

Our annual summer concert was held on Saturday 8th July in St. Nicolas Church in Bookham. It featured a modern version of the Latin Mass set to jazz rhythms. 'Mass in Blue' was a challenge to learn, but really enjoyable to perform and we hope that our audience also appreciated the music. The choir also sang more traditional anthems by John Ireland and Samuel Wesley, as well as the famous 'Hear my Prayer' by Mendelssohn with the mesmerising air; 'Oh for the Wings of a Dove'. We were accompanied by Anthony Merryweather on the organ and our soloist, Grace Carter, sang some really lovely pieces by





Charles Stanford.

The new term starts on Tuesday, 5th September 2017. As ever, we welcome anyone who loves singing. We rehearse weekly in the Eastwick Church Hall at 7:45pm, so please come along if you are interested. Male voices are particularly welcome! Our autumn term will be spent rehearsing for our November concert, when we will be singing the very well-loved 'Faure's Requiem' and 'Requiem for an Angel' by Paul Carr. The choir will be accompanied by an orchestra and the concert will be held on 25th November 2017, at Manor House School, Bookham. For more information, please visit our website at www.bookhamchoralsociety.co.uk

Cheryl Mendham

Soundbytes Choir



Forty ladies had a wonderful day singing a variety of songs in three-part harmonies as a one-off choir called "The Summer Songbirds" led by Hazel Hannam, in the beautiful hall and grounds of Manor House School, in Bookham on Saturday 24th June 2017. Meredith White accompanied the choir on the piano, and our conductor Mary Bourne, who helped the popup choir to learn their new and familiar pieces.

All enjoyed a sumptuous lunch together in the gardens of the school before returning to

singing some shorter rounds, and a hilarious "Pop Mash-Up" of songs previously sung by Michael Jackson, Ed Sheeran, and The Rag n' Bone Man! There was a group photo taken in front of the main Manor House School building, to commemorate such a fantastic day of song!

Hazel Hannam is the Choral Director of local choirs Soundbytes, Songworks, Bookham Belles WI Decibelles, and Headley Court Choirs. For more information please email Hazel at info@hazelhannam.co.uk, or contact her by telephone at 01372 278016.

Soundbytes Choir have free end of term concerts in Leatherhead to which anyone and everyone is welcome to attend. These concerts have raised over £15, 000 for a variety of local charities from the retiring collections. Please visit our website at http://www.hazelhannam.co.uk for more information.

Claire Thomas and Hazel Hannam



Bus Stop Preschool



Another lovely term has flown by, and we are somehow almost at the end of the school year - how did that happen?

Once again, we have had a fantastic fun filled term and the children have really enjoyed their topics.

We started this term with 'Kings and Queens'. This was a great start as the children always love dressing up in the vast amount of clothing we have; they also made their own swords, shields, and cloaks. Julie did a special 'royal' music and movement class, where the children listened to some suitably regal sounding music and practiced their royal waves. Later on, they all had cucumber sandwiches and a glass of our finest blackcurrant squash at our special 'Royal Tea Party'!

As usual, we have been out and about lots on the Polesden Lacey estate. The start of the term was particularly lovely as there were so many lambs for the children to go and see.

This is the last term of the year, so it's the one where we take all the children out to visit the



local schools which is of particular importance to all our school leavers, but still enjoyable for all. This year, we went to Polesden Lacey, The Dawnay, and Eastwick and yet again, the children all behaved beautifully. Quite a lot of our children have older siblings already at school, so it was great that they got to see them in their classrooms as well as snatching a sneaky hug or two! We also set up a school role play area at preschool, so the children could play at being at school and were all very good at taking turns to be the teacher and ring the school bell.

In addition to our school theme, we spent a couple of weeks preparing for the Bookham Village Day Parade, in which we were runners up this year - hooray! The theme was 'Space Age', so the children dressed up as astronauts and wore the special rocket pack they had made. They all looked amazing and we had a wonderful turnout, so a big thanks to everyone who turned up and supported us.

The following week, we were back at Garsons for our annual strawberry picking trip. The children loved picking (and eating) their own



strawberries, and afterwards we had a picnic and a play which was a lovely way to finish the morning.

Lastly, we are still fundraising towards our target of £1, 500 for Epsom Hospital Children and Maternity Unit and will be doing a sponsored 'Bus Stop Toddle' in July. Please sponsor one of our children if you can!

For more information on Bus Stop Pre-School, please contact Kate and Kelly by email at busstoppreschool@aol.co.uk, or by telephone at 01372 879712.

Abby Haran



Jo Jingles Music & Movement Classes



We have had a fantastic summer term 2017 at Jo Jingles, and Jo is now looking forward to welcoming lots of new children as well as familiar faces back to our classes for the autumn term at the beginning of September. Covering topics such as the Olympics, Around the Garden, and The Farm, as well as celebrations including Halloween and Christmas, we are in for a lot of musical fun!

Jo Jingles Epsom2Leatherhead are fun, educational classes run by Viv Hunt, who has more than 11 years experience teaching informal and friendly age specific sessions in a safe and secure environment. Classes run locally at Fetcham Village Hall on Monday mornings,

and all new children are offered a free trial class. With educational themes and a wide variety of musical instruments, these sessions introduce preschool children to routine and structure.

"A child is more confident, usually speaks early and gains an early grasp of the rules of communication if started early in clapping games, group activities, and musical games." says Dr. Miriam Stoppard, Child Psychologist.

This philosophy is at the core of Jo Jingles, and has helped to establish it as the UK's leading provider of music and singing classes for children aged from 3 months up to 5 years old. More than 15,000 children around the country now enjoy our interactive and educational approach to musical learning on a weekly basis.

Jo Jingles classes are targeted at specific age groups, and teach children a better understanding of music. By exposing a child to music from an early age, they can benefit from a better understanding of language, numeracy, concentration and listening skills, self-

confidence, independence, physical coordination, and social skills. For the earlier ages, this includes exposure to rhythm, tempo, pitch, and timbre. In the older classes, we use a fun game based approach and teach children about all of the various styles of music and instruments. Our extensive range of music has been developed in consultation with professional music and educational specialists, including Eileen Diamond. Our programmes include exclusive material, produced and presented by Brian Cant (Playdays), and the BBCs Jonathan Cohen.

Above all, music is fun and should be enjoyed as a part of our daily lives. For further information, please visit our website at www.jojingles.com/epsom2leatherhead. To find out more about Jo Jingles classes available in your area, or to book a party, please contact Viv Hunt by telephone at 07751 438943, or by email at vivhjojingles@aol.com

Vivienne Hunt

The Dawnay School

Each year for the past eight years, The Dawnay School Choir, along with the choir of St. Theresa's School, has supported Seafarers UK by accompanying The Royal Marines Band at a charity concert in Dorking Halls.

There are many benefits of taking part in this event. First, our children have the opportunity to see first-hand an amazing band perform less than three-metres away from where they are sat; indeed, a band that usually perform in front of the Queen, with all the accompanying pomp and ceremony! Seeing the renowned corps of drums at such close quarters, is a highly memorable experience and one that very few will have the opportunity to witness in a lifetime. In addition to the concert, the children also visited the Naval Base in Fareham to rehearse, which was itself an exciting event.

Second, as a learning experience, children have the opportunity to understand more about Seafarers UK, which is a charity that has been helping people in the maritime community by providing vital support to seafarers in need, including their families. This year is particularly important for the charity, as it was their centenary. As a result, our choir joined the band in singing 'Happy Birthday', a

sample of which will be posted on Seafarers UK website in due course.

A further benefit of the choir is their involvement in the singing of traditional hymns such as 'Jerusalem', learning and singing The National Anthem, and joining in with uplifting patriotic songs, such as 'Land of Hope and Glory'.

This year's main piece for our choirs to sing with the band was a compilation of Disney

songs, which was so good that the Band Leader requested this as the finale. Of course, the Disney theme appealed to all the children and they sung with great enthusiasm, having had to learn the words to a very long piece!

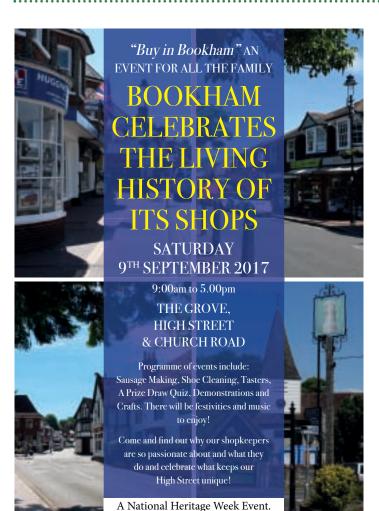
The opening of the new Care Home in Bookham was a great opportunity for our school to forge further links within the community. On Thursday 6th July 2017, we sang at the opening ceremony of Gracewell of Bookham, the new local care home in Little Bookham. The Dawnay was really happy to be involved and to work in partnership with this



home. Once again, it gives our children insight into ways in which they can help and involve themselves in aspects of local life. We hope to have a successful future partnership with this care home, as we know how important it is for members of the older generation to maintain links with their younger counterparts.

Long may singing reign at The Dawnay, thanks to our Music Teacher, Mrs. Teresa Wood with the support of Mrs. Helen Webb, and all The Dawnay staff, who readily encourage all our musical events - Team Dawnay at its best!

Gail Hard



RETAILING IN BOOKHAM VILLAGE CENTRE

by Tony Matthews

for the Bookham Retail and Business Association

A joy of living in Bookham is the small scale, informality and community-based atmosphere of its shopping centre. Big enough to serve our daily needs, small enough to ensure familiarity whenever we enter any premises.

Although much has changed over the past century, the shape of the High Street and Church Road remains much the same. Back in 1939 the pubs post office, a bakery, a grocery, a sweetshop, a ladies' outfitter and until this year a bank, were all located exactly where they remain today. Still further back in 1911, the pubs were already there and the High Street also offered a bakery, grocer, fishmonger, laundry and some other small businesses while Church Street - as it then was - had a grocery and a butcher's shop with a slaughterhouse at the rear.

More properties were then residential rather than strictly retail but by the time World War 2 began, other retail businesses in the two roads included men's and ladies' outfitters, hairdresser, barber, estate agents, drapery chemist, butchers, additional confectioners, shoe repairer, hardware and grocery stores, fishmonger, optician, newsagent, dairy, and dealers in coal and corn among others.

Lower Shott and its car park, now a treasured extension of the High Street, has only existed since the old Leatherhead Urban District Council bought the Bookham Grove estate in 1947 and built council housing with a small number of shops on what had been the front garden of the old house. Today's shops there complement the village's other small businesses and help to ensure the continuing pleasure and convenience of life in Bookham for all residents.

Learn more about our local history by dropping into the Wishing Well ir the High Street which sells books published by the Leatherhead & District Local History Society or visit the Leatherhead Museum at Hampton Cottage. Church Street, Leatherhead.

Transition Bookham



It's been a busy spring and early summer for Transition Bookham. In April, the Country Market kindly allowed us to have an information table on a Friday morning, where we caught up with some familiar faces and met some new ones. We also held another popular 'Make-do and Mend' evening in April.

Events in June were like buses, with several arriving in quick succession. We held a plant swap at the beginning of June, which featured a wide variety of wildlife-friendly, medicinal, and unusual edible specimens and raised money for some much needed funds.

On the Friday evening before Bookham Village

Day, we co-hosted a talk by environmentalist, Dr. Karen Shragg, in Dorking called 'Guildford Population Matters'. The following day, we had our usual stall in the Harrison Room at Bookham Village Day and had some interesting conversations about all matters environmental. Did you know that you can look up items on www.recycleforsurrey.org.uk to check whether or not and where you can recycle them? You can also download a free app from their website.

Our plant swap venue was one of the Open Gardens and welcomed 225 visitors, whom have hopefully take away plenty of ideas for making their own garden wildlife-friendly and extending their range of edible plants. Finally, on the hottest day of the year in June, we held an evening gardening session at the St. Nicolas Pastoral Centre. We have been letting the garden mature over the last couple of years, but will be organising some sessions starting in the autumn to redevelop one or two areas.

Our autumn programme of open meetings will commence on Wednesday, 20th September 2017 from 7:30pm at the St. Nicolas Pastoral Centre, to explore the possibility of setting up a repair cafe locally.

Remaining open meeting dates this year are pencilled in for the 18th October 2017, and the 15th November 2017: check our website or local noticeboards nearer the time.

It may seem a bit early to start planning for the festive season, but we have booked Saturday 28th October 2017, for our Annual Christmas Car upcycling day. This will take place in the St. Nicolas Pastoral Centre from 10:00am until 12:30pm, and 1:00pm until 3:30pm. The cost is £2.50 per session, or £1 to drop in and make one card. No booking required, and materials are provided with the option to purchase more on the day.

If you are interested in joining in any of our events, or have suggestions for future activities and open meetings, please contact us by email at transitionbookham@gmail.com. You can find out more about us on our website at www.transitionbookham.org.uk, like and follow TransitionBookham on Facebook, and follow us on Twitter @ttbookham. We send out regular email newsletters with information about our events and other items of interest please contact us to sign up for our mailing list.

Win Magyar

Eastwick WI



Eastwick WI members spent the months leading up to Bookham Village Day knitting Clangers, the charming little creatures from the Cbeebies Programme of the same name, who live a little blue planet far, far away. The Eastwick versions vied for position on our customary cake stall and helped to raise more than £360 for the Bookham Community Association!

Three days later, we were already back in action running the 'Village Week Quiz Night', having been the winners last year. With rounds

as varied as 'Victoria', 'Wimbledon', and 'Saints', we taxed the brains of members of the eighteen Bookham organisations that took part.

The following day, we celebrated our 47th Birthday with a buffet supper brought by the members. We were entertained at our tables by magician, James Phelan.

At the regular monthly Eastwick WI meetings, we have increased our membership to 110 in an attempt to reduce our waiting list. The meetings are busy with a speaker, a raffle, and usually some other attraction to interest us. Speakers booked for the comings months will talk about Guildford Cathedral, Tibet, and hats - quite a variety!

The special groups have been out and about, with the Camera Group visiting Guildford Castle Gardens at tulip time, and Oakhurst Cottage near Godalming, so small that only six people were allowed in at a time. The Garden Group went to see the orchids at Wisley, and have visited each other's gardens as well.

Eastwick WI meets on the third Wednesday of

every month (except August) from 7:30pm at St. Mary's Annexe, The Ridgeway, Fetcham. Visitors are always welcome to attend our meetings. If you would like to find out more about this busy WI, please potter through our website at www.eastwickwi.btck.co.uk

Sally Dampney



Howard Of Effingham School

The end of the 2016-2017 sports season is again upon us. The Howard started and finished the year as the leading school in Surrey, top of the school sports league for a 2nd consecutive year. Another successful campaign that brought us national, regional, county, and district winning teams and individuals. This year, we have had great success in national competitions in rugby union, rugby league, skiing, indoor rowing,



judo, trampolining, netball, underwater hockey, swimming, gymnastics, basketball, hockey, and kickboxing. Many of our students have either won national awards or have been part of a very successful England or Great Britain team that have achieved great success.

The end of the season sports awards celebrations evening in July, showcased our strength in sporting prowess and club numbers, with over 470 attending the two evenings. The camaraderie developed between the students is something that cannot be taken away from them and is so important for their development through their early adult years. Our top award winners this year include, Oli Hudson (World Kickboxing Champion and Harlequins Rugby Academy), Sean Hunt (Surrey Cricket success including 139 v Whitgift School), Tali Gibbons (National Hockey success and outstanding performances in the European Tournament), Jocelyn Cosmatos (SE of England Gold Medallist in Swimming and success at the National Finals), Romy Morris and Tom Burnett



(GCSE PE students of the year), Georgie Tacon (GCSE dance student of the year), and Thomas Hughes (Sprint athlete selected to run in front of 80, 000 at the Anniversary Games at the Olympic Stadium).

The Howard looks forward to showing prospective Y7 parents around our school during September, or seeing you at our Open Evening on Thursday, 12 October 2017, from 5:00pm until 8:00pm.

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Mr. S. Birkett

Bookham Wine Club

Regeneration was the focus of Angela Bawtree's presentation on Spanish wines at the club's April meeting. Spain is the home to a whopping 600 indigenous grape varieties, of which approximately 100 are used by commercial winemakers. In recent years, some of these indigenous varieties have been enjoying a resurgence and Angela had selected 6 wines, all produced by familyowned vineyards, for us to taste. The first wine of the evening, a Godello, proved to be so popular it was voted our 'White Wine of the Month'. The Godello grape was close to extinction in Galicia but, following its recent revival, now offers a great alternative to the more expensive Albarino. The last wine of the evening, Mas La Mola 2011, originating from the Catalan Priorat region, was a real treat. After falling into disrepair, the vineyards of this region have been restored and are known for their prestigious wines.

Members enjoyed a very different tasting

format in May, when Keith Grainger returned to present 'Vine to Bottle'. Keith, an experienced wine educator, provided us with a highly educational evening comparing wine producing methods with respect to taste, quality, and price. Amongst many interesting points during the course of the presentation, we learned that temperature matters! White wines produced from grapes grown in a hotter climate, vield a soft, round and full flavour. A cooler fermentation results in more fragrant aromas, whereas a warmer fermentation leads to a creamier finish. However, despite successfully demonstrating how different production methods can influence the end product, Keith maintained that location (of the vineyard) is still key to the best wines.

It was the committee members turn to 'have a go' in June with their presentation, 'A Fortified Festival'. As the title suggests, this was an evening dedicated to a selection of wines which included an en rama (straight from the

cask) sherry, two different Madeiras, two types of Port (one white and one pink), and a Marsala. With three presenters and carefully selected nibbles to accompany each fortified wine, the evening was an ambitious and alternative wine tasting, but nonetheless very successful and enjoyable.

In July there was a talk called 'Languedoc's Best' by Heather Dougherty; In August, there will be a talk led by owner, Nick Wenman on 'Albury Vineyard'; and in September, there will be one called 'New from Croatia' by Mislav Kapetanovic.

If you enjoy wine and are interested to learn more about , please drop us an email at membership@bookhamwineclub.org.uk. We'd be happy to welcome you at one of our future meetings.

Frances A. Sanders

South Bookham SPACE

Creation Station were running an arts & crafts workshop and competition on the South Bookham SPACE stand at Bookham Village Day and the winner was chosen by a panel of judges from the BCA, Look Local and Sam McDonald of Creation Station:

A photograph of Peter Weaver's (aged 2)winning masterpiece is attached. He wins a free three hour party hour at SPACE and a half-price Creation Station Arty Party.



Great Bookham Belles WI

The Great Bookham Belles WI were thrilled to win first prize yet again for 'Best Dressed Stall'. Following the 'Space Age' theme, some of our members dressed as Space Cadets complete with rocket powered backpacks to sell decorated Jupiter Jars full of sweets and toys. Our stall was decked out with planetary lanterns and extraterrestrial balloons, and even Princess Leia visited the stall to join in on the fun!

April's meeting saw speaker and author, Melanie Gow, talk about life, and how to live it through the story of walking for 33 exceptional days with her two sons (aged 12 and 16) over the Pyrenees and across Spain for over 800km to Santiago de Compostela. A walk that didn't so much change them, but gently unwrapped them. Entertaining and articulate about her unassuming, gently lifechanging stroll, Melanie was an inspiration to us by sharing her story of parenting, passion, and personal transformation.

April was also when the Belles had their annual



fundraiser, 'Grease Sing-a-long', for our chosen charity The Grange. Over 150 members and guests turned up dressed for the occasion with a number of Pink Ladies, a few Sandys and even a couple of Dannys! The evening was a great success and as well as everyone having lots of fun, we managed to raise over £900. Together with the money raised from other fundraising throughout the year, the Belles were able to present a cheque to Sally Lines (OBE, CEO of the Grange) for over £1, 100 during our May meeting. The Grange even organised a tour of their facilities and gave us a presentation on the history of the Grange.

We also managed to fit in a trip to Highclere Castle in April. The magnificent castle where both 'Downton Abbey' and 'Jeeves and Wooster' were filmed. Set in a 5000 acre estate in Hampshire, members had ample opportunity to view the striking castle grounds and interior.

In May, we were invited to the very first coffee morning and craft sale held by the Dames at HMP Downview, and what a delightful morning it was. The crafts for sale were just wonderful and over refreshments we were able to chat with the women in the Dames about our experiences within the WI and offer support to our new colleagues. Their warm hospitality left us in awe of their creativity and passion shown by the new Dames.

Guest speaker, Adrienne Dines, braved the heat and attended our June meeting speaking on 'Creative Writing'. Her talk was highly informative and thoroughly amusing. Armed with props and practical examples, Adrienne took us through the world and structure of

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creative writing, illustrating that different genres of novels all have the same format and her/heroine characteristics. She took us from romance novels to crime thrillers, where our hero/heroine has markedly different characteristics. She kept our members entertained throughout, littering her speech with hilarious memories of life growing up in a convent school. We cannot wait for her to come again!

We were delighted to be offered the opportunity to set up a 'Walking Netball' group recently under the fantastic and experienced coaching of England Netball approved coach and Dawnay Sports teacher, Linda Scrase. Every Tuesday evening at The Dawnay School, the Belles have been practicing and playing their hearts out. The club aims to continue on into the autumn/winter and will move to an indoor venue. We would love to have new members join, if you are interested in joining please contact us by email contactbelleswi@gmail.com.

Sallie Jenns

Rainbow Playgroup



As I sit writing this article, the sun is shining, the happiness and the community spirit of Village Day has enjoyably come and gone. Rainbow Playgroup together with Bookham Baptist Church are delighted to welcome Heidi Watson into her new role of permanent manager. Heidi has been deputy manager of

Rainbow for two years, during which she has been responsible for planning the curriculum, acting as co-ordinator for children with special needs, as well as doing a tremendous job in supporting the manager. Heidi's work, along with the efforts of Sharon Wilson, Katie Dunscombe, Tracey Pratt, Sarah Elford, and the rest of the staff team, was key in Rainbow Playgroup achieving an outstanding grade in their Ofsted inspection last year.

Heidi will have a new deputy manager working alongside her. Tracey Pratt, who has been working at Rainbow for a number of years, will be doing this job from the beginning of the autumn term. Heidi and Tracey have lots of ideas to continue to develop Rainbow's good practice, and we are

looking forward to the year ahead!

Rainbow Playgroup work very closely with Bookham Baptist Church's Children's Centre to provide education, care, and support for families in the village. We are very grateful for the support that the church and its members provide us with.

Rainbow Playgroup meet each weekday morning in the light and airy church hall, and offer education for children aged 2 - 5 years of age. If you are interested in arranging a visit, please contact Heidi Watson by telephone at 01372 811313. We would be delighted to show you around and share our exciting, well researched approach to early years education.

Rachael Underwood

Eastwick Schools

With a long and well-deserved summer holiday approaching, the children from Eastwick Schools can look back on a busy and inspiring term filled with exciting events. The 2017 summer term saw all the traditional summer activities such as the Summer Fair, Sports Day, BBQ, swimming lessons, and the Summer Ball. However, there have also been more uncommon experience which were just as enjoyable, including our visit from a royal python!

The Year 1 classes enjoyed the very popular topic of 'Animals and Habitats', and received a visit from Zoo4You, where they got to meet a meerkat, a bearded dragon, and a royal python to name a few. The children were amazed at being able to get so close to the animals, and proudly brought home photos to demonstrate their bravery. As well as being a great experience, it gave the children the inspiration for some brilliant work in literacy, geography, and science. No doubt parents and carers could witness the results at the 'Celebration of Work Evening'.

The Junior Sports Day was, as always, a fun event. With weeks of training leading up to the big day, parents were encouraged to come and support the children. Many braved the English June weather, lined up along the

running lane to watch disciplines spanning from skipping to relay. The Junior School was divided into four houses, and the camaraderie and encouragement displayed amongst the children was extraordinary. This year, we had a very close race between Pasteur and Curie, with Pasteur coming out on top. No doubt Infant Sports Day will be equally entertaining!

With a hardworking and well-supported Eastwick Friends Committee, the Summer Fair seems to get bigger and better every year. Every corner of the school grounds were utilised this year to make room for some of the latest initiatives, including car boot sales, Miss Myles book corner, a 20-metre climbing wall, and collective prize stalls. Parents, teachers, and older students helped to run over 20 different games and trade stalls, including bouncy castles, and displays in the main area. For the hungry, there was everything from the most delicious Middle Eastern cuisine to blue candyfloss!

In 2016, parents from Eastwick Schools launched a campaign called SOS (Save our Swimming pool) which raised a very impressive £20, 000! Some of the money was raised through parent donations and grants, but Bookham local businesses proved very generous as well in showing their support. As

a result, a new pumping system was installed and the required work completed in time for the summer term 2016. Again this summer, the children have been enjoying weekly swimming lessons, so much appreciation must be given to the joint effort of the campaign, the school, and the benefactors. Finally, the carers and parent helpers who are bringing the children to and from the pool deserve a big thank you for their continuous help and support.

We are a hard federation of Eastwick Infant School and Eastwick Junior School within The Howard Partnership Trust (a multi-academy trust). Whilst we are two separate schools, we live as one school delivering a singular vision of An Eastwick Education: Ready for Everything. If you are interested in more information about our schools, please visit our website at www.eastwickschools.uk. For inquiries about the infant school, please call us by telephone at 01372 453672 or email us at infantinfo@eastwickschools.net. For inquiries about the junior school, please call us by telephone at 01372 453277 or email us at juniorinfo@eastwickschools.net.

Mie Thiede-Coombe

The Dawnay Playgroup



As yet another busy term draws towards a close before the summer holiday, the Dawnay Playgroup a hive buzzing with activity! Bookham Village Day was a terrific success, and the children thoroughly enjoyed crafting and creating their aptly themed 'Space Age' costumes. Everyone did extremely well on what turned out to be an exceedingly hot day.

Meanwhile back at the playgroup, we are still hard at work developing what will be our fabulous new natural play area. Choosing a lovely, sunny corner of the garden, we have been planting seeds and decorating the logs in our fairy ring. This will be such a wonderful opportunity for the children to really witness nature in action as they will be able to see how

things grow and change over the course of the summer period.

At the end of term, we also had our annual Sports Day event, one of the calendar highlights of the Dawnay year. Our budding athletes had been practicing running, jumping, and bean bag balancing for what seems like ages in preparation for the big day. We suspect some parents and carers were secretly preparing themselves as well!

Finally, we hosted our 'School Readiness Sessions' for our school leavers this term. These sessions enable our leavers to experience a structured school day, more akin to the ones they will attend in the coming autumn. This involved things such as, getting changed in and out of their P.E. kits independently, ect. The entire experience for children and staff alike has been equal parts education and comedy! We wish all of our school leavers the best of luck and hope they have many wonderful new learning experiences in reception class!

Demelza Downes





Effingham Golf Club Juniors



On the 2nd July 2017, the Junior Club Championships were played in great conditions. The day included 45 young people from all the different junior golfing groups, from those starting out to the elite group of golfers playing in the Scratch Medal Competition. A variety of competitions were played.

The Junior Club Champion for 2017 is Ben Windsor, from Bookham, with a 3 over par 74. A great score! Ben was presented with his trophy by

the Lady Captain, Lindsey Penman. Marc Bignell, Tom Sutherland, and Lucas Townend, all from Bookham, won the individual 18 hole nett medal, 18 & 9 hole stableford competitions, respectively. At the end of the day, family members joined the young golfers for a BBQ and the Prize Giving, with over 120 in attendance.

Effingham Golf Club boasts a thriving Junior Section (up to 18 years old) of boys and girls, providing a progressive programme from new starter to accomplished player. Why not find out more about playing golf at Effingham in 2017?

If you are either a complete novice or interested in just giving golf a go, the club is keen to help you with its Junior Golf Development Scheme. The club is keen to extend the opportunity of Junior membership to existing young golfers in the local area. Much of the coaching is subsided by the Club, so as to make it affordable for all. As well as regular

monthly competitions, there are also interclub matches. There is no joining fee for a new Junior member, but there is a modest annual subscription of £100 (under 13s) and £205 (13-18s).

Some young and aspiring golfers may either not have an official handicap, or may not be quite up to the standard for immediate Junior Membership with the playing rights it provides. However, this is not a problem as these can be addressed by the Junior Organisers in a number of practical ways that meet the individual's situation.

You can find out more about joining Junior Golf by contacting our Head PGA Professional, James Gunning by email at jgunning@effinghamgolfclub.com, or by telephone at 01372 452203 (golf inquiries - pro shop).

David Cox

Bookham Country Market



Country Markets are a national organisation run on cooperative lines and this spirit of cooperation has been much to the fore of late at Bookham Country Market. In order to move our publicity forward, it was agreed that a Facebook Page was required to widen the links with the community. Diane Poole, a Market customer, kindly offered to set up a page for us and introduce this intriguing method of communication. It really has been an eyeopener and quite fun posting photos, videos, and news of weekly activities. Hearing news from other markets around the country, waiting to see how many people are reached, and the number of 'likes' that built up were all equally fascinating. Lisa Beeley, market member, has also helped increase our knowledge in this area.



In fact, the last time Lisa came round to offer advice, she showed us the website she had created for the Market. It was obvious that an enormous amount of time went into researching web-building techniques, and the Market Committee is indebted to her for providing another 'string' to our publicity bow! Lisa will update and maintain the site to keep it fresh and vibrant, so hopefully you can take a look and see what our Market is all about. We are also developing a Twitter account with her assistance for future use, so watch this space.

In June, after a spell of great activity within the village, all our Market members put much of their efforts into supporting Fetcham Festival, Bookham Village Day, and Open Gardens Day. Fetcham Festival was a first, and Peter Almond (Market Chairman) took this on ably assisted by Lita Raynor, Christine Wheatland, Stevie Carter, and Trudie Allibone. Apart from high winds, (which presented a few gazebo issues) it was a successful occasion with children enjoying the 'Lucky Dip' and pottery colouring. The following Saturday was Bookham Village Day, on one of the hottest weekends for years. The gazebo was put up and the stall was assembled. The picnic basket raffle prize consisted of preserves, bakes, eggs, cards, and pottery, which was delivered to the delighted winner on Commonside. Visitors also enjoyed free chipolatas kindly donated by Conisbees, and were able to buy free-range eggs donated by Collaroy Farm in Newdigate. Open Gardens Day on the Sunday, seemed even hotter than ever as a craft stall was set up in the Old Barn Hall. Garden visitors were able to browse excellent handcrafted goods after some



welcome refreshment.

Everyone involved at Bookham Country Market is a volunteer. There is a great deal involved in producing the goods we see and the Market wouldn't function without the setting up of the hall, taking down, and organising behind-thescenes that is done every Friday morning. With this in mind, the Annual Helper's Lunch took place in May as a thank you to those who help with these tasks on Friday mornings. Long may we continue to thrive; our customers enjoy the warm welcome they receive, the opportunity to buy local, and meet friends for coffee, cake, and a chat. Bookham Country Market runs every Friday morning from 10:15am until 11:30am in the Old Barn Hall. Refreshments are available and free parking is provided. For more information, or to find out how to get involved, visit website please our www.bookhamcountrymarket.co.uk or our Facebook Page BookhamCountryMarkets.

Ann Tomlinson

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The Grange



This year has absolutely flown by, and what an amazing few months we have had! In the spring, we were more than delighted to welcome our patron, Joanna Lumley OBE, as guest of honour at our Grand Opening event which officially marked the completion of the 'Lifting Expectations' Project. The project involved an almost complete refurbishment of our Victorian Main House, making it fully accessible to everyone for the first time in its history, thanks to the installation of a lift, levelling of the floors upstairs, and widening of the corridors. Joanna spent time meeting and charming everyone, visiting all the different departments, before unveiling two plaques acknowledging the Trusts, Foundations, Companies, and Individuals whose grants and donations made the project possible, and to whom we are truly grateful.

Hot on the heels of the Grand Opening, came a superb art exhibition at Denbies Wine Estate. Over 500 people came to view the work of the Grange Artists and many of the 126 paintings, prints, and collages were sold over the course of the week. The Grange's Senior Creative Textile Tutor, Helen Hughes said, "we have had some wonderful comments in our visitor's book, so

many people found it inspiring". Once again, the Creative Arts and Textiles department welcomed members of the public to view more of their works as part of the Surrey Artists Open Studios event, which The Grange takes part in every year. If you haven't been before, it is well worth a visit, so pop it in your diary for June next year.

A special thank you to the following two wonderful organisations for choosing to support The Grange as their chosen charity for the past year.

The Bookham Belles WI rounded off their year with a talk by our CEO, Sally Lines, in the Victorian Ballroom, followed by tea and cakes. Sally was both surprised and absolutely delighted when Amanda Edge, President of the Belles, presented her with a cheque for £963 bringing their total support for the year up to over £1, 100, which is fantastic and very much appreciated.

In May, The Rotary Club of Bookham and Horsley organised a sell out musical fundraising event 'Songs from the Shows', featuring Sir Richard Stilgoe, who is also a patron of The Grange. He, along with the Orpheus Alumni, opened the show which also featured the talented Guildford School of Acting Singers. The show was a high energy, toe tapping treat, which showcased some incredible talent. The President, Terry Driscoll, presented Sally Lines with a cheque for a phenomenal £2, 500 raised from the event, which was in addition to the £1, 700 raised from the brunch event back in November. Our grateful thanks from everyone at the Grange for such amazing support and generosity.

Continuing the same theme, we would also like to thank the Co-op in Bookham High Street for



raising a staggering £2, 386 through their Local Community Fund Scheme, which will go towards our Sound and Light Project. The Manager, Matt and his team have chosen to continue supporting us as their chosen charity going forward, which is really great. They also generously provided us with flowers, so that one of our ladies can practice her floristry skills by creating centrepieces for our Simply Scones cafe.

We look forward to welcoming you to our Heritage Day on Saturday 9th September, from 11:00am until 3:00pm. For more information about The Grange and our work, please visit our website at www.grangecentre.org.uk.

Marion Chow



Mole Valley WI



Mole Valley WI members have enjoyed interesting and varied talks at many of the monthly meetings that have taken place this year.

Jane Muddle enlightened and enthralled us with her tales of Madagascar. As well as giving us a geography lesson, Jane fascinated us with stories of the people and their lives. She had a wonderful display of colourful bags and hats all made from raffia, which had been dyed using natural colours made from various roots.

Kate McBain, a development chef, talked with us about food allergies and intolerances, and even brought in a cake made with gluten-free flour for all of us to taste.

In addition to our monthly meetings, members meet to play bridge, Scrabble, and Mahjong. Some attend the popular gardening club, whilst others ramble in the Surrey countryside with the obligatory pub lunch en route!

Sue Wall, a member of the gardening club, won the Rose Bowl with her beautiful rose. Pam Gilbertson won the Anne Glynne Cup for craft, with her skillfully made trouser suit.

We are looking forward to our Annual Garden Party, which will be held in a member's garden, depending whether the weather stays kind.

Please come along to Fetcham Village Hall on every second Tuesday of the month for our



Mole Valley WI meetings. Meetings start at 7:45pm, so come and find out what we are all about! For more information, or if you are curious about joining, please visit our website at www.molevalleywi.btck.co.uk

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The Arts Society Bookham





Changes are afoot, and we don't just mean in the world of politics! It's all change at NADFAS. Bookham Decorative and Fine Arts Society had officially changed its name to 'The Arts Society'. On 17th May 2017, following a major national rebranding, The Arts Society has replaced the National Society for Decorative and Fine Arts as our operating name. After 50 years, the national committee felt the need to evolve to keep up with changing times and reach out to a greater number of people. Whilst the name has changed, the society remains the same.

After our usual summer break, lecture will resume in September. Kevin Karney reflects on his life interest in timekeeping and cosmology in 'How Time Has Been Told Through the Ages'. An engineer by profession, he charts how the use of time related devices have been used as history, fashion, and technology progress. October is AGM time, following John Iddon discussing 'Hockney at 80'...still working and inventing new ways of presenting art. The description of the Nativity in St. Luke's Gospel is brief, mentioning only the Holy Family, but by the 15th century, the story had been expanded to include animals, shepherds, midwives, and even contemporary portraits. In November, Shirley Smith will look at 'Picturing the Nativity: Painting by Numbers - 15th Century Artists Reinterpret the Scriptures'.

46 members had an enjoyable five-day tour of North Wales, staying in Llandudno. The sun shone every day, the sea sparkled, and the mountains of Snowdonia were clear and spectacular. During our tour, we explored Caernarfon Castle and stood on the site of

Prince Charles' inauguration as Prince of Wales, as well as visiting the National Slate Museum in Llanberis. On our outward and return journeys, we visited the atmospheric Moseley Old Hall in Staffordshire, where Charles II hid after the Battle of Worcester, and Packwood House near Warwick, which has an idealised Elizabethan and Jacobean interior created in the 1920s and 30s by its owner, Graham Baron Ash.

We are looking forward to our visit to Northern Italy, staying at Padova and visiting Venice, Verona, and exploring the Palladian villas in the hilltop town of Asolo. We will also tour Padova including Giotto's wonderful frescoes in the Cappella degli Scrovegni.

Our day visits included a Thames riverboat trip from Westminster Pier to Greenwich, viewing London's landmark buildings from the river and observing how the riverside has undergone a complete transformation in the last twenty years. At Greenwich, we toured the Queen's House. Inigo Jones was commissioned to design the building in 1616 by King James I's wife, Anne of Denmark. It is famous today for its extraordinary art

collection, including works by great masters such as Gainsborough, Reynolds, Turner, and Hogarth.

On a wonderful sunny day, we visited Brighton's Royal Pavilion, the spectacular seaside palace of the Prince Regent, who became King George IV. It was transformed by John Nash between 1815 and 1823 into one of the most dazzling and exotic buildings in the British Isles. We then went onto visit the Brighton Museum & Art Gallery, and many of us even found time to fit in a stroll along the sea.

We are keen to encourage new members to join us, so if you or anyone you know is interested please visit our website at http://bookham-dfas.org.uk for more information, and to request a membership form. If you get in touch with our Membership Secretary, Linda Tickner, you can also come along as a visitor to one of our meetings at a cost of £5.00. Anyone interested in joining will find us a very friendly group of people who will make them feel quite welcome.

John Cook



Bookham Help Your Neighbour Scheme

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access medical appointments. Most of our clients are elderly, many no longer able to drive. Some of our clients do not have friends or relatives living in close enough proximity to them to offer help.

At present, we have nearly a hundred volunteers! These wonderful people are tasked to man our mobile phone or to drive our clients to their appointments. They give as much time as they choose and are not obligated to any regular commitment. It is the

Duty Volunteer's responsibility to answer the calls we receive on our mobile phone. They will then phone around our team of volunteer drivers to fulfil the appointment.

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Polesden Lacey Playschool



It is hard to believe that we have reached the end of another school year! All of the children at playschool have flourished under the fantastic care of the playschool staff. The staff outdid themselves, creating fun and imaginative lessons that engaged all of the children. They have learnt so much, from exploring the world, looking at who is in our family, and food, to modes of transport. The educational start you give our children is beyond compare.

One of the highlights of this term, was our incredible 'Aliens in Underpants', who took part in the Bookham Village Day Parade. They proudly walked down the high street, singing their hearts out and waving underpants as they went. A huge thank you to everyone who took part, especially those who helped with costumes and organising the children.

Another highlight was our Annual Sports Day, where we celebrated the children's

achievements. The children demonstrated their sporting ability, team work skills, and exercised 'friendly competition'. The day was a complete success, with the children and their parents/carers going home extremely proud.

The older children have been discovering what it means to start 'big school'. We are very sad to see some of our amazing children leaving us for pastures new, but wish them all the best in their infant schools. You have been a credit to the playschool and your new schools are very lucky to have you join them.

We hope everyone has a relaxing and restful summer, and look forward to seeing everyone back for the beginning of autumn term.

If you would like more information about the playschool, would like to arrange a visit, or enquire about admissions, please call us by telephone at 01372 458145 (for general enquiries/admissions, leave a message if there is no answer), or 01372 453162 (during term-time, so brief conversations only). You can also email us at alison.s.roberts@btinternet.com, or visit our new school website at http://polesdenlaceyplays.wix.com/playschool.

Natasha Matthews

Armada Probus Club

A group of ten members have recently visited Strasbourg as part of a tour arranged with our MEP. After an early start on Monday morning, we travelled by coach, the ferry, crossing the Millpond Channel in fog to Calais. From there, after a long drive, we arrived at Reims for a visit to the Mumms Champagne House, where we were met by Victor Santana Lorenzo (our MEP), Dan Hannan's PA. We had an informative tour, followed by champagne tasting. From there, we travelled back to our hotel in the centre of Reims to visit the Cathedral

On Tuesday, we had a long journey to Strasbourg, arriving at the European Parliament in the afternoon to meet with Dan and for two MEPs to give us individual talks. Ole Christensen was from Denmark, and Jan Zahradil was from the Czech Republic. Molly Gurdon conducted us on a short tour of the building, and we also had the opportunity to listen to MEPs from Greece debating, with particular emphasis on their financial situation. We then left Strasbourg for our hotel in Obernai, a beautiful medieval town. In the evening, Dan had arranged for us all to have a meal at the Le Friberg restaurant where he and Victor mingled and chatted to us all.

On Wednesday, we joined Dan at the Parliament to listen to his views on Brexit, and for three of his colleagues, Emma McClarkin (Trade), Andrew Lewer (Regional Development), and Amjad Bashir (Foreign Affairs), to talk to us about their roles and approach to the change. All of them invited questions, which they answered and proved to be interesting and positive. Coincidentally, the debate taking place was related to Article 50 triggering Brexit. All of the MEPs had to be available for this vote.

In the afternoon, we had time in Strasbourg to visit the Cathedral, or go on a boat trip, and it was here that Victor left us as he joined Dan to fly out to another conference. Later, Steve (our driver) took us to meet Raphael Wach at his vineyard in Andlau, followed by another tasting session.

On Thursday, we had an 8-hour journey to Ypres, where we checked into our hotel and had the opportunity to join the Last Post at the Menin Gate, the Canadian Mounties were on duty as it was the 100th anniversary of the Battle at Vimy Ridge.

On Friday, we had a guide for our visit to war

graves, visiting a Yorkshire Regiment trench and dug-out, the German Langemark cemetery, and the British War Grave Tyne Cot at Passchendaele.

Everyone enjoyed the visit, which was very well organised, and we will not forget our excellent driver, Steve. At our regular monthly meetings, we had Jim Barnes give a talk on the 'Dam Busters' in March. In April, we welcomed Commodore Peter Swan, who regaled details of life on board the Royal Yacht Britannia. In May, we returned much closer to home with Kathy Atherton from the Dorking Museum. We are looking forward to a full programme of speakers and outing over the next few months, and our Ladies Buffet Lunch in August. If you are a retired professional, or businessman living in the Bookham, Dorking, and surrounding areas and fancy joining us, we meet at Tyrrells Wood Golf Club on the first Wednesday of every month to enjoy a twocourse lunch followed by a speaker. If you are interested in joining the club, please contact our club secretary, Peter Younghusband by email at peter.younghusband@virgin.net, or by telephone at 01372 459603.

Mike Farrell

Peter Pan Playschool

At the end of the summer term, Peter Pan Playschool not only said goodbye to the children moving on to school, but also to Paula Tearall who had been our Supervisor for the past 12 years. Prior to becoming Supervisor, Paula was a Pre-School Assistant with us, and before then, a member of the parent committee when her now grown-up children attended the playschool. She has been a constant at Peter Pan in the ever-changing world of Early Years for over 20 years.

Paula has done so much for so many people at the playschool and she will be sadly missed, but we feel confident that the strong staff team working with the parent committee (which have evolved under her tutelage) will ensure that Peter Pan Playschool and the children attending our setting continue to thrive.

The staff team remains a very experienced one, with a broad range of talents and interests and will be led by Louise Sutherland (introduced in the previous Bulletin for her fundraising efforts for Teenage Cancer Trust) and Valerie Botting, who have worked at Peter Pan for 11 and 5 years, respectively. Other staff members have been at Peter Pan from 1.5 years up to 17 years, and we recently welcomed two new staff members to ensure that we have a full staff team packed with skills and ideas as we move onto our new chapter.

During her time at Peter Pan, Paula led us through many Village Day parades, helping the children create costume accessories and proudly brandishing our banner. It is all too fitting that we won the Peter Hancock Trophy during her final year in 2017! We tried to think outside of the box for our 'Space Age' theme, and came up with Buzz Lightyear, the claw, and the toy aliens from the movie "Toy Story" - thankfully the judges had seen the movie, and liked our idea!

Peter Pan Playschool is a very friendly preschool located near the Eastwick Schools with an exceptionally experienced staff team and lovely, spacious indoor and outdoor facilities we are particularly proud of our garden! We currently have a few remaining spaces for 2 1/2 to 4 year olds available for September 2017 and January 2018, so please get in touch if you would like to know more. You can contact us by telephone at 07908 018924 or by our website at www.peterpanplayschool.co.uk. We also offer a limited number of places for Stay & Play, 9:45am - 11:15am on Fridays during



term time for 18 months to 4 years and their parents/carers for £2 per session. Places need to be booked by 9:00am on the day of the session by calling or texting the playschool mobile.

Louise Sutherland



Mole Valley Lacemakers

Our last meeting in May was very well attended and the tutor, Jen Best for the Dorset Buttons, was kept busy with fifteen students. The students were given instructions and put into practice on how to make three traditional Dorset buttons, and then finally on how to make a posy button, which they could later make into a brooch.

Lacemakers attended Village Day and put on a fantastic display of stars and other related items for the 'Space Age' theme, alongside a small display of items made by members over the course of the past year. We had interest in lacemaking from the entire age spectrum, who were encouraged to have a go on the 'Have a Go Lace Pillows'.

At our July meeting, we had a talk on Danish White Work by Anna Winters, who will be leading a 'Danish White Work' workshop for us later this year in October. If you are interested, please feel free to contact us for more details on our website below.

Forthcoming events include National Heritage Day and National Lacemaking Day on the 9th September 2017, our meeting will take place in St. Nicolas Church in Bookham where there will be an exhibition of works from 10:00am until 1:00pm. On the 30th September 2017, we are helping to run a charity event for the Grange Centre from 10:00am until 4:00pm. Tickets will be £5.00 per person, and the event will be centred around cake and lace, with many suppliers in attendance, the Grange lace on display, and a lace talk in the afternoon. All proceeds will go towards the new Heritage Room at the Grange.

In October, we will have a display of lace open for public viewing at the Dorking Library as a

part of their 'Arts Festival' on the 7th October 2017, from 10:00am until 2:00pm. This event presents a great opportunity for those interested in trying out this craft! As a part of this event, we have opened our November meeting at St. Mary's in Fetcham on the 11th November 2017, from 10:00am until 1:00pm. November will also mark our 34th birthday meeting, in which we will celebrate with birthday cake and afternoon tea.

As you can imagine, we have a busy few months ahead! This being said, new members and visitors are always most welcome. Please visit our website at www.surreycommunity.info/molevalleylace makers for more information and contact details.

Stephen and Tina Pedrick

National Trust Polesden Lacey



On Monday 22 May 2017, a vivacious new bloom called 'Rosa Margaret Greville' was launched at the RHS Chelsea Flower Show on the day of the Queen's attendance. The rose has been cultivated exclusively for the National Trust at Polesden Lacey.

Ellen Oakley, a costumed interpreter from Polesden Lacey, played the part of a young debutante Margaret Greville. She was presented with her namesake bloom at a champagne reception in celebration of coming out into high society for the very first time.

Ellen was dressed in a stunning yellow Edwardian evening gown. She also wore a fabulous replica of the Greville diamond tiara, a magnificent piece featuring a myriad of 2-carat diamonds in a honeycomb structure, master-crafted by Boucheron in 1921. The tiara, along with all the Greville jewels, was bequeathed to the Queen Mother in 1942. It has since been worn by the Queen Mother, Her Majesty the Queen, and Her Royal Highness the Duchess of Cornwall.

The Greville Rose, or Rosa 'Margaret Greville', has been cultivated exclusively for the National Trust at Polesden Lacey by rose specialist Peter Beales. Working closely with senior gardeners at Polesden Lacey, Beales took inspiration from the spirit of Polesden's benefactor, Margaret Greville, the Edwardian socialite who left the property to the National Trust in 1942.

'Margaret Greville' has delightful tight buds of deep coral pink that open beautifully into medium sized semi-double blooms of coral to salmon pink, which with age reveal a coronet of golden anthers. Borne in clusters amid dark green, healthy foliage, this lovely shrub is ideal for growing within a mixed border and due to its relaxed habit, and tolerance of poorer soil, can be grown successfully as a hedge or if preferred, within a tub as a cascading shrub. Growing to approximately 4ft (120cm) in height, and very free flowering, this is a lovely addition to the collection.

Mrs. Greville was renowned for rubbing shoulders with the Edwardian glitterati at house parties she threw at Polesden Lacey, her lavish countryside retreat. Fabulously wealthy, over the years she played hostess to countless famous faces, including King Edward VII, Winston Churchill, King George VI, and Queen Elizabeth the Queen Mother.

The Queen Mother herself described Maggie as being "so shrewd, so kind, so amusingly unkind, so sharp, such fun, so naughty", a fitting description for a socialite who kept an extra string of pearls tucked in her bosom to ensure she was never eclipsed by a rival!

The launch of the Greville Rose coincides with the 75th anniversary of Maggie's bequest to the National Trust, a landmark year for Polesden Lacey.

Polesden Lacey's Head Gardener, Jamie Harris said, "We've over 50 rose varieties in the garden here at Polesden, but Maggie's rose is something truly special. The vivid colours especially make this a fitting tribute to the woman who, 75 years ago, wanted everyone to enjoy the beauty of Polesden".

From mid-June, visitors can find the rose in bloom beside Mrs. Greville's grave in the Ladies Garden at Polesden Lacey. Keen gardeners can buy their own Greville rose in Polesden Lacey's gift shop for £18.50.

Camilla Morgan







National Auricula and Primula Society



This Spring was a funny old growing season...but then when isn't it, especially when it comes to English seasonal patterns? As usual, the members of the National Auricula

and Primula Society (Southern) held our three annual shows at the Old Barn Hall, in Bookham. First, on Saturday 11th March 2017, we hosted our 21st Early Primula Show. Our second event, the 49th Primula Show was held on Saturday 8th April, 2017. On Saturday 29th April, we held

our final show, the 133rd Auricula Show. All were open to both members of the society and members of the public.

Once again, there was a great turnout of exhibitors, and the number of new faces who attended was high in number. It was wonderful to meet so many other locals interested in what we had been up to!

Our final event of the year, will be the day-long Autumn Seminar, will be held October 7th, 2017 in the Harrison Room of the Old Barn Hall, from 10:45 with coffee! Our speaker in the afternoon will be Kit Strange, from Kew - fresh from plant-hunting in Iran! All are welcome to join us for the event.

More information, news, and contact details are available on the website at www.southernauriculaprimula.org. If you would like more information or have an inquiry regarding our society, please contact Lesley Roberts by telephone at 01725 511421.

Lesley Roberts



Meet the Makers

Millie Midgley, Portrait Artist



Millie has lived in Bookham her entire life. Since her youth, she has always been deeply drawn to art. Millie says "I have always loved drawing and painting...I drew my first face when I was 18 months old, and I haven't stopped drawing faces!" After working as a Portrait Artist for the past couple of years, she is now working at the Halcyon Gallery in Mayfair in their marketing department. Despite shifting her career path, Millie says "I will always paint portraits. It's a massive part of my life and I love it".

What first really brought art to the forefront, and as she denotes in her artist statement, 'Seeing comes before words. The child looks and recognises before it can speak.' (Berger, 1990) "The face is the first thing we recognise about someone. We are the sum of all the same features and as a portrait artist, I am

fascinated with how these are knitted together to make us individual." During her painting process, Millie says she aims for her paintings to be 'realistic', but not photographic, intentionally paying attention to the 'painterly effect'. "A painting slows down that viewing process by noticing individual brush strokes" says Midgley. What she truly loves about her work is the fact that every new portrait she paints is "something entirely different, I find that exciting and never boring."

From start to finish, some of her portraits can take up to two months, or longer. Millie states, "some days I can paint, and three hours has passed!" One of the largest challenges that a portrait artists face is that great paintings are all about the composition and pose. She says that "it can be difficult to start again once you have done a base layer, so I have to be certain of the composition before I start".

Millie Midgley was recently invited by Alistair Adams to exhibit one of her many portrait paintings in the Royal Society of Portrait Painters Annual Exhibition earlier this year. An incredible achievement for a budding artist. Millie states "It was a privilege to exhibit alongside so many incredible portrait artists." If you recognise her, it is also possible that you have seen Millie on Sky Arts Portrait Artist of the Year 2017, in which she appeared as a contestant. Midgley says that it was a "fantastic experience".



For anyone interested in art, or becoming an artist, Millie recommends to "read and research into all the masters; Rembrandt had some incredible techniques that have really improved my style. Experiment with lots of different styles to help refine your own. Never give up and keep practicing, if it is something you love, why stop?"

For more information on Millie Midgley and her portraiture, please visit her website at www.milliemidgley.com; Instagram at milliemidgleyart; Twitter @millie_midgley; and Facebook Page Milliemidgleyartist. For any further enquiries, please contact her by email at millie_midgley@hotmail.com.

Jennifer Terry

National Trust Bookham Commons



The appearance of "His Imperial Majesty", the purple emperor butterfly on 11th June at Mark Oak, Bookham Commons, sent the butterfly world into a bit of a frenzy...it is the earliest record since the long hot summer of 1893, and the second earliest sighting ever! Whilst this is a reflection of the recent hot weather, the not-so-good news is that it may well be another example of climate change and global warming. The good news is that this magnificent, elusive butterfly has emerged in good numbers this year. Our vision for the future is vital. Even though this butterfly has thrived for thousands of years without our

help, increased fragmentation of the countryside, demand for more roads and land for housing, our sensitive tree thinning has become of great importance to provide a succession of suitable willow trees for the equally impressive caterpillars of this "beast".

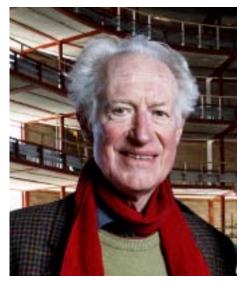
Many people struggle to catch a glimpse of this splendid, strong-flying creature, though we have a special insight as rangers. Because we spend a lot of time in the commons, we know where the butterflies are likely to be, which is usually near Mark Oak of Hundred Pound Bridge on sunny mornings. The butterflies like to land on smell, unsavoury, or salty things, such as road planings, animal dung, or even passing rangers! What the male emperors are after is salt, which they lose in the mating process and need to replenish. So, if you see one next year, come to the commons between 9:00am and 11:00 in the morning and perspire heavily! Oddly enough, only the males have the purple iridescence.

Another reason for the survival of this beauty, is due to the commons being saved by the locals and presented to the National Trust in 1923. It is thanks to our conservation volunteers, extra fundraising by the Friends of Bookham Commons, and to you for your continued support, that we can all enjoy this wonderful wildlife! For more information, please visit our websites at www.nationaltrust.org.uk/bookham-commons and http://bookhamcommons.org.uk/

Ian Swinney



Leatherhead & District Local History Society



Bamber Gascoigne, the original presenter of TV's University Challenge, will appear this autumn in the first joint project for many years between Leatherhead & District Local History Society and the Leatherhead Theatre.

Following extensive national media coverage, Bamber will be onstage at the Leatherhead Theatre on 17 November 2017, telling the extraordinary story of how Britain's newest opera house was born this summer in the grounds of his estate, West Horsley Place, near Bookham.

His talk on Grange Park Opera and the

centuries old estate he inherited three years ago on the death of his great aunt, will be the culmination of this year's season of talks and tours organised by the Local History Society, which also owns and manages Leatherhead Museum. Unusually, this will be a major fundraising event for all three bodies - the museum, theatre, and opera company - with tickets on sale from Leatherhead Theatre box office.

Bamber lived in Leatherhead in his youth, and later had a role in events leading to the opening of the newly created Thorndike Theatre (now the Leatherhead Theatre) back in 1969. At the time, the theatre enjoyed local authority support but today (like the museum and the new opera house) it has to be selffunding. Working in partnership makes a great deal of sense, especially for Leatherhead's two complementary cultural centres at each end of Church Street. An exhibition by Leatherhead Museum will be open at the theatre from Monday, 6 November 2017, until the pantomime season begins.

How Bamber's 50-room mansion, set in around 300 acres of glorious Surrey countryside, became home to the Grange Park Opera is a remarkable story. When his great aunt, the Duchess of Roxburghe, passed away in 2014 he had no idea it would happen. Only

in 2015 was he approached by the opera company looking for new premises. Not only did the company manage to raise most of its £10 million budget without any public subsidy, it also secured planning permission and completed construction of a four-tiered, 750 seat theatre modelled on La Scala, Milan in time for this summer's first night of Puccini's Tosca.

Tickets for Bamber's presentation at 8:00pm on Friday, 17 November 2017, are £10.50 per person and are available from Leatherhead Theatre box office. For more details, please call 01372 365141, or go to www.theleatherheadtheatre.org to book online. Booking fees apply.

The Local History Society's monthly talks normally take place at the Abraham Dixon Hall of the Leatherhead Institute every third Friday of the month from 7:30pm. Amongst many others, on 20 October 2017, Christ Stagg will talk about local popular musicians and recording in the 1950s. For more information about activities, please call 01372 386348, or email staff@lheadmuseum.plus.com. Leatherhead Museum at Hampton Cottage, 64 Church Street, is open every Thursday and Friday from 1:00pm until 4:00pm, and Saturday from 10:00am until 4:00pm.

Tony Matthews



Bookham Bookstall

Bookham Bookstall would like to extend its thanks to the many members of the Bookham Residents Association who assisted us this year. Whether it was collecting books, delivering books, setting up our pitch, or manning the stall, Bookham Bookstall would not have been possible without all of your time and effort. And also a big thank you to all who supported us by turning out and buying our books! It is a long day's work, but it was enjoyable, particularly with the fine weather we had this year!

To those who made queries regarding the craft books, we have collected a number of books which anyone is welcome to take a look at if they choose. Some time ago, whilst the Bookham Bookstall was running at the Old Barn Hall, someone registered their interest in books by Donna Leon. We are happy to announce that we are now carrying several, and anyone interested can inquire about the titles available.

Bookham Bookstall is run on the first Friday of

every month at the Old Barn Hall in Bookham. We are rapidly running low on storage space, and are currently in need of an alternative location. If you are able to assist us with a temporary storage space, garage, or the like, we would be very grateful. If you are interested in viewing these books, assisting with storage, or would like to know more information please call Tony Alsbury by telephone at 01372 456464 to arrange a viewing.

Tony Alsbury

The Rotary Club Of Bookham & Horsley



Rotary provides the opportunity to really make a difference within the community whilst enjoying our activities and friendships - and the past three months have fully met these goals!

At the end of May, a sell-out audience were treated to our 'Songs from the Shows' gala music evening at the Old Barn Hall in Bookham. The major beneficiary was the Grange in Bookham, our well-known centre supporting people with disabilities in the local community. Their delighted CEO, Sally Lines, was presented with a substantial cheque from the event proceeds by Club president, Terry

Driscoll. Over 200 guests were treated to memorable and emotional performances by a splendid double bill comprising Sir Richard Stilgoe & The Orpheus Alumni, followed by the extraordinary energy of the Guildford School of Acting Singers, with songs and dance from well-known musicals.

June events have seen a team of three Rotarians raise over £1,000 through a charity cycle ride in the Surrey Hills in aid of Rotary's 'End Polio Now' campaign, aimed at eliminating polio worldwide. This remains Rotary's highest profile international project, and has been funded by the organisation for several decades alongside the Gates Foundation, the UN, and others.

The Club was very active during Bookham Village Day recently, offering various games on its stand to raise funds for the BCA. One of the best moments of the day was presenting llana Kidd, winner of the 'Name the Orangutan' competition, with a new furry pet! We hear that llana and her new friend are inseparable, but why an orangutan should be called 'Tiger' remains a mystery! The competition prize was



donated by local charity Orangutan Appeal UK, founded by our Rotary member, Sue Sheward MBE, to preserve these wonderful but threatened animals and their forest habitat in Borneo. Please visit www.orangutanappeal.org.uk for more information.

We continue to support several annual Rotary competitions that encourage youth skills and confidence, including the Young Photographer event. Pupils at Eastwick School did very well in local heats and received certificates. The theme this year, 'Reflection', was creatively interpreted by all entrants, and judging was conducted by well-known local photographer, Steve Lewis.

Eastwick, alongside Raleigh, the Dawnay, and St. Lawrence Schools were all recent recipients of the Usborne Illustrated Dictionary 4 Life. This Rotary scheme, made possible with generous financial support from Henshaws Estate Agents, helps to develop autonomy and confidence in the learner through their ability to use a dictionary. The dictionaries encourage children to widen their vocabularies and improve their life chances.

Stand-out evening talks at our weekly Rotary meetings have included a look at the Galapagos Islands, and an insight into the life of a leading photo journalist - we have been well informed and entertained.

There is something for everyone at Rotary, whether as a club member, or as an occasional extra hand to support our events. Why not join us for a trial Club evening, or simply join our mailing list for occasional news and updates?

For more details about what's coming up, please visit our website at www.bookhamandhorsley.rotaryweb.org or contact our secretary, Mark Secker by telephone at 01372 458733 or email at mark.secker@outlook.com



Andrew Smith

Bookham Flower Club





Bookham Flower Club held their Biennial Floral Design Show entitled 'Spring Symphony' at the Old Bard Hall on Saturday 13th May, 2017. Upon entering the foyer of the hall, visitors were greeted with a charming display created by Sue Marshall showing nesting birds set among colourful tulips in a carefully constructed tree.

In the main hall, glorious colour was all around with exhibits from seven inter-societies in Surrey set in the centre, various other displays on the stage, and around the edge of the hall. Exhibitors had thought long and hard to interpret their chosen title with stunning flowers, clever mechanics and accessories. Colours ranged from palest pastels, through to colour harmony, onto vibrant reds and purples in the 'Razzmatazz' section displayed on the stage. There were 47 exhibitors within the 9 classes with opportunities for all, from the

hanging 'Free Fall' design, shoulder height 'Razzmatazz' on stage, to dainty miniatures.

The club extends thanks to all local traders and sponsors for their generous support to the show.

The exhibits were judged by Jackie Squance, who commented on the beautiful setting of the Old Barn Hall, the quality of the exhibits, particularly in the novice class. Trophies and awards were presented by show chairman, Vivienne Varley. Later in the evening, we welcomed guests Joan Cooper and Chris Brown to a very enjoyable Club supper in the Harrison Room at the Old Barn Hall.

Congratulations are in order to show chairman, Vivienne Varley, and her committee for the extensive planning that spanned several months which produced such a successful show.

Bookham Flower Club meets on the first Monday of the month (excluding Bank Holidays), from 2:15pm at the Old Barn Hall. There are trading and sales tables where



accessories for flower arranging, excellent cards, and stationery are available. A warm welcome is extended to visitors as well, who can come along and enjoy a relaxed, flower filled afternoon!

Jennifer Hurrell



Royal National Lifeboat Institution

The Royal National Lifeboat Institution has given an Excellence in Volunteering Award to Richard Bywaters, the Chairman of its fundraising branch in Bookham and Leatherhead. The award is an RNLI Large Tamar Class Crystal along with a letter of thanks from the Director of Community Lifesaving.

The letter states since being the founding chairman when the branch was relaunched in 2008, Richard has led the branch to achieve outstanding financial results whilst simultaneously creating an atmosphere where volunteers feel valued and relaxed. It denotes his support and encouragement of the development of the youth education work of the branch, and how his enthusiasm, attitude,

and forward thinking fully embody the RNLI values of being courageous, trustworthy, selfless, and dependable.

If you would like to join Richard and his volunteers in raising funds to save lives and develop the work of the branch in Bookham and Leatherhead, we would love to hear from you! There are current vacancies for Branch Secretary, Events Organiser, Box Secretary for Bookham Village, Website Manager, and Branch Volunteers. To find out more, please contact the current Branch Secretary, David Richmond-Coggan by email at david@rnli-leatherhead.org.uk

David Richmond-Coggan



Bookham Residents' Association



If the question was 'How many shops are there in Bookham?', it is possible that not many people would be able to guess the correct answer. That is one of the reasons why the Bookham Residents' Association, in association with Bookham Retail and Business Association, have produced a new reference map, featuring all of the retail outlets in Bookham. It is fully crossreferenced to guide people through the village, and is on display in the newly erected notice board in the car park a the back of the Royal Oak Pub/Co-op, next to the parking ticket machine.

The map give the details of the shops, their

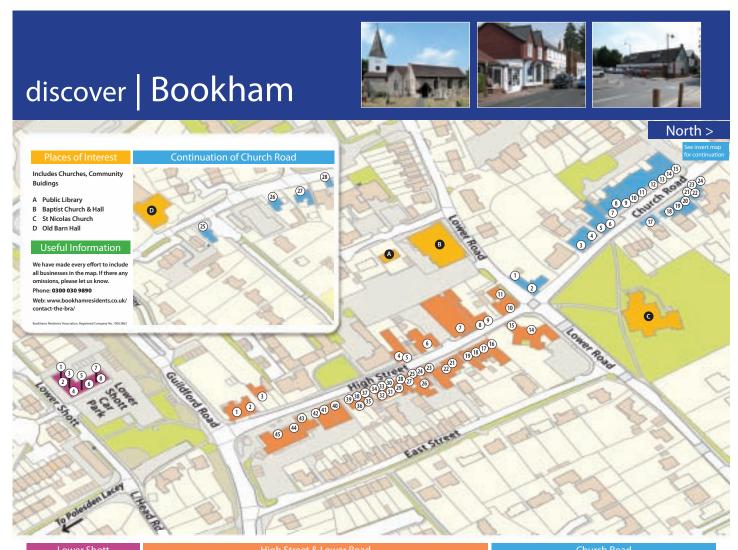
location, name, and main business. It is also designed to encourage shoppers to visit shops in Lower Shott and Church Road. Needless to say, it highlights the fact that we have such a vibrant, thriving village and emphasises the importance of supporting all of our wonderful local retailers.

On Sunday 4th June 2017, ten members of the Ahmadiyya Muslim Community came from Morden to Bookham to help members of the Bookhams Residents' Association in their regular monthly litter pick. Between them, they collected many bags of litter which were then separated into recyclable items and those that had to be sent to landfill. A spokesperson from the Ahmadiyya Muslim Community Group said that they were 'keen to put something back into the community',

and were 'anxious to foster good relations between themselves and non-Muslims'. Margaret Lawson, organiser of the litter picks, said 'the Bookham Residents' Association were delighted to welcome the group to Bookham, particularly after the recent tragic events in Manchester and London. Anything we can do to improve understanding between different religious groups has to be a good thing'.

If you would like to help keep our village clean and tidy, please join us on the first Sunday of the month at 11:00am, at Lower Shott Car Park. The sessions typically last for 90 minutes. Gloves, grabs, and high-vis tops will be provided, and all are welcome!

Ray Pritchard



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Bookham Seniors Computer Club



We were surprised and delighted when we learned that the Bookham Seniors Computer Club was awarded the best indoor display at Bookham Village Day! Thanks to Ian Brand and Brian Baker for their brilliant work on the display.

If you aren't familiar with The Bookham Seniors Computer Club, our goal is to offer help to those over 50 who want to keep up with the changes and determine sessions to offer based upon requests we receive. We continue to schedule sessions for those just getting started with digital technology, and sessions to help people who want to make the most of their computing devices. We also welcome experienced users who would be willing to assist with any of the sessions!

We meet every Friday morning at Little Bookham Village Hall, from 10:00am until 12:00pm. Our courses are fun and informative! We have already had courses on 'Using Windows 10', 'Spreadsheets', 'Getting the Most from Your Ipad', and 'Digital Photography' to name a few. The fees for all courses start at £5 per session to help with our expenses.

If you have a particular problem, or would like some help using a particular application, we also have a drop-in session on the first Wednesday of the month (except August). These sessions take place in Little Bookham Village Hall from 2:30pm until 4:30pm. No fee is charged, but donations are welcomed. Our first session after the summer break will be on the 5th September 2017.

Our Autumn Open Day will be on Friday, 15th September 2017, from 10:00am until 12:00pm in the Little Bookham Village Hall. We will have a short AGM, followed by a display and information about computer security and staying safe on the internet. Come along to our Open Day to find out exactly what is scheduled for the autumn term. There will be refreshments, time to talk to us about your interests, and sign up for the autumn term courses.

For more details, or to register an interest, please contact either Sue by telephone at 01372 454461, or Brian at 01372 450604. For those of you who are able to access the internet, visit our website at bscc.btck.co.uk, which has information about the club, and dates for courses in 2017. We also welcome experienced users who would be will to help at any of the sessions.

Sue Halford

The Downsmen



The Downsmen are an a cappella male voice barbershop chorus, and have a varied repertoire which we take to a great variety of venues. In the last year, we have taken part in choral festivals, crooned in care homes, livened up proceedings at wedding receptions, entertained the Rotary Club worthies, and have even appeared at the Bookham Village Day! Under the watchful eye of music director, Miguel Fernandes, we have expanded our vocal range and have all improved as singers.

Our rehearsals are great fun and always have

an undercurrent of camaraderie and friendly banter. We believe there are health benefits to lung function from all the singing, although this might be offset somewhat by the postrehearsal visits to the Edmund Tilney, in Leatherhead! What brings us back time and again us the buzz of being part of a close harmony sound, there is truly nothing like it!

If you would like to try singing in harmony, make a note in you diary of the upcoming session of The Downsmen's popular 'Learn to Sing' course, which commences on Wednesday 13th September, 2017, starting at

7:30pm. This course is run for six-weeks, and will be held in the Methodist Church, Church Road, Leatherhead.

If you are male, aged 21-85, and feel that you would like to give this club a go, please feel free to get in touch with Allan Scott by telephone at 0208 6428104. You never know where a single call will lead you!

David Bradbury





Leatherhead and District Twinning Association



Did you know that Bookham, along with Leatherhead, Ashtead, and Fetcham is twinned with a French town called Triel-sur-Seine? Triel is situated about 25 miles west of Paris, not far from St. Germain-en-Laye and is about the same size as Leatherhead. Our twinning is now in its 13th year!

To celebrate, this year on Thursday June 1st 2017, 31 members of the Leatherhead and District Twinning Association, aged from 6 to 96 years, set off for a weekend in Triel-sur-Seine. A healthy proportion of our travellers were Bookham residents, and we were very pleased to have Simon Ling, the current Chairman of Mole Valley and Bridget Kendrick, a Councillor for the North Leatherhead Ward join us on our weekend.

We stopped en route for lunch and a wander in Amiens, admiring the wonderful medieval cathedral and enjoying delightful canals.

We were warmly welcomed by our hosts and the Mayor of Triel with a glass of bubbly on arrival, and spent the evening with our host families. On Friday, we visited the beautiful and impressive Château de Vaux-le-Vicomte. Built in the 17th century by the visionary Nicolas Fouquet, Treasurer to Louis IX, the chateau was the model for Versailles and cost Nicolas his freedom. When Louis saw this magnificent building, he had Nicolas tried and thrown into prison for 19 years until his death in 1680.

Saturday morning found us at the local Fire Station, where the firemen have a link with our local Fire Station in Leatherhead. The intrepid French firemen have now cycled 3 times to visit their 'brothers in arms' in Leatherhead, a total of 450km for each journey. After a tour and inspection of their vehicles, we were treated to a bird's-eye view of the Eiffel Tower from the top of the extending ladder, which was a very long way up indeed!

Following a leisurely lunch in the town of St. Germain-en-Laye, we all gathered in a local restaurant on the banks of the Seine for a delicious evening meal and danced to a local band until 1:00am - exhausting, but great fun! On the return journey, we stopped in Le Touquet for a delicious lunch together and after a shopping trip to a wine warehouse, arrived back in Leatherhead on Sunday evening.

The Leatherhead and District Twinning Association are always happy to welcome new members. If you would like to find out more about the Leatherhead and District Twinning

Association, please visit our website at www.friendsoftriel.com, or contact Paula by telephone at 07767 833427. We're a friendly group who enjoy getting together (here or in France) to share our enjoyment of all things French, so do get in touch if you are interested.

Paula Hancock





Leatherhead Hockey Club



What makes Leatherhead Hockey Club special? Well, our people and a 'happy hockey' mentality! We are like your classic bag of pick 'n' mix, except only full of the good stuff. Our members range from the athletic and nimble, to the 'anyone fancy a pint?' Why should you give Leatherhead Hockey Club a go? We have weekly coached sessions that are included in your membership. You are always invited to post-match teas at our clubhouse. We have introductory offers for new members. Although we encourage members to attend training, there is no obligation to attend. So if you can't make a few weeks, don't panic! We have 6 teams - 3 Mens, 2 Ladies, and 1 Mixed. Did we mention that we are super friendly and sociable?

We are also the only hockey club to sit in the middle of Mole Valley, welcoming players from local towns such as Leatherhead, Dorking, Effingham, Bookham, Fetcham, and Cobham.

On Saturday 2nd September 2017, we have our Leatherhead Hockey Club Open Day and BBQ!

Let's start the season right, the day will kick off at 10:30am for meet and greet, followed by Hockey at 11:00am. The BBQ will take place at 12:30pm at the Club House in Oxshott Village Sports Club, Steels Lane, Oxshott, Surrey KT22 ORF. So grab your stick, and a sausage or two, and come and meet the Leatherhead hockey teams. All members, new or old, are welcome to join in on the day and we look forward to seeing many of you there!

For more information please visit our website at https://www.leatherheadhockeyclub.co.uk/. You can also contact Sue Ogden (Ladies) by telephone at 01306 884003, or by email at ladies@leatherheadhockeyclub.co.uk. Or Jon Elburn (Mens) by telephone at 07890 029711, or by email at mens@leatherheadhockeyclub.co.uk. For information about the Colts please call Liz Aeissame by telephone at 07803 261327, or by email at colts@leatherheadhockeyclub.co.uk

Megan Smith

Local History

The Silver Band A Century On

Kate Sayers (1902-1990) was the daughter of Charles Brewer, a cornet player and mainstay of the Leatherhead Silver Band which played a major role in local community life a century ago. Born in a tiny cottage on the day King Edward VII was crowned, she was interviewed in 1981 and can now be heard telling her story in the Leatherhead & District Local History Society's online oral histories archive at http://www.ldlhsarchive.co.uk

"My father took a great interest in the Leatherhead Brass Band. After work, he would always have a wash and tidy up, and have a meal and then go up into the bedroom and practice for at least an hour. He was taught to play any musical instrument when he was a tiny child. His father, with his children, used to play for all the church services around about Stony Stratford in Wiltshire. My grandfather used to pile his eight children and his wife into a wagon and would drive there and back after a long day's work on the farm, play their instruments until the early hours of the morning, and then return home, sometimes in pouring rain. Grandpa used to beat time with his long whip and woe betide any of the children or wife either who made a wrong note. He would flip the stinging end of his whip around their faces or hands. Home to bed and up again early in the morning to get the milking done. No wonder my father left home and walked from Salisbury to Surrey in search of another job!

All our life was centred around the Leatherhead Band. On the Sunday after the Titanic sank, a memorial service was arranged at the recreation ground in Kingston Road. All denominations attended and there were crowds of people there. The band played hymns from about three o'clock in the afternoon 'til

five o'clock. My father had to get the music out of the hymn books and write all the parts for the different instruments.

The band nearly collapsed during the 1914 war. Up 'til then, we used to look forward to New Year's Eve when all Leatherhead who could would congregate around the town clock. After the shops shut at eight o'clock, the square would gradually fill up. The band would start playing about 8:30pm. Nobody said anything. The folks knew there would be all the old fashioned dances - waltzes and two-steps. We had a wonderful view from our rooms over Lloyds Bank.

The band had its own acetylene lighting those dark nights. As the old clock struck midnight, everyone would stop dancing and join in singing Auld Lang Syne and other old songs until about one o'clock. Beer was drunk aplenty, but there were hardly any drunks and by 1:30am the street would be quiet. Nobody had any trouble or vandalism in those days. The band used to practice in the parish room in the Fairfield. The young boys would go on Mondays from seven 'til nine. My father would teach

them, and on Friday night from eight 'til ten, the older bandsmen used to practice.

After Whitsun, the band used to play every Wednesday evening from seven until ten in various gentlemen's gardens for charity at promenade concerts. My father would have his tea and get ready to walk to the different gentlemen's houses, where the lawns were like smooth billiard tables. The band would play from seven until 9:30 for dancing on the lawn. They were very well patronised. Folks used to look forward to their Wednesday evenings out and at the interval, we used to walk around the lovely gardens.

The bandsmen were not paid. They had long walks too after a day's work. Most of them worked 'til five o'clock and then were there to start playing at seven. Eventually the evenings would get darker and promenade concerts were over for another year. Then at the end of November, the band would start playing carols once a week for charity until Christmas Eve, when they would be playing in the street, the town clock to start, the Running Horse yard, the Duke's Head yard, and so on until the New Year."



The Meeting Place

In May, friends and supporters of The Meeting Place attended an Italian wine tasting fundraising event, which managed to raise £600! The tasting, which took place in Bookham Baptist Church, also took the form of a quiz in which guests were invited to match the description of a wine to its country of origin. Guests were also invited to guess the approximate price of the wines as well, and needless to say, a great time was had by all who attended!

Our next fundraising event will be our Annual Quiz Night on Saturday 18th, November 2017. Come and support an important local charity while having fun! Please see contact details

below for ticket information.

The Meeting Place is a charitable organization which pioneers and manages a number of 'hubs', which benefit the local community in the Bookham area.

The Community Hub and Cafe: Mondays, Fridays, and Saturdays 10:00am - 12:00pm in Bookham Baptist Church - Enjoy specialty coffees and cakes, whilst in a space for people to meet others and access support and information in a relaxed atmosphere. The Hub also provides the opportunity to buy children's clothing and toys, serving as an access point for information about partner organisations and

the support they offer locally. We can also help access a piece of equipment or a particular service in times of crisis from the Help Hub.

The Language Hub - provides language skills and practice opportunities for those who speak English as a second language.

For more information about our services, including links to free legal advice, Hearing Champions, and volunteer opportunities, please contact The Meeting Place by telephone at 07425 133431, visit our Facebook page TheMeetingPlaceBookham, or our website at http://themeetingplacebookham.webs.com

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www.bookhamcommunityassociation.org

Keep up to date with what is going on around the village.

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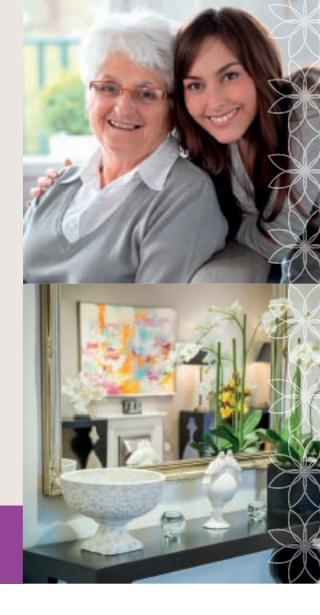
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