

Bookham's Bulletin



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Autumn 2019

Bookham flies on another great Village Day



Children in the parade and stallholders came up with some amazing outfits interpreting this year's theme 'Bookham Takes Flight'.

All kinds of insects, birds and lots of bees and even aircraft made their way down the High Street. Dawnay School took first prize in the schools group with their plane with folding wings, accompanied by children as pilots, crew and ground staff. Polesden Lacey Infant School's butterflies, dragonflies and ladybirds were runners-up.

From the pre-school groups Smarty Pants Pre-School were the winners and Rainbow Playgroup runners-up. A St Lawrence School pupil made an eye-catching outside bumble bee in the parade. The excellent costumes of all 13 groups made judging a very hard task.

The colourful parade led by Jason Wright's vintage Austin 7 with Brian White's Jazz Band behind made its way to the Old Barn Hall field in Church Road. The Steelonium Steel Band also provided music all the way.

On the field judging was also difficult with so many attractively decorated stalls. Bookham WIs swept the board with Great Bookham Belles aviation stall and Bookham Bees' bees, flowers and hive stall chosen joint winners for best dressed stalls.

In the busy main hall Bookham Butterflies WI took first prize for their refreshment area beautifully decorated with butterflies, insects and flowers, and tables were also decorated. Their big band of volunteers provided a non-stop refreshment service including many mouth-watering cakes. Runners-up were Bookham Camera Club with a wonderful display of wildlife photos.

Following prize presentations and displays by schools in the main arena events were kept swinging along by MC David Evans in his trademark Union Jack jacket. Henfold Birds of Prey supported by Elio's barbers and Di Carlo's hair salon, treated the crowds to two thrilling displays. They included a hawk and a falcon,

the windy afternoon and overflying crows causing a few interruptions but made for more excitement. Other birds including tawny, barn and wood owls were also on show in the static display.

Refreshments, including burgers and hot dogs and lunches and teas in the hall, did a roaring trade, as did the open-air bar where a selection of local real ales were served. The many attractions on the field included a climbing wall, provided by Churches Together of Bookham, which attracted lots of youngsters.

Action Theatre performed, and the wide range of music included singer Natalie Goodacre and her trio, Band from the Pub and Brian White's Magna Jazz Band. Steel band groups played in the Calypso Corner.

The Vineries Garden Centre were the main sponsors of the day, which raises funds for Bookham Community Association to keep the Old Barn Hall running and produce the quarterly Bookham Bulletins.

This was another great community day for Bookham, bringing together so many people from the village. We have to thank the many local organisations, businesses and individuals for supporting us and making the event such a success.

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Letter from the Editor

It's that time of year again. The promise of warmth and sunshine has lifted the spirits of many a Bookham resident who was beginning to lose faith in the cruel cold that was spring. And boy, was it warm! Like a signal of a new beginning, I love nothing more than to throw open the windows and doors, filling the house to the brim with the cool damp of the summer evening. It feels a bit cathartic...even liberating.



Bookham Village Day was yet again a soaring success! The day began with a parade of thirteen groups of pre-school children, parents and carers in tow, dressed in all the variations of flight that one could conceive: birds, bees, butterflies and ladybirds were abundant...even some dragons made into the fringe! The troops marched diligently down to the field behind the Old Barn Hall to enjoy a fun family event, with cool refreshments, and lovely food waiting to greet them all. Truly a brave effort by all! As per usual, the turnout was at another all time high, and the event would not have been possible without the many volunteers who gave up their free time to help. Thank you to all of you for once again creating a wonderful experience for all in attendance, and for consistently improving from one event to the next!

As aforementioned in previous editions, in our pursuit to create a better balance between articles and advertising we have created an advertising campaign. We are exceedingly fortunate to have so many activities in the Bookhams and receive a great many articles, which is truly what makes the Bookhams Bulletin such a wonderful read. As the publication is published and financially supported by the Bookham Community Association, we have come to the conclusion that in the future, we will only accept articles from Affiliated Organisations and community organisations such as local schools, etc. Items from commercial organisations will only be accepted as advertisements. There are many significant benefits of affiliation and we have already had a very positive response. For more information or queries about becoming affiliated, please contact Keith Slark by telephone at 01372 457375, or by email at keithslark@tiscali.co.uk. With the new affiliation, new life has been breathed into the Bookhams Bulletin. We cannot begin to tell you all what it means to have contributors who are just as passionate as we are, and we thank you all!

The Bookhams Bulletin would not have been possible without the amazing support system that is our team. Much thanks to every individual who contributes time out of their busy schedules to help create this wonderful publication. To the contributors, thank you for your consistency and dedication. 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, and I am truly humbled by the experience.

For the latest edition of the Bookhams Bulletin and more information, please visit our website at www.bookhamcommunityassociation.org.

If you have any suggestions, questions, or if you are interested in contributing, please feel free to email me at bookhamsbulletin@gmail.com.

Jennifer Terry

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10.15am to 11.30am

Jazz Club: Most Sunday afternoons in the Old Barn Hall -
see programme

MONTHLY

Bookham Flower Club -

Tuesday every week Bookham Toddler Group
9.45 to 11.30am



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Chairman's Report

Village Day

There is lots about Village Day in this Bulletin and it was great to see the most children ever in the wonderful Parade and the field still busy with people as 4pm approached.

Many thanks to those manning the stalls, Bookham Butterflies and the Guides providing the refreshments, the bar and the displays - involving hundreds of people and the BCA Village Day and Management committees. A big thank you to our Stewards without which we could not function.

We have had many messages saying how much it was enjoyed which is, of course, our aim.

Two very popular new attractions were the Henfold Birds of Prey supported by Elios & DiCarlos and the Climbing Wall provided by Churches Together. Thanks to them and our main sponsor, The Vineries Garden Centre.

Open Gardens, the following day, saw a record 933 people enjoying the lovely gardens open this year.

If you would 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

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

Village Day raised £11,682 from all of your hard work on the Day, sponsorship, generous donations and advertising. Village Week – a great £9,513 made up of £7,267 from Open Gardens (another record), £870 from Bookham Bridge Club, £300 from Mole Valley Silver Band, £941 from Quiz Night, £134 from the Family Barn Dance.

A total of over £21,195 A wonderful result thank you all.

A BIG THANK YOU TO ALL OUR SUPPORTERS

In May the BCA held a Reception for all of the many people who support us by collecting subscriptions, delivering our Bulletin, helping with Village Day and working on the various

sub-committees. Without these supporters we could not do any of these things so, if you could not join us then, thank you.

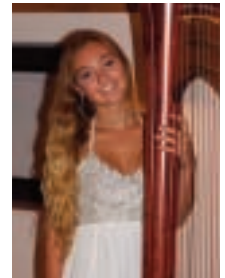
We were beautifully entertained by two very talented young local musicians playing the harp and the piano – thank you to Amelia and Shannon.

Shannon Stirling-Loyer is a 15 year old student at the Howard of Effingham who loves to sing and write her own music and lyrics and enjoys performing live in music festivals, concerts and musicals.



Shannon aspires to a career in music and is currently studying GCSE music as well as recently taking her grade 7 piano exam.

Amelia is 16 and a pupil of The Howard of Effingham. She has been playing the harp since she was 6 and has supported numerous charities over the years and travelled Europe. This year Amelia is raising money for Together for Short lives. They help families make the most of their short time together.



Amelia entered Miss Teen GB and has gone from thousands of entries down to the final 50. She is looking for sponsorship of £120 from a local business and will be known as Miss Great Bookham or if sponsorship comes from another area then will name accordingly.

If you can help Amelia with sponsorship or if you would like Amelia to play her harp to help those less able she would be delighted to in return for a small donation to her chosen charity.

Please contact her mother Karrie for enquiries 07757 755888

Over £1,000 Margaret's White Elephant Stall – WOW!!

An absolutely huge thank you to all you lovely people who not only donated goods but also came on the day to buy.

Margaret Pankhurst (and a great thank you to Margaret and her helpers – Keith)

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Mole Valley Runners



It's not every day a sporting legend joins your running group for a run...well, that's just what happened to Mole Valley Runners when Dame Kelly Holmes visited us as part of her Join in June campaign. Through the powers of social media and endless shout outs, we were so fortunate that Dame Kelly decided we were worthy of a visit.

Living in the Surrey Hills, we were able to take her on a scenic route from KGV Playing Fields up to Polesden Lacey, and back again. She

loved the many scenic views along the way, which many locals take for granted living here. Her enthusiasm and love for the sport was incredibly infectious and we were all buzzing by the end of it!

The visit from Dame Kelly topped off a fantastic month for Mole Valley Runners. We've become an affiliated running club, with a qualified running coach, three qualified run leaders, which is seeing the group from strength to strength.

We are passionate not just about improving physical fitness, but also mental well being. Our Mental Health Champions within the group help break down the stigma of mental health and to encourage people to #runandtalk. Joining a new group, possibly on your own, can be a major hurdle for a lot of people. However, we have many runners who have taken that step and haven't looked back since.

Whether you're a beginner or seasoned runner, male or female, our club is inclusive of all, please join our Facebook page 'Mole Valley Runners' for the latest news and updates and more information about our club.

Paula Lakhani



Bookham and Fetcham Gardeners Association

Pests & Diseases

How do your Alliums Grow? Here at Eastwick Allotments (where we have our shop open to all gardeners every Sunday morning) over the last few growing seasons, allotment holders have been plagued with problems with alliums – principally with leeks, and to a lesser extent with onions. Other alliums can also be affected including shallots, garlic, and chives. There are two main pests, leek moth and allium leaf miner.

Main symptoms of leek moth are white patches on the leaves, with young plants rotting and eventually dying. The adult leek moth is a very small, inconspicuous brown moth (5-6mm long), whilst the leek moth caterpillars are 11mm long, creamy white with brown heads and small legs. Leek moth has two generations during the Summer with the larvae/caterpillars doing the damage. The first generation occurs in May, June with the second generation - the latter more numerous and damaging. Initially the caterpillars mine the foliage, but the older larvae bore into the stems and bulbs. When fully fed, they come out of the plant and pupate within silk like cocoons. Adult moths emerge in the autumn and overwinter in sheltered spaces.

Chemical control of Leek Moth is difficult (but

not impossible), as none of the pesticides available to home gardeners will give effective control. There is hope at hand with the development of leek moth pheromone traps, like those for apples and plums. The trap uses the scent of the female moth to lure and trap the male moth. As soon as the male moths appear in the trap, a suitable pesticide may be used to control the female moths.

Of course, not everyone turns to chemicals and the female moths can be prevented from laying eggs by covering the young plants with insect proof Enviromesh, which is one of the popular items we have available on the roll at the Allotment Huts every Sunday morning. Additionally, crop rotation should also be practiced to prevent local build-up of moth populations. Look for the white silk like cocoons on the foliage and squash them.

Now to that other pest, the allium leaf miner. Symptoms are lines of white spots on the leaves. This is caused by the maggots of the leaf miner, leading to secondary fungal and bacterial infections causing rotting of the plants. The adult fly is tiny, just 3mm long and grey/black brown in colour. The maggots are pale yellow and about 6mm long. The leaf miner has two generations per year. The fly overwinters as pupae within the plant tissue, with the adult fly emerging in spring, the

timing of emergence seems to be temperature dependant. Mating occurs within 48 hours. The adult female then lays eggs, inserting them into the leaves so when the eggs hatch, the maggots tunnel into the plant, heading down towards the root. Once fully grown, they pupate at the base of the hole they have eaten into, the flies emerge towards the end of August and they cycle starts over again.

Chemical control is almost impossible, as none of the pesticides available to the home gardener is likely to give adequate control. However, again plants can be protected by covering with an insect-proof ultra fine Enviromesh. Crop rotation must be used to prevent local build-up of the fly population.

The trouble is that these insect-based problems are not the only difficulties for alliums. There are a number of fungal based diseases that also affect alliums, such as Leek Rust and Onion Neck Rot. For these fungal problems, there is no chemical control approved for the home gardener. Ornamental Alliums suffer from the same pests and diseases as culinary onions, but they do tend to be trouble-free in the flower border. However, it is best to avoid planting where onion crops have been grown.

Howard Taylor

Bookham and Fetcham Art Group

A Date for your diaries! Please make a note of October 20th and 21st 2018 for our Annual Exhibition, with the opening scheduled for Saturday 9:30am - 5:00pm, and Sunday from 10:00am - 4:00pm. There will be ample free parking, and entry at The Old Barn Hall, Church Road, Bookham KT23 3PQ, where we will be serving tea and biscuits.

Once again, guests will be asked to vote for 'Best in show' which was won last year by Rose

Vincent, the Members' Cup was won by David Burrells, and the Sponsors Choice was won by Sheila White. We are pleased to announce that once again our sponsor will be Shirley Garage Bookham Ltd. Please bring along your friends and have a cuppa whilst choosing your favourite painting and mingling with the artists. We look forward to seeing you all!

Linda Ross



Bookham Butterflies WI



Bookham Butterflies WI were delighted to once again play an important part in Village Day, keeping those attending fed and watered on the very busy refreshments stall. Members baked all the cakes they served, brewed hundreds of teas and coffees and ran a raffle. An incredible £1,379 was handed over to the BCA at the end of the day!

For the first time, we decorated the Barn Hall's serving hatch – fitting in with the "Bookham Takes flight" theme. Our butterflies, bees,



dragonflies, flowers, and caterpillars (all made by members) were a very colourful addition to the main hall. So much so, that we won the cup for best dressed indoors stall – a huge surprise, as we didn't know such an award existed! A huge thank you to the dozens of Butterflies who contributed to Village Day, either by making decorations, baking a cake, setting up the stall, or serving.

We also entered a team in the Village Week Quiz, finishing 15th out of 18. Ironically, our Joker Round (Food and Drink) was not our most successful! However, we really enjoyed the night and it was a lot of fun.

Aside from a lot of cake-baking, we have also been creative, making a model of a "pollinator insect" for display at RHS Wisley, as part of centenary celebrations for Surrey Federation of WI's. Naturally, we chose a butterfly and our model was wonderfully put together by Jill Jackson. Continuing the creative theme, we enjoyed a fun "Pots and Prosecco" evening at the Apple Tree Studio in East Horsley. We chose a variety of ceramics to paint, including plates, bowls, jugs, and spoon rests. We are planning a return visit later in the year to paint our own Christmas decorations and presents. Another outing saw us learn how to paint a Turner at a bespoke art workshop! We also had a fascinating tour of the Poppy Factory near Richmond. Members were shown how the various different types of poppies are made and also had the chance to make their own poppies.



Our recent speakers have as usual been very varied - we heard about the history and role of women in the Royal Navy, and also from a wonderful local charity called Mane Chance Sanctuary, which rehabilitates abandoned horses and integrates them in the community. Our most hands on speaker was Rosemarie Swinfield, a make-up artist who gave a fascinating talk (and demonstration) on "The Fashionable Face of the Restoration". I volunteered as Rosemarie's "model" for the night and had the full works, including white foundation, rouge, heart-shaped lips, and silk "patches" in various shapes stuck to my face!

Our various special interest groups are having a busy year, including two walking groups, two book clubs, and Supper Club. The Exploring Gardens group has already enjoyed visits to Nymans, Heathside in Cobham, and Shieling in Tadworth. For more information about our WI, please visit our website at www.bookhambutterflieswi.com, or our Facebook page 'Bookham Butterflies WI'.

Jen McAllister

Bookham Traders

Bookham Celebrates the Living History of its Independent Retailers. Pink balloons will abound in The Grove, High Street, and Church Road on Saturday 15th September 2018, when our local traders will celebrate Heritage Open Days with a day of family activities, demonstrations, and tasters. The programme of events will contain a host of

activities for children, including card making, colouring competitions, chocolate truffle making, a treasure hunt, Christmas decoration making, and face painting. There will be tastings and quizzes for the grown-ups, together with food demonstrations and recipe advice. Musical interludes provided by our local steel band, line dancers, and choirs

will add to the festival atmosphere.

Come along and discover the knowledge and passion of our local shopkeepers about their products and services. Pink balloons will be displayed outside the shops taking part. The programme of events will be displayed in advance around the village centre.

Bookham Youth & Community Centre

Bookham Youth & Community Centre, situated opposite the Anchor pub on Lower Road, has been a valued and important part of the village for many years. It is run by trustees and other volunteers and incorporated into a charity, Bookham Youth & Community Association Ltd (BYCA). As reported over the years it has a finite life due to its ageing condition and the lease from Surrey County Council (SCC) expires in August 2019. SCC will be reviewing the possibility of an extension at the year end.

Concerning a possible replacement facility, we were advised in June by Cllr Tim Oliver, the Cabinet Member responsible :

"I think you can be confident that we are very near to being able to finally moving this project forward to the point where we have a clear game plan and a deliverable timetable."

There are no guarantees involved and it is important that pressure is kept on SCC so the project is not shelved.

The Bookham Youth Project (BYP), who have been providing youth work from the centre and within the community, have written to SCC requesting that they meet so the Council can be briefed on the importance of a continued presence of a youth centre in Bookham and for them to be involved in the process. BYP is a major stakeholder in the centre and has the support of BYCA.

We need your help! An online petition has been set up which expires in November 2018. Please help by taking a couple of minutes to complete:

<https://petitions.surreycc.gov.uk/BookhamCentre/>

Hopefully, by time the next issue of the Bulletin comes out at end of the year, there will be some positive news to report.

David Cox



Mole Valley Indoor Bowling Club

The finals at MVIBC this year were played with Bookham represented in eight of the twelve finals, quite a strong element challenging for a place on the honours board! After two days of intensive play, Bookham members were part of the team for five of the available trophies, well done Bookham!

As our summer weather peaks and we move towards autumn, many outdoor bowlers return to play indoors at MVIBC maintaining their interest in the game with challenges for new competitions on the indoor green through the dull winter days.

However, we are also keen to capture the interest of locals who have never visited a bowling green or have no idea of how the game is played. For this purpose, a brief description of the game follows.

Bowling truly is the sport for all regardless of age, gender, or physical ability. It is a sport that is quick to learn and enjoy, but can take a long bowling career to master. The object of the

sport is simple to grasp. It is played on a square area known as 'the green', which is subdivided into further playing areas called 'rinks'. There are markers around the edge of the green indicating the corners and centerlines of each rink, which is surrounded by a small ditch to catch bowls that stray. At MVIBC we have four rinks, larger clubs having up to eight. Players take turns to cast their bowls from a mat at one end of the rink, towards a small white ball - referred to as 'the jack' - at the other end. The bowls are shaped to take a curved path towards the jack. To be successful, the bowl must be delivered with the correct weight, along the correct line. The object is to get one or more of your bowls closer to the jack than those of your opponents. The nearest bowls to the jack score one point for each counting bowl. There are many different formats of the game, but all will be readily explained by our coaches and other club members at whatever pace and interest suits you.

Feel free to come along to our free open



sessions every Saturday morning in September 2018, from 10:00am - 1:00pm. Park in the rear car park of the Leatherhead Leisure Centre, the entrance is nearby and will be clearly marked. If Saturday mornings are not convenient, please contact us for an alternative time. Our team will provide a welcome introduction to the game and club facilities. Casual shoes with a smooth base will be required for our Open Days, members must own the correct shoes. For bowls, training sets are available, and coaches will help you choose your most suitable size and weight before purchase. The initial membership dress code is white top and grey slacks.

MVIBC is one of the best value clubs in the county in respect of membership fees. We are located at the Leatherhead Leisure Centre with ample easy parking. Please look out for further information locally, or visit our website at www.mvibc.co.uk, email mail4mvibc@gmail.com, or call Guy Tortise on 01372 374653. We look forward to welcoming you at MVIBC where we hope to introduce you to a challenging activity, that is available daily from the club throughout the year, and provides friendly social interaction in a warm and comfortable environment.

Michael Mackie





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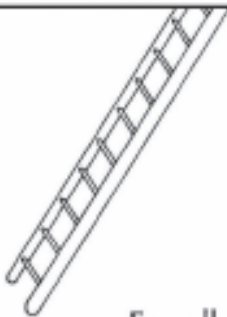
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Polesden Lacey Infant School

It may surprise you to learn that earlier this year, it was revealed that 'plastic' is the 2018 Children's Word of the Year. Oxford University Press found the use of the word in children's creative writing had increased by 100% since 2017, as the 'Blue Planet II' effect continues to raise awareness of plastic pollution. The news is no surprise to the planet-friendly pupils of Polesden Lacey Infant School, many of whom have been learning about the problem with plastic for several years and are brimming with ideas for tackling it.

Never more so than during the school's annual Waste Week, where single-use plastic was the hot topic. The children brought in their family's packaging waste from a weekend's worth of meals to make a 'waste mountain', which shocked children and staff alike and sparked a great discussion on unnecessary packaging. Year 2 pupils wrote letters to Michael Gove MP (Secretary of State for the Environment, Food and Rural Affairs) and local supermarket chains to share their concerns about excessive packaging and to ask what they are doing to fix the problem – a fantastic opportunity to practice their persuasive writing skills. Turning to science, pupils made their own vinegar-based cleaning products – tested to great effect on the school's now sparking windows.

They also looked at the results of their waste decomposition investigation to see what had happened to the materials they buried last year – needless to say the plastic was exactly the same, albeit a bit dirty. Through these creative and immersive experiences, the children are able to see problems firsthand and are empowered to be part of the solution and that they have the power to be changemakers!

And to top off an illuminating week, the school won the Surrey Wastebusters Home Recycling Challenge for the second year running, raising £500 for the school and proving that the pupils of Polesden Lacey Infant School really are waste-busting beacons.

From busting waste to busting moves, the children absolutely love the energetic 'wake and shake' dance sessions run by the teachers three mornings a week. So imagine their excitement when a local ballroom dancing champion and teacher Terri Flett ran a series of weekly dance lessons for every class. Pupils learned to dance the cha-cha-cha, waltz, and jive working in pairs and individually – and possibly inspiring the next Anton Du Beke and Erin Boag? The school offers unique opportunities for the children to try something

new, while meeting the rigorous demands of the national curriculum, and shows them the many fun ways to keep active.

In the run up to Village Day, the school was a hive of creativity as the children enjoyed decorating their costumes for the Parade at our summer making morning. On the big day, pupils transformed into dazzling dragonflies, lovely ladybirds, and beautiful butterflies, and we all watched on with pride as they whizzed and fluttered along the route. It's heartwarming to see how much the children love taking part in this event – one child said, 'Village Day is the best day of the year – it's like Christmas!' Needless to say they were delighted to be awarded the runner-up trophy for the best costumes.

Last, but by no means least, was the extremely popular Marvellous Math morning, where parents and carers are invited back to school to enjoy a maths lesson with their children. It's astounding to see how much has changed since we were at school, how effortlessly the teachers support and stretch the children and how the children revel in rising to the 'tricky challenges'. Onwards and upwards!

Sarah Hayward

Groveside Badminton Club

The last six months at Groveside Badminton Club have been busy, as we've welcomed new members, provided club-funded basic first aid training (given by a local certified first aid trainer) for our players, and also enjoyed the occasional local walk and pub visit.

Groveside Badminton Club continue to play over the sweltering summer months, and over the course of July and August, we're playing every week! Why not give badminton a go? Especially if your current clubs and

commitments are taking a break over the summer. Sessions run from 7:30pm to 9:30pm every Tuesday.

During the Autumn term, we plan to run coaching sessions at Groveside Badminton Club with an external coach. Although we are a non-league club, we play to a good standard and as with any sport it's important to improve standards, grow skills, and hone techniques.

Groveside Badminton Club prides itself on our friendly atmosphere and provides an excellent

opportunity to make friends and get fit. We play every Tuesday evening from 7:30pm to 9:30pm, St Teresa's School, Sports Hall. We offer "pay as you play" or subscription based membership, which means the weekly cost varies between £4 and £7 depending on the term and payment option. For more information, please contact Ed Carr on 01372 819171 or drop an email to ed.carr@talk21.com.

Ed Carr

Bookham Residents' Association



Although the celebrations of Village Day 2018 are now a distant memory, it was very encouraging to see that the BRA Book Stall was as busy as ever and fortunately, was as well stocked with books as in previous years.

Thanks are due to the many people who donated books for sale, as well as the

volunteers who spent a scorching Saturday helping to look after the steady flow of customers back in June.

Special thanks of course must go to Tony Alsbury, who spends months leading up to Village Day accumulating ever mounting stock ready for display on the day of the event. It doesn't end there, for as soon as the bookstall is dismantled, he then starts all over again building supplies for the next year!

If you have any books that you no longer

require, there is no need to wait until nearer the next Village Day, as Tony will be pleased to accept donations any time. He can be contacted by phone at 01372 456464, or via his email at mail@alsbybook.plus.com.

As in previous years, the takings on the day are split 50% between the Bookhams Residents Association and the Bookham Community Association.

Ray Pritchard

Little Bookham WI

This summer, we have enjoyed a varied programme of speakers at our monthly meetings. We heard about 'A mature ladies adventure in India' by vivacious speaker Victoria Helstrip. Victoria arrived colourfully dressed in Indian national costume and had us spellbound with her exciting tales of travel through India. We also enjoyed a talk by Barry Tregaskis, about the organisation 'Riding for the Disabled' and their wonderfully worthwhile work with disabled young people. At any one time they need up to 100 volunteers to support their riding activities. In July, most appropriately, we had a talk called 'Beside the Seaside' by Sheila Willis.



Members have also been participating in Bookham Village Week, including running the light refreshment stall on Village Day itself. Our stall was creatively decorated for the theme of 'flight' by President Pat Hammond and her team. Members also took part in the Bookham Gardens Open event as well as the annual Village Week Quiz Night.

Little Bookham WI also meets in a number of smaller groups to pursue different interests with like minded friends. These include, 'Knit and Natter', our Book Club, the 'Coffee and Chat' group, Flower Arranging, and Walkers Group.

Future plans include the Emlyn Lovelace Group summer lunch at Effingham Golf Club, our President's summer tea party which this year will be held in aid of Breast Cancer Care, and a trip to see the musical, 'Jersey Boys'.

Come along and join us on the third Wednesday of the month at Little Bookham Village Hall from 7:30pm.

Fay McGregor



Polesden Lacey Playschool



We can hardly believe that we have reached the end of another academic year! Our amazing swans have grown so much in personality and independence. Their new reception classes are incredibly lucky to have them and they will be missed very much at Playschool.

However, we also use this time of year to celebrate all of the children's achievements. The amount they have learned this year is astounding and how ready they are for their next stage, whether they are remaining at

Playschool or moving on, is all credit to the fantastic staff and the wonderful relationship they have with the equally amazing adults who support each and every child.

In the last half of term, we took advantage of the good weather. We are lucky to share some beautiful school grounds with Polesden Lacey Infant School to explore and develop our understanding of the world around us. We also developed our skills for climbing, balancing, running and sliding on the trim trail, and our climbing frame.

We also took part in the Bookham Village Day parade. We enjoyed roaring our way down the high street dressed as dragons. A huge thank you to everyone who took part, especially those who helped with costumes and organising the children.

We used Sports Day to celebrate our achievements, and all of the children supported each other to show off their skills and talents. It always amazes me to see the encouragement and friendship the children show towards one another. Everyone deserves huge congratulations.

We look forward to seeing those returning and our new children over the upcoming year. Lastly we wish all of our leavers the best of luck as they move onwards and upwards towards a very promising start to their formal educational years.

If you would like more information about the playschool, like to arrange a visit, or enquire about admissions please call us on 01372 458 145 (for general enquiries/admissions, please leave a message if there is no answer), 01372 453162 (during session times- so brief conversations only please), email us at alison.s.roberts@btinternet.com, or visit our website at <http://polesdenlaceyplays.wix.com/playschool>

Natasha Matthews

The Action Theatre Club

The Action Theatre Club has had a very exciting past few months! On the 15th July 2018, the students took to the stage at Leatherhead Theatre to perform in their annual Gala show. They performed songs, dances, and scenes from West End shows in front of a sold out audience. The event was a great success! And the fun didn't stop there, the children were also invited to perform at the Nomad Theatre as part of the Surrey Youth Arts Festival. A busy time for these young performers!

The Action Theatre Club was established over 8 years ago when Principle, Lizzie Crawford, found that there was a need for a new style of Stage School. One which offered the highest standard of dance, drama and singing lessons

yet at affordable prices and with flexibility on the disciplines taken.

Since then the Club has grown. We now offer over 30 classes a week and have around 200 students. Although we have increased in size we have still maintained our dedication to ensuring that all students are treated as individuals and spend a huge amount of time making sure that everyone is happy, confident, and challenged.

As well as our weekly classes in singing, dancing, and acting we also offer holiday workshops, parties, and private lessons. For more information, please visit our website at www.actiontheatreclub.com.

Lizzie Crawford



Reader's Corner

War Memorial Inquiry

Over the course of the summer, I have been researching the names on the village war memorial of those who died in the 1914-18 war. I have found information about most of them, but there are a number for whom I have no information.

These names are:
Francis HANDLEY
George SHEPHERD
Walter SMITH
William WILLIAMS

If any readers are able to provide a link with any of these people, all of whom had some close connection with Bookham, I would be most grateful. Please feel free to get in touch by telephone at 01372 375324, or by email at williamewhitman@aol.com. I would be glad to talk through our knowledge of any others of those named on the Memorial. Further information can be found on the Leatherhead and District Local History Society website at <http://www.leatherheadhistory.org/war-memorials>.

W. E. Whitman

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Bus Stop Pre-School



It has been another fabulous term at Bus Stop, and we can't believe the school year is nearly over! The summer term started with the exciting topic of 'Where we live'. The children enjoyed creating giant road maps using large pieces of paper and drawing the roads to their homes, their houses, and thought about the places we each have in our villages. This activity supported the children's writing skills as they made marks on the paper, and supported their understanding of places in their own worlds, and their communication and language skills as they shared their own knowledge. This theme has given the children the opportunity to look more closely at where they live and notice features that make their homes and streets different from others,



noticing both similarities and differences.

Following on from this, the children really enjoyed creating a natural village, using big logs for the roads, and sticks, moss, and leaves to create the houses and buildings. After the children had created the village it was lovely to watch them play with it. To bring the whole theme to life, the Bus Stop Preschool spent a day in Bookham! The children enjoyed exploring Bookham Common, and walking around the ponds, waving at the train drivers from the bridge at the train station, then sat beautifully on the bus ride into the village where they were given a clipboard to help them spot all the different landmarks and shops in the village.

Another theme for this term was 'Woodland Animal Homes', which included searching for clues and signs of animal homes, creating animal homes and making good use of the binoculars. At one session, the children found a badger sett underneath a beautiful Rhododendron bush, and at another they tracked rabbit droppings from the front lawn of the Polesden Lacey House, along to the Roman Bath lawn and then into the Sunken Garden area. Very conveniently a blackbird set up her nest in the outdoor coat area at Bus Stop, so the children had to be very quiet and careful when walking past to not disturb her and her eggs. The teachers were able to set up a birdcam which gave everyone a wonderful and fascinating insight into the blackbird's activities.

Bus Stop took part in Village Day on the 16th June 2018, which was a fantastic day for the



children, parents, and staff. The day started with a parade down the high street, which then ends at the Old Barn Hall.

As part of the 'Healthy Eating' theme, Bus Stop turned the mud kitchen into a greengrocer's shop. The children collected natural materials from around the garden to display as their different fruits and vegetables. They found lots of tiny apples that had fallen off the tree, large chunks of bark for potatoes, and different size sticks for cucumbers, carrots and bananas. There has been some great mark making happening in the outdoor creative area, as the children made labels and signs for their shop and have been taking turns as shopkeepers and customers.

The last few weeks of the term have been spent preparing the older children for school, so there has been lots of role playing, school visits, and talking about how children are feeling using books and the feeling puppets. The last day of term was Sports Day, which saw lots of practising in preparation by children AND parents alike!

Emily von Reibnitz

Inner Wheel Club of Bookham and Horsley



Our club has suffered the hard knock of having to cancel our hugely successful Overseas Charity tea in March as it happened to be the

very worst of our snow-hit days when travel from all over the South of England to Bookham became an impossibility. Thankfully, many of our guests were generous enough to allow us to send their ticket money as a donation to the Coco Foundation which somewhat eased the hurt of having to cancel.

However, undaunted, we set about running a barn dance in the wonderful private Tithe Barn in Little Bookham which is owned by our then President's daughter, Caroline Nicholls. This lovely lady was an immense help in persuading her numerous friends to come and enjoy a splendid evening of fairy lights, balloons, a live band and food! What more could one possibly want?

Our evening managed to raise a terrific £2,400 for the Parkinson's UK, which thrilled Betty,

whose own late husband had tragically suffered from, and subsequently died a few days later. For many, this event remains a wonderful tribute in his memory.

Our club enjoys an excellent meal at Effingham golf club once a month, with often a good speaker to entertain us. We also plan several theatre outings in the near future. Sadly, our club was knocked out of the Inner Wheel Skittles Cup, but we shall battle harder next winter to win it!

If you would like to know more about the wonderful work that Inner Wheel do both home and overseas as the largest Women's organisation in the World, please ring us on 01372 452090.

Jane Bishop

Effingham Golf Club Juniors

Effingham Golf Club has a thriving Junior Section of boys and girls providing a progressive programme from new starter to accomplished player. To find out more about playing golf at Effingham, please visit our website at <https://www.effinghamgolfclub.com/juniors>.

The majority of Juniors at the Club live in the immediate area, so it is a truly local club which is very supportive of Junior Golf.

Throughout the year, competitions and matches are played at other Clubs at little or no cost to the juniors. This year, teams will have played at St George's Hill, Burhill, Royal Wimbledon, Army, Guildford, Bramley, Farnham, West Byfleet, and Surbiton. There is a great inclusive team spirit amongst the juniors.

The Junior Club Championship and other trophies are due to be played over the summer holidays, including the Effingham Junior Open. In October, the club will host the Surrey Inter Clubs final.

The club is keen to extend the opportunity of Junior membership to existing young golfers in the local area. Much of the coaching is subsidised by the Club so as to make it affordable to all. As well as regular monthly competitions, there are inter-club matches. There is no joining fee for a new qualifying



Junior Member but there is a modest annual subscription of £100 which includes some free and subsidised coaching packages. Juniors can enter Adult competitions but there are various conditions to this in respect of level of ability. Some young and aspiring golfers may either not have an official handicap or may not be quite up to the standard needed 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. Even

if you are a complete novice or interested in just giving golf a go, the club is keen to help you with its junior golf development scheme which provides value for money coaching programmes with the aim of getting you to Junior Member with the benefits provided.

You can find out more about joining Junior Golf by contacting our PGA Professional, Robert Daw by telephone at 01372 452203 (golf enquiries – pro shop), or by email at rdaw@effinghamgolfclub.com.

David Cox

Bookham Country Market



Trudie Allibone joined Bookham Country Market in 2016 as one of our cooks. Her cakes, scones, quiches, etc. are found on the stall most Fridays, and she also makes preserves. Trudie was born in Sussex and trained as a medical laboratory technician in Brighton hospitals. She has worked in technical roles in the pharmaceutical industry, including as a PA. She also worked in quality assurance, and for Estee Lauder as a beauty consultant. Trudie met her husband while on a very slow (and bumpy) boat to Jersey. They moved to Dorking, then to Headley, where they lived for twenty-six years before moving to Bookham. Her husband was born on the Polesden Lacey

estate. After starting a second career, she ultimately managed paper and board testing and calibration services for a local company. Needing to work part-time, she changed direction and started working in Surrey Library Services until she retired a few years ago.

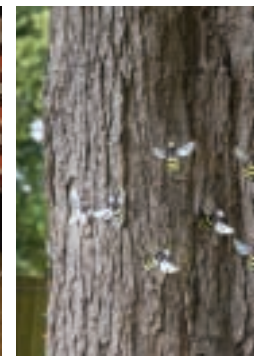
Trudie has always been interested in baking and making jams and chutneys. Her husband is a keen gardener and she uses their home-grown fruit and vegetables in her cooking. For the last nine years, Trudie has been a volunteer for the Macular Society, running a monthly support group. The society helped Trudie when she had eye problems. When she retired she discovered Bookham Country Market and enjoys working as order clerk, as well as helping with baking and selling cakes and savouries every Friday morning. Her Cheese Scones are always in great demand. Trudie walks and swims regularly, and is now learning to play bowls. She belongs to a choir and her next musical goal is to brush up her rusty saxophone-playing skills.

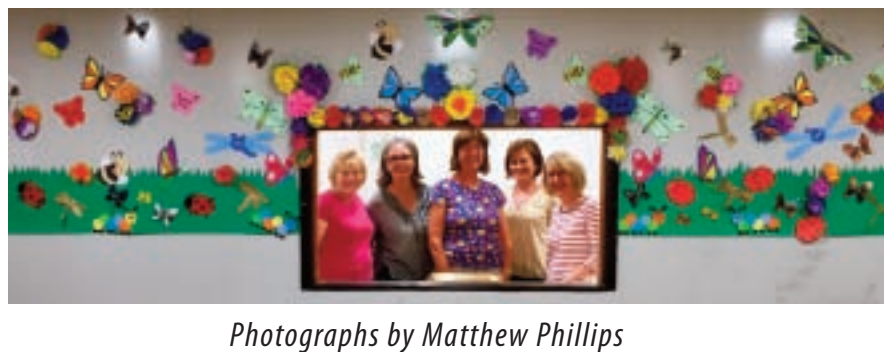
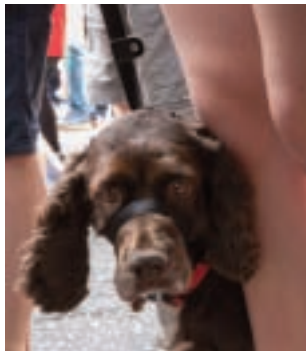
To meet Trudie and take advantage of all the local produce at the Country Market, why not pay us a visit? We are open every Friday morning from 10:15am to 11:30am in the Old

Barn Hall, Church Road, Bookham. You can buy a range of baked goods including homemade cakes, scones, flapjack, quiches, and sausage rolls, fresh local free-range eggs, meat, preserves, plants, and vegetables, and choose from our vast display of craft items.

Peter Almond







Photographs by Matthew Phillips

Quilters Guild of the British Isles



We have had a very successful local workshop on a reverse applique seascape, entitled 'Sea, Sand and Surf', and will have another workshop on 10th November that will include how to print and paint background fabric.

It is becoming a bit of a challenge to book the appropriate room in the Barn hall for our workshops, as the smaller rooms are so well used and booked long in advance. However, our Regional Day taking place on 22nd September 2018, is thankfully booked over a year in advance! Doors will open at 9:30am and will close around about 4:00pm. Details of speakers and the events taking place on the day are as follows:

Speakers: Stephanie Crawford (am), Jennie Rayment (pm)

Quilt Challenge: Your choice of subject - let your imagination run free! No larger than A3 please, and assure to bring on the day.

Traders, raffle, demonstration, display of group quilts, linus.

Tea, coffee, biscuits and homemade cake are provided, but please bring a packed lunch.

Cost is £12 for Guild members, or £16 if booked after 31st July 2018.

£16 for non-Guild members, or £20 if booked after 31st July 2018.

For more details and booking form, please contact Jan Godding by email at jan.surrey2@btinternet.com or phone 01372 453801 (please leave a message).

We would love to meet anyone interested in patchwork, quilting, sewing, textile design, etc. on the day - you do not have to be a Guild member to attend! The speakers have already given us a sample of what is to come, and it is sure to whet your appetite!

Jan Godding



Bookham Library

Library staff enjoyed visiting local schools to encourage the children to participate in the free Summer Reading Challenge throughout the school summer holidays. Many children joined or refreshed their library membership and completed the challenge to read and review at least 6 books during their school holidays, earning rewards along the way and finishing with a personalised certificate. During the school visits the children were amazed to learn that everyone can borrow up to 20 books free on their library card, and that children and adults can pick from a range of picture membership cards. Taking part in the annual Summer Reading Challenge helps children to become more fluent, confident, and happy readers.

As part of the Heritage event in September, Bookham Library has a display about the history of the building and the architect, and a children's Victorian school themed trail. Come in and see our display in mid-September during our usual opening hours.

In addition to our large collection of books, Surrey Library members can download eBooks and eAudiobooks as well. An eBook is an electronic version of a book, which can be read on a computer, or with an eBook reader, tablet, or smartphone - you can borrow 4 eBooks for up to three weeks. eAudiobooks

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We look forward to seeing you soon at Bookham Library.

Bookham Library is open from 10:00am - 1:00pm and 2:00pm - 5:00pm on Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays. On Saturdays we open from 9:30am - 5:00pm. We are located in Townshott Close, off Lower Rd, Bookham KT23 4DQ (next to Bookham Baptist church). Parking is available in Lower Road pay and display. Please visit www.surreycc.gov.uk/libraries for more information.

Bookham Library Staff



Transition Bookham



Since the last Bulletin, we've had a few open meetings, one where we enjoyed an excellent and informative talk by Benoit Witchalls about his experience of converting his own home to "Passivhaus" standards to reduce energy demand. We also had our usual stall in the Harrison Room on Village Day, chatting to many people about all things green, and as always we supported the Open Gardens day.

Our last open meeting was in July and was a general catch-up - we talked about reducing plastics in January, but since then the subject

has gathered a huge momentum, so it was good to revisit it, amongst other subjects. After that our remaining open meeting of the year will be on Wednesday 17th October 2018, subject to be confirmed. Our meetings are held in the St Nicolas Pastoral Centre from 7:30pm - 9:00pm, all welcome with free entry unless otherwise advertised. Check our website, social media, or local notice boards for information nearer the time.

You might be interested to know that Dorking now has a monthly repair cafe on the first Saturday of the month - held at the Christian Centre in Church Street from 10:30am - 1:00pm where volunteers will attempt to repair broken items. Search for 'dorkingrepaircafe' on Facebook for current information or to contact the organisers.

For updated information on what we're doing, as well as local and national items of green interest, please email us at transitionbookham@gmail.com and ask to be added to our mailing list. If you're on social media, you can also like and follow 'TransitionBookham' on Facebook and follow @ttbookham on Twitter.

Find out more about us on our website at www.transitionbookham.org.uk, where we also have helpful tips and local information about living a more planet-friendly life. We'd also like to hear from you if you're interested in supporting our events or have suggestions for future activities.

Win Magyar

The Arts Society Bookham



Across the world members have been celebrating the golden jubilee of the National Association of Decorative & Fine Arts, the highlight being a Service of Celebration at Westminster Abbey on Wednesday 16th May 2018, attended by many of the greats from the creative arts. However, it was in May 1968 that the inaugural meeting took place in the Grand Lecture Theatre of the V&A Museum in London. The embryonic organization flourished on the premise of the thirst for knowledge by those non-academics wishing to understand and expand their appreciation of the Arts. Patricia Fay was the founder and first Chairman of NADFAS, and it was from her 'Chiltern Antiques Group' that Chiltern DFAS, the first branch of the Society was created.

Our own Bookham DFAS started in 2001 and became No. 329. Now, there are branches throughout the world with well over 90,000



members. Nationally, the Society continues to actively engage in promoting the Arts through Young Arts, Heritage Projects, and Church Recording in which Bookham can be rightly proud of the part it has played locally.

We celebrated with our own Jubilee Lunch in the Old Barn Hall on Wednesday 13th June 2018. Seventy eight places were set for a typical celebratory meal from the 1960s, which would have been very familiar to all NADFAS members of the time. To complement the nostalgic theme background 'musac' was provided by the Top 20 pop records from June 1968. Following lunch, our guest lecturer Linda Smith, gave a superb talk encapsulating the development of modern British art from post WW2 to the present. Was it as grand as the Abbey? Perhaps not. But we really did celebrate!

In April, we visited the Weald and Downland Museum in the picturesque Lavant Valley in West Sussex. The Museum is home to fifty buildings spanning more than 600 years, which have been transported from their original sites across southern England, and re-erected in this rural setting. Of particular interest was the dairy from the Eastwick Park estate. Local people will remember the dairy as the dilapidated 'Ice house' at the top of Eastwick Drive. Our guide took us inside the dairy, and explained the painstaking restoration process, which is almost complete. After lunch we travelled to Uppark, sited high on the South Downs. In 1989 the original house was reduced to a ruin by fire, but the National Trust faithfully recreated the original 17th century mansion, and today the interiors illustrate the comfort of life 'upstairs' in



contrast with the 'downstairs' world of the servants.

Angela Stevens as the Heritage Representative for East Surrey is exploring the possibility of recording the library at West Horsley Place. There are in excess of 10,000 books left on the shelves following 7,000 going to Trinity College. All of these need to be recorded and training for the task will be provided by the



Arts Society. If you are interested do please contact her through the Society.

Society membership continues to grow steadily, currently standing at 244, still a little below our maximum of 256. If you know of anyone who is interested in joining, please ask them to contact Linda Tickner at www.theartsocietybookham.org.uk.

John Cook



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Mole Valley Heritage Open Day

Heritage Open Days are an annual national celebration with over 70 events in Mole Valley alone including walks, talks, exhibitions, and buildings open to the public. Heritage Open Days will be held from the 13th – 16th of September 2018.

Bookham will host an exhibition entitled 'Butterfield, Blackboards, and Books' in the Library, and there will be talks in the Pastoral Centre on 'Mary Chrystie', who influenced so much of what we see in Bookham today, and 'Jane Austen'. Buildings open for visits include The Grange, Manor Farm Tithe Barn, Manor House School, St Nicolas Church, and All Saints Church. In Effingham, St Teresa's School, St Lawrence Church, Our Lady of Sorrows Church, and the Methodist Chapel will be open. On Saturday 15th September 2018 Bookham shops in The Grove, High Street and Church Road will present a varied programme of events to celebrate the 'Living History of Our Independent Retailers'.

All events are free. Full information can be found on our website at www.heritageopendays.org.uk. Heritage Open Days booklets will be obtainable from the Library and some local shops.

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Howard of Effingham School

It has been another highly successful year for Howard sport, with amazing results in football, rugby, cricket, tennis, rounders, athletics, trampolining, netball and dance.

The rounders team has had a magnificent season, with Year 8 – 11 girls all winning their Guildford League and going on to win the Guildford and Godalming District Cup and County Championships. It is the first time one school has won four out of the five age groups in one season!

At the end of season sports evening, many of our students were given individual and team awards with the top awards going to: 'outstanding sports performers' Ben Hanson, Finn Williamson, Anna Bloomfield, and Lucy Taylor (Lower School); and Oli Hudson, Ellie Wayland, Roberta McMillan, and Alistair Reed (Upper School).

The 'outstanding contribution to school sport this season' trophy went to James Colby, Sophie Murphy, Korbyn Sherrington, and Jessica Bennett (Lower School); and Rowan Noble and Megan Jarvis (Upper School).

Congratulations also to Marcey Winter in winning the English Schools 400m hurdles at

Birmingham, and Jessica Hodder who qualified for the National Finals in trampolining.

In addition to sports distinction, the Howard looks forward to showing prospective Y7 parents round our school during September or seeing you at our Open Evening on Thursday 11 October 2018 between 5:00pm - 8:00pm.

Just over a year ago, on 14 June 2017, a horrific fire broke out in West London's Grenfell Tower, causing the loss of 72 lives and bringing grief and tragedy to many of its residents. Deeply moved by the stories of those affected by the disaster – in particular that of the Hashim family, all 5 of whom died in the blaze – Year 9 students Ellie Humberstone and Henry Moodie resolved to do something to help.

Both gifted singers, Ellie and Henry decided to host a benefit concert and set about organising the event, which took place on Friday 6 July 2018 at East Horsley Village Hall. Aided by friends from The Howard – Louie Heaton engineering light and sound; Thomas Walker and Oliver Gibson collaborated musically – Ellie and Henry entertained an audience of about 100 (including many Howard students and parents), performing

alongside The Majority (the Major brothers: Isaac, Sam and younger brother from St Lawrence, Luke, plus vocalist Sophie Storey), and another friend from a different school.

Between ticket sales and donations collected on the night, the concert raised an incredible £1965.83 for the Hashim Family Legacy. This charity was set up to help make children's dreams come true by Solidarity Sports, a West London organisation that helps children from disadvantaged backgrounds through educational visits, mentorship programmes, holidays and activities ranging from sports to art to cookery. The three Hashim family children were all involved in the initiative.

Ellie and Henry were invited to a picnic which took place on Saturday 14 July 2018 in London, where Solidarity Sport offered the chance for those impacted by the tragedy to get together and support each other, play games and share food so that no child or parent is left alone when trying to come to terms with the fire. Ellie and Henry felt very moved to meet those who attended and proud to have supported the charity doing so much great work.

Shane Birkett, Sam Lockyer

Rotary Club of Bookham and Horsley



July saw the start of another Rotary year, and for 2018-19 we welcome to the Chair our youthful new president, Barry Davies. Barry has a raft of new ideas, geared to bring energy to the Club and attract more new members. Amongst these will be more variety at our regular meetings in terms of both venue and format, alternating informative and more social settings, and reducing the number of formal meals. We expect this change to fit

better with busy lifestyles and preferences.

Recent months have seen several great initiatives with local schools. These build on our objective to support youth development and skills for life. Most prominent has been the Rotary Young Writer competition, an established annual Nationwide contest. Ian Taylor heads up our Club's efforts, and this year we had 156 creative entries from 5 schools in our area. Top performers were Cranmore School in Horsley, with one young pupil picking up third prize Nationwide.

Cranmore Head Michael Connolly commented "The Rotary Young Writer competition has inspired many children to pick up their pen and use their imagination to create an original piece of writing on a designated theme. We are delighted that so many of our pupils at Cranmore School were keen to participate. Moreover, we were thrilled that one of the entries, from Hugo, was judged to be in the top three in the country – a tremendous accolade."

Our April charter night talk was particularly memorable this year, with guest speaker and honorary Club member Patricia Parker MBE delivering a moving account of her Kids 4 Kids

charity in Darfur, South Sudan. This Club's efforts and leadership has raised well over £20,000 from our Rotary district to formally 'sponsor' Um Keddada, a local Darfur village, providing it with sustainable long-term aid in the form of kids (goat variety!), water, mosquito nets, trained midwives, and very much more. Read a full account at www.kidsforkids.org.uk/news-ticker.

We have also welcomed our newest member, the energetic Phil Markley, helping to boost the Horsley contingent in the Club.

Rotary combines the opportunity to really make a difference in your community, both locally and globally, whilst enjoying the company of like-minded friends. See our website or get in touch for a snapshot of what goes on. Why not get involved as a member or occasional helper/friend? By all means join us for an evening talk, or simply join our mailing list for occasional updates. For all details and to see what's coming up, visit www.bookhamandhorsley.rotaryweb.org, or contact our secretary Mark Secker on 01372 458733, or by email at mark.secker@outlook.com.

Andrew Smith

Bookham Flower Club



Bookham Flower Club, which meets in the Old Barn Hall on the first Monday of the month, has welcomed a variety of demonstrators at their monthly meetings this year. In April, Tracey Griffin was "Inspired by Nature" and produced six different arrangements - some country style and others contemporary - and by the end of her demonstration the stage looked amazing.

At the May meeting, "A Floral Workout" saw demonstrator Jennifer Thompson produce beautiful arrangements depicting the essential warm up, various exercise routines including cycling, aerobic exercise, weight lifting, and finally a cooldown. The afternoon was most enjoyable and an unusual way to experience a workout without moving from our chairs!

In June, a very different afternoon was enjoyed when Nadira Burkhi presented "Pashmina Fever", and linked her designs to her beloved collection of fine shawls. Nadira talked about her upbringing in Pakistan and the significance of pashminas or shawls in her home country.

The Flower Club had a stall at Bookham Village Day which was decorated with butterflies, birds and flying insects, and sold many beautiful arrangements in assorted and inventive containers. It was a glorious and successful afternoon, and there were many compliments on how beautiful the stall looked.

Members enjoyed the presentation by Carol Ferris, who demonstrated at the July meeting with a holiday theme, "Wish You Were Here". This will be followed in August by a Tea Party at "The Grange" in Bookham. As well as enjoying The Grange's renowned scones and cakes, members will be given tours of the Grange workshops and plenty opportunities for retail therapy.

During the year, Sue Slark has run Workshops so that members can improve their flower arranging skills and these workshops have been well attended. At most monthly meetings there is a themed competition and the workshops are designed to give members confidence to compete.

The title for the September meeting has the intriguing title of "Fifty Shades of Autumn", so members are anticipating an interesting afternoon, coupled with the in-house

competition "Berry Treasure". October should appeal to all gardeners with the demonstration of "Gardener's Delight".

Bookham Flower Club celebrates its Emerald Anniversary in November with a very special meeting and lunch for members. Rumour has it that there will be a celebratory cake and perhaps some bubbly to go along with it! We can drink to another 55 years of flower arranging in Bookham!

Bookham Flower Group is a member of NAFAS - National Association of Flower Arranging Societies and details of what is going on in the area can be found on their website at www.surreynafas.org.uk. Visitors are always very welcome at Bookham Flower Club, meetings start at 2:15pm, and are a very enjoyable way to start the week. If you are interested in flowers, why not come along and give us a try!

Anne Webb



Bookham Tennis Club

At the time this report was written, interest in tennis was at a yearly high with the Wimbledon championships in full flow and the weather being perfect for once.

At Bookham Tennis Club, we are about two thirds of our way through the tournament season and as usual, for a small club we punch well above our weight. We field two men's teams, a women's team and mixed and veteran's teams. Bookham 1 men's team, captained by Chris Watney, was promoted in 2016, and again in 2017. The team is still doing well having won two, drawn two, and lost one match so far. Entertaining reports of some of the matches are posted on our Facebook page. Bookham 2 men's team, captained by Chris Browning, plays in a separate league and is

sitting in the middle of the table having won one, drawn two, and lost one match so far. The women's team, captained by Kate Savin, and the mixed team, captained by Lesley Browning both sit at around the middle of the table.

On Sunday mornings and Thursday evenings there are mixed club sessions. Thursdays are more for match standard players. Anyone interested in joining the club is welcome to come along at either of these times for a free taster session to see how they get on. No need to book, just turn up! More details can be found on the club's website at www.bookhamtennisclub.org.uk. Information on coaching for adults and juniors can also be found on the site.

Michael Kay



Bookham Open Gardens 2018

This year was thankfully a bit cooler than last year, and a good time was had by all as they admired the magnificent range of gardens on offer! We had our best ever year with over 930 tickets sold (up 21% on last year) and raised a record amount of over £7250 towards the upkeep of Bookham's Old Barn Hall. At the Hall, our team of ladies provided tea, coffee, cold drinks, rolls, and their usual mouthwatering selection of cakes. There were also stalls from Bookham Country Market, and outside our own plant stall was very busy yet again. We hope the winners of our grand raffle will enjoy their prizes!

Our selection of private gardens this year included ten old favourites, and two excellent new ones - some back after a few years off. There was a delightful mix of formal and informal styles. A number of our gardeners make special efforts to attract and support wildlife, whilst ensuring their gardens still look very attractive. Their gardens included several with wildlife ponds and bug hotels.

New this year too was Gracewell Care Home, who opened their grounds for us all to enjoy, including some areas tended by their residents. The lavender beds were particularly beautiful.

Manor House School, who kindly allow us use of their minibus each year, opened their beautiful and extensive grounds once more. There were rolling lawns surrounded by trees, an orchard, a rose garden, herbaceous borders, and a wild meadow. As with some of the private gardens, wildlife was encouraged.

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, featuring flowers, fruit and vegetables. Hopefully their bees will enjoy them too!

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.

To see a full selection of photos of the event, please visit our website at www.bookhamopengardens.co.uk, or our



Facebook page 'Bookham Open Gardens'. Do 'like' our page!

Do let us know via our website, or Facebook page if you might be interested in opening your garden in 2019 - we are always on the lookout for new gardens! You can also email tina.hutton@btinternet.com. We'll be very 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 the gardeners. In this heatwave, they will have been very busy with the watering to keep their gardens looking good.

The Committee and Bookham Community Association would like to thank everyone involved who worked so hard to make the day so enjoyable and successful and gave so freely of their time. This includes the many garden openers for putting on such a splendid show; 1st and 3rd Bookham Scouts and Manor House School, for once again providing their minibuses which provide such a valuable service getting people around the gardens; 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; Our main sponsor, The Vineries Garden Centre, our other supporters, and those who donated raffle prizes.

Diane and Steve Poole



Mole Valley Lacemakers

Mole Valley Lacemakers will hold a meeting on the 8th September 2018, which will be an open meeting for National Lacemaking Day and Heritage Open Days. Members will be making lace, along with a display of

some of their finished projects from 10:30am until 2:00pm. This will all take place at St Mary's Church Hall on the Ridgeway, Fetcham. New members and visitors are always most welcome. For more information

regarding news, upcoming events, and contact details, please visit our website at www.surreycommunity.info/molevalleylacemakers.

Stephen and Tina Pedrick

Bookham Stamp Club



June brought about our 25th Anniversary (Bookham Stamp Club was founded in 1993), and on a wonderfully sunny and indeed hot afternoon, we celebrated our 25th Anniversary with lunch at Effingham Golf Club. It was attended by 75 members including guests, who enjoyed a superb three course meal. They also received a wonderful inscribed wine glass and special menu for the day .

In May, our AGM was attended by 48 people. Two members that had contributed so much to the club over the years were rewarded for their efforts with honorary memberships, Michael Boatman (Chairman from 2009-2011) and Tom Appleton (current Treasurer from 2009). And the Club's annual Norman Frost Salver went to Julia Todd for all her endeavours looking after the 'Stamp Exchange Packet'.

Our Chairman, John Dicker entertained us on Chairman's Afternoon in April with a wonderful display of his extensive collection of King George VI mint stamps. He began with a short PowerPoint display highlighting some flaws in the stamps from a variety of countries.

The flaws more recently have attracted much popularity, and thereby some amazing price increases. For the remainder of his talk, and in the second half, we were treated with the many stamps from across the Commonwealth, where he has been trying to specialise by collecting copies of each of the various printings.

We are also interested in purchasing unwanted collections, so if you are thinking of selling, or need advice concerning your collection, please contact our Trading Secretary, David Bravery on 01372 452537. We feel that we have built up an extremely good reputation locally, and we are prepared to offer very competitive prices.

Bookham Stamp Club meets every 4th Tuesday of the month (except for December) at the Old Barn Hall, Church Road, Great Bookham and our very popular Trading Tables start opening at 1:30pm, with displays commencing at 2:15pm. Our programme includes visits from an impressive list of visiting speakers, members' displays, and also Auctions that are held three times a year. We also have a packet exchange through which members can buy and sell stamps. If you are new to stamp collecting, or want to renew your hobby come along to one of our meetings, you will be warmly welcomed by the 60 plus members that attend each meeting. If you wish to find out more details before attending, contact our Membership Secretary Fred Mitchell on 01372 374614, or visit our website at

www.bookhamstampclub.com. We welcome all newcomers and we look forward to seeing you.

Our next few meetings:

Tuesday 28th August 2018 - Grace Davies, 'Peace' (PowerPoint Display)

Tuesday 25th September 2018 - Club Member's Display, Malcolm Cole, 'Red Cross'

Tuesday 23rd October 2018 - Club Auction (Members' and Club Material)

Tuesday 27th November 2018 - Lindy Boswell, 'Austro-Hungarian Navy Mail in WWI', Tony Bosworth, '1936 Olympics'

Barry Feltham



Mole Valley WI



Our members have enjoyed a good many outings and the centennial celebrations for the Surrey Federation of WI's. The Gardening group thoroughly enjoyed an outing to Hever Castle in Kent, and were shown round the gardens in glorious sunshine with the roses

looking their best. Others joined local WI's in the Old Barn Hall to celebrate Surrey's Centennial – there were plenty of tea and cakes, exhibits from each institute, the Surrey Serenaders sang, followed by much chatter and laughter too!

We have the main Surrey event at Wisley still to come, when there will be a display of 'perfect pollinators' and our butterfly - made by four of our talented members - will be on display. We have enjoyed talks on Dr. Samuel Johnson and quilting. The Glyn Trophy for a craft item was awarded to Merial, for her delightful quilted picture for her grandchildren.

We also have our Picnic Meeting and Garden Party to look forward to, and hope the weather will be kind to us at these events! If you would like to join us, please feel most



welcome to come along to Fetcham Village Hall on the 2nd Tuesday of the month at 7:45pm. For more information, visit our website at www.molevalleywi.btck.co.uk.

Liz White

TotsAlive!



TotsAlive! welcomes all under 5s and their parents, grandparents, carers, or childminders. We meet every Wednesday of term, from 1:30pm - 3:30pm in St Nicolas Church Room, with a short toddler-friendly, time in church at 2:00pm.

A highlight of our summer term was celebrating TotsAlive's 36th birthday. We began with the children ringing the bells - as they get the opportunity to each week, and included singing, instruments, and even some dancing. We had puppets, who were greeted



with a lot of very vocal excitement, and Alan joined us for some interactive story telling about "The Lost Sheep". A fairly large cake we all blew candles out on was also a big hit...but, cake usually is! We had a party tea, in which a few older siblings who had also been a part of TotsAlive! in their toddler days, came to help finish up after school.

TotsAlive! runs every week of term time. Our team is always there to chat over tea, offer a listening ear, and to play! There's a variety of toys and activities, including a baby area, playdough, craft, and painting. When possible, we'll have sand and (when we can get outside) water play as an activity choice. The time in church includes, singing, instruments, storytelling (done with a variety of props, puppets etc.), and bell-ringing – a surprisingly popular activity with toddlers!

Our term will restart with the schools on 5th September 2018, for a simple stay and play session, and resume in earnest on 12th September 2018. We'd love for you to join us. Find out more at our website www.stnicolasbookham.org.uk/totsalive.

Ruth Phillips



Peter Pan Playschool

It was a busy Summer Term at Peter Pan Playschool, and we have continued to forge strong links with our local community by visiting the residents at Keswick Care home for an Easter bonnet parade, and we also visited the Forest School area at The Dawnay school, where we made some collages, and explored the outside area as part of Peppa Pig's Muddy Walk in aid of Save the Children. We have explored different occupations, led by the children's interests, and have been fortunate to be visited by vets, airline pilots, firefighters with their fire engine, a paramedic, and a train driver. These visits have added real value to the

children's learning experiences, and we are very grateful to the parent volunteers and friends of Peter Pan Playschool for supporting us.

At the end of the summer term, we not only say goodbye to the children who are moving on to school, but also to several members of the Peter Pan committee, who move on to school with their children. We all wish the children and their families the best of luck in their new adventures at school, and look forward to welcoming our new children and their families to playschool and the



committee. We feel very fortunate to be so well supported.

Peter Pan Playschool is run by a parent committee, and is not-for-profit, meaning any money raised goes straight back into developing the playschool to enhance the children's learning experiences. We are open from 9:10am - 12:10pm Monday to Friday during term time. We offer optional extended hours until 2:40pm on Monday and Friday. If you would like to find out more information about us, please have a look at our website at www.peterpanplayschool.co.uk, or our facebook page www.facebook.com/PeterPanPlayschool/, or give us a call on 07908018924.

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