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Dear All

Last month i highlighted many of the ways that the church plays a part in the village. This month I wanted to celebrate all of you who play a part in the church. Without you all the church would not be able to operate.

There are too many of you to thank individually for the contributions that you make to St Mary's and St Michael's but I'm hugely grateful to all of you amazing people who help hold the church together through the many duties that you undertake, whether it is as Churchwarden or on the PCC and other various committees or those of you who are sidespeople, who read, pray, sacristan, serve, go on the coffee rotas, cleaning rotas, tend the grave yard not to mention

the bellringers, choir and flower arrangers. Martin our musical director, and Richard our organist and of course FOSMs and the Pillars who do so much to support the building financially. Without you all, the church would crumble.

Later in the year, at the Harvest Festival in both parishes, you are invited to a celebration and thanksgiving of all you do, followed by a bring and share lunch as our way of saying thank you but until that time please accept my wholehearted thanks for all you do.

Love Pru x



OUR GOLDFINCH



*Enlargement of centre,
the Goldfinch*

This 14th century window in our church (above the pulpit) illustrates the Madonna & baby Jesus. In her left hand, central in the image, is a Goldfinch. Because of the thistle seeds it eats, in Christian symbolism the Goldfinch is associated with **Christ's Passion and his crown of thorns**. The Goldfinch, appearing in pictures of the Madonna and Christ child, represents the fore knowledge Jesus and Mary had of the Crucifixion.

COVER PICTURE

The commemorative roses on the paths through our churchyard continue to bloom in 2024. Thanks to Leigh Banks for the photo. Many thanks also to Sian Ahlas for donating some of her horse's manure to provide some rose food, and to the new gardening team for the muckspreading.

CHURCH SERVICES—JULY

Date	St Mary's Buckland	St Michael's Betchworth
7 July 2024 <i>Trinity 7</i>		10am Parish Communion Rev. P. Dulley
14 July 2024 <i>Trinity 8</i>	10am IONA Communion Rev. P. Dulley	5pm Choral Evensong Rev. P. Dulley
21 July 2024 <i>Trinity 9</i>		10am Parish Communion Rev. P. Dulley
28 July 2024 <i>Trinity 10</i>	10am Parish Communion Rev. P. Dulley	
4 Aug 2024 <i>Trinity 11</i>		10am Parish Communion Rev. P. Dulley

This month we continue our regular pattern of services alternating between the two churches and also, continue the extra

THURSDAY MORNING COMMUNION SERVICE AT 10AM IN Betchworth

- though for simplicity this is no longer shown on the schedule above



JULY EVENTS

- 1 July, 2 pm.** Two Open gardens in Betchworth—Wild flowers. Re-Betchworth, p.26
- 1 July, 7.15pm.** Talk: WW2 Defences in Surrey. DLHG. p.29
- 7 July, 2 pm.** Guided Walk, Betchworth Castle. Dorking Museum, p.29
- 15 July, 2.30pm.** Talk: Vermeer. Arts Society Betchworth, p.25
- 25 July, 10am to 3pm.** Scything Workshop. Re-Betchworth, p.26
- 31 July 2 pm to 4 pm.** Afternoon Teas, Hamilton Room Betchworth. p.6

VOLUNTEER ROLES—an update

We think that a solution has been found for the CCFF Treasurer , allowing Philip Haynes to retire after over 20 years in service! One new post has come up, a relatively low input (just quarterly meetings) for the PCC Secretary.

BUCKLAND READING ROOM - Bookings Secretary* Now urgently required as the incumbent, Stella Cantor, has now moved out of Buckland. If you like our Reading Room facilities, please come forward.

Please contact Tim Howe, 07961 123126 or komoka28@gmail.com

BUCKLAND ST MARY's CHURCH—Treasurer*

Please contact Simon Thomas, Treasurer.bucklandstmarys@outlook.com

An essential role for the Church to exist, anyone with spreadsheet or book-keeping experience would find it easy to move into.

FRIENDS OF ST MARY's (FOSM) - Village Events Organiser (e.g May Fayre, Flower Festival, Open Village Gardens, to support church funds)

Please contact Chairman, Roger Daniell, rogerdaniell@icloud.com or Simon Thomas, sgthomas@btinternet.com

BUCKLAND ST MARY's CHURCH—PCC (Parochial Church Council) Secretary. Main role is to take minutes at a quarterly meeting. Can be someone not currently on the PCC, but willing to be co-opted, following retiring Rosey Davy

Updates will be provided each month until we are back on track to maintain our village activities. Please do come forward if you possibly can. The incumbents in these roles have each served the village for many, many years, and they deserve a retirement from duty! It is not too onerous and can be a rewarding way to give a little back to the community. **Thank you!**

Ed.

The best way to find yourself is to lose
yourself in the service of others.

Mahatma Gandhi

BUCKLAND BELLRINGERS



The bell ringers at Buckland and Betchworth are honoured and proud to have been part part of of the 6 June celebrations to commemorate the 80th anniversary of D-Day.

‘Ring Out for Peace’ was a nationally co-ordinated activity which saw bellringers across the country ringing their bells at 6.30pm.

Ringers come from all walks of life and generally range in age from ten to those in their eighties. Almost anyone can ring. You can learn to the level you are personally happy with – if this is an activity you would like to explore, please contact:

David Sayce, Buckland’s bell tower captain
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AFTERNOON TEAS at THE HAMILTON ROOM 2024



**Drop-in from 2-4pm on
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We look forward to seeing you there.

Margaret Miller

If tea can't fix it, it's a serious problem!

BUCKLAND PARISH COUNCIL

Surrey County Council (SCC) : Highways Consultation

The SCC Highways Road Safety team, is working to deliver a programme of “safety improvements” on the A25 Reigate Road between the High Street in Reigate and the Cockerel roundabout in Dorking.



SCC Highways has secured funding from the UK Government Department for Transport towards the cost of the programme and is forecasting the work will have been completed by March 2025. Limited information about 16 schemes which make up this programme, has recently been published on the SCC website. You are encouraged to read the descriptions under each of the scheme headings. (www.surreycc.gov.uk/roads-and-transport/road-safety/a25-dorking-to-reigate-road-safety-improvements-scheme).

A consultation is underway for scheme 14, work planned for the A25 Reigate Road between Flanchford Road and Reigate High Street. To have your say visit the consultation website at weststreetsafetyscheme.commonplace.is. However you travel between Buckland and Reigate, whether on foot, or on two or more wheels you will be impacted by the changes so please take the time to read about what is planned and have your say before the consultation closes on Sunday 14th July.

If you have any thoughts on schemes one and five, which relate to Brockham Lane Junction and Dorking, make a note in readiness for the promised consultations, the timings of which have yet to be announced. If, having read the information on the SCC website you have any comments and/or concerns relating to any of the other schemes or feel more details need to be provided; as Surrey Highways does not appear to be making any commitment to consult on these schemes, please share your comments/concerns/requests with SCC Cllr Helyn Clack (helyn.clack@surreycc.gov.uk) and your parish council.

Submitting reports to Surrey Highways

SCC officers have stated that when a works programme is being prepared, reports from residents (via www.surreycc.gov.uk or by calling 0300 200 1003) are taken into accounts. If you identify an issue or concern relating to any part of a highway in Buckland, whether related to the main carriageway, roadside footway, roadside verge, traffic signage or drainage please submit a report.

Sheena Boyce, Clerk parishcouncil@bucklandsurrey.org.uk

memories

ELECTION MEMORIES—PART TWO (more amusing than you think) IN 1994 OUR LOCAL COUNCIL ELECTION WAS A TIE

On p.14 of last month's issue, we gave the challenge to provide more information on the memory of a tie for our local Councillor election sometime in living memory. Martin & Sheena Boyce came to the rescue with most of the facts, and I have since found the newspaper coverage of the event that confirms the story, summarised below:

The election was in May 1994 for the Mole Valley 'Rural East' Ward, comprising Brockham, Betchworth & Buckland. Maurice Keen had held this seat for the Conservatives for 12 years. However, he had erroneously completed his election nomination under the heading 'Description' as 'Farmer', rather than 'Conservative'. Maurice claimed to the press that it was simple an error—a gaffe—and that he was not an independent, still a Conservative. He was also a dairy farmer in Betchworth, it was his profession. So the voters had a ballot paper choice of Labour, Lib Dem or Farmer! The newspaper¹ quotes another Mole Valley Conservative candidate "reckoning it could only help Mr Keen's chances. The state of the Conservative Party he's probably better off not having it on the ballot paper." [Ed. Nothing changes!]

Only those that knew that the name 'Maurice Keen' was a Conservative would have recognised the error and known how to complete the Ballot paper to cast a 'Conservative' vote. So with that background, the vote was counted. The error had cost Maurice Keen his substantial majority. Both Maurice Keen and the Liberal Democrat Candidate, Hilary Wade (then of Camrose, Rectory Lane, Buckland) actually tied with 522 votes each. According to the press² they did not actually toss a coin, but 'drew lots' for the one extra vote that declared Hilary Wade as the winner.

It was a good night for the Lib Dems: this was one of 3 gains in the borough, giving the Lib Dems overall control! The final results in 1994 (1993 in Brackets) for Mole Valley DC were Lib Dem 21 (18), Conservative 11 (13), Independent 8 (9), Labour 1(1).

References

1. Dorking & Leatherhead Advertiser, 14 May 1994. 'Farmer puts foot in it'
2. Leatherhead Advertiser, 11 May 1994. 'Three gains give Lib Dems overall control'

Ed.

20 YEARS OF HELP from the REIGATE AREA CONSERVATION VOLUNTEERS



A Big Thank you

As summer seems to have finally arrived and we plan the next village activity involving the annual pond clearance, I felt it was important to highlight the fact that Simon Elson and the Reigate Area Conservation Volunteers (RACV), have been working with us to keep the village pond in good health for 20 years, leading the annual Pond clearance days since 2003.

In that time their expertise and guidance along with generations of villagers, have carried out the work to take the pond from terrapin infested waters, to the current thriving ecology which provides a habitat that encourages rare species such as the Great Crested Newt to thrive.

I would therefore like to take the opportunity on this this landmark anniversary, on behalf of the Buckland community, to thank Simon and his teams of volunteers for that help and guidance. Frankly without this I'm not quite sure how we

would be able to manage the pond ecology, which we all consider to be at the heart of the village.

The RACV's have become very much part of the village culture however it is very easy for us as villagers to take the help for granted. especially now that the ecology agenda has gained a much higher profile, and their talents will, I'm sure, be in great demand.

Last year we had a great turn out from the village, it was great to see a large number of enthusiastic youngsters many of whom were fascinated with some of the flora and fauna that was found, and we're hoping for an even better turn out this year for the two scheduled events on **18 August and 1 September 2024**. It was a great atmosphere last year and we'd like to repeat the turn out this year as it felt very much like the community had come together for a common cause, and we're having fun at the same time. As a result of the dry weather last year the removal of the dreaded 'crassula weed', which left unattended would turn the pond into a car park was successful. However it is an unrelenting enemy and a similar effort will be required this summer to keep it at bay.

The pond clearance events run by the RACV from 10 am through to the middle of the afternoon. Generally speaking there is considerable enthusiasm from the village during the morning, However when work breaks for lunch, the numbers diminish and this year we would like to show our support throughout the day and are planning to try and spread our efforts to show the Reigate volunteers that we do appreciate their commitment.

Therefore we are planning to manage two sessions, the first from 10:00 AM until the 12:30 break for lunch with the 2nd from lunch through to the end of play which is normally about 3:00pm. Therefore it would be really helpful if those who are planning to attend, could let us know which of these two sessions they would prefer and we can try and spread resources throughout the day. The village pond it's very much the centre of the village's identity and if it is to remain so we need to continue the efforts of the last 20 years into the future. I thank you in advance for your help and look forward to seeing you on the green in August.

Nigel Husband, Chair Buckland Parish Council

TRANSFORMING SPIRIT

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

Without a conscious living in the flow of the Spirit—through us, within us, and for us—and those are the three movements—I think prayer can become merely functional. But if we live within that flow, prayer can become an experience of mystical communion. There is no problem to be solved; it's simply enjoying what is, learning how to taste it, learning how to receive it, learning how to see God in it, and knowing that this now—whatever it is—is enough.

When that flow is not there, church becomes overly problem-solving and practical. Sacraments without the Spirit become strategic. They become something we feel obligated to attend or belong to in order to go to heaven. Church becomes about paying fire insurance dues. We don't really want to be there, but we go along for the ride in case the whole thing just happens to be true. I know this might be shocking to say and hear, but this kind of church deserves to die. There's no life to it; there's no future to it. It is not of the Spirit. It is precisely a blocking of the Spirit, but it's disguised as if it's spiritual.

Outside of the Spirit, reading the Bible can also become nothing more than ego ammunition. Without the Spirit, Bible study does not lead to divine intimacy and union; rather, it can lead to self-sufficiency and confirmation about why we're right. When we read the scriptures inside of the energy and flow of the Spirit, the stories themselves reveal a thousand confirmations of that very pattern—people allowing the flow, people resisting and opposing the flow, and sometimes, finally being swept up by it. They become models for us that allowing the flow of the Spirit leads to new life.

Outside of the Spirit, authority becomes domination. Inside of the Spirit, authority becomes service. Outside of the Spirit, politics becomes control. Inside of the Spirit, leadership is something we know is given to us to offer to others: not authority over people but authority to call forth the presence of God within so they can be in the same flow and enjoy the same freedom.

To find the presence of the Spirit is to look for where there is unity, where there's movement toward reconciliation, for two becoming one, for enemies becoming friends. The Spirit self has no need to think of itself as better than anyone. We just live with an energy and aliveness that Paul called the fruit of the Spirit: "love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control" (Galatians 5:22–23). Our job is simply to stay inside the flow of the Spirit which is love.

ST. JAMES THE LEAST OF ALL

On the Perils of eating with members of your church

The Rectory
St James the Least



One of the rather dubious pleasures of being rector here is to dine twice a year with Lord and Lady Shuttlingsloe. I was summoned to go along yesterday evening. As usual, I was greeted by the footman and led into the entrance hall, where only a few weeks ago we held the parish Harvest supper for 200 people. I relinquished my coat, took a deep breath, and set off to follow him down endless corridors to the drawing room. The house is rumoured to be haunted, but I suspect any sounds of footsteps come from guests of previous years, still wandering the corridors trying to find their way out.

There were the usual guests – most of whom were merely continuing conversations they had had the previous evening at another stately, decaying pile in the county. They were standing, because all the chairs were occupied by the Lord's dogs, and everyone agreed that the dogs looked far too comfortable to move. Since one aged golden retriever recognised me, having developed an over-familiarity with my own dog, he amicably let me squeeze beside him on a sofa – even if it left me for the rest of the evening looking as if I was wearing an Afghan coat.

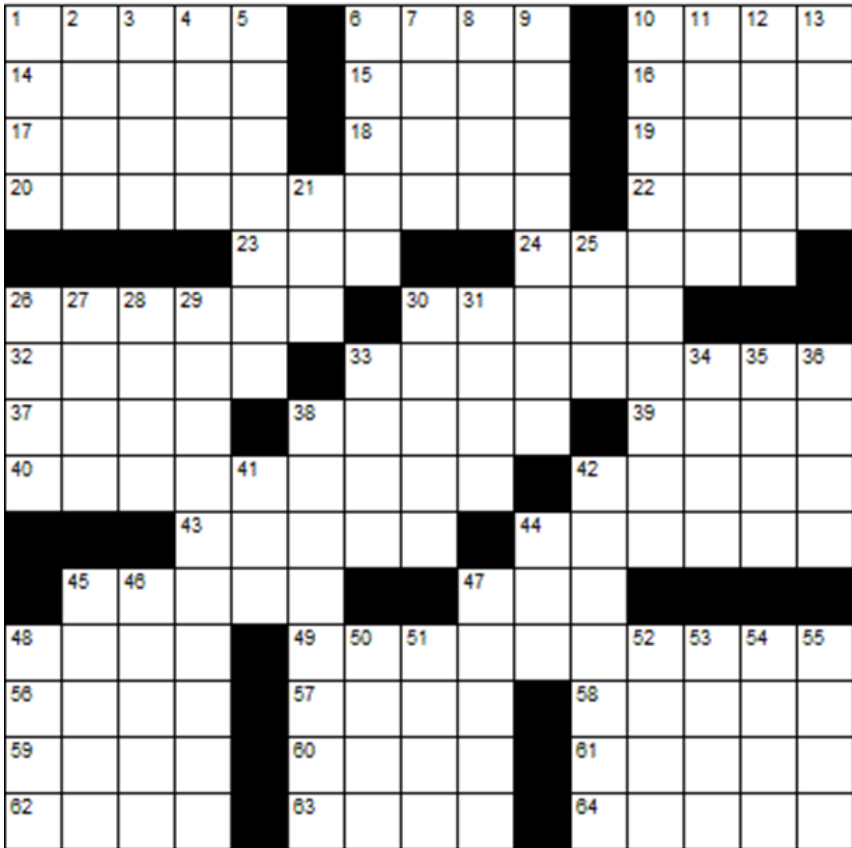
When the meal was ready, the butler arrived with our overcoats, because the dining room is a cavernous chamber which is largely unheated as birds are nesting in the chimney. Lord Shuttlingsloe considers this perfectly acceptable, since his family have been eating in this way for the past 500 years, which is how long most of the present staff have worked there. Conversation at my end of the table was less than easy, since Lady S dozed throughout the meal and my companion on the other side seemed to hold me personally responsible for the Spanish Inquisition. Had I been, she would most definitely have been on my list for questioning.

As Rector, one has one's social responsibilities, but I confess, there were moments when I rather envied your own evening, with a meal on a tray in front of the television – in a warm house.

Your loving uncle, Eustace

GENERAL KNOWLEDGE CROSSWORD

Solution p.30



ACROSS

1. Fragrance
6. Untidy one
10. A bushy hairdo
14. They connect points
15. Hefty volume
16. Exhaled hard
17. No longer a child
18. Dry
19. Earth
20. Bridles or chains

22. Sprockets
23. Hotel
24. Prickle
26. Musical tune
30. Featureless
32. Cooking appliance
33. Activity preceding liftoff
37. Behold, in old Rome
38. Confine

39. A Great Lake
40. Chuckling
42. High point
43. Discovered
44. Supervisors
45. Lightning units
47. Craggy peak
48. Pertaining to flight
49. Highly cultured
56. Talon
57. Inactive

58. Female egg organ
59. Assess
60. French for "We"
61. Thick
62. Got a good look at
63. Delight
64. Terminated

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| 3. Burden | 12. Rule | 33. Metal money | 47. Not those |
| 4. Liquefy | 13. "Wise birds" 21. | 34. Minerals | 48. Anagram of |
| 5. With one leg on | Whichever | 35. Sage | "Care" |
| each side of | 25. Strike | 36. Trawling | 50. False god |
| 6. Spot | 26. Millisecond | equipment | 51. Adhesive |
| 7. Forsaken | 27. Carve in stone | 38. Erubescen41. | 52. Baking appliance |
| 8. Leave out | 28. Slang term | Youngster | 53. Baton |
| 9. Night table | meaning insane | 42. Rust | 54. Celtic language |
| | 29. Spilt over | 44. Go up and down | 55. Not the original |
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Why did God make mothers?

Here are some of the answers seven-year-olds gave to the following questions...

Q. *Why did God give you your mother and not some other mum?*

A. God knew she likes me a lot more than other kids' mums like me.

Q. *What kind of little girl was your mum?*

A. I don't know because I wasn't there, but my guess would be pretty bossy.

Q. *What did your mum need to know about your dad before she married him?*

A. His last name.

Q. *Why did your mum marry your dad?*

A. She got too old to do anything else with him.

Q. *What's the difference between mums & dads?*

A. Mum knows how to talk to teachers without scaring them.

Q. *What would it take to make your mum perfect?*

A. On the inside she's already perfect. Outside, I think some kind of plastic surgery.

And one for the Dads: A father found it expedient to talk to the eldest of his three children, aged 7, about the facts of life, sex, and how babies are conceived. After some awkward clinical description of the act that leads to conception, a long moment of silence ensues. The father can see the son is thinking about something. Finally, the son looks at his father somewhat disbelievingly and says, 'So... you're telling me that you've done this three times?'

SUDOKU

Grade: Medium.
Solution on p.30

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Solution on p.30

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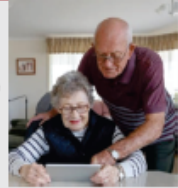


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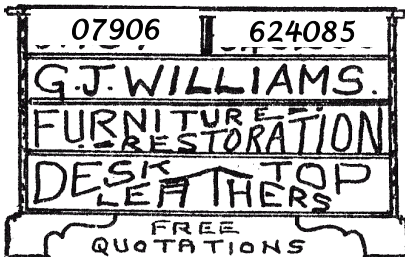


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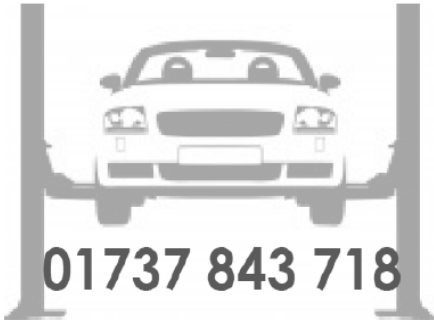
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GARDENING NOTES **It's a topsy-turvy climate!**

As always, gardeners have been kept guessing by the weather this year. In many ways, the wet winter and the seemingly continual showers during the spring have helped to keep plants green and lush. Certainly, newly planted shrubs, trees and hedges will have benefitted from being constantly watered.

Even into mid-June, there have been cool nights, breezy northerly winds and unusually grey skies. Now it is (meteorological) summer, the temperature contrasts when the sun appears have been quite dramatic. As gardeners, we have to be prepared for hot and dry conditions over the next few weeks. Use bark or mulch to preserve water in shrub beds; hanging baskets and bedding plants will need daily watering and weekly feeding for best results, as will vegetable plants.

Slugs and snails have been prolific this year. Apart from slug pellets, there are other options which help: grit, wool or wool pellets and perlite can all contribute to keep them at bay. Copper tape and spraying WD40 around pots are also excellent deterrents. Black spot and mildew on roses is also a problem: regular spraying is advisable as there is little alternative to chemical control apart from removing the worst-infected leaves.

Apart from filling in with bedding and vegetable plants, July is not ideal for planting, especially larger shrubs and trees. Hot and dry weather can make it difficult for them to establish. So it should be a time to enjoy the best your garden can offer, large or small, tended or neglected. Even overgrown areas can be a joy at this time of year – teeming with wildlife and wildflowers. A small pond will also be hugely beneficial, swiftly providing a source of food and drink for an array of fauna and flora.

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Terence R B
Sanders

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Born 2 June 1901, died 1 August 1985

Plot 86

Buckland MI Report



Terence R B Sanders, Cambridge c. 1921²

Many Buckland residents will know Terence RB Sanders as one of the past 'Lords of the Manor' of Buckland.

However, his entry in the 'Dictionary of Irish Biography' states that **'he was an Olympic oarsman, engineer and armaments expert'**.¹ And yes, it is the very same person. Terence Sanders had an interesting and varied career.

He was born 2 June 1901 in Sanders Park, Charleville, Co. Cork, younger of two sons of Robert Massey Dawson Sanders of Charleville, Co. Cork, landowner, qualified mining engineer, and JP, who had been high sheriff of Co. Cork in 1885, and Hilda Augusta Katherine Sanders (née Beaumont; later MBE), of Buckland Court, Surrey.

Terence was educated at Eton, where he began rowing, and at Trinity College, Cambridge, graduating with a BA in mechanical engineering (1922). He obtained his blue (the highest honour) when he rowed at stroke for Cambridge in the annual boat race against Oxford in 1923, losing by three-quarters of a length. He won the University Pairs in 1923, but his real prowess was in the coxless fours, and he was part of a Trinity Thirds four that won the Uni-

versity Fours and the Steward's Cup at Henley three years in a row (1922–4). The most successful coxless four of the interwar period, they were also described as ‘the best four England has had for a century’ (*Times*, 18 July 1924). They were selected to represent Great Britain in the 1924 Olympic Games in Paris, where they went on to win the gold medal, winning by a length and a quarter against a previously unbeaten Canadian four in the final. In 1929 Sanders was a member of the Leander club eight that won the Grand Challenge Cup at Henley. He retired from competitive rowing that year but remained heavily involved with the Cambridge University Boat Club, serving as treasurer 1928–39 and also doing some coaching, including taking charge of the Cambridge eight in 1931. In 1929 he had been joint compiler of a book, *The University Boat Race: official centenary history 1829–1929*, by GC Drinkwater & TRB Sanders¹.

An engineer by training, he spent his early career at Cambridge University. In 1924 he was made a fellow of Corpus Christi College, Cambridge, and the following year he was appointed lecturer in engineering in Corpus, and subsequently university demonstrator in engineering (1931–6) and university Lecturer in the Department of Engineering (1936–8), as well as Estates Bursar of his college, of which he was made a life fellow in 1945.¹

Initially commissioned as an officer in the Territorial Army (Royal Engineers) in 1923, during the second world war he

joined the 135th Regiment of the Royal Artillery (Hertfordshire Yeomanry) until he met with an accident in 1941.

Terence was thrown from a tank and his legs were crushed. He was in hospital for 6 months and the subsequent operation resulted in one leg being 1.5” shorter than the other and he continued life with the need to wear a built-up shoe. Following this he moved from active service to a desk job in the Armament Design Department of the Ministry of Supply, becoming assistant chief engineer of armament design (1943–5)³.

He helped to develop the Firefly, a British variant of the American Sherman tank, adapted to carry a 17-pounder gun, giving it significantly more firepower, and a viewfinder that steadied the gun sight automatically as the tank traversed rough ground. Such an innovation helped to give the Sherman, the basic tank of the Anglo-American invasion force, a vital anti-tank capability that undoubtedly contributed to the success of the Normandy invasion; the Firefly was effectively the only allied tank that could destroy the formidable German Tiger tank.¹

Terence Sanders also served on a secret committee called ‘Operation Crossbow’ set up by Churchill to investigate German secret weapons, particularly rocket technology. Crossbow was an Anglo-American operation against the German long range reprisal weapons (V-weapons) programme. The primary V-weapons were the V-1 flying bomb and V-2 rocket, which were launched against

Britain from 1944 to 1945 and used against continental European targets as well. Terence led a secret scientific mission to the Soviet Union in 1944 to examine German rocket facilities captured by the Red Army. The information gathered helped the British to develop responses to the V2 rocket. The family still has one of Terence's annotated drawings of a V1, done in his own hand. The war film 'Operations Crossbow' starring Sophia Loren and George Peppard, made in 1965 (later released as The Great Spy Mission) tells the story based on the true facts exposed over 20 years after the event.⁴

Later he was sent to the Pas de Calais, where he destroyed the V3 'pump gun' installations (for unmanned rocket bombs) aimed at London. Demobilised with the rank of colonel in 1946, he joined the scientific civil service, becoming assistant controller of supplies (munitions) until 1951. He was awarded a Companion of the Order of Bath (CB) in 1950¹ – an award second only to a knighthood.

Terence wrote a very detailed journal diary from 1944-1951, recently accepted by the Churchill College Archives Centre in Cambridge⁵. This is a contemporary archive which holds the Churchill papers and also those of Margaret Thatcher and many others.⁶ Terence travelled to Russia, Poland, France and Belgium on this mission. The copious diaries are no doubt a very interesting read of over 1000 pages, though assimilating and interpreting the information would no

doubt deserve a book of its' own.

During his varied career, he had time to marry and have seven children, two of whom died in infancy. He married Marion MacDonald in 1931, originally from Spean Bridge, Inverness-shire, Scotland. Their children were Dominica (1933-33), Rupert (1935-35), Adrian (1936-), William (1940-), Christopher, known as Speed (1942-2021), Ninian (1944-) and Benedict (1949-83).

Adrian continues to live in Buckland where he has lived for most of his life, at Underhill Farm, Lawrence Lane. Following graduation, Adrian worked for Consolidated Gold Fields (a large mining company) for 5 years, then when his father Terence retired from Estate management duties, aged 65 in 1966, Adrian, aged 28, returned to Buckland to take on the responsibility of managing the Estate, which he continued for 50 years until his retirement in 2016.

From 1952 to 1972 Terence served as engineering adviser to the British Standards Institute, and also became Chairman of the International Standards Institute (ISO), where he went to frequent meetings in Geneva. He was closely associated with efforts to unify engineering standards, particularly for screws and threads, between Britain, Canada, and the US. He was also on the board of a number of engineering companies and other businesses.¹

[A mystery is resolved by Terence's roles in Engineering Standards. Two traction engines ran in Buckland in the sawmill, as



1892 Robinson & Auden No 1038, 7HP Stationery engine,
donated by Terence Sanders c.1955 to a museum
nr Stuttgart, Germany, after its' working life in Buckland from 1892-1955.

the power source for circular saw benches in the woodyard, taking over from Buckland Windmill in 1890. Both engines worked in Buckland until about 1950 and are still in existence. One was sold to an individual in 1955 and it has since been fully restored by it's present owner in the New Forest.

The second traction engine has, for several decades, been a display exhibit in the 'Museum of Screws and Threads,' an unusual engineering museum near Stuttgart in Germany.⁷ According to UK traction engine enthusiasts, how it ended-up in Germany was a mystery, as there is no record of it being sold in UK in the late 1950's. It is almost certain that the engine was donated to this museum

around 1955-1960 by Terence Sanders, a gift to one of his European colleagues on International Standards Boards. Ed.]⁸

The Dictionary of Irish Biography¹ states that 'his [Terence's] hobbies included rowing, shooting, and farming his own land in Surrey'.¹ I took exception to the amusing latter statement, that 'farming his own land in Surrey' was a hobby, and indeed his local role in Buckland deserves a more thorough analysis below...

A Past Lives profile of Terence's father has already been described (Past Lives 38: Robert Massey Dawson Sanders). This explains that whilst Terence was an undergraduate at Cambridge from 1919-1922, the troubles in Eire had

forced his father to give up the family home in Ireland and come to Buckland. It was at this time Terence's father, aged 61, came to manage the Buckland Estate which had been in the hands of his ailing father-in-law, Francis Henry Beaumont. Although Terence aged 22, was then in University at Cambridge, Buckland was his family address from 1923.

When Terence's father (Robert MD Sanders) died, aged 79 in 1941; Terence, then aged 40, was asked to take on the Management of the Buckland Estate. As you can see from the above, Terence had a strategic, senior role in the military efforts of WW2 and was rarely home in this period. Adrian Sanders recalled³ that their home at Underhill Farm was targeted by a doodlebug in early-1945 and whilst the main impact was in the adjoining field, some windows were broken and a crack appeared in the Dining Room wall. When his wife Marion telephoned Terence with this news, his first question was 'Did any bits of the doodlebug survive?' This did not make him popular on home turf, to say the least. Given the isolated position of the house, we might wonder if the opposition knew that this was his home? Incidentally, the crack was never repaired, serving as a reminder of our vulnerability.³

In 1951 that Terence's wife Marion tragically died at the young age of just 45. Terence was left as a single parent of 5 children, aged 2, 7, 9, 11 and 15.

It cannot have been an easy time for him and it perhaps stimulated his return

to live in Buckland and for him to take on the management of the family estate in a more focussed manner, with the support of grand-parents for the children. Adapting to his new situation, in the same year (1951) he left the Ministry of Defence and joined the Scientific Civil Service.

Nevertheless, he maintained a 'portfolio' career, continuing his engineering consultancy work applied to International Standards, and some non-executive Board Directorships.

At the time, Buckland Sand & Silica Ltd was employing around 50 men, with another 15 or so employed in the farming of the land⁹. Terence managed the Sand & Silica Company effectively, expanding its range of sand products to meet the need of different industries, and make it competitive in the national market place. An example was winning the contract to supply refined, premium silica sand for glass making, to Pilkington Glass in St Helens, Merseyside.⁹

Terence took his responsibilities as 'Lord of the Manor' in Buckland increasingly seriously, and gave a lot of time to the village. He was not however a 'church person'. He recounted how the Village Hall, known as The Reading Room, a property owned by his Estate, was offered on a free lease to the church, but it had been 'immensely frustrating to deal with the Church of England (Southwark Diocese) to make this happen, and he considered that it contributed to his ill health!³

Several years later, in 1965, with the

children all grown up, Terence married again to Deborah Donoghue, originally from Philadelphia, USA, and they continued to live together in Buckland for a further 20 years.

Terence was elected to the Honorary role of High Sheriff & Deputy Lieutenant of Surrey in 1967 and he was elected Councillor for the Dorking & Horley Rural District Council for over 20 years.¹⁰

In his later retirement, Terence became very interested in the family archives and made a significant impression on grouping and archiving Buckland's manorial records. His son Adrian has made further improvements to both the storage and indexing and the Buckland Estate Archive is now an important local archive. Between 1980 and 1982, aged 80, Terence wrote 10 papers – approximately 100 pages of his handwriting, on different aspects of the History of Buckland. These were a helpful cross-check on the history and sources to produce the book on the History of the village.⁹

All these activities: a sand processing and farming business employing around 65 men, senior civic duties, Non-Executive Directorships. farm & Property management, local history interests – as applied to Buckland, were, I think you will agree, more than just a 'hobby'.

Terence RB Sanders died 6 April 1985 at the age of 83 and is buried in the Churchyard of St Mary the Virgin Buckland (plot 86), with his first wife Marion. Terence's obituary in The Times says that 'throughout his career he demonstrated a great aptitude for putting theory into practice and had a reputation as someone who was able to get things done'.¹⁰ He certainly did.

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Due to impending thunderstorms, we cancelled a couple of matches and another three were called off because the opposition couldn't raise enough players. Thankfully that is not a problem for us and our Club continues to go from strength to strength. We had another

very successful Open Day in mid-May and a lot of those people who came down will be coming back on the 8th June for our third event and hopefully we will recruit some new players.

Results. In our friendlies we drew with Crawley and unsurprisingly lost to Castle Green where no one in the Club can ever remember winning as their green is almost impossible to read. We started our Friendship League campaign against Pippbrook and won pretty convincingly to gain almost maximum points and then played Reigate Priory who we drew with both lost the bonus points on shots scored. Overall, not a bad effort to regain our crown. Our internal competitions have started in earnest and some very interesting head to heads are coming up and our efforts in the Surrey's have been commendable. Ours pairs are doing well. John Hoad and some other numpity. On our day we could go a long way.

Finally, from all the members could we sincerely thank all the people who put so much hard work to get the green into, and keep it in, such great condition. I'm sure there's folks in the village, be it cricket, football or rugby who know what I'm saying. Cheers Guys. Think that's an excuse for me to have a glass. Do I really need one.

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BROCKHAM GREEN HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

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You may remember that we were approached by the Poland Meadow Trust and asked if we would like to be involved in the planting of native trees for the late Queen's Platinum Jubilee, in the communal area. With money from the Fortune Legacy, we were able to purchase a mix of 7 Birch trees, two Hawthorn, four crab Apple, two orchard apples and two Viburnum. Last week I popped into Poland Meadow development to see how the trees that we planted were progressing and was really pleased to see that they are all maturing well.

I am currently busy organising members-only open gardens and can confirm that we will be visiting the grounds and gardens of UCL Mullard Space Science Laboratory in Holmbury St Mary in September. I visited last year, and as well as having formal flower borders, it is in a most beautiful location with amazing views. If you are interested in joining us at this event or any of our other exclusive members only events, please contact us on the email below for information to join.

We always welcome new members and the cost is just £5 per year, so if you would like to join the Horticultural Society or would like more information, please email:

bghsociety@hotmail.com, Ruth Johnson

MUSIC IN DORKING—FOR JULY



6th at 3.00, Leatherhead Choral Society at The Lighthouse, Leatherhead, £15
7th at 4.00, Bookham Choral Society at St Nicolas' church, Bookham, £15

The Leatherhead Choral Society, conducted by Ian Assersohn, has a concert entitled *The Great American Songbook*. This will be an afternoon concert celebrating the golden age of American songs. Bookham Choral Society's summer concert, conducted by Elliot Mercer, includes the *Songs and Sonnets* by jazz composer Shearing and *Birthday Madrigals* by John Rutter.

The **Dorking Halls are now closed until December** for essential maintenance work on the ceiling of the grand hall.

Ian Codd

DORKING MUSEUM IN JULY

Sweeping Through History: 100 years of Johnston Sweepers: The current exhibition celebrates their centenary, telling the Johnston story and their place in Dorking's industrial history. They became a world leading designer and manufacturer of truck mounted road sweepers, with Dorking produced machines operating in 120 countries around the world. (Part of Bucher Industries since 2005.)

Family Activities: Free at Dorking Library, materials provided. Children must be accompanied.

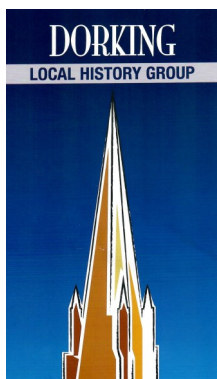
- Saturday 20th July, 10am-2pm: *Butterflies, Bees & Bugs:* Giant pull-apart insect models, face painting and make a paper butterfly!
- Tuesday 30th July, 10am-noon: *Festival of Archaeology:* A pretend archaeological castle dig and guess what the items tell you about events there.

Walking in Dorking: Blue Plaques and Statues walk: Wednesday 3rd July, 6.15pm. Deepdene Trail: Sunday, 7th July, 2pm. Betchworth Castle tour: Sunday 14th July, 2pm. Hidden Historic Dorking Walk, Sunday 14th July, 2pm. Advance booking: dorkingmuseum.org.uk/guided-walks-around-dorking/ or arrange walks for private groups.

Dorking Museum, 62 West Street. Open Thursdays 1pm-4pm, Fridays and Saturdays 10am-4pm, free entry. www.dorkingmuseum.org.uk. 01306 876591.

David Burton

DORKING LOCAL HISTORY GROUP - Talk



'THE BATTLE OF DORKING'
MONDAY 1 JULY, 7.15pm. CROSSWAYS CHURCH
DORKING
Talk by Nick Cook about this influential book.

The 1871 novella by George Tomkyns Chesney, titled 'The Battle of Dorking', was widely credited with starting the genre of 'invasion literature'. It was written just after the Franco-Prussian War and translated into German – did it influence Hitler?

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

PUZZLE SOLUTIONS

Crossword (p.14) Solution

A	R	O	M	A		S	L	O	B		A	F	R	O
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Wordsearch (p.16) Solution

M	S	E	A	D	E	X	L	I	E	C	O	W	H
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Sudoku (p.16) Solution

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

Bookings4bucklandreadingroom@gmail.com or 01737.843335

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Bell Ringers (<i>practice Friday evenings</i>)	David Sayce	242776
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British Legion	Maurice Daley	843058
Brockham Green Horticultural Society	Ruth & Paul Johnson	842691
Brockham Surgery/ <i>Chemist</i>	n/a	843259/842175
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- Secretary	Liz Vahey	221444
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St. Catherine's Hospice	Sheila Dyer	842046
Women's Institute	Margaret Miller	842098

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