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WELCOME

Welcome to our May/June edition of Woof.

This issue is packed with articles and stories, from gardening & cruise missiles to village archives & pantomimes! Something for everyone.

There are lots of events over the next 2 months for you to enjoy. June 13th-15th Ockley Dramatic Society will be performing "Quizzers" a comedy with a supper (P46), QRMW are hosting their 10th anniversary celebration on June 1st (P11) and Ockley Cricket Club starts its season (P28). How about "A Night at the Opera"? Jun 22nd (P29). On May 18th Coldharbour have their village fete (P30) and WallisWoodstock is back Jun 13th (P51).

Looking further ahead there are details on the Okewood, Ockley and Forest Green Summer Fair (P17) plus Walliswood Village Hall events (P12).

If you want to be more involved in village life, or just have a desire to surgically remove the TV, look no further than Woof! Ockley Dramatic Society are looking for non-acting members and volunteers to help out at their next production (P37). Woof is looking for a new volunteer to run the magazine. Do you think you could do a better job than me?! Of course you can, take a look on P6.

If volunteering isn't your "thing" how about putting your money where your mouth is? Look at P8 for details on how you can sponsor the new Loo at St. Margaret's.

And finally, if you are looking to be more active, how about joining the Walking Group (P36). Capel Tennis Club are looking for members to play tennis or pickleball (no, I had no idea either) on P38, plus details on Ockley Cricket Club's 2024 season (P60).

Have a great spring in our wonderful villages.

Alan Hardy



The Ockley Village Facebook page is here to encourage local businesses, charities, societies and clubs to share their news with the villagers of Ockley as well as keeping the community connected. We look forward to hearing from you.

WOOF NEEDS YOU!



Woof is still in need of someone to join our band of volunteers.

Currently the team consists of Gordon who looks after the finances, Susie who liaises with the advertisers and takes care of revenue, Jane who handles all things distribution, Leslie who makes sure what we produce is readable and Iain who is our designer and layout wizard.

We are in need of a publisher: This person will be responsible for the overall running of Woof, working with the team to get each issue to print on time. The role involves monitoring the advertising e-mail, responding and liaising with the team to help new advertisers get onboard, sourcing and routing of articles and information from proof to print.

This role doesn't require huge amounts of time, but it does need commitment as each issue is timed and these processes must happen by certain dates.

There will be plenty of training and help for the new team member. If this is something you would like to help with, please contact Alan

- amh@amhi.co.uk

Woof cannot continue without the help of our wonderful team of volunteers.

WHICH PLANT AM I?

My Spring-time buds make me a favoured flower for many occasions as my tiny Spring flowers resemble silk.

It doesn't take long for my white Spring-time shoots to turn to jade green. In some countries, including China, such a floral transformation means a prosperous New Year; a year of prosperity and happiness. In fact, some astern European Churchgoers carry me on Palm Sunday instead of palms! Also, many countries include me in so many of their Spring celebrations, including Easter.

Another clue is that before I come into full flower, I wear a coat envied by many. During this time, my likeness to a well-loved animal gives me a special name.

During the rest of the year, I have an ordinary name, but most never forget my animal likeness name that is so perfect for my Spring-time appearance; so dearly loved and never to be forgotten!

What Is My Special Name?

Dianne-Sunda - Answer p55

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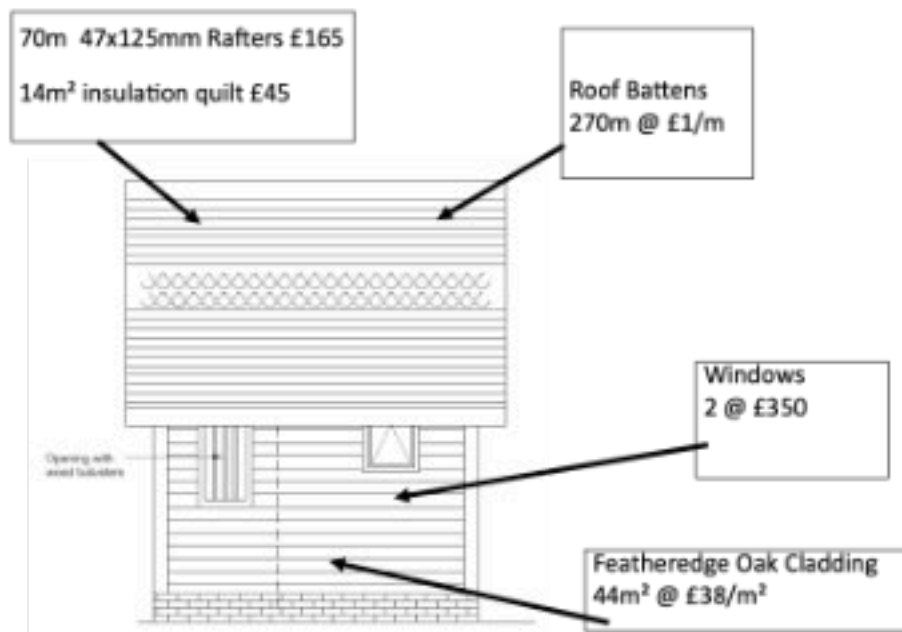
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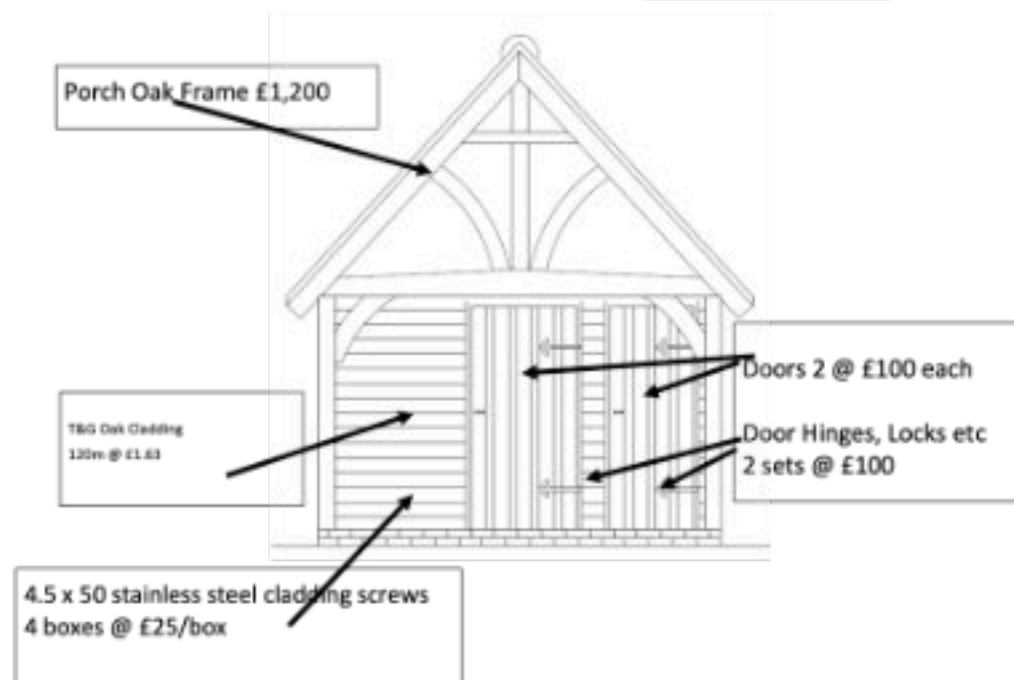
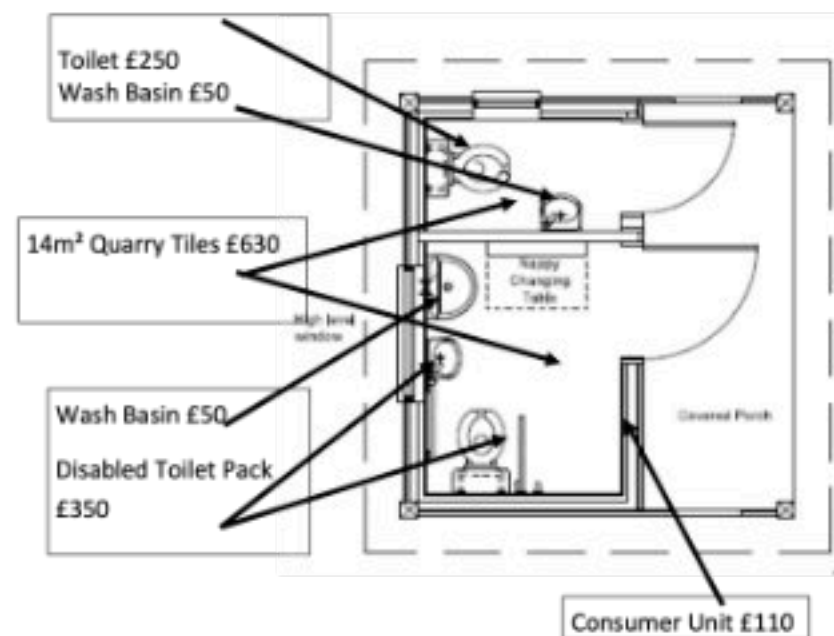
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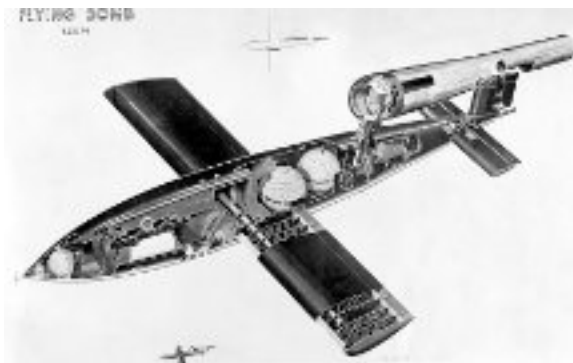
FOREST GREEN AND THE FIRST CRUISE MISSILE

By 1943, in the dark days of the Second World War, the tide was slowly beginning to turn against Nazi Germany. Rommel's Panzer Army had been defeated in the Western Desert at El Alamein, Italy had surrendered following the Allied invasion of Sicily, the Germans had lost the horrendous sub zero battle against the Russians at Stalingrad, anti submarine measures in the North Atlantic were becoming ever more effective, and significantly the USA had been drawn into the War following the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbour. Germany recognised that it needed new and decisive weapons to overcome the increasing strength of the Allies and avoid defeat.

To this end pilotless aircraft carrying a high explosive payload were developed - rockets. These "Vengeance Weapons" were built and tested and the first, known as the V1, was hurriedly deployed 80 years ago in response to the Allied invasion of Normandy on June 6th 1944 - D Day. The V1 was effectively the first cruise missile, a pulse jet propelled rocket carrying a payload of 850kgs of Amatol explosive, plus whatever remained of the 150 gallons of petrol in the tank. The rockets were to be fired from many especially constructed launching ramps in occupied northern France and Holland and were to be directed almost entirely at London. They had a limited range, and a very basic gyroscope based guidance system powered by compressed air tanks. On the nose of the weapon was a propellor that was driven round by the airstream passing over it, this acted as a crude measure of the distance flown and was set to an adjustable value such that when it was reached the elevators tilted up and thus tipped the nose of the rocket down. This caused the remaining petrol to all run to front of the tank and the pulse jet engine to cut out. The V1, or Flying Bomb as they were also known, would then crash to the ground, the fusing of the explosive being designed to detonate on initial impact rather than the rocket having any ground penetration capability, this being in order to maximise structural damage to civilian buildings.

From the British public's point of view, the popping exhaust noise that the V1 made was distinctive, but it was when the noise stopped that immediate action was required, for the weapon was then on its way down to create a substantial explosion that could completely flatten several houses in one go. Defensive measures against the V1's were initially limited, at about twenty feet long they were a small target for anti-aircraft fire, and their high speed meant that only the very fastest fighter aircraft could get close enough to shoot them down. A few were tipped over by daring RAF pilots using the wingtip of their aircraft if they had run out of ammunition. Steps to prevent the rockets being launched were taken in the form of air strikes against the launching ramps. A further tactic was

also used - deception. Although the rockets were landing on London, the British press were instructed to report that they were landing north west of the capital, it being known that this information would find its way back to Germany via neutral countries and the distance settings of the rockets might then be reduced believing that was necessary in order to hit the intended target. The British government hoped that this deception would lead to the rockets landing in Kent and Surrey rather than the more densely populated areas of the capital.



So what has this got to do with Forest Green? Well, in the summer of 1944 a V1 exploded here, just off Pisle Lane. Two Forest Green residents, now both in their 80s, still live in the same houses that they did as young children in 1944 and both remember the event.

In 1944 Tot Charman was about six years of age, he was at home with his mother and sister when they heard a "Doodlebug" (as they were nicknamed) coming. When the engine cut out they knew it was time to run for cover, and although they had a Morrison Shelter (a substantial steel box frame with mesh sides that was intended to provide protection while sleeping) there was no time to get into it and both children and their mother took refuge under the kitchen table. Tot's father, Tom, was working with others up on Leith Hill and they heard the "buzz bomb" approaching, heard the engine stop, and heard and saw the subsequent explosion. Tom was told to go home to check that everyone was alright. He found the family were uninjured, but there was some damage to the cowshed roof with rafters being displaced, as they still are to this day apparently. Tom subsequently found a sizeable jagged metal fragment of the bomb in a patch of burnt grass on his land.

Ivor Duffel was about the same age as Tot and was playing down by the stream behind his home with other children, making sand castles in the sandy silt that washes down off the hills. Ivor's mother also heard the distinctive noise, then heard it stop ominously and shouted to the children who ran home to take cover. Although the bungalow was hundreds of metres from the site of the explosion the blast moved the family's wooden home on its brick pier foundations and it subsequently had to be carefully eased back into position using a tractor and ropes. Pisle Farmhouse was

the closest building to the explosion and was probably extensively damaged.

There was no crater from the explosion and it is thought that the device may have exploded a little distance above the ground when it hit the trees, certainly Ivor recalls that there were pieces of it caught in the trees high up. Tot also remembers that there was a piece, "no bigger than a bath" that existed on the ground for sometime afterwards. One piece believed to have come from the V1 was found by a local resident many years ago and has been retained as a relic of the conflict, see photo.



An unexploded V1, its short wings torn off when it crashed, is examined probably by bomb disposal experts of the Royal Engineers

It is estimated that about 7,000 V1s were launched, around a thousand were shot down, but as with the local example many fell short with only 2,340 reaching London. Nevertheless over 5,000 people were killed, a further 16,000 were injured, and substantial damage was caused by the weapon. The V1 menace was superseded by the V2 which was a much more sophisticated ballistic missile, for the V2 travelled faster than the speed of sound and therefore gave people no audible warning and no time to take cover. As the Allies advanced the rocket launch sites, already extensively attacked from the air, were progressively overrun and the rocket menace came to an end in March 1945, shortly before the end of the Second World War in Europe.

Gareth Hayton



What is believed to be part of the central wing spar of the V1 flying bomb that exploded near Pisle Farm

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The 2024 schedule is now available from various outlets across the area as well as on line at www.okewoodhillflowershow.co.uk There you will find many different categories you can enter, be that a photograph, piece of artwork or a beautiful flower display, or particularly good-looking fruit or vegetables. On the day, our judges will highlight the entries they think worthy of special mention, but most of all, the marquee displays are a celebration of individual skill and creativity.

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We look forward to welcoming you on Saturday 10th August 2024. Gates open at 12 noon.

PARISH ARCHIVE

The Parish Archives collected by Briony Thomas and now stored in the Courtyard at Jayes contain copies of the Parish Magazine. Initially collected in hard-backed books and combined with other local parishes covering 1885-1899 for Ockley. Called Dawn of Day, it covered Capel, Ockley and Newdigate.

The 1885 magazine varied in length. There is a splendid entry in March 1885. Football On Shrove Tuesday, the people of Ockley determined to have a 'family' game of football 'A football scramble without any particular rules or bounds' the poster said. "The players divided themselves into North and South and applied themselves gamely to their work, upon the ball being thrown up from the steps of the Pump. The Southern's at once invaded the Northern Territory, where they were cordially received by Messrs. G. Adams and C. Dodman who successfully took the ball in hand and led an enthusiastic 'following' into the nearest ditch".

The description continues for several episodes of colourful language. "Victory thus rests with the North - 3 goals to 1. We may remark that the novel play seemed to produce mixed sensations among the passing quadrupeds. The Doctor's little cob kindly in waiting with splints and bandages so far showed sympathy with the horseplay on the Green that it tried some kicking on its own account."

July 1885 records the cessation of the Ockley 'Salts and Senna' Club which had met for dinner and amusements on the Green. "There can be little doubt that there is more honour in the breach than in the observance of such annual feast days not simply because of the members themselves so much as on the account of the congregation of travelling carts and shows which come from various parts of the country whose occupants most certainly contribute nothing to the better health, morals or purity generally to our villages, but very much to the contrary."

Then there is a gap until 1942 when the magazines continue to date (with a few omissions!).

The Church produced magazine available for an annual subscription was succeeded by WOOF circulated free and containing advertisements in 2020.

The 1944 magazines consisted of 4 pages printed on both sides of a sheet of paper smaller than A4 and folded, presumably because of the wartime shortage of paper. Many familiar names are mentioned, in March the return of John Prideaux after 4 years' service abroad (he came back to join the planning team for D Day). April records the death of Mrs Arbuthnot (John Prideaux's grandmother) who lived at Elderslie from 1895 to 1939 when John and Joan Prideaux took over. Among other things she ran the

Boy Scouts and the Duchess of Albany Girls' home at Orchard Cottage. She was buried at Ockley.

There is a note in Briony's writing on the August Magazine saying the first Doodlebug to hit Ockley landed on 10th June.

By 1977 the magazine had changed to 16 pages of A5 size with some advertisements and included The Sign, a national magazine included by many parishes. I have chosen 1977 for an extract as that was the year of Queen Elizabeth II Jubilee. There were reports from many organisations in the Village, The Mothers Union, The Women's Institute, The Young Wives, Darby and Joan, Dramatic Society, Angling Society, Stoolball and Cricket. Many more people were prepared to involve themselves in local organisations. For instance, the departure of the Stuart Thompson family is recorded, he chaired the Flower show, was secretary and treasurer of the Village Hall and a leading member of the Dramatic Society, he and his family were moving away and thanked for all they had done for the village.

The main Jubilee event was a Country Fair on Monday 6th June. There had been a disco (organised by the Motor Cycle Club) on Friday and two Church services on Sunday. On Monday events started with a cricket match, North v South. The Fair with Stalls and Sideshows started with a Fancy Dress Competition at 2.30, Junior Sports at 3.30, Presentation of Prizes at 4.30 and the planting of a Silver Jubilee Tree by John Prideaux (Later Sir John) (Does anyone know which tree it is?) at 4.45. Maypole and Country Dancing at 5, Senior Sports at 5.30, It's a Knockout at 7.30 Barbecue at 8pm and at 8.30 a Barn Dance to The Heck Speckles Phantom 'with a name like that it must be good' says the Rector, Maurice Collins. At 9.30 the Draw (of the lucky Programme Prize) and at 10pm the lighting of the bonfire at the same time as HM The Queen was due to light a bonfire at Windsor and bonfires would be lit all over the country.

For those interested in such things, the bar will open at 4.30. It is not clear when it will close' said the Rector! So much for licensing laws.

There is a clear definition of the split between North and South, a line through the pump on the Village Green and at right angles to the A29. Oliver and Jackie Reed who lived at Broome Hall and were involved in the village, judged the Children's Fancy Dress. I remember my children receiving a prize. I am listed as a member of the organising committee with the Rector, Philip Edgell and Joan Midgley all sadly now dead.

There has been a long history of events in Ockley! The Lord of the Manor obtained permission for an annual Market on St Margaret's Day in the 14th century but that was probably held near St Margaret's Church, the then site of the village.

Gordon Lee-Steere

UPDATE ON QRMW

We were so blessed when we held our annual Easter Egg Hunt at the Queen's Regiment Memorial Woodland on Sunday 24th March. After weeks of rain the day was bright and sunny and the atmosphere was amazing with so many parents and children enjoying themselves. The children had great fun with the new Easter Egg Hunt we devised and the egg and spoon races were just great. The raffle was a great success as was the tombola, lucky dip and games and the BBQ was a great hit in the sunshine. All monies raised, which was an amazing £1011 (gross), is paid into the Memorial Fund to assist those Veterans in times of difficulty. A huge thank you goes to all those who donated eggs and raffle prizes and also to everyone who helped us make the event so successful on the day.

The woodland is looking so bright, with green buds on trees and shrubs, everything is bursting into life and the birds are nesting in several of our bird boxes. One of our male pheasants sadly has an injury to his foot but it hasn't stopped him chasing the females who come to feed every day, as soon as they hear my car pull into the car park.

So now it's full-speed ahead with the organisation of our 10th Anniversary since the woodland officially opened, which is taking place on Saturday 1st June. This is going to be a very special event and attended by a number of dignitaries as well as our local residents and veterans from all over the country. ALL are welcome to attend this event which will be really enjoyable commencing at 12.30 with the Redhill Band and Corp of Drums to get everyone in good spirits, followed by a Commemoration Service for the families of 8 Veterans; saplings will be planted to honour them. Professional Piper Jock McCulloch will play Amazing Grace at the end of the service and my Niece, a professional classical singer, will be singing Ave Maria and Angelicus Cesar Franck, which I know will be quite incredible under the canopy of the woodland. There will be a Pimms Stall, BBQ, Bottle Tombola and Grand Raffle, something for everyone. But you must bring cash to spend because cards do not work in the memorial woodland! Parking will be at Bulmer Farm paddock and we will be running a shuttle service for the short journey between the Farm and the Woodland. Do put this date in your diaries, I look forward to joining you at the Memorial Woodland for what will be a day of reflection and celebration of life.

Paul Cooling, Chairman, The Quick Response Memorial Woodland

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OH, YES IT IS!

The pantomime version of Jack and the Beanstalk was first performed in 1819. The story evolved from a combination of different folk tales going back hundreds of years. A reference to the popular Cornish folk tale of Jack the Giant Killer appears in Shakespeare's King Lear but one of the first written versions comes from a 1734 story: Jack Spriggins and the Enchanted Bean.

Inspired by the story about Jack who sells the family cow (in our case Ulez the cow), for a handful of beans, Ockley Dramatic Society's February production of Jack and the Beanstalk gave us the whole story and much more. There were references to popular sketches, original jokes, catchy music and dancing, all proving that pantomime is a vibrant and dynamic art form that appeals to all ages. All of this was punctuated by perfectly timed sound effects.

The dialogue was really engaging. There was also a mixture of corny and clever sometimes derivative jokes such as: "what's the opposite of a croissant? - A happy uncle", or "Old Ma Trott had a farm A I E I O" and the shop sketch inspired by the famous "fork 'andles" from the Two Ronnies.

This was the first pantomime the Society had put on since before COVID, and people are still cautiously participating in large gatherings. However, the six performances were reasonably well attended, and we estimate that overall, about 15% of the village saw it.

With that in mind, we set out to test audience reaction, taking particular care to consult the children, conscious that a pantomime is designed to entertain all the family and that one of the Society's aims is to encourage children to develop a love for theatre. We talked to parents, grandparents and with the help of mums at the Toddler Group we were able to get the views of our youngest residents.

Everyone we spoke to liked it and they all said they would come to a future pantomime. One grandparent complained that there should have been more audience participation, yet the children loved the Narrator who appealed to them regularly to react noisily to key moments in the story. Here are some of the children's impressions:

The children speak.

"The dancers were great, and I liked the singing, also Jack and Jill characters were my favourite." (Age 10)

"I like the spooky one and Jack! They put Jack in the cage." (Age 2 and a half)

"I really enjoyed it all and I was looking forward to Act 2 in the interval. Jack was my favourite character." (Age 7)

"I liked the silly bits where the shop keeper didn't know what they wanted. Favourite character was Mabel in the blue checked shirt. (Age four and a half)

"I thought it was really good, my favourite character was Jack. I liked the songs and dancing. Well done!" (Age 6)

"Jack was cool" (Age 7)

You don't have to wait for the next panto as the Society's summer production will be in June when they will be offering us a full-length comedy called "Quizzers" by Geoff Bamber. Look out for more information nearer the time.

About Pantomime

Pantomime has a long and noble history. It emerged in England in the 1700s but had come to us from ancient Greece where a *pantomimus*, the 'imitator of all' was a dancer who played multiple roles within the same production, expressing himself only through movement to the music and telling classic tales from mythology or the ancient writers.

Here, it soon became a genre, embellished with song and dialogue based on old established stories. It combined comedy, music, and spectacle. The principal boy typically played by a young woman and the Dame a comic male role played by a man in drag. Audience participation became a key component with performers engaging the audience with sing along, booing and cheering.



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THE GARDEN IN MAY & JUNE

As I write this in early April, the rain is still coming down. It seems to have been raining all winter. In fact, the south of England experienced its wettest February in 2024 since 1836! It has also been unseasonably warm and the second warmest February since 1884. Other warm Februaries include 2023, 2022 and 2019, so there seems little doubt that our climate is changing and, as gardeners, we are probably more aware than most. However, we cannot be complacent and there might still be the odd frosty night so do not put out tender plants too early. Still, things are warming up, the days are getting longer and it's time to spend as much time as possible enjoying your garden.

In May, spring can still be very much in the air – with us enjoying the jewelled colours of late flowering tulips, rhododendrons and spring bedding – but there is definitely a promise of early summer. By the middle of May, the threat of frost has almost certainly past and we can now plant a whole host of vegetable and flower seedlings, both under glass or outside now that the soil has warmed up. And then by June, the promise becomes a reality and summer arrives. There are always jobs to do but we must take time to enjoy the fruits of our labour. Invite friends and family to eat, drink and be merry in the spaces we've created; find a sunny spot to quietly read a good book; have a snooze in a deckchair whilst listening to the radio; or simply sit with our faces in the sun, feeling proud of all we've achieved so far.

There are many cottage garden favourites that appear at this time of year, bringing such variety of colour and interest to our gardens. This includes peonies and roses; aquilegia and thalictrum; delphiniums, lupins, camassia, echinops, eryngium and the many types of allium; Also the colourful groundcover from geraniums and the lime-green of alchemilla mollis (this makes a great cut flower combination with blue delphiniums); and the scent from lilac, sweetpeas, stocks, honeysuckle, lavender and philadelphus..... in between enjoying the fruits of your labour, there are always plenty of jobs to do.....



Prepare for growth by staking and tying in tall-stemmed perennials. You can use bamboo or 'foraged' sticks but it's often worth investing in a variety of metal supports that will never need replacing. Trim and tidy up spreading plants such as allysum, arabis and aubretia. Trim them back quite hard and fresh new growth will appear. Tie in vigorous climbers such as clematis and rambling rose as they grow.

And do keep up with the weeds, which will now be trying to wreak havoc in your borders. Little and often is best, especially on dry days. Also keep an eye out for slugs, aphids and other pests, picking them out when spotted. And keep watering regularly, especially pots, preferably from a water butt and only using tap water as a last resort.

Plant - It's too late for bare-root roses so go for potted ones from a good supplier. Main-crop potatoes should be planted by now and early potatoes will need earthing up. Continue successional sowing of beetroot, cabbage, carrots, salad onions, lettuce, peas, broad beans and radishes. Get tomato plants going in grow-bags in the greenhouse from the beginning of May, and by the beginning of June, you can plant them outside.

In late May/early June, fill pots and hanging baskets with annuals such as petunia, impatiens, trailing lobelia and begonia to name but a few. Mid to late May is often the best time to start planting out seedlings after hardening plants off outside (either in a cold frame or sheltered area) for a couple of weeks before planting them up.

Propagate by taking softwood cuttings from shrubs such as philadelphus, ribes and sambucus. Divide, replant and water clump forming spring-flowering perennials such as doronicums, pulmonarias and primula.

Prune Clematis montana and early-flowering shrubs that have finished flowering such as forsythia, kerria japonica and spiraea arguta ('straight-after-flowering' is not a bad rule to follow on shrubs in general). Lightly trim formal evergreen hedging such as box, ideally with hand shears.

And finally, we hope **Saturday August 10th**, is firmly in your diaries as the date for the **Ockley, Okewood & Forest Green Summer Fair**. This year's schedule will soon be delivered through doors, and will be available from various outlets. So do look at the categories and enter your best produce to be judged by RHS judges. You can also get all the information you need at **www.okewoodhillflowershow.co.uk**

Martin Smith and Emma Treeby

ART CLASSES IN CAPEL

St John's Group of Artists continue to meet in Capel Village Memorial Hall on Monday (10.45am to 12.45pm) and Wednesday (10am to 12noon) mornings.



On Monday mornings our teacher Lucinda sets us work which often takes us out of our comfort zone, but it doesn't matter if we are not always completely successful in the task as we are learning and improving. We have drawn cutlery, garden tools and art equipment. We have reproduced the same landscape in cool colours and again in warm colours. We have taken sections of a painting by an art master to produce a picture with stillness and one with flowing movement. Sometimes we concentrate on drawing and at other times we use the medium of our choice.

On Wednesday mornings a group of us gather to continue with our own work, offering assistance to one another if required. Most of us do not find the time to paint at home or do not have the space.

We are always happy for new people to join us, whether beginners or experienced artists. The current term ends just before Easter, but we will start again in early April and continue until the middle of July. If you are interested, please contact Yvonne on 01306 886241.

FOREST GREEN SPEED SURVEY

DEADLINE 30th APRIL - Help us make Forest Green safer!

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VILLAGE EVENTS MAY 2024

📅 **1st Wednesday 9.00am–12pm - Pavilion Café**
Ockley Cricket Pavilion - Every Wednesday

📅 **1st Wednesday 9.15am–10.15am - Pilates2TheCore**
Walliswood Village Hall - Every Wednesday (during term-time)

📅 **1st Wednesday 6.00pm–7.00pm - Yoga**
Walliswood Hill Village Hall - Every Wednesday

📅 **2nd Thursday 9.30am–11.30am - Ockley Toddler Group**
Ockley Village Hall - Every Thursday, see p6 for details

📅 **2nd Thursday 11.00am–12noon - Senior Bootcamp**
Walliswood Hill Village Hall - Every Thursday

📅 **4th Saturday 12.00pm–10.30pm - Cricket Club Social & Open Day**
Ockley Cricket Pavilion - See p28 for details

📅 **6th Monday 10.45am–11.45am - Senior Bootcamp**
Walliswood Village Hall - Every Monday (except Bank Holidays)

📅 **7th Tuesday 9.15, 10.30am, 6.15, 7.30pm - Pilates in the Pavilion**
Ockley Cricket Pavilion - Every Tuesday

📅 **7th Tuesday 2.00pm–3.00pm - RMPT Exercise Class**
Walliswood Village Hall - Every Tuesday (during term-time)

📅 **9th Thursday 10.00am - Walking Group**
Wotton Hatch - See p36 for details

📅 **18th Saturday 2.30pm - Coldharbour Village Fete**
Coldharbour Memorial Ground - See p30 for details

📅 **20th Monday 3.00pm - Village Lunches**
Ockley Village Hall - See p23 for details

📅 **23rd Thursday 10.00am - Walking Group**
Six Bells, Newdigate - See p36 for details

MAY 2024 VILLAGE EVENTS – SEE PREVIOUS PAGE FOR DETAILS

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1	2	3	4 Cricket Club Social & Open Day
5	6 Senior Bootcamp	7 Pilates in the Pavilion RMPT Exercise Class	8 Pavilion Café Pilates- 2TheCore Yoga	9 Toddler Group Senior Bootcamp Walking Group	10	11
12	13 Senior Bootcamp	14 Pilates in the Pavilion RMPT Exercise Class	15 Pavilion Café Pilates- 2TheCore Yoga	16 Toddler Group Senior Bootcamp	17	18
19	20 Senior Bootcamp Village Lunches	21 Pilates in the Pavilion RMPT Exercise Class	22 Pavilion Café Pilates- 2TheCore Yoga	23 Toddler Group Senior Bootcamp Walking Group	24	25
26	27 Senior Bootcamp	28 Pilates in the Pavilion RMPT Exercise Class	29 Pavilion Café Pilates- 2TheCore Yoga	30 Toddler Group Senior Bootcamp	31	

JUNE 2024 VILLAGE EVENTS – SEE NEXT PAGE FOR DETAILS

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1 QRMW 10 th Anniversary
2	3 Senior Bootcamp	4 Pilates in the Pavilion RMPT Exercise Class	5 Pavilion Café Pilates- 2TheCore Yoga	6 Toddler Group Senior Bootcamp	7	8
9	10 Senior Bootcamp	11 Pilates in the Pavilion RMPT Exercise	12 Pavilion Café Pilates- 2TheCore Yoga	13 Toddler Group Senior Bootcamp Walking Group Quizzers, Comedy with Supper	14 Quizzers, Comedy with Supper	15 Quizzers, Comedy with Supper
16	17 Senior Bootcamp Village Lunches	18 Pilates in the Pavilion RMPT Exercise	19 Pavilion Café Pilates- 2TheCore Yoga	20 Toddler Group Senior Bootcamp	21	22
23	24 Senior Bootcamp	25 Pilates in the Pavilion RMPT Exercise	26 Pavilion Café Pilates- 2TheCore Yoga	27 Toddler Group Senior Bootcamp Walking Group	28	29
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VILLAGE EVENTS JUNE 2024

📅 **1st Tuesday 12.30pm - QRMW 10th Anniversary**

Quick Response Memorial Woodland - See p11 for details

📅 **3rd Monday 10.45am-11.45am - Senior Bootcamp**

Walliswood Village Hall - Every Monday (except Bank Holidays)

📅 **4th Tuesday 9.15, 10.30am, 6.15, 7.30pm - Pilates in the Pavilion**

Ockley Cricket Pavilion - Every Tuesday

📅 **4th Tuesday 2.00pm-3.00pm - RMPT Exercise Class**

Walliswood Village Hall - Every Tuesday (during term-time)

📅 **5th Wednesday 9.00am-12pm - Pavilion Café**

Ockley Cricket Pavilion - Every Wednesday

📅 **5th Wednesday 9.15am-10.15am - Pilates2TheCore**

Walliswood Village Hall - Every Wednesday (during term-time)

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Ockley Village Hall - Every Thursday, see p6 for details

📅 **6th Thursday 11.00am-12noon - Senior Bootcamp**

Walliswood Hill Village Hall - Every Thursday

Walliswood Hill Village Hall - Every Wednesday

📅 **13th Thursday 10.00am - Walking Group**

The Punchbowl - See p36 for details

📅 **13th Thursday 7.30pm - Quizzers, Comedy with Supper**

Ockley Village Hall - See p46 for details

📅 **14th Friday 7.30pm - Quizzers, Comedy with Supper**

Ockley Village Hall - See p46 for details

📅 **15th Saturday 7.30pm - Quizzers, Comedy with Supper**

Ockley Village Hall - See p46 for details

📅 **17th Monday 3.00pm - Village Lunches**

Ockley Village Hall - See p23 for details

📅 **27th Thursday 10.00am - Walking Group**

Rhododendron Woods - See p36 for details

Further Ahead

📅 **13th July 4.30pm - WallisWoodstock**

Walliswood Village Hall - See p51 for details



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Thursday 9 th May	The Onslow Arms, Loxwood	10am
Thursday 23 rd May	Cranleigh, Village Way Car park	10am
Thursday 13 th June	The Kings Head, Rudgwick	10am
Thursday 27 th June	The Pheasant, Buckland	10am

Thursday 9th May

Meet at The Onslow Arms, Loxwood, RH14 0RD, at 10am for a fairly easy 5.4mile across farm and woodland to the Border path at Alfold Bars and back along the Arun Canal.

Thursday 23rd May

Meet at the Village Way car park in Cranleigh, GU6 8AF, at 10am for a fairly easy 6.8 mile walk along the Downs Link to Vachery pond and Lions Lane to the Arun at Uttsworth Manor and back through Knowle Park.

Thursday 13th June

Meet at The Kings Head, Rudgwick at 10am for another fairly easy 5.8 mile walk across Hermongers to Roman Woods and back via the Downs Link.

Thursday 27th June

Meet at The Pheasant, Buckland at 10am for a moderate 5.8 mile walk around Buckland lake and church, then up to the North Downs Way along the hill side, down to Reigate Heath and back to the start.

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WANTED

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We are in need of new non-acting members (or just volunteers) to help out at these performances.

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Should you decide to join **Capel Tennis Club** you would benefit from **FREE** access to all our facilities including the tennis courts, adult group coaching sessions, practice wall, ball machine and outdoor Pickleball courts.

What is Pickleball? Pickleball is a fun sport that combines elements of badminton, tennis, and table tennis. Played both indoors or outdoors on a badminton-sized court and a slightly modified tennis net. Two or four players use solid paddles made of wood or composite materials to hit a perforated polymer ball, over a net. Created in America in 1965 Pickleball is the fastest growing sport in the World and is played by 36.5 million Americans.

How can I join in? We run club sessions up to twice per week (based upon demand) on a Tuesday morning or Wednesday afternoon and Sunday afternoon or evening. These are organised via a Pickleball WhatsApp group and beginners are introduced to the sport as well as being helped to develop their game.

During the Winter we play in Capel Village Hall using the badminton court with a Pickleball net. For the rest of the year, we adapt two of our outdoor tennis courts for Pickleball. The session will be switched to the Village Hall if the weather prevents outdoor play, and the Hall is available.

Do I have to be a member of the tennis club? No. Non-members can play as guests at both Indoor and Outdoor sessions at a cost of £5 per person per two-hour session.



Capel Tennis & Pickleball Club
clubspark.lta.org.uk/CapelLTC

SURREY SCHOOLS SECURE £6,000 FOR ENVIRONMENTAL PROJECTS

Five Surrey primary schools have been awarded a combined total of £6,000, which they will be using to deliver projects that benefit their environment, as part of Surrey's council-led *Rethink Waste* scheme.

Cobham Free School won the top prize of £2,500 and will be using the funds to help construct a vertical garden and install solar panels. The second prize of £1,500 was granted to Hurst Green Infant School to enhance its playground to safeguard wildlife. Barnsbury Primary School in Woking received £1,000 to develop a rainwater garden. Esher Church School and St Francis Catholic Primary School in Caterham were each awarded £500 to contribute to their green initiatives.

Cllr. Marisa Heath, Chair of the Surrey Environment Partnership, said: "Reducing what we throw away is one of the best things we can do to help fight climate change. So it's fantastic to see so many Surrey residents coming together through Rethink Waste to learn about waste reduction and to donate to local schools so they can help the environment."

Rethink Waste, an online platform, encourages Surrey residents to sign up and engage in a variety of waste-minimising and recycling-enhancing activities. By participating, members collect points that can be donated to a multitude of causes, including but not limited to, supporting local schools. From 1 November 2023 to 29 February 2024, the initiative saw 4,108 donations, accumulating 685,760 points for 17 primary schools.

Rethink Waste is preparing for another phase of school donations from 1 April to 14 June, with a further £6,000 prize fund available for schools that garner the most community support. Schools interested in this opportunity must register by 28 March 2024.

Launched by the Surrey Environment Partnership, which comprises Surrey County Council and the county's 11 district and borough councils, Rethink Waste aims to cut household waste production across Surrey. This reduction not only benefits the environment but also aids councils by decreasing the costs of managing the waste. Over 7,000 households have joined the scheme, engaging in activities that foster sustainable living practices and carbon footprint reduction.

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OCKLEY PARISH COUNCIL

I hope you all had a joyful Easter. I would firstly like to introduce myself, my name is Samantha Bell and I took over the Parish Council clerk role from Lesley Fletcher in 2022. We thank Lesley for all her hard work and contributions over her long tenure as Parish Council clerk. This is my first time writing an article for WOOF, rest assured you will be hearing more from me over the coming months whereby I will be providing various key updates from the Parish Council.

As many of you might be aware, the Parish Council had a change of Chairman in 2023 and we are pleased to announce we now have a full capacity of Councillors onboard. All Parish Councillors have been busy in the last 12 months dealing with multiple planning applications which I am sure most of you are aware of. In addition to planning applications, during Parish Council meetings, we discuss items such as local Police crime statistics, Speed Watch reports, maintaining the village play area, community hubs, Local Plan, social matters and anything else that may arise.

The Parish Council meetings take place on the first Monday of every other month and are held at the Village Hall. Planning has been top of mind for many residents and therefore many of the meetings have seen great attendance from the villagers. As a reminder, all parishioners are most welcome to attend Parish Council meetings.

Following the feedback which one of our new Councillors received, we have recently introduced an additional way of communicating with the Parish Council. Whilst you are still able to email via **clerk@ockley-pc.co.uk** we now have a mobile phone service. You are able to leave a voice message and all queries will be responded to within 48 hours, Monday to Friday. Please note, the phone service is for parishioners who have any queries relating to Parish Council matters. If you have any questions or queries please do not hesitate to contact us.

The new Ockley Parish Council phone number is **07388 368213**.

Our next parish meeting is on Monday 13th May when our Annual Meeting will take place in addition to our usual meeting. The Chairman will share her report on the past years events and any work undertaken by the Councillors. We welcome anyone who would like to attend this meeting. We will also advertise the meeting on the village noticeboard, on our website and on our Facebook page nearer the time. Refreshments will be provided.

We hope to see many of you at this meeting.

Samantha Bell



The charity had its annual meeting in early April where there was an update on Hurtwood matters. Three important points were raised :

1. Car park maintenance has been delayed by the weather and is still on the to-do list when the land dries out. All of the car parks have new signs so it's easier for visitors to find them. And plans are underway to improve the entrance to Car Park 1 at the top of Holmbury Hill.
2. The chairman, Antony Collins, is stepping down after four years. He was thanked for his leadership and contribution to regularising the charity's governance and improving processes. The Hurtwood Treasurer, Assheton Don, is stepping in as temporary chair until a new person is appointed.
3. Two guest speakers, Pauline Lane and Peter Jones, from Guildford Bee Keepers Association, gave a talk about the challenges facing pollinators in 2024.

Besides the worldwide population growth with the intensification of agriculture, habitat loss and the use of chemicals, the major threat to honey bees and other pollinators is the spread of the Asian Hornet – an apex predator. They eat bees, destroy colonies plus eat insects and spiders. Last year 72 nests were discovered in England.

What to do about the Asian Hornet? If you SEE IT, SNAP IT, APP IT. Send photo and location to the Asian Hornet Watch (Free App). We must do all we can to protect our native bees who provide pollination of over 33% of the crops that are our food.

Car Parking on the Hurtwood

If you sometimes visit the Hurtwood and find your favourite car park full, take the opportunity to visit a different one. There are 15 car parks around the Hurtwood, maintained by the charity. Below is a QR Code to Google Maps for you to see the different locations around the Surrey Hills.



Show your appreciation for the car parks and access to the Hurtwood by making a donation at **www.foth.co.uk** or visit the Peaslake Stores or the Royal Oak, Holmbury St Mary, where you can make an electronic donation.



NEWS FROM THE BELFRY

New Peal at Ockley

A peal was rung at St Margaret's last month by a band of visiting ringers. They had been trying to arrange this for over a year as the bells had not been available to ring, firstly for work being carried out in the church and then because the treble was waiting to be repaired. Taking

around three hours to ring makes a peal the bell ringers' equivalent of a marathon, requiring concentration and stamina to complete. To be scored as a peal the bells must be rung continuously in the different sequences, without visual aids, with the pattern of ringing determined by the chosen method which can be depicted by a line in a diagram. Notices were put out on social media and at the church and we hope that this rare event did not inconvenience our neighbours unduly.

Over 300 years ago ringers were aware that the maximum number of different orders for seven bells to sound was 5040 – factorial 7, for the mathematically-minded ($7 \times 6 \times 5 \times 4 \times 3 \times 2 \times 1 = 5040$). Most change ringing then was done on six, seven or eight bells and as 5040 changes would take around 3 hours to ring, it was feasible to attempt. The maximum number on 8 bells ($5040 \times 8 = 40,320$) would take around 24 hours to ring and was considered impossible (although it has since been done). In the early 18th Century much effort was spent working out how to compose a peal of 5040 different changes, in a recognised pattern or method so that no sequence was repeated. There were many attempts to ring a peal, some probably successful, but a peal rung in Norwich in 1715 is the first one for which there is a record of where it was rung and by whom.

There had been 33 peals rung in our tower since the bells were installed in 1701 although the first was not until 1891 and the most recent was in 2012. The band that rang in April were complimentary about the tone of the bells but admitted they had found them challenging to ring. It is not something our local ringers have any desire to attempt, we find a quarter peal, taking about 45 minutes enough of a challenge.

Bellringing has developed from generation to generation in Britain for over three hundred years. It is a wonderful blend of sport, music, exercise, friendship, a challenge of wits and skill which gives great satisfaction when it goes right. If you would like to find out more, and perhaps help to preserve the tradition, please come along and have a go, under supervision, or contact me. Practice nights are at St. Margaret's in Ockley, on Wednesdays from 7.45 to 9.15, except the first week of the month when we are at St John's in Capel.

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By Geoff Bamber

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Throw in womanising best friend Ross, highly-strung interior designer Binny, ex-con Rat and a misconception that Keith has arranged a contract killing and the quiz evening looks unlikely to go to plan!

Ockley Dramatic Society are proud to announce our summer production: of a full length comedy play with two course supper included. Playing at the Village Hall Ockley on:

Thursday 13th June

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Saturday 15th June

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Tickets at £15 each and are available by email (BoxOffice@CapelOckleyPanto.co.uk) or on-line from:

<https://www.ticketsource.co.uk/ockley-dramatic-society/quizzers/e-jbjljq>

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REPORT ASIAN HORNET SIGHTINGS

- The Reigate Beekeepers' Association is calling on the public to help spot and report Asian Hornet sightings as we head towards spring
- The destructive insect poses the greatest threat to our native honey bees in a generation
- Experts warn there could be catastrophic consequences for the UK's wider ecology if the insects are allowed to become established here
- Asian Hornets can become aggressive when defending nests, posing a risk to public health

Asian Hornets are an incredibly destructive invasive species that specialise in preying on honeybee hives - one Asian Hornet alone can kill 30-60 honeybees per day. First discovered in the UK in 2016, the insect has travelled to our shores from northern Europe, where there are now over half a million nests annually in France alone.

By 2022, just 16 Asian Hornet nests had been discovered in this country. But in 2023, this increased dramatically to 72 nests in 56 different locations, with Kent and the South East most predominantly affected. But there have been sightings in many other locations, including as far north as Scotland, and a credible sighting already reported in January this year, sparking fears the non-native insect may become established in the UK.

Experts are keen to point out that this is not just a problem for beekeepers, but poses a significant risk to public health. Asian Hornets are aggressively defensive of their nests, which are often built in hedgerows and brambles, meaning disturbances by unsuspecting individuals could have dangerous consequences.



Asian hornet



European hornet

An Asian Hornet can be identified by its very distinct markings - they're a similar size to a European Hornet, which is two or three times the size of a common wasp, and are black with distinct yellow lower leg.

The public are being urged to stay vigilant, and encouraged to report any suspected sightings on the Asian Hornet Watch app, which is available to download on iOS and Android. Expert teams from the National Bee Unit, part of Defra, will then be deployed to track hornets back to their nests, which are then destroyed.

Note from Ed: European hornets, though scarily big, are less aggressive than wasps and good for the garden - make sure you get the right one!

Download a guide:





Dorking Group of Artists Spring Exhibition:

Betchworth Village Hall, Station Rd, Betchworth, Surrey RH3 7DF

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The Dorking Group of Artists, probably the largest art group in Surrey, are delighted to be returning to Betchworth Village Hall for their popular Spring exhibition. Many of our members are professional artists, and our exhibitions have a strong reputation for artistic merit and quality of presentation. The original art in our exhibition is all for sale at affordable prices. Entrance to the exhibition is free. Betchworth Village Hall is opposite Knights Garden Centre.

For more information about our activities, exhibitions and how to join the DGA see www.dga.org.uk look at our Facebook page @dga4art, or get in touch at contact@dga.org.uk

Angela Hall, Chair, Dorking Group of Artists

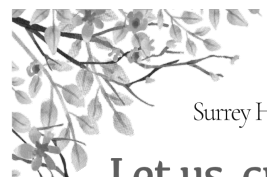
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MAJOR BOOST FOR DEMENTIA DAY CLUB

The innovative not-for-profit dementia day care enterprise Tapestry Day Club has been awarded funding by the Surrey County Council and NHS Surrey Heartlands Better Care Fund Grant Programme.

Co-founder and Ockley resident Clare Jones said: "The journey to be awarded this grant has been a long one and involved a tremendous amount of effort, but it's been such a worthwhile process. It is such an honour to receive this grant as it is recognition of the difference we make to the lives of people with early-stage dementia and those living in social isolation. This funding will allow us to continue to grow to help even more people."

Tapestry Day Club provides day care with a difference across Surrey and West Sussex. If you know an older person who would benefit from socially stimulating, small-group day support in a family home, or if you need a break from looking after a person with early-stage dementia, please contact support@tapestrydayclub.co.uk or call 01403 610345.



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6.	Vehicles without TAX	10
7.	Vehicles with SORN	1
8.	Average offenders per hour	8
9.	Average vehicles per session	273

All statistics taken from the www.CommunitySpeedwatch.org

A huge thank you to Catherine, Claire, Chris, Colin, Graham, Gill, Liz, Ruth, Sharon, Vicky, Yvette, for your sterling efforts throughout the last three months.

If you would like to join the Ockley Community Speedwatch team, or find out more about it, please contact Maureen Newman maureenen@outlook.com or Colin Seelig colinseelig@btinternet.com

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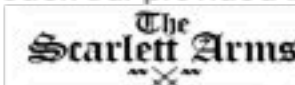
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Ockley Cricket Club

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The Ockley Society

The Ockley Society is a group of enthusiastic, villagers whose aim is to develop, support and encourage a healthy village community spirit.

Please see the Ockley Society Facebook page for further details and contact information. We are always interested in hearing from anyone who has time or resources to contribute to any of events each year.

We currently host two quizzes (March & October), The Cricket Sevens (September), The Ockley Bonfire, Firework and Torch Parade (November) and Carols on the Green (December), plus one or two extra events per year.

Contact the Chairman Alan Hardy for further information at theoockleysociety@outlook.com

Ockley Dramatic Society

We are a friendly group, we don't take ourselves too seriously but we do undertake our productions seriously. Now entering our 75th year, we have undergone a revival these past few years, attracting more than 20 regular acting members and 20 children dancers. We put on a large-scale pantomime each New Year and recently restarted our summer productions, which consist of two one-act plays with a supper provided.

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Forest Green Village Hall is a carpeted, cosy hall. Suitable for family events, children's parties, group meetings, fitness classes, rehearsal room, functions, etc. Wheelchair friendly with outside space and parking facilities.

Charges from £8.00 per hour.

For booking enquiries please contact Gaye Collis on 01306 621298 or gaye@forestgreenvillage.co.uk.

OAKWOOD HILL

Discover the hidden gem of Okewood Hill, the Oakwood Hill Village Hall!

Nestled on the picturesque recreation ground, next to the cricket club. This spacious hall can accommodate up to 100 people, making it the perfect venue for your next event. The hall boasts an array of amenities, including parking, a well-equipped kitchen, a sound system, seating, and Wi-Fi access. Accessibility is a top priority, with designated disabled parking bays, a convenient ramp, and accessible toilets. The hall's open-plan layout offers a stunning view of the cricket ground from its paved terrace.

Whether you're planning a community gathering, celebration, class or meeting, Oakwood Hill Village Hall is the ideal choice. For bookings and inquiries, contact 07754 525827, email booking@oakwoodhillvillagehall.org or find us on Facebook: facebook.com/OakwoodHillVillageHall

OCKLEY

Ockley Village Hall is the perfect venue for parties, wedding receptions, rehearsal room, fitness classes, meetings and much more. We have a purpose-built kitchen with a large electric range cooker. It is equipped to cater for more than 100 people and has a serving hatch. The building is wheel chair friendly. There is parking for more than 50 cars with designated disabled spaces. For further information please contact Bea Milne on 07553 266934 email ockleyvillagehall@gmail.com or visit our Facebook page.

The Cricket Pavilion is also available for hire at competitive rates.

Contact John 07791 520003 or jthorse99@gmail.com

WALLISWOOD

Why not hire this light and airy refurbished hall fitted with (free to users) fibre optic Wi-Fi. The hall is double glazed throughout and has full gas central heating. It has a fully fitted kitchen and the main hall can seat 80 people at tables, more if a buffet. The hall is ideal for holding parties, family gatherings and business meetings/training sessions and much more. Bi-fold doors open onto an attractive large secure playing field, ideal for children's birthday parties etc. Hire charges from £10.00 per hr.

For further information contact Valerie Miles: 01306 627248 or walliswoodvillagehall@gmail.com alternatively visit www.walliswoodvillagehall.org

CHURCH CONTACTS

St. Margaret's Ockley
Rev. Liz Richardson 01306 711260
www.capelandockleychurch.org.uk

St. John the Baptist Okewood & Holy Trinity Forest Green
www.eofgparish.org.uk

Parish Office: Wednesday and Friday 9.30 to 12.30
St Peter & St Paul Church, The Wilson Room, The Street,
Ewhurst, GU6 7PX 01483 277584 eofgparish@gmail.com

THE ARK

The Ark is a hall set in the beautiful, tranquil surroundings of St John the Baptist Okewood, available to hire.



- competitive hourly rates
- easy access by car
- new extended car park
- disabled access
- 3 separate rooms available of varying size
- venue holds up to 50
- fully equipped kitchen
- audio visual equipment

For bookings please contact Liz Coleman 01306 628156

HISTORIC CHURCHES

We have magnificent churches in our villages. 'Friends' charities have been set up to fund the upkeep of these historic buildings.

Friends of St. Margaret's

Gordon Lee-Steere: 627112 gel-s@jayesestate.co.uk
www.friendsofstmargarets.org.uk

Friends of Okewood Church

Barry Thomson: 621234 barryjthomson1@gmail.com
www.friendsofokewoodchurch.org

Friends of Holy Trinity

Matthew Sparkes: matthew.sparkes@linklaters.com



The Parish of Ewhurst
with Okewood & Forest Green

REGULAR SERVICE TIMES

- 1st Sunday - Okewood 10.30am Holy Communion
- 2nd Sunday - Okewood 10.30am Morning Worship
- 3rd Sunday - Okewood 10.30am Morning Worship, 3pm Forest Church in the woods behind the Ark.
- 4th Sunday - Okewood 10.30am All Age Service, Forest Green 6pm Evening Worship.
- 5th Sunday - Forest Green 10.30am joint parish Holy Communion service.

ST. MARGARET'S, OCKLEY – CHURCH SERVICES

Everyone is very welcome to attend the services at St. Margaret's Church, Ockley. The services for May and June are as follows:

May

- 5th 9.30am Matins
- 12th 9.30am Holy Communion (Common Worship)
- 19th 9.30am Parish Communion
- 26th 9.30am Holy Communion (Book of Common Prayer)

June

- 2nd 9.30am Matins
- 9th 9.30am Holy Communion (Common Worship)
- 16th Parish Communion @ Capel 10.30am
- 23rd 9.30am Holy Communion (Book of Common Prayer)
- 30th 9.30am Parish Worship

Should anyone have any queries, please do call Gill Christie 01306 711917 or email gill@c21mediagroup.com

HALL FOR HIRE



OAKWOOD HILL VILLAGE HALL

The Oakwood Hill Village Hall is the perfect venue for hosting your next special event, please see all information below.



Facilities:

- Full Kitchen
- Parking
- Fully Accessible
- WIFI
- Staging
- Acoustic Padding
- Sound System
- Tables and Chairs

www.oakwoodhillvillagehall.org

bookings@oakwoodhillvillagehall.org

Scan here to find out more..



CAPEL WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

(the WI, INSPIRING WOMEN)

Ladies, do you want to forge friendships, learn something new and make a difference to your community? Then come along to one of Capel WI meetings. We have regular guest speakers, go on outings and are a friendly group of women. We meet monthly on every third Tuesday, 7.30 – 9.30pm at Capel Memorial Hall, The Street, RH5 5LD.

Our speaker on Tuesday 21st May will be Katy McBain talking about an exciting career in the food industry, and our speaker on 18th June will be Lucy Allen talking about the high and lows of a stunt woman in the film industry.

Contact: infocapel@surreyfedwi.org.uk
Phone: 01306 710510 or 07788 494429"

OCKLEY CRICKET CLUB 2024

A very big thank you to everybody who supported us last year for our title winning season!

For 2024 we push on once again, we need the help and support of you all to take it forward.

We have matches every Saturday & Sunday plus some midweek 20-20 fixtures (after work). In total over 40 matches!

Every Wednesday night there are training sessions, every 2nd and 4th Friday it is ECB cricket. All players and social members welcome (bar open).

Our opening day is Saturday May 4th. 1pm will be a league match against Brockham Village then from 18:30 free live music and food to buy.

Chilli or Curry served with rice £5.

The bar will be open (with very competitive prices – we listened to you!).

Membership to our wonderful heart of the village club for the season is

OAP - £20 Adult – £40 Under 16 – Free

Adult Player - £100 Junior Player - £50

Match Fees - £10 (includes homemade tea)

Membership is available over the bar or by contacting Jason 07918 784446

Full details of our major events on page 28



CAPEL CHORAL SOCIETY

www.capelchoralsociety.com

Into summer

With a successful Leith Hill Festival behind it, Capel Choral Society is now starting to rehearse music for its Summer Concert. This will include John Rutter's Sprig of Thyme, which consists of arrangements of popular folk songs, including The keel row which the Choir performed in the Festival Competitions.

The concert is on Sunday 23rd June in Capel Memorial Hall, starting at 3pm. The ticket price is £7.50 which includes afternoon tea of scones and cakes.

The summer season is a very good time to welcome new singers to the friendly Capel Choral Society. Do consider giving choral singing a try – it gives a sense of community with fellow singers and has proven health benefits.

Rehearsals start at 7.30pm on Monday evenings and take place in Capel's Memorial Hall.

The Choir's Secretary is Rosemary Goddard:

rosemary.goddard25@gmail.com or telephone 01306 711259.

Capel Choral Society Registered Charity No. 1094126

Bus Timetable Mole Valley Villager - 50, 433, 522



Serving **Wotton**, **Abinger**
and **Shere** **Parishes**

Mondays to Fridays excluding Public Holidays

from 4 September 2023

	Mondays & Thursdays		Tuesdays		Wednesdays			Fridays	
	433	433	522	50	522	522	50	522	50
Horsham Carfax				15:30				15:30	
Broadbridge Heath, Tesco				15:17 P					
Orkney, Clowes Close	09:25				09:25				
Orkney Hill, Pudding	09:25				09:25				
Wallerwood, Gathfield	09:30	12:49		12:35	09:30		12:59	12:45	
Orkney Hill, Pudding		12:51					12:11		
Moyes Green	09:30				09:30				
Exhaust Green				12:40 R					
Exhaust, Bull's Head				12:43 R					
Forest Green, The Parrot	09:34			12:49 R	09:34			12:49 R	
Orkney, Clowes Close		12:54					12:14		
Orkney, line on the Green	09:40	12:55		12:55	09:40		12:15	12:55	
Orkney, Kings Arms Court	09:41	12:56		12:56	09:41		12:16	12:56	
Capel, The Street				12:59	09:45 R		12:19	12:59	
Goldersbourn, Brown Hall Farm	09:44	12:59		13:02			12:22	13:02	
Goldersbourn, Plough	09:47								
Dorking High St, White Horse (Stop N)	10:00	13:15	12:20	14:05 R		12:20	13:35	12:20	14:05 R
Dorking Station			12:25			12:25		12:25	
Brookham Green, Church	10:07		12:32	14:22 R		12:32		12:32	
Stood Green, Tyndale Road	10:09		12:34	14:24 R		12:34		12:34	
Godbrook Crossroads	10:11		12:36			12:36		12:36	
Dawes Green, Seven Stars	10:14		12:39			12:39		12:39	
Leigh, The Plough	10:15		12:40			12:40		12:40	
Shelwood Cross			12:44			12:44		12:44	
Pangate			12:47			12:47		12:47	
Cudworth Park, The Poppars								12:52 R	
Northgate Bus Shelter			12:50		09:50	12:50		12:52	
Leigh, Nalderswood, Dean Oak Lane	10:16								
Irons Bottom	10:21								
Shere	10:23								
Woodhatch, Angel	10:26								
Reigate, Morrisons	10:26 E								
Redhill, Queensway	10:46 E								

	Mondays & Thursdays		Tuesdays		Wednesdays			Fridays	
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Redhill, Queensway	11:40 E								
Reigate, Morrisons	11:50 E								
Woodhatch, Angel	11:54								
Shere	11:57								
Irons Bottom	11:58								
Leigh, Nalderswood, Dean Oak Lane	12:03								
Cudworth Park, The Poppars									
Northgate Bus Shelter			09:50		09:50	12:50		09:50	
Pangate			09:53		09:53			09:53	
Shelwood Cross			09:56		09:56			09:56	
Leigh, The Plough	12:06		10:00		10:00			10:00	
Dawes Green, Seven Stars	12:08		10:01		10:01			10:01	
Godbrook Crossroads	12:09		10:04		10:04			10:04	
Stood Green, Tyndale Road	12:11		10:06		10:06			10:06	
Brookham Green, Church	12:13		10:08		10:08			10:08	
Dorking Station			R		R			R	
Dorking High St, White Horse (Stop K)	12:20	17:16	10:15	17:16	10:15		17:16	10:15	17:16
Dorking South Street (Stop P)	12:21	17:18	10:16	17:18			17:18	10:16	17:18
Goldersbourn, Plough	12:30	17:27 R	10:27	17:27 R			17:27 R	10:27	17:27 R
Goldersbourn, Brown Hall Farm	12:35	17:30 R	10:30	17:30 R			17:30 R	10:30	17:30 R
Capel, The Street									
Orkney, Kings Arms Court	12:36	17:33 R	10:33	17:33 R			17:33 R	10:33	17:33 R
Orkney, line on the Green	12:36 R	17:35 R	10:35	17:35 R			17:35 R	10:35	17:35 R
Orkney, Clowes Close		17:36 R		17:36 R			17:36 R		17:36 R
Forest Green, The Parrot	12:45		10:41				17:41	10:41	
Exhaust Bull's Head			10:47						
Exhaust Green			10:50						
Moyes Green	12:47 R						17:47 R	10:47	
Wallerwood, Gathfield	12:50	17:48 R	10:49	17:48 R			17:48 R	10:49	17:48 R
Orkney Hill, Pudding			11:04 R					10:47	
Broadbridge Heath, Tesco									
Broadbridge Heath, Shere Arms									
Horsham Bus Station			11:29					11:50	
Horsham Carfax			11:31					11:51	

E = Operates fast between Reigate & Redhill (no intermediate stops)

Arrows indicate stops that the bus does not serve on a given journey

R = Operates at request of passengers already on board who wish to be set down

P = Picks up at request of passengers set down at this point on outbound journey

Buses 50, 433 & 522 will also pick-up/set-down at any safe point on Orkney Hill - Wallerwood - Forest Green - Orkney loop

Bus 433 will pick-up/set-down at any safe point in Dean Oak Lane

SCHEDULED RUNS

IMPORTANT: Ring 07802 460069 to confirm date & timing

**1st & 3rd Tuesday each month to Tesco,
Broadbridge Heath**

13.50 Holmbury St Mary
14.00 Forest Green
14.10 Walliswood
14.15 Okewood Hill

2nd and 4th Saturday each month to Cranleigh

09.45 Holmbury St Mary
09.50 Abinger Hammer
09.55 Gomshall
10.00 Peaslake

Around 12.00 noon for the return

**Twice/month on Thursdays to Sainsbury & Waitrose,
Godalming (ring to confirm dates)**

09.40 Holmbury St Mary
09.50 Gomshall
10.00 Peaslake
10.10 Shere

2nd & 4th Monday of each month to the Library, SHERE

14.10 Holmbury St Mary
14.20 Peaslake
14.25 Gomshall

USEFUL CONTACTS

ALZHEIMER'S SOCIETY	Dorking	Pauline Hall	883425
ANGLING SOCIETY	Ockley	Rob Wyatt	627471
CHORAL SOCIETY	Capel	Ian Moir	889817
CHURCHES			See p42
CITIZENS' ADVICE BUREAU	Cranleigh	Jackie Gaskell	01483 273378
	Dorking		876805
CRICKET CLUB	Forest Green	Malcolm Clayton	621225
	Oakwood Hill	Dave Bishop	01306 627524
DIAL-A-RIDE			740505
FRIENDS OF SCOTT BROADWOOD SCHOOL		School Office	711181
GATWICK AREA CONSERVATION CAMPAIGN		Peter Barclay	01293 862821
GATWICK NOISE COMPLAINTS			01293 311568
GP SURGERY	Capel		711105
HOSPICE SUPPORT GROUP		Janet Stenson	713319
JAYES PARK ESTATE OFFICE	property@jayesestate.co.uk		621261
LOCAL SAFER NEIGHBOURHOOD TEAM			01483 630370
LOCAL VOLUNTEER DRIVERS		Simon Figg	01306 627094
MOLE VALLEY: Handyman Service			01737 845630
MOLE VALLEY DISTRICT COUNCIL	Helyn Clack	helyn.clack@gmail.com	07817 745843
NATIONAL CHILDBIRTH TRUST	Helen Burling-Smith	731511	
NURSERY	Walliswood	Rupert Thorne	627067
OCKLEY HOUSING ASSOCIATION	Tom Chambre	ockleyha@gmail.com	07718 902345
KEWOOD, OCKLEY & F.G. FLOWER SHOW		Cheryl Barclay	621140
OCKLEY TODDLER GROUP (Thursdays, Village Hall)		Gill Christie	711917
Parish Councils			
Abinger: www.abinger-pc.gov.uk		Beccy Anderson	07716 928430
Ockley: www.ockley-parishcouncil.co.uk		Samantha Bell	clerk@ockleypc.co.uk
POLICE (Non-emergency)			101
KEWOOD HILL RESIDENTS ASS'N.	Nick Standen	upperment@yahoo.co.uk	07787 573549
SPEEDWATCH CO-ORDINATOR	Ockley	Maureen Newman	627001
SURREY WILDLIFE TRUST			01483 795440
TENNIS CLUB	Capel	Lynette von Kaufmann	07513 055494
TWO COUNTIES art/craft		Janet Mitchell	627322
VILLAGE WEBSITES			
Ockley: www.ockley.org.uk			
Forest Green: www.forestgreenvillage.co.uk		David@forestgreenvillage.co.uk	
Walliswood: www.walliswoodvillagehall.org			
VOLUNTEER CENTRE	Dorking	Peter Herman	640369
WASP Bus			07802 460069
WOMEN'S INSTITUTE (WI)	Capel		01306 710510
YOUNG AT HEART		Diana Cuthbert	621326



HOW TO USE A DEFIBRILLATOR

1. Switch on the defibrillator

- Remove or cut through clothing and wipe away sweat from the chest if necessary

2. Stick on the pads

- Attach the pads to the casualty's chest in the positions indicated on the pads

3. Follow the instructions

- Follow the voice and/or visual prompts given by the machine.



Local AED locations

- Beare Green Village Hall RH5 4RD
- Capel Village Hall RH5 5LB
- Forest Green Village Hall RH5 5RZ
- Ockley Cricket Pavilion RH5 5TR
- Plough Pub Coldharbour RH5 6HD
- Punchbowl Inn Okewood RH5 5PU
- Walliswood Village Hall RH5 5RJ

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