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It's a time of reconsidering...

Dear all

Were you able to spend some time over Christmas with friends and family. I do hope so. It's hard to believe that we have come to the end of 2023, it seems like only a breath ago that we in 2022. How are you with the New Year I wonder? Is it a big deal to you or something that passes by fairly unnoticed? Do you make new year resolutions or 'nah that sort of thing is all a load of bunkum!'

One thing that we can be sure of, is that with each New Year comes more change and challenge – some bring excitement like a new baby in the family, some bring grief like the loss of a loved one but one way or other life never stands still. We are all very different in the way we experience change. Some people experience it as exciting and challenging, whereas others are more wary. All these things are normal and even healthy as long as they don't overwhelm us.

The televangelist Joel Osteen is quoted as saying of New Year; "to reach up for the new, we must let go of the old. What lies behind us is not nearly as important as what lies in front of us".

Even in the short time that I've been here, I have seen and heard just how tired many of you are, and that's understandable; two interregnums, the pandemic and subsequent reduction in church goers has clearly taken its toll but the level of effort those who remain are putting in just isn't sustainable or healthy.

So, I would like to declare 2024 a jubilee year for both Buckland and Betchworth churches, where we recognise and celebrate what we have been, dare to stop 'doing' simply because 'no-one else will', and then look to the future and wonder;

- Where is our place as a church in the community now?
- What does it mean to us to be a worshipping Christian community in Buckland and Betchworth?
- What brings us joy and that we do well so that we can celebrate it?
- What do we struggle with so we can think and pray about?
- What is there that we might need to let go of ?
- And how do we choose to serve God now? (notice I say *choose* not *have* to- which is very different!)

These are big questions I know, and they aren't likely to be answered instantly but they are important ones for us to explore together. As a Christian community, we journey together with God at our centre. We recognise our accomplishments and celebrate as a community. We do. We also share the things we struggle with, cling to or do out of a sense of duty, knowing that by exploring together we have the opportunity to discover just how God is calling us to serve in the next few years together.

*God of new beginnings,
of hope and deliverance,
dawn us with fresh opportunities,
equip us for new tasks,
fill us with eager longing,
and thrill us with fresh starts,
that with the past behind us,
we may look to all that lies ahead,
with faith in Jesus, hope in you, and love for all.
Amen.*

Wishing you all a joy-filled and peaceful 2024.

Pru



‘Vocation does not come from a voice out there calling me to be something I am not. It comes from a voice in here calling me to be the person I was born to be.’

Thomas Merton (Theologian, poet—1915-68)

CHURCH SERVICES—JANUARY

Date	St Mary's Buckland	St Michael's Betchworth
7 January 2024 <i>Epiphany</i>		10am Parish Communion Rev. P. Dulley
14 January 2024 <i>Epiphany 2</i>	10 am IONA Communion Rev. P. Dulley	5pm Choral Evensong
21 January 2024 <i>Epiphany 3</i>		10am Parish Communion Rev. P. Dulley
28 January 2024 <i>Epiphany 4</i>	10 am Parish Communion Rev. P. Dulley	
4 February 2024 <i>Epiphany 5</i>		10am Parish Communion Rev. P. Dulley

This month we resume our regular pattern of services alternating between the two churches and look forward to welcoming you.

Our church websites have a link to the live Online Services streamed from Southwark Cathedral each week:

<https://stmarythevirginbuckland.net/> or <https://stmichaelsbetchworth.net/>

JANUARY EVENTS

- 4 Jan 7.45pm.** Pebblecombe WI. Hamilton Room Betchworth. p.9
8 Jan 7.15pm. Talk on Wealden iron Industry, DLHG. Dorking Crossways. p.31
15 Jan 2.30pm. Talk on John Singer Sargent. p.31
22 Jan 7.15pm. Talk on Guildford's lost Shops, DLHG. ZOOM. p.31
26 Jan, 7pm for 7.30pm. New Year Quiz & Supper. B&B Society p.30
31 Jan 2pm-4pm. Drop in Teas, Hamilton Room Betchworth. p.8

FEBRUARY EVENTS

- 10 Feb 2.30pm.** Christopher Herrick Organ Recital. St Michael's Betchworth. p.7
19 Feb 7.30pm. Talk on Bat Ecology & Conservation, BGHS. p.32

Editorial

Another New Year arrives. Time for reflection and one of my occasional Editorials. I have been editing the magazine for 40 issues, just over 3 years. There was no job description so I have followed my nose and my interests, and this is what I hope to achieve:

- This is a Community Magazine, not just about church affairs.
- The Rector's letter is a thoughtful piece that often draws on a biblical message.
- Elsewhere, where religion is mentioned, it's not about Bible quotes nor the Church of England. Articles and inspirational quotes are multi-denominational and often consider general spirituality and well-being.
- Local Societies and Charities have free-column-inches' up to one page to advertise future events and report on recent events.
- Buckland Parish Council, North Downs School and Gardening Notes offer regular monthly updates and news.
- Buckland's local history and stories of local people, past and present are interesting to many Buckland readers. Following feedback, obituaries of Buckland people are being reintroduced after a long absence.
- Humour is important, jokes and cartoons to bring a smile and ensure that we do not take ourselves too seriously.

The Church sponsors the magazine, paying the printing costs, and hence the editor is accountable to the Church PCC (Parochial Church Council) of which he is a member. Subscriptions (£10/yr) plus income from our advertisers do reimburse our printing costs, and the surplus is a useful income to the Church Accounts.

I am happy to receive comments, positive and negative, and I do try to act on it. More feedback is welcomed and if you would like to contribute an occasional article or a regular column, do get in touch.

The world is continually troubled by wars and natural disasters. You can read about these things elsewhere. In contrast, the Buckland Parish Magazine will give you information on lots of local community events and church activities, together with an eclectic, thoughtful and mildly amusing selection of articles to read. We hope that what you read here is not upsetting, but uplifting.

Duncan Ferns, Editor

ST MICHAEL'S BETCHWORTH
Christopher Herrick Organ Recital
2.30pm Saturday 10 February 2024



It's been a long time coming but we are at last holding our next Organ Recital in St. Michael's Betchworth. The Date is 10th February it will be at 2.30 in the afternoon and the most exciting thing of all is that the internationally known organist **Christopher Herrick** is going to play for us!! He has recorded over 50 CDs of Organ music, playing some of the best organs around the world.

He has offered to play for us and for all the proceeds to go to The Pillars of St. Michael's Betchworth, which was set up to look after the fabric of St. Michael's.

This really is one not to be missed so please put the date in your diary. Full details in the February magazine.

Pam Armitage. armitagepam@hotmail.com



*'Prayer is no longer allowed in church,
because it discriminates against
non-believers'*



*"He follows your 'tweets.' That's how God
always knows what you're doing."*

AFTERNOON TEAS at THE HAMILTON ROOM 2024



Thank you to all our friends and visitors who have joined us in the Hamilton Room over the past year, and especially at our 12th Anniversary party in November. We have been able to send donations to support four charities in 2023 :

- **Surrey Supports Ukraine** - working in Epsom with refugees from the current disturbances
- The Amber Trust - who bring music into the lives of disabled children and their families,
- **Alzheimer's Research and**
- **Tuberous Sclerosis Association** – a charity supporting the children, young people and families of those affected by Tuberous Sclerosis, a genetic disorder that causes tumors to form on various organs, and is associated also with autism and epilepsy.

Since 2011, when Afternoon Teas started, our visitors have generously donated £2,600 to charities local and more national. We are looking forward to another positive year when we welcome friends and visitors to the Teas in the Hamilton Room on the last Wednesday of the month from January to November:

**Drop-in from 2-4pm on
The last Wednesday each Month
in the Hamilton Room, Church Street, Betchworth
Come for a cup of tea or coffee, cake and biscuits,
and a chat with friends**

2024 Dates: 31st January, 28th February, 27th March, 24th April, 29th May, 26th June,
31st July, 28th August, 25th September, 30th October
and on 27th November our 13th Anniversary Party.

For transport / information: contact Margaret Miller on 01737 842098
We look forward to seeing you there.

PEBBLECOMBE WI

Buckland & Betchworth's Womens Institute



If you are ever in Church Street, Betchworth at 7.45pm on the 1st Thursday on each month, you would find a group of ladies coming to the Hamilton Room for the Pebblecoombe WI meeting.

We are a friendly group, part of the National Federation of Women's Institutes, known for their campaigns on Clean Water, protesting on Violence Against Girls and Women and other resolutions, voted on each year. We have interesting discussions, speakers on subjects as varied as The History of Cheese, and Spring planting, and also craft evenings. Annual meetings held by Surrey Federation take place in Dorking Halls, when we hear of activities open to all members involving sports, visits to theatres, cookery and craft courses. We welcome all visitors, who often become members, so come and give us a try. 2024 dates are as follows:

Pebblecombe WI

**Meet at 7.45pm on the 1st Thursday each month in
The Hamilton Room, Church St, Betchworth RH3 7DN**

2024 Dates: 4th January, 1st February, 7th March,
4th April, 2nd May, 6th June, 4th July, 1st August,
5th September, 3rd October, 7th November and
5th December.

For information: Contact Margaret Miller on 01737 842098
or email: jma.miller@btinternet.com



COVER PICTURES—some WI history

Buckland & Betchworth are now served by Pebblecombe WI. However, until the 1970's there was a separate Buckland WI, as seen on the cover photos, showing two pictures of a horse-drawn float, a farm cart decorated to promote Buckland Women's Institute (WI), thought to be back in the 1930's. The top photo shows the gable of what is now Occasions Hairdressers (to the right of the Buckland Deli). The source and exact date of pictures is not known.

ST. JAMES THE LEAST OF ALL

On how to run your Diary for 2024

The Rectory, St James the Least of All

My dear Nephew Darren

So, you have just attended a course on 'Diary Management', to get you prepared for another year. If you had visited me, I could have told you all you need to know in half the time. Allow me to provide you with useful information which was probably not provided in your conference hand-outs.



First, buy the smallest diary you can find. Large blank pages only encourage you to fill them with too many appointments; the smaller the page, the easier it can be made to appear that your days are fully booked. Second, make sure that it is of a size that will conveniently fit into any pocket. When dates are being arranged for subsequent meetings, you can theatrically start going through jacket, trouser and overcoat pockets. By the time you discover it was in your briefcase all along, dates will have been fixed and no one will notice you never got any of them.

Third, adopt your own private code for bookings. This means that any parishioner looking over your shoulder and seeing '1.30pm PLS' or '7.30pm WTD' will assume you are attending important church meetings. The fact that they mean 'Post Lunch Sleep' and 'Walk The Dog' will be known to you alone – although do have alternative possibilities for your acronyms should you ever be challenged. My congregation know that I regularly attend the 'Pauline Letters Seminars' and my membership of the 'World Theology Directorate' is of many years standing. Fourth, record everything in pencil so that once you return home, you can rub most of it out and can then deny you knew anything about those meetings you were supposed to attend. To prove it, you can show the blank page in your diary.

Fifth, put someone else's address inside your diary. Should you ever have to resort to the ultimate act and need to lose it, you do not want some Good Samaritan returning it to you from the churchyard compost heap.

So, you see, your day of flip charts and group discussions were quite wasted – and I would gladly have presented my course for half their price.

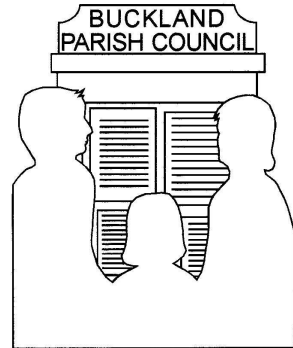
Your loving uncle, Eustace

Buckland Matters

BUCKLAND PARISH COUNCIL

Village website

Hopefully, many of you are familiar with our village website (www.bucklandsurrey.org.uk) and make regular visits to read topical news items and check our regularly updated [events calendar](#) for local groups and amenities.



If you are struggling to know how to report something to a public body such as our District Council, County Council, police or one of the utility companies you will find signposting on the report it page and the parish council section keeps you up to date on everything your parish council is up to. If you are involved in one of the local activity groups and would like to suggest updates to the information published on the village website, please contact our volunteer webmaster. If you find yourself struggling to report a problem to a public body do email me to give me the chance to help you and add further guidance to the report it page.

Refreshed content on the village website

If you pay a visit to the website, you will see refreshed content under the header “Environment”. We have restructured information from across the website under this header to make it easier for you to see what is going on across Buckland. Dominic Sanders has provided an update on nature initiatives at the estate (see page 12-14) and a parish council led initiatives page puts into context the approach the parish council has taken over the last 12 years.

It would be wonderful if we could add to this section by sharing initiatives any of you have (or are in the process) of undertaking – if you have projects you would be happy to provide an update about, ideally accompanied with some photographs, our webmaster will be happy to add a residents section and, if you have photographs of flora and fauna, recorded in Buckland, do consider sending them through to be added to our galleries.

Our aim is to share information – to help each other understand what seems to

be working well and to share any tips for success. All very informal – we are not asking you to commit to undertake counts or surveys – although the website does provide links to enable you to link up with organisations undertaking counts and surveys if this is something that interests you.

Broadband

Your parish council is interested to hear from anyone who is struggling with slow broadband speeds. A recent update from Surrey County Council alerted the parish council to the government having extended the target date for providing fibre to the home to all residential properties from 2025 to 2030 and to a weakening of the targeted 100% provision in recognition that there are now expected to be a small number of “Very Hard to Reach Properties” that will be difficult to serve. If you have been trying (without success) to sign up to faster broadband speeds, please share your experience with the parish council by replying to this update to ensure we understand what challenges are being encountered in Buckland.

Sheena Boyce, Clerk parishcouncil@bucklandsurrey.org.uk

AN UPDATE ON NATURE INITIATIVES AT BUCKLAND ESTATE

This article summarises work being carried out at Buckland Estate towards conserving and improving our beautiful natural environment.

While our arable operation remains an important business for us, the days of all-out intensive farming are long gone. Approximately 160 hectares (400 acres) of land remain in arable cultivation, managed principally with Edward Ford. But as the Government phases out the basic payment scheme – which subsidised farmers purely by reference to the amount of land they farmed – we have taken advantage of a number of Countryside Stewardship Programmes.

We have three Countryside Stewardship Programmes in place. The largest covers much of the land subject to the estate’s agreement with Edward, plus pasture grazed by the Muggeridge and Budd families. We have a further scheme covering land at Walton Oaks. Lastly, this year we entered into a forestry management plan.



Bank of Ox-eye daisies on south bank of Buckland Park Lake



*Countryside Stewardship Programme of mixed seeds for winter bird food
west of Lawrence Lane, Buckland*

The first programme is a five year arrangement which started in 2021 with the following components:

- restrictions on the spreading of “inputs” (ie most fertilizers) on “permanent grassland”. Because we no longer have a large dairy herd and the grazing is therefore less intensive, the pressure to maximise the yield from grass is reduced. These arrangements cover over 80 ha of land;
- protection of in-field trees on arable land (1.6 ha);
- buffer strip on cultivated land (1.2 ha);
- nectar flower mix (5.5 ha), most obviously the strip along the foot of the North Downs next to the Pilgrims’ Way; and
- winter bird food (8.0 ha): the area to the north west of the Lawrence Lane railway bridge is an example of this, as is the Clears (the field to the east of Cliftons Lane and north of the railway).
- At Walton Oaks we have a five year agreement which started in 2022 relating to low input on permanent grassland as well as a couple of parcels where field corners and small areas have been taken out of agriculture.
- The five year forestry management plan (100 ha) mostly relates to woodland but also affects fringes of the chalk grassland on the North Downs. We enjoy forestry but experience shows that it tends to be easier to plant trees than to look after them. We are also keen hedge planters and usually plant 2000 to 4000 thorns a year.

At Buckland Park Lake, we operate a Land & Ecology Management Plan, a five year programme which started in November 2020. It has quite a few elements but includes the cultivation of three wildflower patches. We are also seeking to preserve unenriched grassland by keeping the scrub under control without disturbing insects and other wildlife. We have undertaken quite a few nature studies with a variety of partners. If anyone is interested in joining in, they are welcome to get in touch with the estate office.

There are plenty of further initiatives for the future. For example, establishing wildflowers on the green up Rectory Lane opposite Glebe House.

We think these measures have already benefited a variety of flora and fauna, but there is still plenty to do.

Dominic Sanders, Buckland Estate

NORTH DOWNS PRIMARY SCHOOL— NEWS



Firstly, on behalf of all pupils, staff and governors I would like to wish you all a happy and prosperous new year. Children will be returning to school during the first week in January and despite what you might think, the majority of them are pleased to be back at school. Although they look forward to and enjoy the holidays, particularly Christmas, they appreciate the familiarity and structure of a school day.

As you can imagine, this last term has been such a busy one; school is now much more than just children and teachers and although children are at the heart of everything we do, there is so much more to creating a successful school. Good schools rely on a hard working and supportive governing body. We are extremely lucky with our governors at North Downs; they know the school well, are very adept at taking a strategic view of school development and are not afraid to ask challenging questions. The role of a governor is interesting and varied and is a way of becoming involved in the local school and making a real difference to the lives of children.

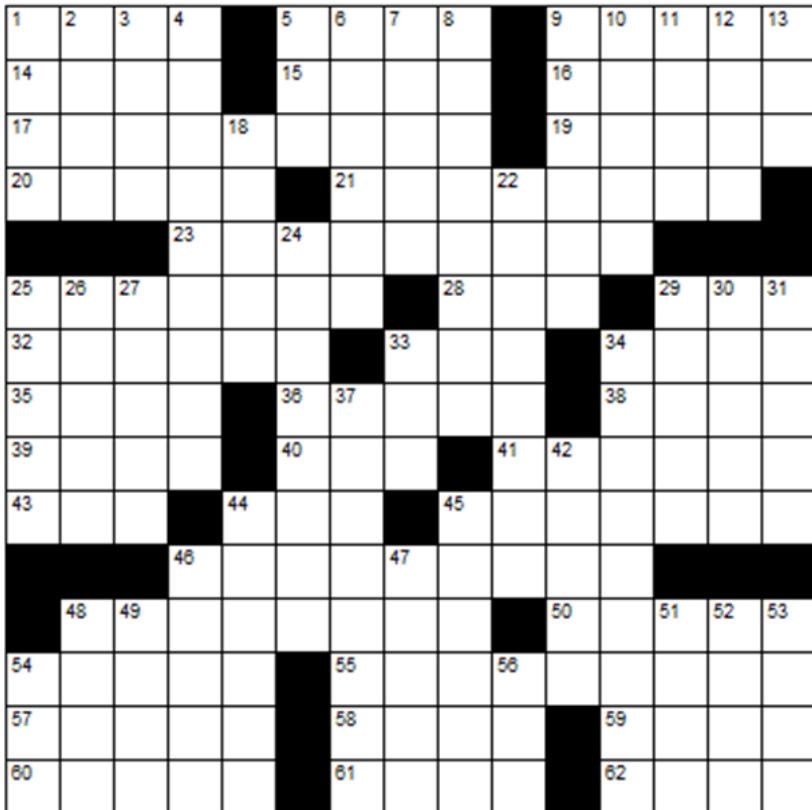
Our governors have supported the school with the planning and delivery of strategies to support the mental health and well-being of pupils and staff, post COVID.

We are proud of the judgement made during our recent Ofsted Inspection, in that *'the well-being of pupils, and others in the school community, is a clear priority for leaders.'* You may be aware that we have undertaken much work to develop our curriculum outside the classroom. The inspection report also commented on this, reporting that *'pupils are given various opportunities to spend time outside. They are taught about the natural world while also learning about independence and resilience.'* These skills and attributes, along with our whole school value for this term, Collaboration, are essential to our children in later life, living out the vision of our school to *'Be the best you can be, every day.'*

Jane Douglass, Headteacher

GENERAL KNOWLEDGE CROSSWORD

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ACROSS

1. Roman robe
5. Boast
9. Compress
14. Component of steel
15. Cassava
16. River horse
17. Evidences
19. Terminated
20. Lacquer ingredient
21. Slang for a jail
23. Without

displeasure

25. A yellow condiment
28. Anger
29. Supersonic transport
32. Wicked
33. East northeast
34. Against
35. Cicatrix
36. Primp
38. Economic prosperity
39. Anagram of

"Silk"

40. Term of endearment
41. Guarantee
43. C
44. Mayday
45. A bit block transfer circuit (computing)
46. It lays underwater bombs
48. Goalpost part
50. Hindu social division

54. Ready for anything
55. Not selected by ballot
57. Thick
58. Period of discounted prices
59. Frog
60. Not before
61. Hello
62. Agile

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| 2. By mouth | 11. Style of hairdo | 30. Cache | 49. Let out |
| 3. Disappeared | 12. Gush forth | 31. Countdown clock | 51. Cease |
| 4. Cartoon illustrators | 13. A box for bricks | 33. Evening (poetic) | 52. Rip |
| 5. Farewell | 18. Last | 34. Synopses | 53. Countercurrent |
| 6. Hurried | 22. In a calm manner | 37. Thorny shrub | 54. American Dental Association |
| 7. Thespian | 24. Winged monsters | 42. Daughter of a sibling | 56. Grassland |
| 8. Petrol (Am.) | 25. Melodies | 44. Female sibling | |
| 9. Cheddar or | 26. Parental brother | 45. Scarcely | |
| | 27. Tremble | 46. A common code | |
| | | 47. Hawaiian veranda | |

SMILE OR GRIMACE?

A wife texted her husband on a cold winter morning: "Windows frozen."
Her husband texted back: "Pour some lukewarm water over it."
The wife texted back five minutes later: "Now the computer's completely not working."

Two Irish lads were working for the local county council. One lad would dig a hole and the other lad would follow him and fill the hole in. They worked up along one street and then down the other. They then moved to the next street and did the same, working flat out all day without stopping. One lad digging the holes. The other lad filling them in. A passer-by saw what they were doing and was amazed at the hard work, but couldn't understand what they were at. So, he shouted over to the lad digging the holes, 'I don't get it – why do you dig a hole, only for the other lad to fill it in?' The lad wiped his brow and sighed deeply, 'Well, I suppose it probably does look a bit odd. You see, we're normally a three-man team. But today the lad who plants the trees phoned in sick.'

Did you hear about the cross-eyed teacher? He resigned because he couldn't control his pupils.

"A woman, without her man, is nothing."

"A woman: without her, man is nothing."

Punctuation is important.

I went on holiday last week. I got an odd-job man in, gave him a list of ten jobs to do while I was away. When I got back, he'd only done jobs 1,3,5,7, and 9.

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Grade: Medium.
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WORDSEARCH—The Wise Men & St Paul meet Jesus

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Suffering
Apostle

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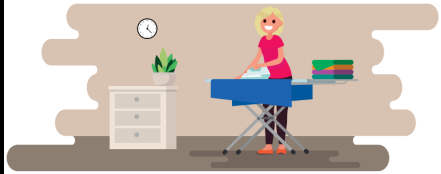
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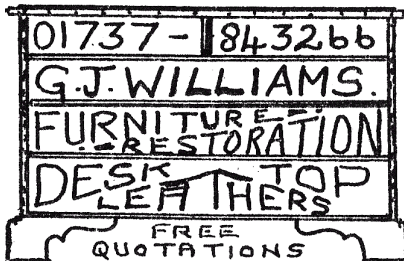


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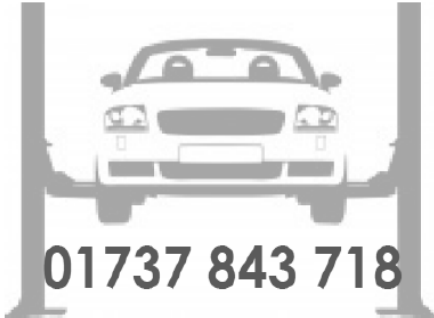
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The Christmas Tree was provided courtesy of Buckland Estates, and refreshments from profits at the Coronation Picnic back in June.

Fiona Brindley



Features

GARDENING NOTES

Houseplants – your garden in the home

It's cold outside and if you are not inclined to venture into the garden so much at this time of year, think about how houseplants can bring colour and enjoyment into your home.

Flowering plants will instantly brighten up your environment. Azaleas, orchids and cyclamen are plentiful at this time of year. Phalaenopsis orchids in particular are widely loved as they look so exotic, need little care and will reflower year after year, producing larger stems of delicate flowers each time. Kalanchoe are a reliable favourite, with succulent leaves and small clusters of buds which colour up and flower for many weeks.

Green plants are an important addition to any home. As well as looking good, they can have a positive impact on health and well-being – indoor horticultural therapy. They can also improve air quality. As working from home has become more prevalent, the addition of plants can improve general mood and productivity and reduce stress levels, as has been proven in office environments.

There are plants which will thrive in most conditions, but it's worth remembering there are very few that will do well in cold drafts. Likewise, no plant will benefit from standing in water for more than a few hours, so be sure to drain off any excess after watering. Dark places with little or no natural light can be challenging, so pick carefully for these areas. Generally, most plants will do well in bright and airy conditions.

Houseplants can take time to acclimatise. They are usually grown in perfect computer-controlled conditions for maximum impact when displayed for sale, and real-world household climates can come as a shock. This will often show with leaf-drop, such as with *ficus benjamina* (weeping fig). Persevere, maybe with a boost of some liquid feed but definitely with plenty of light. Regularly turn them around so you get even growth. Just as in a garden, a small investment in time in indoor plants can bring much enjoyment.

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MATURITY IN OUR SPIRITUAL LIVES

An opinion piece by Father Richard Rohr (Franciscan & Author)

The first half of our lives is spent building an identity, establishing our security, defining our boundaries, creating a zone of safety, and having controllable order. We can liken this first stage of life to operating on lower levels of consciousness. Many religious people get stuck on the level of mythic consciousness, with a narrow, ethnocentric, law-and-order mentality. God is a superior being outside oneself, and fidelity to God means abiding by the laws of religion and church. Wholeness means nothing more than obeying the rules. Looking for one's center always outside oneself inculcates a basic sense of unworthiness, distrust of self, and subservience to those "better," "more qualified," or "superior" to counsel and guide.

What creates a breakthrough in consciousness, whereby authentic growth shifts from attention to authority outside ourselves to the inner law of the heart, is not simply growing old but, rather, it is growing inward in freedom: "If you make my Word your home," Jesus said, "you will learn the truth and the truth will set you free" (John 8:31–32). Freedom requires a breakthrough into unitive consciousness, a radical surrender and complete letting go, trusting the spiritual impulses of life....

Life still breaks down as matter weakens and expectations fail, but the one who lives on the level of integrated consciousness lives in moments of failure or disruption with a lightness of spirit, a sense of openness to divine love, which appears like light shining through the cracks of darkness. Suffering is where divine love radiates in hidden darkness, where God is fully human; the power of life itself in the midst of disruption. We live into our divine nature when we cling to this power of life, finding that this power within liberates us beyond the threat of death because "fear is driven out by perfect love" (1 John 4:18). Living into our divine nature is the source of our freedom and happiness.

We cannot know this deeper divine reality if we live only on levels of mediocrity and self-preservation. We are created out of love and are made to energize the world in love.... Aging can be either a life of nostalgia or a wholehearted engagement with the future. It is a disruptive process as things break down, friends and pets die, houses are sold, and memories of the past haunt the present. Months melt into years, and we find ourselves in the flow of life.

Growing inward by falling upward means learning from our mistakes... Even if the felt experience of life dims, we are invited to let go and surrender to the wild love of God, living into the endless vitality of life itself. Letting go into God is coming home to our true selves, where we discover that our root reality is infinite divine love, and in love, we are eternally free.

*From Falling Upwards by Richard Rohr (Wiley 2013)
- reviewed in March 2023 Buckland Parish Magazine*

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The Dorking Concertgoers Society begins the new year with a concert given by two outstandingly talented local musicians – violinist Oscar Perks and pianist Ayaka Shigeno. Both are former pupils of the Yehudi Menuhin School and both now have successful careers as soloists and chamber musicians. Their programme includes three violin sonatas, by Leclair, Beethoven and Fauré, and Ayaka will also play some of the colourful pieces from Albeniz's great Spanish collection *Iberia*.

There are two screenings at the Dorking Halls this month: The classic ballet *Giselle* is performed by the Dutch National Ballet. With music by Adolphe Adam, it tells the story of a young peasant girl who falls in love with a deceitful nobleman. Dvořák's operatic masterpiece *Rusalka* is screened in a recording from the Royal Opera House. This delightful fairytale opera contains some of Dvořák's finest music, including the beautiful 'Song to the moon'.

Ian Codd

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The Truelove family in Buckland

There are nine headstones in the graveyard of St Mary the Virgin Buckland bearing the surname Truelove, recording 23 burials¹. Given the relatively unusual name, I was curious to determine if there was a link with the Funeral Directors company, W.A. Truelove, which has several offices in our part of Surrey and south-east London. The current MD of the company, Simon A Truelove, confirmed that his great-grandfather founded the company and he believed that there was a link to Buckland, though he did not know any details.

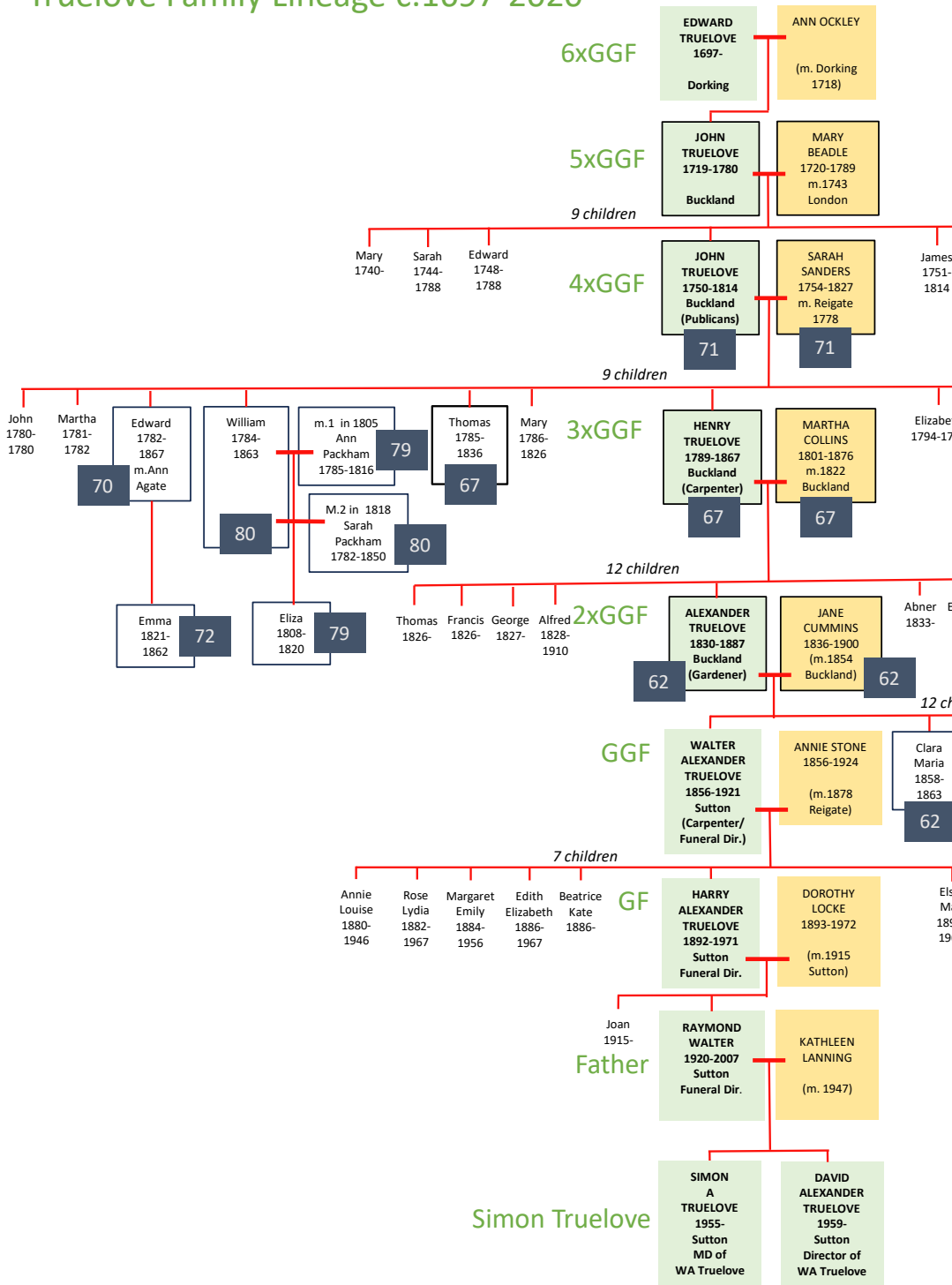
Much of the groundwork documenting the Truelove graves had been done by a family genealogist, Carey Harborne, in 2018², which I gratefully acknowledge. However, this did not make the link to the company of Funeral Directors, and I thought it would be easier to understand with the aid of a family tree diagram with Simon Truelove as the reference point for each generation; links to the grave plot numbers from the 2020 Graveyard Survey of St Mary's Buckland;³ and to historic census information³.

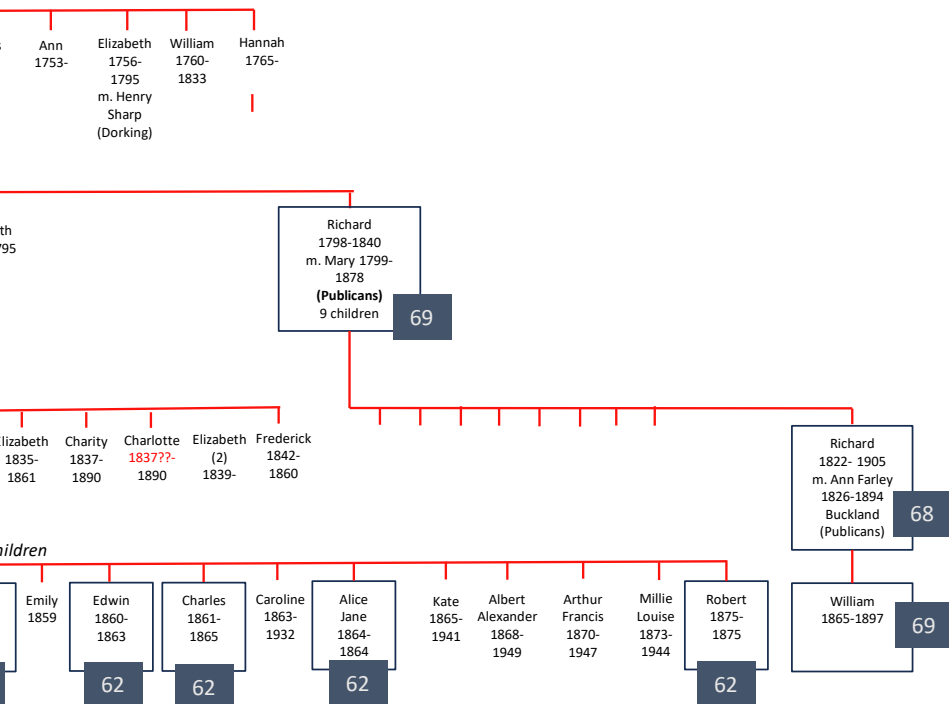
Hence, we can explain how each of the 23 Truelove burials relate to each other, to Buckland and to Simon Truelove over 9 generations, beginning with Simon's 6 x Great-Grandfather.

Edward Truelove (1697-) – Simon's 6 x GGF (great-grandfather) - is the earliest record found, christened at St Martins Dorking in 1697. At the same church, Edward married Ann Ockley in 1718, and we know that they were the parents of...

John Truelove (1719-1780) – Simon's 5 x GGF. John was christened at St Martins Dorking. He married Mary Beadle (1720-89). John and Mary are both recorded living in Buckland when they married in 1743, but intriguingly, their marriage is recorded in London's Clandestine marriage index⁴, which recorded 'secret or illegal' marriages. They had **9 children**, between 1740 and 1765, all christened at St Mary's Buckland. Both John & Mary were buried at St Mary's Buckland, and the Parish Register notes that Mary died a 'widow and pauper.' Their physical gravestones do not survive. Their fourth child was ...

Truelove Family Lineage c.1697-2020





John Truelove (1750-1814) – Simon's 4 x GGF - born in Buckland. John married in 1778 at Reigate St Mary's to Sarah Sanders (1754-1827), the same church where Sarah was christened. John and Sarah had 9 children between 1780 and 1798. From 1785 to 1814 John Truelove was a 'Licensed Victualler'³ – and from the Census³ we know this to be 'The Tap' pub (later the Jolly Farmers, and now The Pheasant) on Reigate Road Buckland. At this time the pub was the building adjacent to the current pub, now a house called Jolly Farmer's Cottage. The Truelove family were the tenants of 'The Tap' for 66 years, until at least 1851. John & Sarah are buried in Buckland in plot 71.

Four of John and Sarah's nine children stayed to live in Buckland for the rest of their lives:

(1) Edward Truelove (1782-1867) married Anne Agate, buried together in plot 70. They had 4 children (Thomas, Emma, Edward & Alfred). Their daughter Emma Truelove (1821-62) is buried in plot 72. In the 1840 census Edward is recorded as a Farmer (of 10 acres), living on Reigate Heath, in a cottage adjacent to his younger brother Henry and his family.

(2) Richard Truelove (1798-1840) continued his father's footsteps as manager of the Jolly Farmers. He married Mary and together they had 9 children. Richard died at the relatively young age of 42, but his wife Mary (1799-1878) stayed on as the landlady of the 'The Tap' for a further 17 years. Richard & Mary are buried in plot 69. Of their nine chil-

dren, son Richard (1822-1905) stayed in Buckland, listed as a Builder and Bricklayer, where he married Ann, living at a cottage on Reigate Road Buckland.³ Richard and Ann are buried together in plot 68. One of their children, William, pre-deceased his parents; he died age 22 (1865-87) and is buried with his grandparents (Richard & Mary) – the memorial being on the reverse of their headstone in plot 69.

(3) William Truelove (1784-1867) married at the age of 22 in 1805, a Buckland girl, Ann Packham. They had 4 children, all girls, but sadly their mother Ann (1785-1816) died at the age of 31, shortly followed by one of their daughters, Elizabeth aged 11 (1809-20). Ann and daughter Elizabeth are buried together in plot 79. Two years following the death of his first wife, William (left with 3 daughters) married a second time, this time to Ann's elder sister, Sarah Packham (1782-1850). In the 1840 Census, William lived in the cottage adjacent to his sister-in law, Mary Truelove, then landlady of the Buckland Tap. William survived his second wife by 17 years and is buried with her in plot 80, alongside the grave of his first wife, Ann.

The fourth of John's sons to stay on in Buckland was...

(4) Henry Truelove (1789-1867) – Simon's 3 x GGF - married in Buckland in 1822 to Martha Collins (1801-1876). Henry was a Carpenter, living next to his brother Edward on Reigate Heath (1840 Census), but by 1851 he had move to a cottage on Dungates Lane, Buckland³.

Henry's mother, Sarah Truelove (nee Sanders) was the sister of James Sanders, who owned the Woodyard & Sawmill on Dungates Lane, Buckland, which is known to have employed up to 12 people.⁵ Henry was therefore almost certainly working here for his Uncle James.

Henry & Martha had 12 children between 1826 and 1842. Henry & Martha's grave in Buckland is plot 67, which also includes Henry's brother Thomas Truelove (1785-1836). The fifth child of Henry & Martha was...

Alexander Truelove (1830-1887) - Simon's 2x GGF - Alexander was born in Buckland and christened at St Mary the Virgin, and his wife Jane was born in Whitchurch, Hampshire, daughter of a Policeman. They were married in Buckland in 1854 and like his father before him, he also had 12 children, between 1856 and 1875. They lived in a cottage 'near the church' (1861 census) where he is recorded as a Gardener. Very sadly, five of the children died in infancy. Alexander died at the age of 56, and his mother Jane (1836-1900) at 64 - and both are buried at St Mary's Buckland.

A single gravestone in the churchyard at Buckland has the names of Alexander and Jane, and the names of their five infant sons and daughters, all interred in plot 62. Alexander's eldest son was ...

Walter Andrew Truelove (1856-1921) - Simon's GGF married Annie Stone in Buckland on 15 December 1878. Annie was born in Reigate (1856-1924). They had 7 children together. Walter moved to 54 Vernon Road, Sutton in 1885⁶ when he is listed as a Master Carpenter in the 1891 census, the same business as his grandfather Henry Truelove. There can be little doubt that Walter made up coffins, which was the transferable skill to become an undertaker and Funeral Director. When Walter died in 1921, he left £1,200 in probate to his wife Annie, a sign of a successful business at that time.

The business Walter founded in 1885 still bears his name today - 'W.A Truelove, Funeral Directors'. The current MD is Simon Truelove, Walter's Great-Grandson, who was introduced at the beginning of this article.



Walter A Truelove's new fleet of Austin Hearses in 1922⁶

When Alexander, Walter's father, died in 1887, Walter's funeral business had been set up just for two years. No doubt as eldest son, he would have been responsible for the funeral and the gravestone of his parents and his five lost infant brothers and sisters that we can see on the gravestone today.

Of Walter and Annie's 7 children, 6 were girls, and there was just one boy to inherit the company...

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Simon (b.1955) & David Truelove (b.1959), current Directors of 'W A Truelove & Sons'. Simon joined the company in 1975 and became MD in 1990. His brother David had a career in accountancy before joining the company in 1990 as Finance Director. The company has experienced further growth and currently has 18 branches in East Surrey including Reigate, Dorking, Ashted, Leatherhead and Fetcham in our local area.⁶

In summary, the first Truelove in Buckland was John, who moved from Dorking to Buckland in the period 1740-1743. His son, also John Truelove, is recorded as a 'Licensed Victualler' at Buckland Tap pub, a role which the Trueloves kept for 66 years until at least 1851. John Truelove the publican is the earliest Truelove gravestone (1814) in the Buckland graveyard.

23 Truelove names survive on 9 Buckland gravestones, and they all stem from John Truelove's Buckland family. It was indeed a large Victorian family, and Buckland being a small village, most of the family had to move away to find work. Walter Alexander Truelove was perhaps the most obviously successful in his move away, founding his Funeral Director's business in Sutton in 1885, which thrives today after 138 years in business. The last of the Truelove's to be buried in Buckland

was Richard in 1905 [though he had been living his later years with his daughter Agnes in Easthampsted, Berkshire, which explains his absence from Buckland in the 1901 census]. The Trueloves contributed to Buckland life for 5 generations, so it is fitting that their history is recorded and recognised.

By the 1901 census, just one little boy, aged 8, Ralfe George Truelove, represents the Truelove family in Buckland. He is listed as a 'Boarder born in Canada' (!!)- living at the Buckland village shop in the care of the sub-postmistress, Charlotte Champion³. We have not found where he belongs on the family tree, nor why he was here alone at the age of 8, but it is always good to have a mystery...

There was also a later 'returnee'. Harry Truelove (1881-1962) was born in Meadvale, Reigate to parents Henry and Sarah (not in the tree presented here). Harry married Florence Edith Parkhurst in Dorking in 1911 and moved

to live in at the Level Crossing Cottage on Rectory Lane, Buckland. Florence operated the manual level crossing gates on Rectory Lane from 1916 to her death in 1944. Harry, age 81, was buried in Buckland in 1962, as recorded in the Buckland Parish Register, but there is no surviving memorial inscription or identified burial plot.⁷

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When Mozart passed away...

he was buried in a church graveyard at the Cemetery of St Marc in Vienna. A couple of days later, the Priest heard music coming from the grave. He sought out a local violinist and brought her to the grave to listen. She knelt at the grave, listening intently. She said, "Ah, yes, that's Mozart's Symphony No. 41, being played backwards." She listened a while longer, and said, "There's the 25th Symphony, and it's backwards too. Most puzzling." She was captivated so she kept on listening. A crowd had gathered. "There's the Seventh... the Sixth... the Fifth..." Suddenly, the realization of what was happening dawned on the violinist. She stood up and announced to the crowd that had gathered in the cemetery, "My fellow citizens, there's nothing to worry about. It's just Mozart decomposing."

Societies & Charities

For the protection and conservation of the quality of life in Betchworth & Buckland

Happy 2024 from The Betchworth & Buckland Society

New Year Quiz & Supper



Friday 26th January 2024

7pm for a 7.30pm start

The Betchworth Memorial Hall

Members £20 & Non-Members £25

Includes two-course supper and large glass of wine.

Teams of 8 or book in smaller numbers and we'll put a few teams together

Only a few tickets left. Please book asap



Wine Tasting Evening

Friday 15th March 7.30pm

The Buckland Reading Room

We're pleased to announce the return of our popular wine sampling event hosted by the Vineking Tasting Rooms
Sampling seven wines with cheese, biscuits, and nibbles

£22 Members/£25 non-members

Numbers are limited so please register interest as soon as possible

Please email for membership enquiries (£10pa)

Additional Social Secretary needed to help with events

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THE ARTS SOCIETY BETCHWORTH



John Singer Sargent: Power of the Portrait
Monday 15 January 2024 at 2.30 (Doors open 1.45)
Betchworth Memorial Hall
Talk by Alexander Epps

John Singer Sargent (1856 – 1925) was an American expatriot artist, considered the "leading portrait painter of his generation" for his evocations of Edwardian-era luxury. He created roughly 900 oil paintings and more than 2,000 watercolors, as well as countless sketches and charcoal drawings. Discover

an artist who devoted his entire life to the creation of beauty. **Our lecturer, Alexandra Epps**, is an accredited Lecturer for The Arts Society and Guide and Lecturer at Tate Modern, Tate Britain and the Guildhall Art Gallery.

To register for Zoom or for further information please contact
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www.theartsocietybetchworth.org.uk

Carole Evans



DORKING LOCAL HISTORY GROUP

The DLHG continues its popular programme of both live and Zoom talks on a fascinating range of topics. These are free to members, but non-members are welcome. Upcoming dates include:

Post Medieval Iron Factory in the Weald: A live talk by Jeremy Hodgkinson on an industry that was vital to the Weald's economy before 1800, and why it declined sharply around that time, Monday 8th January at Crossways Community Baptist Church, Junction Road, Dorking RH4 3HB, 7.15 for 7.30pm, £2 at the door for non-members.

Guildford's Lost Shops: A nostalgia-packed Zoom talk by David Rose, Monday 22nd January: <https://www.meet-up.com/Surrey-History-Meetup/>.

David Burton. dlhg.org.uk.

BROCKHAM GREEN HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

Betchworth * Brockham * Buckland

I would like to start by wishing everyone a Happy New Year 2024. In December we held our second Christmas Wreath workshop and added the option of making a table decoration too. Everyone who attended had a fantastic, festive time and as you can see, each went home with their very own beautiful, individually hand-made masterpiece.



Our workshops have been popular and we will look to expand on this in the future. December also brought our AGM, on a very dark, wet and windy evening. After the formalities, those that had struggled out to join us were offered cheese/biscuits and wine refreshments.



There was also a photographic display of our horticultural events throughout the year and a very interesting exhibition of information regarding the lives of Arthur Fegan and Walter Smith, two local gardeners. We have been awarding their trophies for many years; the Arthur Fegan Trophy for highest number of points in show and the Walter Smith trophy for best exhibit in vegetable classes. We will be running an article on both soon so if anyone has any information they would like to share with us, please get in touch.

Just a reminder of the dates for our talks in Spring 2024

Monday 19th February – Bat Ecology and Conservation - Surrey Bat Group

Monday 18th March 24 - Women Gardeners of the 20th Century – Cherryll Sands

Monday 15th April 24 - Plant Heritage and the National Plant Collection Scheme – David Ford (Chairman of Surrey Plant Heritage Group)

As usual, all our talks are held in Brockham Village Hall and start at 7:30pm. Refreshments will be served and everyone is welcome, so please bring friends. The entrance fee is members £3 and non-members £5.

We always welcome new members, so if you would like to join the Horticultural Society or would like more information, please contact us:

bghsociety@hotmail.com, Ruth Johnson

DORKING MUSEUM IN DECEMBER

Last chance to see: Hedgerow Heritage Exhibition, held in conjunction with the Surrey Wildlife Trust's Hedgerow Heritage Project, finishing January 13th.

New exhibition: A Call to Arms: The History of the Surrey Yeomanry. Opens January 18th. Follows the Surrey Yeomanry from its formation as a voluntary unit in 1794 during the war against Revolutionary France. Disbanded during the early 19th century, it was revived in 1900 at the time of the Boer War, commanded by Lieutenant Colonel Henry Cubitt, and based in Dorking during the First World War.

Great Pterosaur Flying Challenge: Pterosaurs were the flying reptiles that terrorised the prehistoric skies. Families are invited to create and colour their own flying pterosaur models. All materials free, with the support of the Art Society, Dorking. At the Museum on Saturday 20th January, 10am-2pm.

Get involved: The Museum needs volunteers who can spare a few hours a month at the front desk or in other roles offering flexible working in the Museum, in the community or from home. Current vacancies include window display organiser, assistance with school and youth visits, shop manager, events organiser, curator of artefacts and guides for the guided walks programme. Further details and application form: dorkingmuseum.org.uk/about/volunteer-opportunities.

Dorking Museum: Thursdays 1pm-4pm, Fridays & Saturdays 10am-4pm, free entry. www.dorkingmuseum.org.uk. 01306 876591.

SINGING FOR PLEASURE—BUCKLAND READING ROOM

By early January, Gina Eason our professional pianist/conductor will have selected our program of songs for the next few months. The aim is for us to experience the enjoyment, fulfilment and sense of wellbeing that music and singing can bring. We normally sing songs that are popular and well known, a varied selection of different styles and idioms which everyone can enjoy. No audition, no need to read music- but a chance to learn how to. Feel free to join us for no cost for a sample session. Singing is good for you.



Join us on the **first and third Monday from 10am to noon in Buckland Reading Room**. Singing is good for you.

Meike Laurenson m Laurenson@talktalk.net

PUZZLE SOLUTIONS

Crossword (p.16)
Solution

T	O	G	A		B	R	A	G		C	R	U	S	H
I	R	O	N		Y	U	C	A		H	I	P	P	O
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Wordsearch (p.18) Solution

H	D	D	R	M	B	A	B	Y	G	O	O
L	W	E	F	E	E	D	T	K	L	E	V
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L	E	I	S	N	H	N	B	O	I	I	P
I	N	N	K	E	L	D	U	O	R	P	O
N	O	I	S	R	E	V	N	O	C	H	S
D	H	S	T	E	H	K	E	S	C	A	T
E	S	U	F	F	E	R	I	N	G	N	L
D	E	S	I	F	M	R	L	N	G	Y	E
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Sudoku (p.18) Solution

9	4	2	6	8	5	3	7	1
6	1	7	4	9	3	5	8	2
3	8	5	2	1	7	9	4	6
4	7	1	8	5	2	6	3	9
8	5	3	9	6	4	2	1	7
2	6	9	3	7	1	4	5	8
1	9	6	5	4	8	7	2	3
7	3	4	1	2	6	8	9	5
5	2	8	7	3	9	1	6	4

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HISTORICAL NOTES

A book on the History of Buckland is available: **Buckland 1000-2000 with 2020 Vision** by Duncan C Ferns. 300pp, over 250 illustrations and a 600-name index. Purchase from Squires Nursery Buckland, local Waterstones, Amazon online or request to fernsdc@gmail.com.

Buckland (then Bochelant) was mentioned in the Domesday Book as a village of 35 households, a church and a watermill. These days it is a picturesque village covering 1362 acres, with a total population of around 580 in 240 households. Buckland is in the Diocese of Southwark (Bishop: The Rt. Revd. Christopher Chessun) and the Area of Croydon (Area Bishop: The Rt. Revd. Rosemarie Mallett).

BUCKLAND READING ROOM ACTIVITIES

Regular activities in the Reading Room:

- Monday am Singing for Pleasure (1st & 3rd Mondays)
- Monday pm Art Group
- Monday 4.30pm Brownies & Rainbows
- Tuesday am Toddlers
- Tuesday 2.15pm Bridge Club
- Thursday 2.15pm Bridge Club
- Thursday evening Yoga
- Saturday am Children's Dance Class
- Saturday pm Sugarcraft Guild (2nd Saturday)

For booking enquiries please contact Stella Cantor, preferably by email:

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