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Dear All

We are a little way into Lent already and I wonder how it is going for you? Have you given something up such as sugar, alcohol, meat etc and have you managed to stick to it or have you wobbled along the way? Maybe you have committed yourself to some additional spiritual reading or prayers instead; how is that coming along I wonder?

Lent doesn't have to be a time of privation. It's a time when we are encouraged to explore our faith and, as we retrace Christ's journey to the cross, resurrection and our ultimate salvation, a time to remind ourselves of the extent of God's love for us. If love is a central theme of Lent therefore then surely it is more feast-like than fast-like, a joyful thing and something to be celebrated.

Writing in 2017, Pope Francis offered some alternatives to our traditional Lenten ways of fasting or feasting that are both challenging and inspiring. Instead of abstaining from food or other habits, he suggested that we give up unkind or unloving words and behaviours. If we are able to give these things up then we will find ourselves provided with a feast of a different kind, a spiritual feast that is rooted in love.

These are what he suggested;

1. Fast from hurtful or mean words and instead speak only kindness
2. Fast from sadness and instead be filled with gratitude.
3. Fast from anger and be filled with patience.
4. Fast from pessimism and be filled with hope.
5. Fast from worries and trust in God.
6. Fast from complaining and contemplate simplicity.
7. Fast from pressure and to be more prayerful.
8. Fast from bitterness and fill our hearts with joy.
9. Fast from selfishness and become compassionate to others.
10. Fast from grudges and be reconciled.
11. Fast from words and be silent so we can listen.

Fasting from negativity and feasting on the positivity can be a challenging idea. For some reason, focusing on the negative in our own and others lives seems to come so much easier than choosing to look for the good in everything yet surely to do so can only have a positive effect not only on our own mindset and outlook but also on friends and family and neighbours experiences of us as well.

With prayers and best wishes  
Pru



## **ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTIONS THANK YOU, REMINDER & APOLOGY!**

**Thank you to those who have paid promptly**

**..and for those that have not yet paid, it's really never too late!  
We are still happy to receive your contribution... thank you**

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to your distributor (see February Parish Magazine, p.4)  
or to the Editor (Yewdells, Dungates Lane, Buckland RH3 7BD)  
or by Direct Debit (see February Magazine p.3)**

### **APOLOGIES AND ERRATA...**

We had an error in our list of distributors in the February Magazine. Apologies are due for omitting to include Louise Gibson, of Camrose, Rectory Lane, who distributes the magazine to The Green and Slough Lane.

## CHURCH SERVICES—MARCH

Date	St Mary's Buckland	St Michael's Betchworth
<b>3 March 2024</b> <i>Lent 3</i>		<b>10am</b> Parish Communion Rev. P. Duley
<b>7 March 2024</b> <i>THURSDAY MORNING</i>		<b>10am</b> Parish Communion Rev. P. Duley
<b>10 March 2024</b> <i>Mothering Sunday</i>	<b>10am</b> Parish Communion Rev. P. Duley	<b>5pm</b> Choral Evensong Rev. P. Duley
<b>14 March 2024</b> <i>THURSDAY MORNING</i>		<b>10am</b> Parish Communion Rev. P. Duley
<b>17 March 2024</b> <i>Lent 5</i>		<b>10am</b> Parish Communion Rev. P. Duley
<b>21 March 2024</b> <i>THURSDAY MORNING</i>		<b>10am</b> Parish Communion Rev. P. Duley
<b>24 March 2024</b> <i>PALM SUNDAY</i>	<b>10am</b> Parish Communion Rev. P. Duley	
<b>28 March 2024</b> <i>MAUNDY THURSDAY</i>	<b>7pm</b> Maundy Thursday Rev. P. Duley	<b>10am</b> Parish Communion Rev. P. Duley
<b>29 March 2024</b> <i>GOOD FRIDAY</i>	<b>2pm</b> Good Friday Liturgy Rev. P. Duley	<b>10am</b> Parish Communion Rev. P. Duley
<b>31 March 2024</b> <i>EASTER DAY</i>		<b>10am</b> Parish Communion Rev. P. Duley
<b>7 April 2024</b> <i>Easter 2</i>		<b>10am</b> Parish Communion Rev. P. Duley

This month we continue our regular pattern of services alternating between the two churches and also, continue the recently introduced extra **THURSDAY MORNING COMMUNION SERVICE** as we enter the season of Lent.

## **LENT LUNCHES 2024**

### **7-14-21-28 March, 12 noon, Buckland Reading Room**

Lent lunches for March will be on the following dates:-  
7th, 14th, 21st and the last one on Maundy Thursday the 28th March. If you have not been to our Lent lunches before we serve homemade soup, bread from the village shop and tea and coffee. We just ask for donations which go to the Bishops Lent Appeal. We meet from 12 noon in the Buckland Reading Room and lunch is served at 12.15pm. We look forward to seeing you on these Thursdays. For more information please phone Carol Leeds on 01737 247399. Thank you.....

*Carol Leeds*

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## **AFTERNOON TEAS at THE HAMILTON ROOM 2024**



**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:** 28<sup>th</sup> February, 27<sup>th</sup> March, 24<sup>th</sup> April, 29<sup>th</sup> May, 26<sup>th</sup> June, 31<sup>st</sup> July, 28<sup>th</sup> August, 25<sup>th</sup> September, 30<sup>th</sup> October  
and on 27<sup>th</sup> November our 13<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Party.

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

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When you complain you make yourself a victim.  
Leave this situation, or accept it.  
All else is madness.

*Eckhart Tolle*

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# Buckland Matters

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## ESTABLISHING A NEW 'MOLE VALLEY COMMUNITY FUND' Management Panel Volunteers required



There is an intent to create a new Mole Valley Community Fund (MVCF), similar to charitable bodies in other local boroughs. The 'Community Foundation Surrey (CFS)', established twenty years, will provide 'umbrella' support, governance and compliance activities, and liaison with approximately ninety Community Funds in Surrey. The goal of MVCF will be to raise donations from individuals, trusts and local companies and then award grants to local charities, smaller projects and disadvantaged individuals.

We need local residents to establish a Mole Valley panel, to help establish the essential networks with businesses, families and individuals and to link with potential recipients of funding from local charities and voluntary organisations. We are particularly looking for people with experience in the following areas:

- **Communications and social media**
- **Events management**
- **Private sector education**
- **Links with local government**
- **Links with local business networks.**

... or just plain enthusiasm and energy to support those in need in our community! It is anticipated that once we are established there would be maximum of 2 meetings/month. To find out more please contact:

Alan Horden (of Wildecroft, Buckland). [alan@cfsurrey.org.uk](mailto:alan@cfsurrey.org.uk)

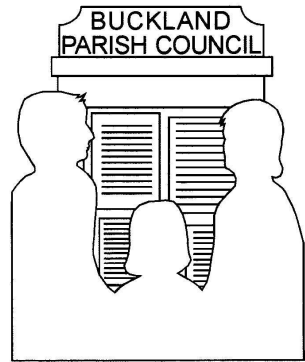
## BUCKLAND PARISH COUNCIL

### Annual Parish Meeting

Please keep the evening of Monday 18<sup>th</sup> March free to come along to the Reading Room for the 2024 Annual Parish Meeting...for more details see page 9 opposite.

### Consultations

You still have time to have your say on (i) Road safety in Surrey and (ii) A draft Surrey Rights of Way Improvement Plan. Please make sure you follow the links from the news page of the village website to express your views 24<sup>th</sup> March and 10<sup>th</sup> March deadlines, respectively.



### Cyber Security

The Surrey and Sussex Police Cyber Crime Unit is hosting a series of free online seminars on Cyber Security with each seminar led by Daniel Sykes, the Unit's dedicated Protect Officer.

A "gentle" learning session, tailored for anyone less confident with technology, will be held at 6pm on 4<sup>th</sup> March 2024 and a "general" version, described as a go to guide for mastering essential strategies to significantly reduce your risk of falling victim to Cyber-crime, is scheduled for 6pm on 18<sup>th</sup> March 2024. Registration is free and links are provided from the news page of the village website.

If you would prefer to participate in a face-to-face session, please register your interest by emailing the Parish Council or submitting a request using the contact form on the village website.

### Village Email Group

If you do not currently receive parish updates, please sign up to the village email group. If you think you should already be receiving parish updates, please consider whether you need to provide an up-to-date email address. The easiest way to sign up or update your email address is via the village website using the contact us tab and selecting Buckland Parish Council under the Type of Query tab. Alternatively please send an email to the Clerk:

Sheena Boyce, Clerk [parishcouncil@bucklandsurrey.org.uk](mailto:parishcouncil@bucklandsurrey.org.uk)



# BUCKLAND PARISH COUNCIL

## OPEN INVITATION TO THE ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

Monday 18 March 2024, 8pm



The business part of the meeting, which will include a report by the Chair, Nigel Husband, and presentation of accounts for both the Parish Council and Village Charity is expected to take around 30 minutes. This will be followed by a short break for tea and biscuits.

We're covering three topics this year: sharing the latest news from Mole Valley about its delayed local plan process; considering what Surrey's Biodiversity Action Plan might mean for us in Buckland; and finally an introduction of the pending launch of a Mole Valley Community Fund (see also p.7).

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### MARCH EVENTS

- 4 Mar 7.15pm.** Talk: East Surrey Museum. DLHG, p.26
- 7 Mar 7.45pm.** Talk: Dining in History. Pebblecombe WI, p.26
- 10 Mar, 7.30pm** Leith Hill Joint Choir Concert. Bach's St. Matthew Passion. p.27
- 15 Mar 7.30pm.** Wine Tasting Evening. Buckland Reading Room. B&B Soc, p.28
- 18 Mar 2.30pm.** Talk: Napoleon Bonaparte. Arts Society Betchworth, p.29
- 18 Mar 7.30pm.** Talk: Women Gardeners of the 20th Century. BGHS, p.31
- 18 Mar 8pm.** Annual Parish Meeting, Buckland Reading Room. BPC, p.9
- 20 Mar 6.30pm.** Talk: Mary Neal & Suffragettes. Dorking Museum, p.32
- 21 Mar 1pm.** Launch of Pickleball, Indoors at Oddfellows Hall Dorking, U3A p.33
- 23-24 Mar 10am-4pm.** Exhibition: Burials in Betchworth. Hamilton Room, p.13

## BUCKLAND

### ONE WORLD GROUP & MONEY FOR MADAGASCAR

#### The end of an era after 45 years

*The Buckland One World Group is being wound-up due to a decline in the number of events and no-one stepping forward to undertake local organisation. It is the 'end of an era' for many in the village, and an opportunity to celebrate some of the good things it has done over the years since it was established.*

The One World Charity (OWC [www.oneworldcharity.org.uk](http://www.oneworldcharity.org.uk)) is a UK charity that helps people in developing countries build better lives for their own community, through the provision of better food, water, education and disaster relief. The charity is supported by autonomous local fundraising groups set up by volunteers, who can select whatever projects they choose to fund. Some OWC groups are blossoming, such as that just a few miles away at Oxted ([oneworldgroupoxted.org.uk](http://oneworldgroupoxted.org.uk)).

Buckland's One World Group was founded with an inaugural event to Support the United Nations 'One World Week' in December 1978. At the instigation of our Rector, the Reverend Westrup, Martin Kelloway (1909-2005) and his wife Barbara (1912-2000) accepted the invitation to lead the Buckland group. The foundation year was 1979, when Martin was already 70 years of age. Martin was a life-long Quaker. For many years he managed the Citizens Advice Bureau in Mitcham and was Secretary to the Reigate Quaker Housing Association which managed 60 properties. Several of us remember Martin as a stooped old-gentleman, a very calm, polite and gentle person – most likely a reflection of his Quaker faith.

Looking back through old Buckland Parish Magazines, there were many fund-raising events including Carol concerts, Classical music recitals, Open Gardens and Quiz nights. However, most villagers will recall the group's interesting talks by overseas aid workers who have been 'on the ground' implementing One World projects, and others who had been to visit the countries as tourists, with a close consciousness of the poverty and how these projects helped the poor.

The first project targeted for support from the Buckland Group was an educational project in Tamil Nadu, India, to advise those in self-sufficiency how to produce more nutritious and varied crops to reduce malnutrition. A talk on this project was given in October 1979.



Since around 2009 the focus was on several aid projects in Madagascar and the fund-raising allegiance changed to the UK charity 'Money for Madagascar' <https://moneyformadagascar.org>

Over the years, a number of people from Buckland travelled to Madagascar to see first-hand how the projects were doing. They each would report back by giving a talk in the Reading Room with their experiences and holiday snaps. However, this has not been repeated for some years.

The latest talk was in June 2023, when Nigel Barraclough talked on the Arctic Explorer John Rae, raising £116 for Money for Madagascar.

Martin Kellaway led the group for 25 years until 2004, at the age of 95, with the support of his wife Barbara who died in 2000. He handed over to Jim Docking from 2004 to 2019, and latterly Meike Laurenson from 2020-2024. There were no meetings during the Covid Lockdown and since then we have lacked a core of active members to organise events, so reluctantly the group is to close. We thank the volunteers who have helped in the past organisation – particularly Jim Docking and Meike Laurenson, who are both still active in the village, and those who have supported meetings and given donations over the life of the local charity. We are sure it made a difference.

*Meike Laurenson (& Editor for Parish Mag research)*

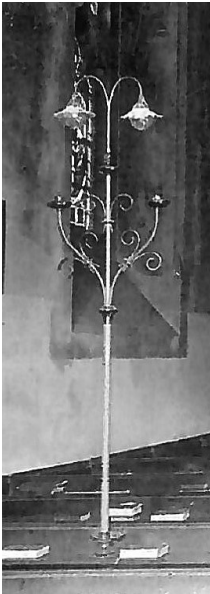
*Compiled with reference to our archive of Buckland Parish Magazines and a profile of Martin Kellaway in 'Parish Portraits', compiled by Roger Gaunt, 1997.*

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The truth is, everything will be OK.  
As soon as you are OK with everything.  
And that's the ONLY time  
everything will be OK.

Read it slowly, twice: it really makes sense!  
Michael Singer (Author & motivational speaker)

## CHURCH LIGHTING CONUNDRUM

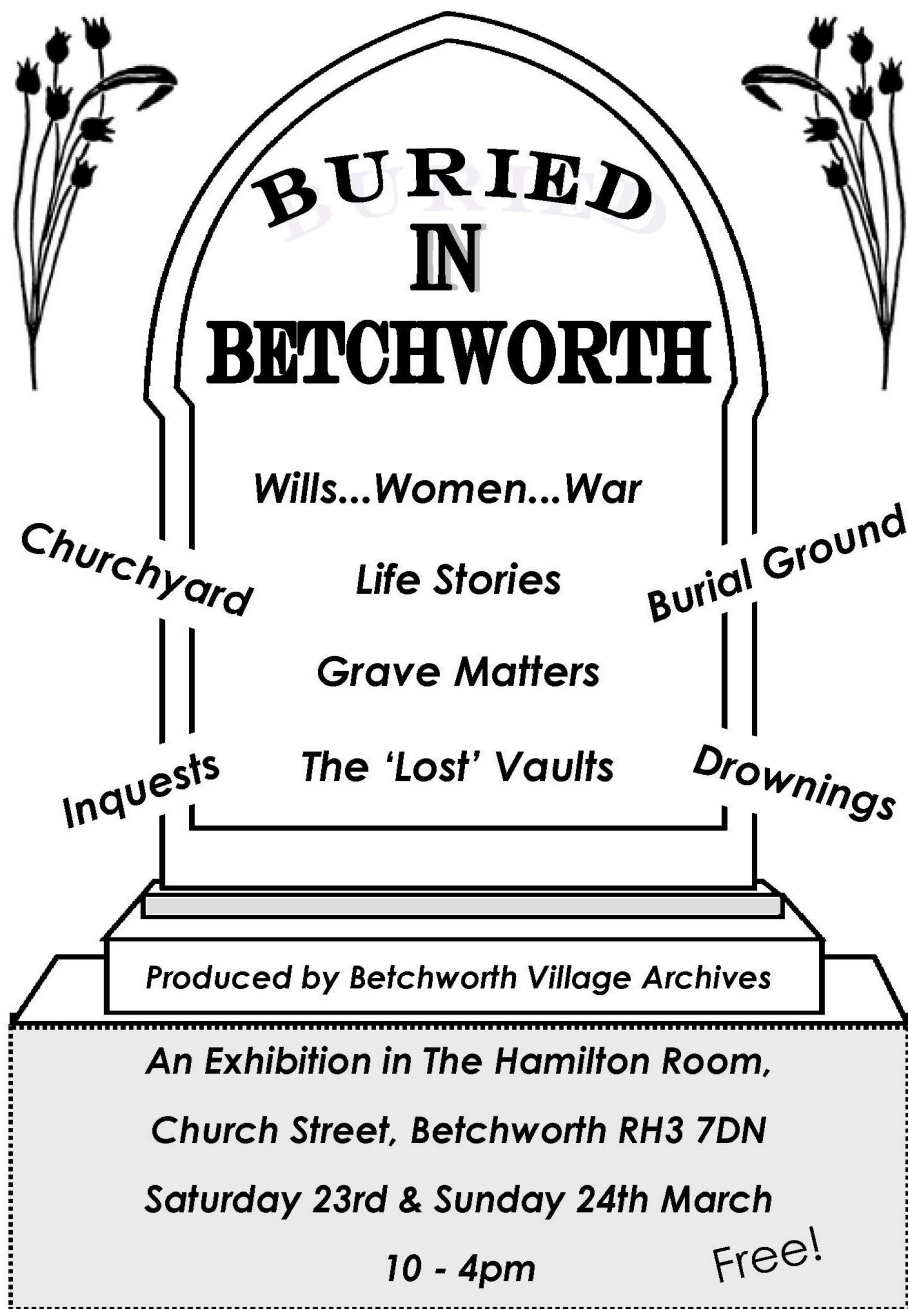


In the village history book (Ferns 2019, p.78), there is a photo of our church interior dated 1909. In that picture, the sconces above the pews each support 3 candle holders, as they do today.

The picture above with the enlargement on the left, recently came to light (pardon the pun). There is a slight variation on the 1909 picture. The two outer candle holders are present, but the central one is extended to support of two pendulum glass shades. When this picture is enlarged, the pattern of the two higher glass shades is repeated on all 5 sconces.

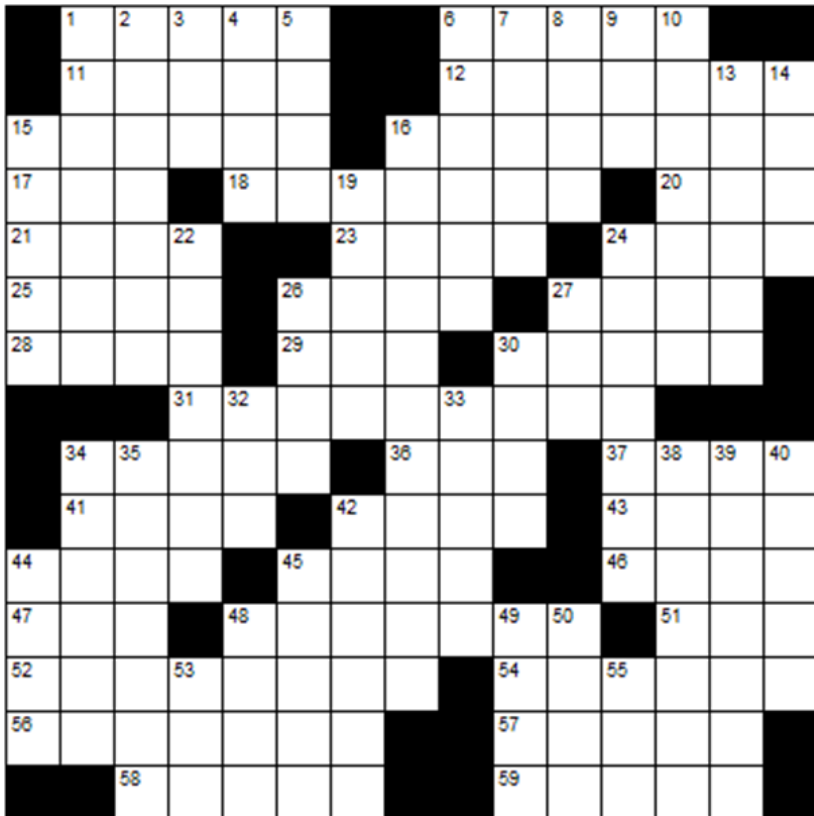
Unfortunately this picture is not dated. The gas supply came to the village in 1917. They may have been gas lights? Alternatively, electricity came to the in 1932, so perhaps they were electric? But if they were electric, we might have expected them to be kept. So my guess is these were gas lamps installed c.1917, removed and forgotten when the electricity supply arrived in 1932. Which would date the picture between 1917 and 1932. Any comments welcome!

*Duncan Ferns*



# GENERAL KNOWLEDGE CROSSWORD

## Solution p.34



### ACROSS

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|--------------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------------|------------------------|
| 1. Sink                  | 25. Albacore or bluefin        | 42. Anagram of "Sale"       | 54. Without difficulty |
| 6. Units of land         | 26. Hints                      | 43. Anagram of "Neat"       | 56. Clear up           |
| 11. Battery terminal     | 27. French for "Head"          | 44. Road shoulder           | 57. Highly favored     |
| 12. Carriers             | 28. Asterisk                   | 45. Pretentious person      | 58. Woody plants       |
| 15. Acrimonious          | 29. Stomach muscles, for short | 46. Legal claim             | 59. We chew with them  |
| 16. Australian marsupial | 30. In shape                   | 47. Local Area Network      |                        |
| 17. Beer                 | 31. Punish severely            | 48. Tattered                |                        |
| 18. Junkies              | 32. Tranquility                | 51. Male adult              |                        |
| 20. Purge                | 36. Sphere                     | 52. In a serviceable manner |                        |
| 21. Charged particles    | 37. Coarse file                |                             |                        |
| 23. Burden               | 41. Not first                  |                             |                        |
| 24. Big bash             |                                |                             |                        |

## DOWN

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|--------------------------|----------------------------|-------------------------|
| 1. Financial rescue      | 15. Entices                | 35. Heartfelt           |
| 2. Aerial                | 16. Physiology of movement | 38. Nature worshiper    |
| 3. Boozer                | 19. Uncertainty            | 39. Sneakiness          |
| 4. Bright thought        | 22. Satire                 | 40. One cent coin       |
| 5. Geek                  | 24. Universal              | 42. Corner measurements |
| 6. Calculator's ancestor | 26. Detective's assignment | 44. Indistinct image    |
| 7. Pennies               | 27. Youngster              | 45. Soothing ointment   |
| 8. Tatters               | 30. Chits                  | 48. Reign               |
| 9. Chapter in history    | 32. Play a role            | 49. Amount owed         |
| 10. Notched              | 33. Diving bird            | 50. Harvard rival       |
| 13. Stirred up           | 34. Satisfy                | 53. On behalf of        |
| 14. Fizzy drink          |                            | 55. Observe             |

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## IN SHORT... NONSENSE

### ‘SC – OWN’ OR ‘SC – ON’?

I asked the maid in a dulcet tone, to order me a buttered scone  
The silly girl has been and gone, and ordered me a buttered scone

### LIKE KETCHUP

A little boy sat on the loo, he was in there way to long  
His mum came into check; she though something was wrong  
He'd sit and sigh, sit and sigh, then he slapped the top of his head  
‘Why do you do that?’ his mother asked, ‘Works for ketchup’ he said

### BEDTIME

This evening I unzipped my skin, and carefully unscrewed my head,  
Exactly as I always do, when I prepare myself for bed.

### HOW DID YOU GET SO DIRTY?

I got it from crawling along in the dirt, and biting two buttons off Jeremy's shirt.  
I got it from chewing the roots of a rose, and digging for worms in the yard with  
my nose.

### EATING PEAS

I eat my peas with honey, I've done it all my life  
It makes the peas taste funny, but it keeps them on the knife

**SUDOKU**

Grade: Medium.  
Solution on p.34

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**WORDSEARCH—Love & Serve One another**

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Solution on p.34

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# Features

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## GARDENING NOTES

### **Which compost? Peat is (almost) off the menu.**

The world of compost is changing. After many years of discussion, peat is being phased out of use for gardening. The government has announced it will no longer be legal for retailers to sell peat after 2024. Growers will have more time to use up their stocks and to allow for young plants which are already planted in compost including peat.

Whatever the environmental pros and cons, peat-free compost is now a fact of life, and there are different ones for every need, from seeds to ericaceous, houseplant, multi-purpose and grow bags. It is so important to recognise that all of these peat-free composts will act in a different way to peat-based varieties. For many decades, gardeners and growers have honed their skills on products that will no longer be available. Early peat-free composts performed poorly in many respects, but that situation is changing. Those that we are seeing now are bringing good results, so both amateur and professional horticulturalists can be assured that they are fit for purpose.

The 2 main differences you need to look out for are the changed watering and feeding needs. Peat-free composts can look dry on the surface but be perfectly moist underneath, so check moisture levels with a finger or a moisture meter. You are more likely to over-water than under-water so take care. Also, most plants will have leached out nutrients from composts within a few weeks so be prepared with a liquid feed for short-term results or granular for longer-term benefits.

Why not make your own compost from your own recycled compost bin? This will work especially well if spread over beds and borders as a mulch. Add grit if it is particularly cloggy and needs extra drainage. If this is not possible, spread mushroom compost to nourish and improve the texture of your soil. Learn to love peat-free!

*David Hogg, Buckland Nurseries*

## **ST. JAMES THE LEAST OF ALL**

### **On why pews SHOULD be uncomfortable**

The Rectory, St James the Least of All

Visits from your parishioners to our church are always welcome. But I did not expect them to return to you complaining because our pews are uncomfortable. Pews are meant to be uncomfortable. The unshakeable belief of our congregation is that the more uncomfortable the pew, the holier the worship must be. By the same token, an 8am Service is more fervent than one at 11am, since it is much more socially inconvenient. If you add on enduring sub-zero temperatures and damp, then sainthood clearly beckons. Your people may be used to lolling in upholstered chairs in tropical temperatures, but I am sure such comfort places their souls in grave peril.

Our pews were built 500 years ago, when people were several inches shorter and many pounds lighter, and so could accommodate themselves on them perfectly adequately. The fact that a twenty-first century body is in constant danger of sliding off the seat and requires knees to be folded somewhere near ears at least helps to keep minds focussed – apart from Colonel Wainwright, who still manages to sleep peacefully throughout Mattins every Sunday.

I could point out that your chairs make kneeling almost impossible – although I suspect that posture is not encouraged in your church, as people would then be unable to read the words on your overhead projector or wave their arms about quite as easily during the hymns. While the majority of our congregation find the Anglican crouch perfectly adequate, you can see those who flop to their knees on hearing “let us pray” from the clouds of dust sent up from suddenly compressed hassocks, which were purchased to commemorate Queen Victoria’s Accession. I may also point out that our box pews are very useful for modern times. Once a family is seated, with the door firmly shut, then any toddler is penned in and unable to use the aisles as a racing circuit. Medieval carpenters were clearly forward-thinking people. Admittedly, box pew doors do tend to stick, and few manage to look dignified while they wait for step ladders to be brought before they can climb out.

If only you would remove your chairs and substitute benches without backs, turn off all heating and replace carpets with slate slabs, I am sure your congregation’s religious zeal would soar.

*Your loving uncle, Eustace*

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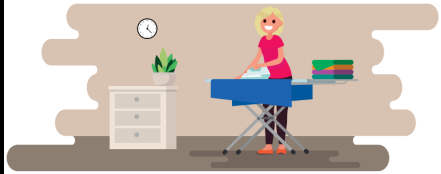
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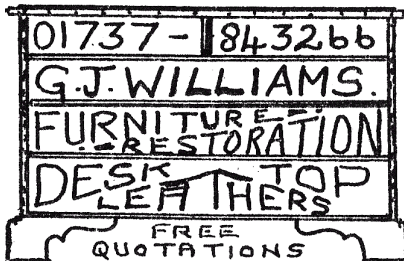


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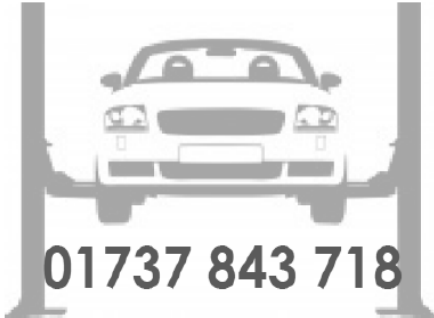
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31st at 2.00, opera screening at Dorking Halls, £19, 01306 881717

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The Dorking Concertgoers present the third and final concert in their string quartet series, this time with the Jubilee quartet. Alongside an early Haydn quartet, their programme includes three Czech works by Janáček, Dvořák and Tausky,

The Dorking Philharmonia's concert includes fourth symphony and Rodrigo's lively and melodious guitar concerto – along with the first performance of a new piece, Lichen on Bricks, by the orchestra's own conductor, Paul Newbold.

Brockham Choral Society will perform Verdi's monumental Requiem. This intense and moving, highly dramatic setting of the Latin Requiem text, with its powerful choruses, large orchestra and soloists, is undoubtedly a peak of the choral repertoire. Conducted by Cole Bendall, the choir will be joined by the British Sinfonietta and four solo singers.

Dorking Halls has a live relay from the Royal Opera House of Puccini's Madam Butterfly, followed by a repeat screening a few days later. The opera tells the story of a young Japanese girl who is betrayed by the American naval officer she marries, with Puccini's beautiful but heart-rending music.

*Ian Codd*



## THE ACCUMULATION STORY

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

The accumulation story is about money and fear. It's a story about being possessed by things rather than enjoying and sharing them. And it's a story nested within a bigger story about how sometimes when we think we have more, we actually have less.... Whether it's bigger sofas or bigger houses or bigger jobs or bigger bank accounts or reputation or ego or a bigger empire, we don't have to look too far to find the accumulation story at work. The story that says we will achieve peace and security through having more things. It's an expansionist narrative, but it doesn't expand peace and security. The more you think you need to accumulate, the bigger fence you need to build around yourself and the fewer people you will trust and let into your life. It's the inverse of what it means to live in true peace and security, which only comes in the context of relationship with people you can trust. [1]

*Author Lynne Twist names the malignant effects of buying into the accumulation story:* Money has only the power that we assign to it, and we have assigned it immense power. We have given it almost final authority. If we look only at behavior, it tells us that we have made money more important than we are, given it more meaning than human life. Humans have done and will do terrible things in the name of money. They have killed for it, enslaved other people for it, and enslaved themselves to joyless lives in pursuit of it.... We all, at one time or another, have demeaned and devalued ourselves, taken advantage of people, or engaged in other actions we're not proud of in order to get or keep money or the power we believe it can buy. [2]

Jesus is absolute about money and power because he knows what we're going to do. Most of us will serve this god called mammon. Luke's Gospel even describes mammon as a type of illness, as Jesuit John Haughey (1930–2019) explained: "Mammon is not simply a neutral term in Luke. It is not simply money. It connotes disorder.... Mammon becomes then a source of disorder because people allow it to make a claim on them that only God can make." [3] "Mammon illness" takes over when we think all of life is counting, weighing, measuring, and deserving.

*To participate in the reign of God, we have to stop counting.* We have to stop hoarding in order to let the flow of forgiveness and love flow through us. The love of God can't be doled out by any process whatsoever. We can't earn it. We



can't lose it. As long as we stay in this world of accumulation, of earning and of losing things, we'll live in perpetual resentment, envy and climbing. [4]

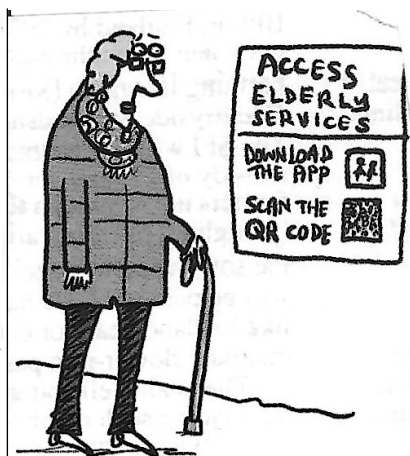
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*Letter to The Times, 3 Feb 2024*

# Buckland's PAST LIVES

Learning from memorials

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Thomas & Harry  
Earnshaw

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We note from the gravestone inscription that the grave was erected by the Master and followers of the Buckland Beagles. It is pertinent to introduce the Buckland Beagles before mentioning the role of Thomas Earnshaw and his brother Harry.

## The Buckland Beagles

The Buckland Hunt was a traditional live hare hunt with Beagle dogs. Dogs were followed by the huntsmen, usually running, who used whips to 'crack.' Dogs were trained to respond to the noise signals of the whips, which prevented the dogs from straying from the pack – hence the term for the huntsmen of 'whippers-in'. This sport was active in Buckland for a short time from 1902-

1918. The Buckland Beagles, 'was founded by that great sportsman, Major Francis Montague Beaumont (1857-1936), the eldest son of the Lord of Buckland Manor, Francis Henry Beaumont. He was educated at Eton where he 'whipped in' the College Beagles. He went on to New College Oxford where he found time not only to whip-in for one of the College Packs, but also to cox the Oxford boat for three successive years in the Henley Boat Race (1877-1879). He served in the Boer War in Natal, South Africa and then in Gibraltar. On returning to the UK in 1901, he married Sybil Higford of Hartsfield, Betchworth and established the Buckland Beagles Hunt. Sybil enthusiastically joined him on the Hunt Days. Major Beaumont built up a good pack of hounds, active on about 30 hunt days in each season between November and March'.<sup>1</sup>

The Buckland Kennels were closed shortly after the outbreak of WW1 in 1915. In 1919 Major Beaumont and his wife Sybil retired to Devon, and the Buckland Pack was merged to become the Worcester Park & Buckland Beagles (WP & BB).



*Brass button from the uniform blazer of the Huntsmen with the WP & BB insignia is pictured above, with an embossed hare above the letters.*

Further amalgamations of the WP & BB have occurred over the years and it is now part of the Surrey Union Hunt ([surreyunion.com](http://surreyunion.com)).

### **The Earnshaw Bothers, Harry (1875-1957) & Tom (1877-1907)**

The father of Harry & Tom was Henry George Earnshaw (1852-1919) and he was a gamekeeper initially in Rowtown near Chertsey, Surrey. By 1891, he had moved with the family to Cranleigh, Surrey, where his two sons, Harry and Tom were employed with him as under-gamekeepers.

Harry moved for a gamekeeper's job in Ottershaw, Surrey in the late-1890's, but in late-1901, both Tom and Harry Earnshaw came together to work on the Buckland Estate. Harry was allocated to the 'shoot' under Francis Henry Beaumont, and Tom allocated to the 'Hunt' under the direction of his son, Major Francis Montague Beaumont.

**Tom Earnshaw.** Tom was employed as Kennel Master and 'whipper-in' from the formation of the Hare Hunt in 1901. The beagle pack kennels were in the garden of Keepers Cottage (now called Park Cottage), on Reigate Road Buckland. This cottage now borders Buckland Park Lake.

*'Poor Tom Earnshaw died in harness. He was found one day when hunting at Sidlow in a state of collapse in a barn; his heart had given out and he died in the autumn of 1907'.<sup>1</sup> He was only aged 31 when he died. Tom's grave survives, with the inscription 'Erected by the Master and Followers of the Buckland Beagles. Good & Faithful Servant'.*

**Harry Earnshaw.** Harry was christened 'Henry George Kingston Earnshaw', but was always known as Harry to distinguish him from his father, also Henry George Earnshaw. It must have been tough on Harry to lose his younger brother at the age of 30 whilst continuing to work for the Estate. However, just 12 months before his brother died, Harry had married a Buckland girl, Florence Humphrey and in 1907 their first son arrived, Frederick Henry (b.1907), to be followed by Ronald Robert (b.1910).

There is a good anecdote from the Sanders family<sup>2</sup>, that when Robert Sanders came from Ireland to manage the Buckland Estate in 1923, he needed to raise some income and considered

quarrying the sand beneath the fields. No costly geological surveys were completed and no planning requirements got in the way. Instead, Mr Sanders had a good reconnaissance with his gamekeeper, Harry Earnshaw, who knew where all the rabbits were, and their excavations gave a good indication of the extent and quality of the sand! The first excavations were to the west of Cliftons Lane just south and west of the railway, which was good quality building sand. A market for the purer white sand was found in the 1930's as a raw material in the glass making industry. The commercial sand extraction in Buckland continued for over 90 years until 2014.

Harry continued to work as Head Gamekeeper in Buckland for over 45 years for successive Lords of the Manor, from Francis Henry Beaumont, Robert Sanders to Terence Sanders. For long service as a volunteer in the Special Constabulary, he was awarded a King George V medal in 1937. Harry is fondly recalled by Terence Sanders (1901-85) in 1980, who wrote.

*'The gamekeeper was Harry Earnshaw, he was a fine character. A first-class gamekeeper who had been on the estate since the age of 26. Apart from controlling bird and animal life, he dealt with all pests and vermin and acted as a sort of self-appointed Estate Policeman, he was a registered 'Special Constable'. In 1922 he lived at Slough House, then known as Slough Cottage. After retirement he moved to 2 Tapwood Cottages on Rei-*

*gate Road. He remained gamekeeper for many years and died in 1957<sup>2</sup>.*

I asked Adrian Sanders (son of Terence) if he also remembered Harry Earnshaw? Adrian invited me for a chat where he expressed very fond memories of Harry Earnshaw. When Adrian was 12 years old in 1948, he had a present of his first game-shooting gun, a point-410 rifle, suitable for shooting small game such as rabbits. Harry, then in his 60's, spent time with Adrian as a teenager, teaching him the country ways of managing game and pest control and more importantly, teaching him how to shoot. Harry would often knock at the door of Underhill House and ask 'Would Mr Adrian like to see...' – and it maybe a family of foxes, a magpies nest, a badger set, or to go on a duck shoot to reduce the number of drakes. And the two of them would walk across the Estate for another lesson. Adrian showed a lot of gratitude for his teenage relationship with Harry, and the knowledge of the countryside that set him up with his lifelong hobby of game shooting. He recounted that back in those days, working people and the land-owning families were very interdependent, mutually respectful and supportive. To a large degree Adrian has continued these values throughout his life.<sup>3</sup>

Adrian has on his bookshelf the Estate Hunt Diaries, including the volume from 1946 to 1965. It recorded the number of shoots and what was shot. After WW2, rabbits had multiplied beyond

measure and their culling was regarded as pest control, but there was also a market for them with local butchers.

The pheasants and partridges were wild local birds, often with the eggs collected by the gamekeeper to raise the chicks, protecting chicks and juveniles from natural predation and hence increasing numbers. There were also several hares around, though very few foxes. There were just two Shooting Parties logged in 1948, recording 15 brace of partridge, 'lots of pheasants', 10 hares and 2 pigeons. In addition, about 15 people 'signed in' as guests for a personal shooting day. The Estate Hunt Diary also has a few pages of sketches and cartoons by one of the guest guns, Roy Beddington. One of his small drawings in 1958 was of Harry Earnshaw, reproduced here. Adrian said 'It is exactly as I remember Harry: trilby hat, bushy white moustache and large round red face!'<sup>4</sup>

Harry Earnshaw celebrated his Golden Wedding with Florence in 1956<sup>3</sup> and died the following year, aged 82. Harry is buried at St Mary's Buckland<sup>5</sup>, but there is no surviving gravestone.

The local newspaper obituary states that Harry Earnshaw was '*esteemed and respected by all for his grand personality and fine character, which won life-long friends. He became in fact part of the village life of Buckland*'.<sup>6</sup>



Cartoon of Harry Earnshaw drawn by Roy Beddington, in the Shoot Diary of the Buckland Estate (1946-1965)<sup>4</sup>

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# Societies & Charities

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## PEBBLECOMBE WI

Buckland & Betchworth's Womens Institute



### DINING WITH HISTORY

Talk by Jessica Thurtell

**THURSDAY 7 MARCH, 7.45pm**

**Hamilton Room, Betchworth**

We are really excited that our speaker in March will be Jessica Thurtell whose presentation is entitled “Dining with History” which looks at the history of eating in England, from peasant pottage to grand dinners, taking in table manners and cutlery and revealing the forgotten origins of some familiar words and phrases. We meet on the first Thursday of the month at 7.45 pm in the Hamilton Room. To reserve your place or to find out more details please contact the Secretary Margaret Miller on 01737 842098. We hope to see you there.

*Diana Fitchett*



## DORKING LOCAL HISTORY GROUP—Talks

### The History of East Surrey Museum

**MONDAY 4 MARCH, 7.15pm Crossways Church**

An entertaining live talk by Museum curator Peter Connelly on the history of the museum established in 1980 in Caterham after years of effort from local enthusiasts. £2 at the door for non-members.

### Cricket origins: Surrey vs the North – Different Class?

**MONDAY 25 MARCH, 7.15 pm Zoom Meeting**

Cricket has often been portrayed as one of the most class-bound of British sports, but regional differences have always been important. Author Duncan Stone shares some of his insights. Register at <https://www.meet-up.com/Surrey-History-Meetup/>.

David Burton - <https://dlhg.org.uk>.

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# **JS Bach St Matthew Passion**

**Sunday 10th March 2024  
7:30pm at Dorking Halls**

Enjoy J S Bach's sublime masterpiece with the combined voices of the Leith Hill Music Festival, Canzona (one of the finest professional baroque orchestras) and a stellar quintet of soloists, led by internationally renowned tenor James Oxley and baritone Gareth Brynmor John.



**Tickets from £17 available from  
Dorking Halls [www.dorkinghalls.co.uk](http://www.dorkinghalls.co.uk)  
or call Box Office 01306 881717**

## **2024 Events**

### **The Betchworth & Buckland Society**



#### **Wine Tasting Evening**

**Friday 15<sup>th</sup> March 7.30pm**

**The Buckland Reading Room**

We're pleased to announce the return of our popular wine sampling event hosted by 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*

#### **Further Events :**

**AGM with speaker – April date tbc**

**Spring Walk - May/April ( date tbc)**

**Annual BBQ - Buckland Green, Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> June 2pm (time tbc)**

***Please email for membership enquiries (£10pa)***

Additional Social Secretary still needed to join our friendly committee and help with events

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## THE ARTS SOCIETY BETCHWORTH



### THE RISE & FALL OF NAPOLEON BONEPARTE

**MONDAY 18 MARCH 2.30 pm**  
**Betchworth Village Memorial Hall**  
**(and on Zoom)**

Illustrated with many wonderful works of art, this lecture tells the extraordinary story of the rise of the son of a lawyer in Ajaccio, Corsica, to become Emperor of the French before finally being defeated and sent into exile on the island of Saint Helena in the South Atlantic. It also attempts to explain the nature of his genius as an administrator and a military commander, as-



sessing his achievements and his failures, his strengths and his weaknesses. Among the topics covered will be his marriage to Josephine de Beauharnais, his relationship with the Duke of Wellington, and his place within history. It is in some ways a very human story, but one which focuses on one of the most remarkable men who has ever lived.

Our lecturer is Stephen Duffy. Stephen was educated at New College, Oxford, and was formerly Senior Curator of the Wallace Collection where he had responsibility for exhibitions and nineteenth-century paintings.

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# SURREY HILLS INTERNATIONAL MUSIC FESTIVAL

## BOOKING OPEN FOR MUSICAL EVENTS FROM 7-18 MAY

Tickets are now on sale for our 2024 season with a wealth of fantastic music. With superb chamber music, fascinating talks, incredible pianism and a finale of magnificent Baroque arias, we're looking forward to bringing a huge variety of amazing music to the Surrey Hills between 7-18 May.

Whether you're a regular at the Festival or would like to try out a classical concert, you are most welcome. Join us on a guided walk to take in some of our glorious local countryside ahead of a short lunchtime talk with music - Tue 7 May at West Horsley Place - or a **lunchtime concert on Mon 13 May in Betchworth**. Or enjoy a full evening performance in one of our beautiful venues, Holy Trinity Church in Guildford, the stunning Hilltop building at RHS Garden Wisley and the intimate and atmospheric Menuhin Hall in Cobham.

As ever, we're bringing some inspirational world-class musicians to perform for you including Dame Sarah Connolly who performs a very special programme of Bach and Handel arias with leading early music ensemble, the English Concert (Sat 18 May); the gorgeous Mendelssohn Octet performed by leading chamber players (Sat 11 May) Sharon Kam and the award-winning Sitkovetsky Trio with the Mozart Clarinet Quintet (Thurs 9 May) plus a spectacular concert for two pianos including our Artistic Director Wu Qian and featuring the winning entry in the 2024 Young Composer competition (Thurs 16 May).

To view all details in our online brochure and book your tickets, visit our website [here](#) - and do please get in touch with Festival Manager Tracy Lees at [hello@shimf.co.uk](mailto:hello@shimf.co.uk) if you're interested in becoming more closely involved as a Friend or Volunteer - she'd love to hear from you.

Tracy Lees, Events Organiser, SHIMF [tracy@shimf.co.uk](mailto:tracy@shimf.co.uk) 07398 418019

**BROCKHAM GREEN HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY**  
**Betchworth \* Brockham \* Buckland**

**WOMEN GARDENERS OF THE TWENTIETH CENTURY**  
**MONDAY 18<sup>th</sup> MARCH, 7.30pm**

For Our second meeting of this year, we have invited Cherryll Sands to talk to us about Women Gardeners of the 20<sup>th</sup> Century. Cherrill is a garden historian with an MA in the Conservation of Landscapes, Parks & Gardens. She has been engaged as Historical Consultant at Painshill Landscape Garden in Surrey since 2004, and a long time member of Surrey Gardens Trust.

The twentieth century brought some emancipation for women, acceptance at horticultural colleges, and for some, artistic fulfilment in the garden. Hear about creative women and their gardens, including Gertrude Jekyll at Munstead Wood, Vita Sackville-West at Sissinghurst and Beth Chatto, with her nursery Unusual



L to R:  
Gertrude Jekyll  
Vita Sackville-West  
Beth Chatto

Join us in Brockham Village Hall 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.

Other Dates for your Diaries

**Monday 15<sup>th</sup> April 24** - Plant Heritage and the National Plant Collection Scheme – David Ford (Chairman of Surrey Plant Heritage Group).

**Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> May** -Annual Plant Sale – 10am – 12pm Brockham Green

*bghsociety@hotmail.com, Ruth Johnson*

## DORKING MUSEUM IN MARCH

### **Family Activities:**

**Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> March, 10am to noon (Dorking Library): Women's History Month**, find out about local famous women. Aimed at 4–11-year-olds.

**Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> March, 10am-4pm (Museum): The Cabinet of Curiosity:** choose objects for a new children's 'touchy-feely' museum exhibition. Accompanying craft activity.

**23<sup>rd</sup> March to 13<sup>th</sup> April (Museum): Easter Challenge:** follow clues to spell a name and collect a small edible prize!

**Book Launch: "Mary Neal and the Suffragettes Who Saved Morris Dancing":** Kathy Atherton explores the unexpected local links between the Morris dance revival and the suffragette movement over 100 years ago. **Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> March, 6.30p.m., at the Museum, book signing and short talk.**

**Behind the scenes at the Museum:** Kathy Atherton talks about the museum, what we do and what goes on behind the scenes. **Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> March, 7pm, Dorking Library.** Tickets free: sign up at Dorking Library, email [dorking.library@surreycc.gov.uk](mailto:dorking.library@surreycc.gov.uk) or call 03456 009009.

**A Call to Arms:** The current temporary exhibition follows the history of the Surrey Yeomanry from original formation as a voluntary unit in 1794 during the war against Revolutionary France to 20<sup>th</sup> century revival based in Dorking during the First World War.

**Enhance the Museum experience:** A new digital guide on Bloomberg Connects enhances the visitor experience with video, audio and text. Download the app or scan the QR code on the website or at the Museum.

Dorking Museum, 62 West Street. **Thursdays 1pm-4pm, Fridays and Saturdays 10am-4pm, free entry.** [www.dorkingmuseum.org.uk](http://www.dorkingmuseum.org.uk). 01306 876591. David Burton

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### IS GOD LISTENING TO YOUR PRAYERS?

God replies, 'Yes, I am. But to me, a penny is a £100 million, and a minute is a thousand years'

Frank says 'Well God, Please could I have a £100 million, as it's just like a penny to you?'

God says, 'Of course Frank. In a minute.'



## PICKLEBALL HAS ARRIVED IN DORKING!

### THURSDAY 21<sup>ST</sup> MARCH

Invented in 1965 as a children's backyard game in the United States, pickleball is one of the fastest growing sports; it can be played outdoors or in, and we're excited to announce that we are **launching a Pickleball Group on Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> March at Oddfellows Hall, High Street, Dorking between 1pm-3 pm.**

Pickleball is similar to tennis with wooden paddle bats and played on a Badminton court. If you would like to learn how to play and have fun at the same time, then this group is for you. Come along for a session before signing up to the group.

If you want more information, contact the group organiser Nicholas Jupp by emailing him at [nbjjupp@gmail.com](mailto:nbjjupp@gmail.com). If you are interested in other U3A activity and interest groups in the local area you can contact the Dorking & District u3a membership secretary on 01306 711542 or email [membership@dorkingu3a.org.uk](mailto:membership@dorkingu3a.org.uk).

Beryl Sinclair

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## SINGING FOR PLEASURE BUCKLAND READING ROOM

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](mailto:m Laurenson@talktalk.net)



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When I find myself in times of trouble,  
Mother Mary comes to me,  
speaking words of wisdom, 'LET IT BE'.

Paul McCartney  
So do it, 'Let it be'. Relax. Live in the moment

## PUZZLE SOLUTIONS

**Crossword (p.14)**  
**Solution**

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**Wordsearch (p.16) Solution**

I	H	O	D	T	H	U	R	S	D	A	Y	J	I
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**Sudoku (p.16) Solution**

3	6	7	2	9	1	5	8	4
9	1	2	5	8	4	6	3	7
4	8	5	6	3	7	2	1	9
8	5	6	7	1	2	9	4	3
7	3	9	8	4	5	1	6	2
2	4	1	3	6	9	7	5	8
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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](mailto: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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Art Group (Painting/drawing)	David Burrells	David.burrells1@ntlworld.com
Bell Ringers ( <i>practice Friday evenings</i> )	David Sayce	242776
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Betchworth Operatic & Dramatic Society	Diane Mayall	842758
British Legion	Maurice Daley	843058
Brockham Green Horticultural Society	Ruth & Paul Johnson n/a	842691
Brockham Surgery/Chemist		843259/842175
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- Treasurer	John Maud	843530
- Secretary	Liz Vahey	221444
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