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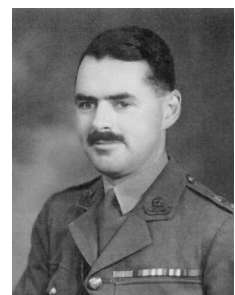
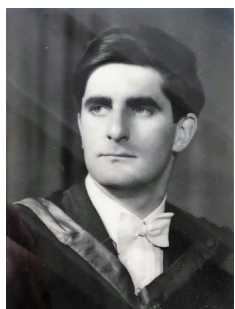


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Dear All,

It's hard to believe that it's September already and, by the time you're reading this, summer will be officially over. After a slight slowing in August, the church is now gearing itself up for all the different events of the remaining year. We start with our harvest festivals; 11am on 29th September for Buckland and again 11am on 6th October for Betchworth. This year we are doing something slightly different as not only are we celebrating the safe harvesting of crops, but we are also celebrating the generosity of you folks in all that you do to help keep our churches going. If you are free and able to get to one of the services or the lunch afterwards it would be fantastic to say thank you to you all.

Watching what's going on around the country makes me realise just how fortunate we are here in Surrey. Of course, there are those who struggle financially in Buckland and Betchworth but on the whole, we live a comfortable and privileged life surrounded by immense natural beauty. It's hard to imagine what life must be like to have vile abuse and threats hurled at you and your family whenever you leave the house. In recent weeks, we've seen an appalling explosion of such aggression and violence. It's shocked me how quickly a community or country can switch their attitudes. Here we have been celebrating the success of team GB in the Olympic and Paralympic Games, a team that demonstrates perfectly how we as a nation benefit from racial and national diversity and yet in a flash, we switch to screaming racist and bigoted abuse at those we choose to see as 'others'. What saddens most is how deep seated this suspicion and hatred of the 'other' is.

At one level, the core complaints are understandable. In the UK, there's a growing division between those that have and those who don't. Those who don't, see refugees being housed far quicker than they are, not only that, but also being provided with new furniture, household goods, and clothing in ways that are not made available to them. Of course, that would cause resentment. On the other hand however, you have men, women, children, who have escaped from a level of poverty or from situations that we can only imagine from films and from the

news. Their one objective is to find somewhere that they can live, that they can bring up their families in safety, which is, after all, a very basic human desire.

It's easy to get sucked into a bubble of it not being really applicable to us where we are or of not knowing how to help even if we wanted to but as residents and nationals of the UK it is applicable to us and there are simple things that we can do too. The most obvious is making food bank donations. Both churches have a food bank collection point in the porch, which are open every day. It's something that many of us have neglected in recent months, but it is such an important way that we can help anyone in need. It would be great to be able to get back into a regular routine of collecting food and it doesn't matter if it's one tiny can or a big bag full, each bit matters. With our harvest festivals coming up, now would be a perfect time to get this started again. All 'in date' tins, cartons and dry produce are always welcome.

In the meantime, if you're of the praying kind, pray for these situations of violence. Pray for the victims and also for the perpetrators. Pray too for all those in power and government, courts and the legal system and the police, they may have wisdom and judgement to know how best to proceed, both in the immediate future, and how to reduce levels of poverty amongst those who have always lived in the uk.

CHRISTMAS FAYRE
23 NOVEMBER 2024

The editor apologises for putting the incorrect date in Pru's letter last month. It is not 23 December, but **23 NOVEMBER** in Buckland Reading Room.



God bless

Pru x

Cover picture—Photos from selected Past Lives

Clockwise from number 1, top left: (Number of profile series in brackets)

Richard Wicks (12), in hat
Meera Behn (22)
Louis Marshall (7)
Helen Tomkinson (20)

Jake Davies (16)
John Vaudrey (13)
Francis H Beaumont (37)
Roger Gaunt (28)

John J Cummins (18)
Ruth Spreckley (6)

CHURCH SERVICES—SEPTEMBER

Date	St Mary's Buckland	St Michael's Betchworth
1 September 2024 <i>Trinity 14</i>		10am Parish Communion <i>Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23</i>
8 September 2024 <i>Trinity 15</i>	10am IONA Communion <i>John 6:24-35</i>	5pm Choral Evensong
15 September 2024 <i>Trinity 16</i>		10am Parish Communion <i>Mark 8:27-end</i>
22 September 2024 <i>Trinity 17</i>	10am Parish Communion <i>Matthew 9:30-37</i>	
29 September 2024 <i>Trinity 18</i>	11am Harvest Festival & Lunch <i>Matthew 6: 25-33</i>	
6 October 2024 <i>Trinity 19</i>		11am Harvest Festival & Lunch <i>Matthew 6: 25-33</i>

Also: THURSDAY MORNING COMMUNION SERVICE AT 10AM IN Betchworth
- though for simplicity this is no longer shown on the schedule above

HARVEST THANKSGIVING

Join us on Sunday 29th at 11am for a service of thanksgiving to celebrate the safe gathering of the harvest and give thanks for the gifts of goodwill and generosity received from the village to help keep the church going. This will be followed afterwards with lunch in the Reading Room.

We are collecting dry, tinned and non perishable food items for the St Matthew's Foodbank in Redhill. Please do double check expiry dates before donating.



WINTER LUNCHES 2024/25

We would still like to carry on the tradition of Buckland Winter Lunches which started quite a long time ago now by Rev. Pattie Vigers and Elizabeth Gaunt. I have provisionally booked the Reading Room for Friday the 25th October for our first get-together. The time would be, as in the past, from 12 noon with lunch being served about 12.15pm.

The lunches will not start until October, because on Sunday the 29th September, St. Marys will have their Harvest Festival service at 11 am and then a 'Bring and Share' Harvest lunch in the Reading Room after the service.

Everyone is welcome to our monthly lunches, old friends and new friends. We would love to hear from you so please could you phone Liz Vahey on 01737 221444 or Carol Leeds 01737 247399 and let us know if you would like to join us each month for lunch. We do cater for 'vegetarian customers' as well. Looking forward to hearing from you.

Carol Leeds

'BUCKLAND MAGIC' DELIVERS

Everett Leeds is not only our recently retired champion of graveyard maintenance, but a UK-expert on Clematis. He is still breeding new species, and offered a limited number of a new species which he has named 'Buckland Magic'. He offered these to raise money for the churchyard, particularly the repair of un-even flagstones. This sale on 10 August 2024 has raised a stunning £245 towards the costs. Thank you Everett!

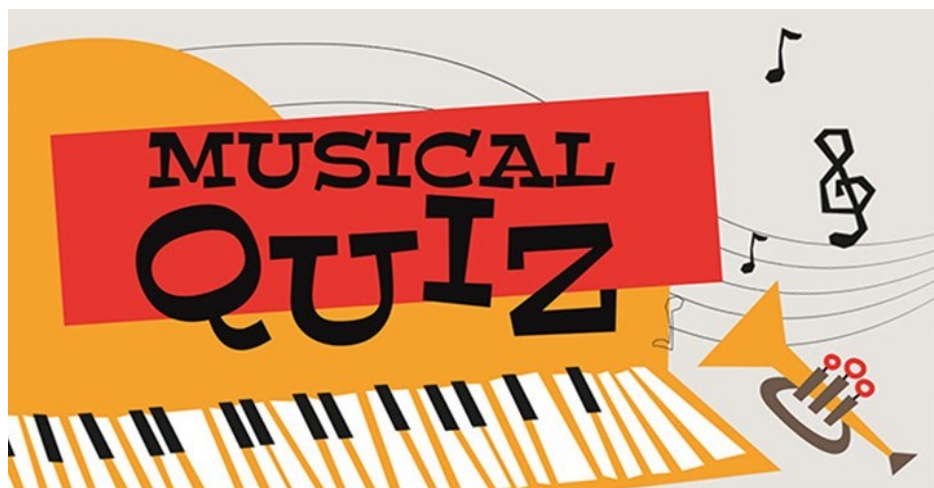
Ed.



Buckland Magic in bloom

The Church exists primarily for the benefit of
those who do not belong to it

William Temple, Rector St James Picadilly, London 1914-17



Friday 11 October , 7.30pm – 10pm
Buckland Reading Room

Fun quiz on all things musical, spanning
Pop, 60's-80's, Classical, theme tunes, lines from songs,
music-related pictures, etc

Cooked Supper & desert included. Free glass of wine.
More wine to purchase

Teams of 6 to 8. Apply either as a team or
individual/couples
Tickets £20 FOSM members, £25 non-members
Please book in advance, not later than 6 October to
catdawes@aol.com or 07710 498591

Fundraising event for
Friends of St Mary's Buckland (FOSM)

CHURCH TIDY-UP—some minor changes to note

Rev. Pru, the Churchwardens and members of the PCC are in the midst of a tidy-up in St Mary's Buckland. You need not know all the details, but there are three things to note:

- **The Current Parish Magazines** are no longer be stored in plastic boxes in the porch. They are kept inside the church door, in the cardboard boxes (from the printer) under the first pew on the left. The book for distributors is on the shelf above. Those readers outside the Parish who do not get a delivery, are welcome to take a magazine from the box, as before. The church is open daily to collect magazines, usually between 9am and 5pm (or 4pm in winter).
- **The Guest Book** now is on the left side of the door as you go in, on a shelf that is an easier height for writing an entry.
- **Hymn Books—An Opportunity to Reclaim your donation!** Two sets of hymn books that are no longer used are being removed, most likely to a Christian charity. This will free-up overcrowded shelf and storage space. One set of green-covered hymn books, purchased about the year 2008 have individual inscriptions in the front, naming church-goers and Buckland residents who donated toward their purchase. The donor's names were inscribed in calligraphy by our late Revd. Pattie Vigers (see p.26-29).

If you were such a donor—**in the list on the opposite page** - (or if you are a relative or friend of a donor that has passed), and if you wish to reclaim your donated hymn book with it's personalised inscription so that you can have it at home, **please let Jean Cooke know by 15 September 2024** (jcooke54@btinternet.com or 01737 245161) and we will arrange for it to be ready for collection from church (at no charge) or posted (at cost).

Revd. Pru and the Churchwardens

Hymn Book Donors (c. 2008) - see previous page

Note that some of the inscriptions are in memorial, with names of deceased friends and relations; whilst other inscriptions are of the names of the donors at the time (c.2008). For those residents who have lived in the village for 15 years or more, a quick read will bring back memories of past friends and neighbours...

Thanks to Jean Cooke & Ann Adams for compiling this list from the books

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Ainger, Caroline	Hatts, Edith & Harry
Bacon, Mary 1986	Haydock, Bill & Edith
Bacon, Geoffrey 1982	Haynes, Sue and Phillip
Bacon, Jean	Hepburn, Ron & Rosamond x 6 books
Bacon, Penny 1998	Heyhoe, Rona and David x 2 books
Bacon, Rita 1984	Hill, Sidney
Bacon, Fraser 1998	Hope-Jones, Arthur
Baker, Len	Humpherson, William (donor Bourn)
Barlow, Rev Canon M M	Jones, Alma & Cecil x 2 books
Bensted, Ann & John x 2 books	Kevan, Daphne & Norman
Bishop, Walter A. x 3 books	Leeds, Freda
Bishop. Mary Wade, <i>late of Yewdells Close</i>	Leeds, Cherry & Stewart
Bishop, Mary, <i>late of Old Rd (donor Docking)</i>	Marr-Johnson, Rachel
Bourn, Phyllis	Mitchell, Jock x 3 books
Boyce, Jeanette	Mullally, John (donor Anne & Rodney)
Boyce, Martin	Petit, Tony & Sheila
Chamberlain, Anne (donor Bacon family)	Russ, Helen
Clark, Leslie & Paul	Sanders, Thomas 1835-1917 (donor D Ferns)
Copeland, Tony	Saunders, Len, Dorothy & Tony
Cornish, Bryan	Saunders, Margery (donor E Saunders)
Curtis, Nancy x 2 books	Seager, Carl x 2 books
Day, Gaynor	Smith, Olive (donor Fuller Family 'Bubby')
Ellis, Jack (in memory of grandmother)	Spreckley, Ruth x 2 books
Evans, Gwilym (donor Pat Evans)	Udall family 1700-1770 (donor D Ferns)
Ewing, Sharon	Vigers Family
Ewing, Mr S (donor Eileen Joan Ewing)	Waters, Pat & Peggy
Field, Guy (donor Dorothy Field) x 2 books 2	Webb, Kenneth & Margot
Fuller, Virginia	Wheen, Family
Gibbs, Claude	Wheen, Jonathan
Gordon-Smith, Felicity	Williams, John (donor Elizabeth Vahey)
Gordon-Smith, Tony	Wilson, Barclay & Mary
Gould, Rev. John (donor Sylvia Gould)	Wilson, Barclay
Gray, Joy (donor Julian Gray)	Wren, Fred and Freda
Gregory, Catherine (Kit)	

VOLUNTEER ROLES—an update

We have three voluntary roles still open, and would be very appreciative of people stepping forward to find out more about taking on one of these roles:

BUCKLAND ST MARY's CHURCH—Treasurer

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

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

FRIENDS OF ST MARY's (FOSM) - Village Events Organiser

Someone to lead a team to organise larger events, (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 the retirement of Rosey Davy.

Please contact Rosey Davy, roseydavy@gmail.com

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.



As you grow older, you will discover that
you have two hands. One for helping
yourself, and the second for helping others

Audrey Hepburn



ST MICHAEL'S CHURCH BETCHWORTH

Saturday 14 September 10am-4pm & Sunday 15th, 11am-4pm

The following events are planned:

- bell tower visits on the hour on both days
- Talks on the history of the church will be given on both days.
- Come-and-try hand bells sessions.
- Rampant Roosters Morris Men (Saturday at 11am)
- Dorking Group of Artists display of art to purchase
- Music will fill the church on both days
- tea, coffee and cake also available.

Please look at our website for full details and a programme of events

www.stmichaels-betchworth.uk

BUCKLAND WINDMILL

Saturday 14 September 1pm-5pm

Buckland Windmill is a small sawmill workshop built in the 1860s. It is situated on property previously owned by the Estate carpenter. Restored in the period 1995-2004 and recently repainted, the windmill now has a circular saw and lathe which are powered for demonstration purposes. It is believed to be the only surviving wind-powered sawmill in the UK. **See a new photographic display of the traction engines that used to be on-site to power the saws.**

The garden will also be open and refreshments available, with proceeds to Friends of St Mary's Buckland (FOSM).

<http://www.bucklandsurrey.net/village-history/buckland-windmill>

PROFILE OF RICHARD CALVER

New Director of Music at St Michael's and St Mary's



Richard Calver grew up in Harrogate. At the age of 5 he started learning the piano, and when he was 13 began lessons on the organ, with which he found even greater affinity. He also discovered the music of J.S.Bach, which was to become a lifelong passion. On one memorable occasion he had the thrilling and overwhelming experience of playing Bach's music on the magnificent Hildebrandt organ in the St Wenzel Church in Naumburg, Germany (above right), which Bach himself played in 1746. Richard has been fortunate to have played many other famous and historic organs while travelling in Europe.

After school, he went on to the Royal College of Music, where he studied the organ with Ralph Downes and Richard Latham, and the harpsichord with Ruth Dyson (a lifelong resident of Dorking and a pillar of the Leith Hill Festival, and to whose house, Rose Hill Lodge, he moved, to look after for a year after leaving the RCM).

While living there he began what unexpectedly became a 45-year railway career. After a year as a booking clerk, he moved to become the Crossing Keeper at the Level Crossing in Rectory Lane, Buckland in 1978. He subsequently became a Signaller, first at Betchworth, then at Dorking where he worked, pulling levers for 38 years until retiring in 2022. He continues to live in the Crossing Cottage - though now no longer alone. Three weeks after retirement he got married to Iona Davies, a professional violinist, whose account of playing in Westminster Abbey at King Charles' Coronation appeared in the June 2023 edition of Buckland Parish Magazine.

For many years, when shift work allowed, and until the pandemic arrived, he was the organist at St. Mary's, Headley. He was also involved for some years on the musical side of productions with The Heath Players on Boxhill and with the Polesden Lacey Open Air Theatre, and has accompanied local singers and choral groups on piano, organ and harpsichord.

When Martin Hall took up the post of Director of Music at Betchworth and Buckland in November 2022, Richard became sub-organist, as well as deputising in many other local churches. He is grateful to Martin for his unfailing support over the last two years.

He is very much looking forward to his new role, to working more closely with Pru, the Choirs and Church Wardens, and to playing the recently renovated organ at St Mary's, and the wonderful new organ at St Michael's.

Linda Slater, Churchwarden of St Michael's Betchworth

EVENTS

SEPTEMBER

- 1 Sept, 10am –4 pm. (Second)** Buckland Pond Clearance day, Parish Council, p.10
- 2 Sept, 7.15pm.** Talk: The River Mole, it's History & State. DLHG, p.36
- 4 Sept, 7.45 pm.** Choral Society, practice season begins. BBCS, p.31
- 6 Sept, 6.30pm.** End of Summer Social, Red Lion. B&B Society, p.32
- 16 Sept, 2.30pm.** Talk on Art Nouveau Architecture. Arts Society, p.30
- 16 Sept, 7.15pm.** Talk on Surrey Suffrgettes, DLHG on Zoom, p.36
- 21 Sept,** Annual Autumn Horticultural Show. Brockhams Village Hall. BGHS, p.36
- 21 Sept 2pm.** Barn Dance, Beare Green. Dorking U3A, p.36
- 25 Sept, 2pm-4pm.** Afternoon Teas, Hamilton Room, p.17

OCTOBER EVENTS

- 5 Oct, Drop-by 1pm-4pm.** Applefest, Betchworth Village Hall, p.33
- 11 Oct, 7.30pm-10pm.** Music Quiz, Buckland Reading Room. FOSM, p.7
- 25-27 Oct, 10am-5pm,** Dorking Group of Artists Exhibition, Denbies, p.29

BELLRINGERS' OUTING 2024

Each year on a summer Saturday, the bellringers go off on an outing, ringing at five or six churches in a different area; other bands occasionally visit St Mary's – you may have heard visitors ringing when there was no sign of a wedding. This year, on 13th July, St Michael's and St Mary's ringers went south into Sussex.



Our first stop was the little Victorian church of Holy Trinity, Lower Beeding. The tower was added in 1884 to take a ring of bells donated by the Hubbard family of Leonardslee in memory of Mrs Hubbard's parents – the bells bear the names of their eight grandchildren – cast by a Belgian foundry. However, the sound of the bells was not very good and in 1926 they were sent to the Croydon firm of Gillett & Johnston who recast four of them and did their best to retune the others – to our ears, they still sounded a bit odd. A local ringer warned us that the three lightest bells were 'light and flighty' so we had some trouble in getting all eight to sound evenly. However, we managed some nice call changes including 'tittums' – the change 15263748, four times a light bell followed by a heavy one, sounding like ti-tum-ti-tum-ti-tum-ti-tum.

Next was the small village of Bolney, just off A272. The tower, topped by four dumpy conical pinnacles, was added to the Norman church of St Mary Magdalene in the 1530s. Its bells include one cast in 1490, and until 1720 they were the only ring of eight in Sussex. The bells are rung from the ground floor, so the springy long ropes made ringing difficult: some call changes and an attempt at Stedman doubles fell apart, but a touch of grandsire doubles was more successful. A patch of grass between the churchyard, the Victorian school and the cricket pitch made an attractive spot for a picnic lunch for most of the band, though a small breakaway group pressed on to find a pub in our next destination, Henfield.

The bells of St Peter's Henfield are rung from a gallery in the tower, giving the ringers a view down the nave and light from a large stained-glass west window featuring three angels – one of which has managed to put on a suit of armour and an ermine-lined cope over its massive wings! The bells made a fine sound;

the ring of eight were cast together in 1913 by Taylors of Loughborough from the metal of the former bells.

The other the churches we visited were pretty, but the prize for impressive architecture goes to the Norman nave of St Andrew and St Cuthnan at Steyning. Massive round arches adorned with zigzag moulding, with a high clerestory above, make you say 'Wow!' the moment you enter. The sixteenth-century tower matches the nave in size and the spacious ringing room easily accommodated our party of twenty-odd people. It is presided over by a portrait of Queen Victoria looking distinctly un-amused so we were all on our best behaviour and rang the eight bells beautifully.

On to Sullington, a tiny hamlet at the foot of the south downs reached by a long narrow lane. St Mary's church has only one bell, but the farm café in a converted seventeenth-century barn served us a cream tea. It was just a short journey to our last tower at St Mary's Thakeham, a light ground-floor ring of six bells in a little church that would probably have looked prettier if black clouds hadn't gathered and started to spatter us with rain. Back in Surrey, we rounded the day off with supper at The Pheasant – fortunately we had booked a table under the awning!

Andrew Oliphant (Betchworth & Buckland bell ringers)

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***** Other Bellringing News *****

On Thursday June 6th at 6.30pm, Buckland bell-ringers joined many other towers across UK to 'Ring for Peace' commemorating the 80th Anniversary of D-Day. We rang for about 30 minutes, ringing call changes and the methods Bob Doubles and Grandsire,

Buckland belltower welcomed a visit of Cubs from 30th Reigate Scout Group. The Cubs joyfully chimed the bells which were several times their weight and the Cub Leader was surprised to find himself ringing the back-stroke with the band.

If you would like to join us in the Buckland bell tower, just come along. We practise on Friday evenings 8-9.30pm, and ring on Sundays before the 10am service, and for weddings, funerals and special occasions when requested.

Anyone (aged 10 - 80+) who can climb the beautiful wooden staircase is most welcome to join us in the belfry on Friday evenings. Please contact our tower captain, David Sayce, if you are interested ([242776 drsayce@ntlworld.com](mailto:drsayce@ntlworld.com)).

Julie Beale

Buckland News

BUCKLAND PARISH COUNCIL UPDATE

Village Pond

If you were unable to join last month's pond clearance and can make yourself available for the follow up village pond clearance being held on Sunday 1st September please show your support for the Reigate Area Conservation Volunteers event by joining in. The event starts at 10am and will run until 3pm so come along for as much time as you can manage – your help will be much appreciated.



Overhanging Vegetation

Do you have hedges or trees growing on your property adjacent to Buckland's highways, hard surfaced footpaths, public footpaths, or public bridleways? If so, please cut back your plants, shrubs, and trees to make sure Buckland's rights of way remain free of obstruction and easy for everyone to use whether drivers, riders, or pedestrians, including anyone with a pushchair or wheelchair and anyone unlucky enough to be visually impaired. SCC's arboriculture team advises private landowners: "Check where your boundary is and prune branches that overhang the highways back to that point; sufficient to maintain a minimum headroom of 5.7 metres over most carriageways in Buckland (7 metres for the A25) and 2.3 metres for pedestrian routes".

If overhanging vegetation is making it difficult for you to walk around Buckland, you can report the obstruction to SCC Highways.

Footways

If you encounter any difficulty using any section of Buckland's roadside footways, please submit a request to:

- MVDC for a street cleaning visit, if the problem relates to material that needs to be swept from the surface of the footway, ensuring you emphasise the work will need to include the footway as well as the main carriageway.

- SCC Highways to highlight any problems relating to the condition of the surface (e.g. trip hazards, deteriorating or uneven surface) or overhanging vegetation. If the state of the footpath is making it difficult for anyone using a mobility aid (whether a mobility scooter, wheelchair or walking aids) or pushchair please include this in your report.

Visit the SCC (www.surreycc.gov.uk) or MVDC (www.molevalley.gov.uk) websites to submit online reports or call the customer service telephone numbers (SCC 0300 200 1003, MVDC 01306 885001).

Public Rights of Way

The SCC Countryside Access team is responsible for ensuring all the county's rights of way remain accessible to the large numbers who use them each year, which, in Buckland, include two long distance paths; the North Downs Way, an internationally recognised national trail (E2) and the Greensand Way.

As the team increasingly relies on people using the rights of way to submit reports to highlight any problems they encounter please take the time to visit the Report-it section of the SCC website to make an online report or call 0300 200 103.

Sheena Boyce, Clerk parishcouncil@bucklandsurrey.org.uk 01737 448023



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: 28th August, 25th September,
30th October and on 27th November our 13th Anniversary
Party.

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

Margaret Miller

Buckland Matters



DIG ON
FOR
VICTORY

Buckland

Calling All Volunteers Your Village Pond Needs You

Once again we with the invaluable commitment from Reigate Area Conservation Volunteers we are looking for Villagers to help carry out the essential yearly maintenance of the village pond with them on.

There will be two dates over the summer:
Sunday 18th August and
Sunday 1st September 2023,

All to commence at 10am. and run through to 4pm. Please give as much time as you can (and help to clear up at the end of the session would be appreciated)

We are hoping to beat last years great turnout of both young and old !

Tools are provided, but If you are able to help please make sure you bring with you some sturdy gloves.... **All welcome**

(Anyone under 16 needs to be accompanied by a responsible adult) *Pelen Fraser*

Features

GARDENING NOTES

September: one of the best gardening months

For all the beauty and warmth of summer, gardening is easier and has more potential in the month of September. It's just a little cooler, maybe a touch wetter, and planted pots that have needed daily care will be less demanding. For those who have grown fruit and vegetables, harvesting is in full swing. Overall, it seems to have been a good year once the early rains of spring subsided and the sun finally came out.

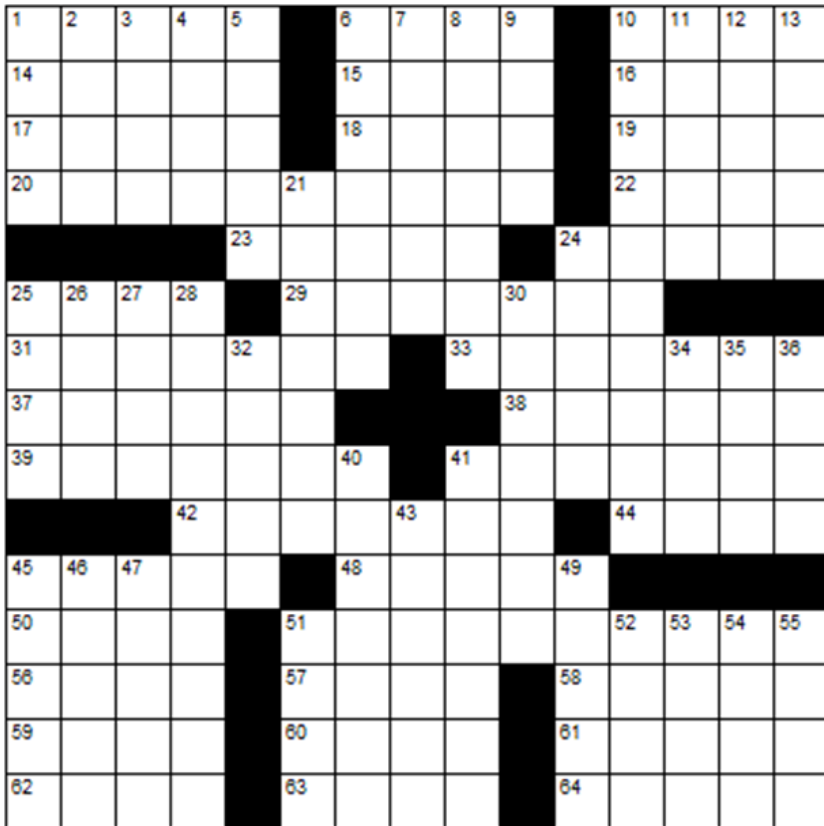
- There are plenty of plants with loads of colour if your flowerbeds and planters need refreshing. Rudbeckia, salvia and Japanese anemone will not disappoint, and for bedding plants turn to viola, pansies, cyclamen and cineraria. If you are thinking well ahead to early spring, plant bulbs over the next couple of months to give you a riot of colour in 2025.
- Lawns have generally fared well this summer thanks to regular rainfall. Consider an autumn feed which will strengthen the roots with slow release nutrients. Many also contain moss killer which, if you wish, will help to prevent buildup over the winter.
- Lift and divide perennials if they have grown into an unruly clump. This will rejuvenate old plants and allow you to replant the spare roots elsewhere. It's best to dig up the plants to expose the roots and tease them apart. Woodier specimens can be cut with a spade or garden knife. Mulch the soil and water well when replanting to ensure they get a perfect restart.
- Trim back lavender as soon as possible to allow some foliage regrowth before autumn sets in. Likewise hedges can be tidied into shape following their summer flourishing.

Enjoy September, the month when we all expect the weather to turn fresher but we are also often treated to hours of warm sunshine.

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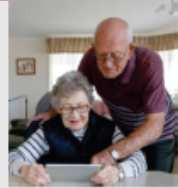


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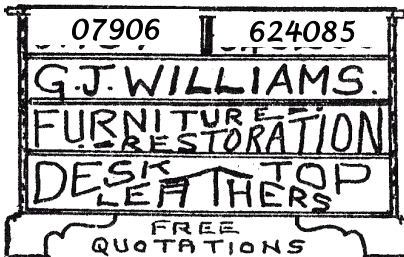


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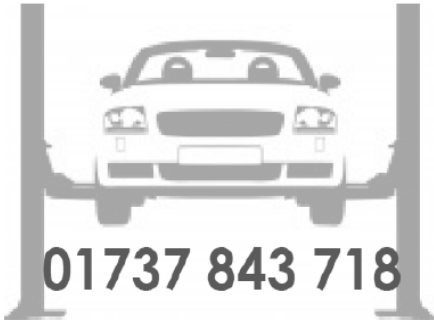
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A 12-year old boy at a scholarship interview was asked what he most feared in the world. ‘Oblivion’ he replied slowly and thoughtfully. He said later, ‘They looked impressed and wrote it down. I meant the ride at Alton Towers. Perhaps they misunderstood.’

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The sword fish has no natural predators to fear from... except the pen fish, which is apparently even mightier.

I have a fear of overly intricate buildings. It’s a complex complex complex.

I have a fear of speed bumps but I’m slowly getting over it.

My fear is of going in lifts, but I’m taking the steps to avoid it.

I’m getting rather frightened of sausages. I fear the Wurst.

I have a fear of stairs. I just think they are up to something.

I have an irrational fear of two letter words. Just scared thinking about it.

Jamaicans often have a fear of opening doors with a key. They dreadlocks man!

Thieves hate going into a hospital Intensive Care Units (ICU)

How do I distinguish between Fear, Nervousness and Panic? Fear is when you girlfriend is pregnant, nervousness is when your wife is pregnant, and panic is when they both are.

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ST. JAMES THE LEAST OF ALL

On the perils of changing hymn books

The Rectory, St James the Least

I am surprised you are considering buying a new set of hymn books for your church. I had assumed everything you sang would be projected on to one of those screens which are invariably placed to obscure the altar.



In my – fortunately limited – experience of such devices, they provide the projectionist with endless opportunities for showing the wrong hymn, or the right hymn but from another edition, which will contain either one verse too many or one too few. Should the hymn run to two pages, then the turnover always takes place some milliseconds after that verse has started, so that the congregation is faced with the snap decision of either trying to sing two lines at double time, or just to join in late, making a nonsense of the words. When we decided to change hymn books some years ago, the reverberations made the consequences of that little event in Sarajevo seem insignificant. The proposal was to move from Hymns Ancient and More Ancient to the more recent version: Hymns Ancient and Slightly Less Ancient.

Colonel Wainwright said he would be happy so long as we continued fighting good fights and urging Christian soldiers onwards. The men wanted the hymns they remembered from school, the ladies those they sang at their weddings, and no one would consider anything that dropped ‘thines’ or ‘wouldsts’. The basses in the choir wanted hymns they knew the tenors found difficult and those who couldn’t read music wanted more hymns sung in unison. When a rumour started that the books may contain hymns written in the last 50 years, timetables were consulted for bus services to the next village.

Eventually we reached a perfect compromise: doing something which made no change whatsoever. Miss Simpson was charged with buying yards of sticky backed plastic and repairing the current books. She put a note on the front of every copy that if the page for the hymn they wanted was missing, they should share with the person sitting next to them – an experience which will be almost as traumatic as being invited to pass the peace. Yet another decision has thereby been deferred for a Church Council to make some time next century. Harmony reigns once again.

Your Loving Uncle, Eustace

Buckland's PAST LIVES

Learning from memorials

Celebrating

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Profiles

This month, September 2024, we have reached the 50th in the series of 'BUCKLAND PAST LIVES', a brief profile celebrating some of the lives of those with a Memorial in the graveyard of St Mary the Virgin Buckland.

The series began in August 2020 and each consecutive monthly issue since then, the Buckland Parish Magazine has carried a profile about one of the individuals or families that have touched Buckland. As the author, my initial personal target was to research and document 30 profiles, but I soon realised that more could be included and expanded the scope to 50 profiles. There is a fascination about the true stories that have emerged, or re-emerged, after many years or even centuries. For many, it will be the first time their lives are reflected in print.

We are left in wonder about the variety of experiences and achievements that people in Buckland have achieved.

The final profile in this issue, is of Reverend Pattie Vigers and her husband Simon (see p.24-27). It is especially appropriate to end with someone who gave so much to village life and the church. Having died less than 10 years ago in 2015, she remains at the forefront of the memory of many people in Buckland who knew her.

So, the series has come to its end, but with one caveat. In the course of the research on all these Buckland families, I found a handful of other 'great personal stories' whose lives touched on Buckland, and though they do not have a memorial in the graveyard of St Mary's Buckland, their stories are worth recording in a similar manner.

There are five such stories to follow, and I will share my reasons for their inclusion below:

Myfanwy Williams, nee Haycock (1913-1963). A Welsh poet, the subject of a recent revival of interest in her work, particularly in Wales. She lived at Broome Perrow House in Buckland and was buried here at St Mary's Buckland, though there is no remaining memorial.

James Herbert Scrutton (1859-1938). A wealthy ship-builder who lived in Buckland from 1894 – 1939, and managed the building of The White House on Old Road. From 1922-1925 he was the Chairman of Lloyds Register. There are books written about his company. He had a second home in the Cotswolds where he died and was buried.

Roger, William & Ralph Dallender were the owners of Buckland Manor and everything within Buckland, from 1567 to 1654. They managed the building of the original house called Buckland Court. Although over 400 years ago, there is still an interesting story to tell.

Alfred Vanderbilt (1887-1915), born in New York, was a member of one of the world's richest Victorian families. His second marriage was in Reigate, and from 1912 to 1915 he lived at the house called 'The Stream' in Old Road, Buckland, where 2 of his children were born. He was on the ship 'Lusitania' in 1915 when it was hit by a torpedo and sank. His body was never recovered.

Sir Percival Marling (1861-1936) married into Buckland's 'Lord of the Manor' Beaumont family in 1899, and was a frequent visitor to his in-laws in Buckland. He was awarded several military medals and the esteemed Victoria Cross for his war efforts. He is the only one of the 55 profiles, who has written his autobiography, titled 'Rifleman & Hussars' first published in 1931. He is buried at his family estate in Selsey, near Stroud in Gloucestershire.

So, we have 5 more Past Lives Profiles to go, taking us to February 2025. The idea is then to consolidate all of these profiles into a book, with the opportunity for minor corrections.

The book will be a limited subscriber edition, with any profits to the funds of St Mary the Virgin, Buckland. More details to follow!

Duncan Ferns

Buckland's PAST LIVES

Learning from memorials

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The Revd. Patricia
Anne (Pattie) and
Simon Vigers

THE INSCRIPTIONS

West face: *'Heaven and earth are full of
they Glory'* Simon Vigers, 16 December
1930– 8 January 1972

East face: *'Holy Holy Holy Lord God of
Hosts'* Patricia Anne Vigers,
21 March 1931 – 26 November 2015

Plot 86
Buckland MI Report



Left: Simon Vigers; Right: Reverend Pattie Vigers
Photos & text courtesy of Reverend Neil Vigers, their son

On the south side of St Mary's Church, downhill a little way, is an unusual headstone, with lettering incised on both sides, marking a shared grave. On one face of the stone is the memorial to Simon Vigers, and on the front face is the memorial to his wife Patricia Vigers, still known to many in this area as Pattie. Only a few people living in Buckland still remember Simon, who died 52 years ago. This stone does more than record their names and dates. It bears witness to the faith that was in them and that they lived out in the parish of St Mary's, Buckland, and in Pattie's case, in the wider combined parishes and the Deanery.

Simon and Pattie moved to this part of the world from London in the early 1960s, with two young children, to a house a few yards over the parish boundary into Reigate, but they made St Mary's Buckland their home church. Canon 'Monty' Barlow was rector at the time. Twin children were born soon after, and as the family grew all of six of them took part in various ways in the life and work of the parish. Simon led the Sunday School for some years, from the family home, and often did the bible readings in services.

Simon and Pattie had met each other in Devon, where Pattie had been born and grew up, and where Simon's mother lived at the time, and they retained a lifelong affection for that county. They first met there when Simon went to see his mother at Christmas, while he was still an engineering student at

Cambridge. They had a rather windy and wet courtship dinghy sailing in Dartmouth harbour, Simon being an experienced and competitive sailor, and both having a love of the sea.¹

Pattie had trained as an artist at the Slade School of Art in London, where a familiar figure in the studios was Lucian Freud. While she was good at capturing people in portraits, her abiding speciality was calligraphy, much influenced by the school of Edward Johnston. To this day there are countless traces of this skill in the numerous notes and records that are to be found all over St Mary's and St Michael's churches.

While a student, Pattie competed in lacrosse, cricket and swimming for University College London teams. After graduating she followed with a teacher-training qualification in London, and went on to teach at The Alice Otley School, Worcester and later at Queen Margaret's near York. She stopped teaching when she married.

The 1960s were dominated by the hard work of raising four young children, with Simon quite often away, working for BP. The happiness of the family home was brought to a sudden crisis when Simon, at the age of 40, was diagnosed with terminal cancer, and had less than eight weeks from the diagnosis until his death. Pattie and Simon's joint faith helped them through this very difficult time, supported by Canon

Robert Stephens, the Rector. Pattie recalled that 'Simon made a triumph of it: he was looking forward and he had a sense of glory'. She described the time as 'like flying but with a clear sense that I could not possibly crash, supported by the prayers of others'. Two days before he died, Simon recorded an interview from St Christopher's Hospice in Sydenham, which was broadcast on Thought for the Day on BBC Radio 4, two days after he died. Simon's clear speaking about how he felt about his imminent death was groundbreaking, as at the time very few people the spoke openly in the media about facing cancer and dying.¹

Life for Pattie then became focussed completely on caring for and bringing up four young children, Piers, Guy, Anna and Neil, on her own. She did this very well, drawing on her wider family, her inner resources and personal strength, and a growing awareness of faith and a call to serve others.

As her children grew up and made fewer demands on her time, Pattie started to explore formal training and ministry in the Diocese of Southwark, training for and becoming a Pastoral Auxiliary. This was a voluntary lay position, mainly providing pastoral care within the parish, alongside Canon John Montague. However, there was more in store for her, as it became clear that Pattie had a vocation to the priesthood. She was ordained as a deacon and then as priest in the year

2000, at the age of 70, which was about the maximum age permitted. There then followed many years of remarkably fruitful ministry, until the day of her death, working alongside rectors Stephen Bailey (1995-2007) and Carol Coslett (2007-2019).

In this role, Pattie was very thorough and efficient but worked unhurriedly, with an underlying calmness and serenity which was appreciated by all those around her. She was a good listener, but she did not encourage gossip or back chat. Silence was a comfort to her, and learning from the Christian mystics she valued knowing God through silence and prayer. She established a bible-study house group, a weekly meditation group and for a time led the Sunday School at St Mary's Buckland. She also began the Iona-style services, which continue every month at St Mary's. For many years Pattie would organize refreshments for church activities, at which she was very hands-on and self-reliant, providing a much-valued ministry to many in the community.²

More than that, she was a good friend, guide and mentor to many in the village. The Revd Kate Capper, who worked with Pattie during her training in Buckland & Betchworth, said, 'Pattie was the gentlest and most humble priest I have ever met and I appreciated and benefitted from her wisdom and generosity. She was self-effacing yet able to give advice when needed and

always eager to serve others quietly'. Simon and Pattie share the same grave at St Mary's. Simon had chosen the words for his memorial, and Pattie designed the lettering that the stonemason cut. Today their stone represents a dialogue between the two of them. At the top of the stone are the words of the Sanctus from the Eucharist, which they both received at the altar in the church nearby, and at which altar Pattie later presided as priest. Pattie's side says, 'Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of hosts.' Simon replies, completing the Sanctus: 'Heaven and earth are full of thy glory, glory be to thee, O Lord most high'. Simon's side quotes John 1: 'To them gave he power to become the sons of God', and Pattie's side replies with words from the same chapter where the Evangelist says, 'And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, full of grace and

truth'. Both husband and wife, in their living and in their dying, bore witness to this hope in God's eternal glory.

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Thanks to the Rt. Reverend Neil Vigers for approval of the text.



In a few days, Mr Smith, you will be well enough to think about how much all this is costing



We all have busy schedules Mr Evans, but you need to plan for either one hour of exercise per day or 24 hours of being dead

Societies & Charities

THE ARTS SOCIETY BETCHWORTH



THE ORIGINS OF ART NOUVEAU ARCHITECTURE
MONDAY 16 SEPTEMBER, 2.30 pm
Betchworth Village Memorial Hall

A look at the astonishing flowering of this highly decorative style that flourished briefly around 1900. Art Nouveau arose, initially in Belgium and France, as a reaction against Victorian historicism and the so-called “battle of the styles”. It was the emergence in the 19th century of iron as a building material that allowed for the creation of new forms of architecture. In a search for these new forms, architects such as Victor Horta and Hector Guimard turned to nature for their inspiration, having been influenced by Britain’s Arts and Crafts movement and the ideas of William Morris.



Our lecturer Ian Gledhill has had a very varied career, from designing underground railways as an engineer for London Transport, to appearing in pantomime with Julian Clary. In between he has worked in travel and tourism, music publishing, television, and especially the theatre, where he has been an actor, director, set designer, stage manager and opera translator. His main interests include architecture, history, transport and classical music, especially opera and operetta, and these are reflected in the wide-ranging list of subjects for his lectures.

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MUSIC IN DORKING—FOR SEPTEMBER



7th at 12.00, organ recital at St Martin's church, free

There is just one item to mention this month – a lunchtime organ recital at St Martin's church, given by Mike Overend. The music will be celebrating the Heritage Weekend theme of routes, journeys and connections. Entry is free but donations to the William Cole Music Trust will be most welcome.

The Dorking Halls are now closed until December as essential works are undertaken on the ceiling of the grand hall. As a result, many concert plans are uncertain as organisers reschedule or look for alternative venues. Keep an eye on the Dorking Halls and other websites for up-to-date news of progress.

Ian Codd



APPLEFEST - 5 October 2024, Drop-by from 1 pm to 4 pm Betchworth Village Hall, Station Road

We have extended our usual Apple Pressing, Juice Sales and Kids' Activities, with the following SIX NEW ATTRACTIONS, creating a new 'APPLEFEST'!

- **Strictly Apples, the Re-B Bake off** competition open to adults and children. What's your apple-themed speciality - cake, tart, crumble or strudel? Is your (or your grandmother's) secret apple bake recipe simply the best? Time to share and find out who will walk away with the winner's rosette?
- **Chutneys, Jams & Jellies** – Come and browse; there'll be a huge selection of delicious local produce on sale in the hall.
- **Children's Art Competition** – Apple-themed - of course! This year, as part of Re-Betchworth's AppleFest, we're running a children's art competition to celebrate all things apple. Full details will follow, but in brief - artwork should encompass (surprise!) the apple theme, eg: an orchard, apple trees, apple blossom, apples, apple juice, cider.
- **Garden tool sharpening** – Adam, from Surrey Sharpeners, will be on hand to bring your secateurs, shears, spades, edging tools, hoes, loppers, axes, scissors and knives (garden or kitchen variety) back to life.
- **Cider making** – Tempted to make cider this year? We'll have an expert on hand to advise on all things cider-making; there'll be kit available to buy too. Go on, give it a go!
- **Surrey County Council's Greener Futures team** will be bringing their 'engagement' trailer to the Festival, with information on a host of their sustainable living schemes.

Keep up to date with Re-Betchworth's events, information, celebrations and more on our **website**:

www.re-Betchworth.org, Sue Chamberlain

BROCKHAM BOWLS CLUB



When you're enjoying yourselves, time just seems to fly by and I cannot believe I'm writing this and we're already in the first week in August. We've been very busy in July and overall, we've probably exceeded expectations. Membership wise we are always looking for new players but generally we have coped but, most importantly, we've had a good time and a good laugh.

Our results in the very strong North Downs League have been mixed but we did surprise a few. We lost heavily to Ashted, who desperately want to win the League, and Chipstead but both teams basically put out all their County players. We did garner a few points so that was almost a plus. Against Redhill we won on two rinks but lost on the third quite heavily and ended up losing by one point overall. We also played Caterham, who we have never beaten, and walked away with maximum points which has left us in 7th place. We still have a few games left so hopefully we can finish above mid table which was our aim at the beginning of the season. We only played one game in the Friendship League against the table toppers Banstead Neville in which sadly I was involved in and one of the advantages of old age is that sometimes you forget things. And that match is definitely best forgotten.

The Chrystie League is a men's evening tournament in which we don't normally excel. July we were perfect. Played four won four. We are now just behind the leaders Epsom and if results go our way, we might just sneak it. Well done to all our guys who performed brilliantly doing the month.

Internally Club competitions are at the semi final stages. Some of the same old faces are still there but happily there are some new ones appearing and causing a few upsets. Good luck to them. Not too much good luck when they're playing me. That was tongue in cheek. We had our President's Cup during the month and it was lovely to see a new name on the trophy and it probably couldn't have gone to a lovelier lady who does so much work for the village. Well done Madeleine Powell.

Rick Lawrence

DORKING LOCAL HISTORY GROUP - Talk



2 September, 7.15pm, Dorking Crossways Church The River Mole: its history and its current state by Nigel Bond

Our big local river has a great history and has captured the imagination of several authors and poets. It's also run out of water several times, e.g. in 2022. Come along and hear what Nigel's researches have discovered about the Mole.

16 September, 7.15pm Zoom only talk Surrey, Suffrage and the Arts pre-WW1 Dr Lucy Ella Rose

A different perspective on the local battle for women's votes pre-WW1. Monday 16th September, <https://www.meet-up.com/Surrey-History-Meetup/>.

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



AUTUMN BARN DANCE Saturday 21 September - 2pm to 5pm Beare Green Village Hall

Dancing and music with D'Arcy Spice. Bring your own drinks and glasses. Barn Dance dress optional. Please book your tickets £10 per person, online at www.dorkingu3a.org.uk/events. For more information contact:

Rosemary Harbridge, 07733306038 or rharbridge@sky.com

We have no reliable guarantee that the afterlife will be any less exasperating than this one, have we?

Noel Coward (1899-1973)

BROCKHAM GREEN HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

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Annual Autumn Horticultural Show Brockham Village Hall on Saturday 21st September

Please do come along and visit our show, and maybe join the Society. We always welcome new members and the cost is just £5 per year, bghsociety@hotmail.com

Report on the Visit to Mandy & Paddy's Brockham Garden , 1 August



More than 30 members were undeterred by the torrential rain, thunder and lightning and with brollies galore, wandered round the garden, which was, up until the beginning of this year, just a field. Everyone was really impressed with how much work has been carried out already and expressed an interest to revisit in a couple of years' time to see how it has developed.

Members raised the amazing sum of £310 (excluding gift aid) for the Polycystic Kidney Disease Charity (pkdcharity.org.uk/) which was Mandy and Paddy's chosen Charity. As recently as 3rd July their 19-month-old Grandson Atticus received a kidney transplant from his mother Clare (their daughter in law) on 3rd July in St Thomas' Hospital, London. Both are now home, making a good recovery.

We would like to thank everyone who ventured out in the awful weather and helped raise this fantastic amount.

Ruth Johnson, bghsociety@hotmail.com

DORKING MUSEUM IN SEPTEMBER

Sweeping Through History: 100 years of Johnston Sweepers: Johnston Sweepers has been an important part of the industrial history of Dorking since 1924, with Dorking-produced road-sweepers operating in 120 countries worldwide. Our exhibition tells the story of its 100 years in Dorking.

Heritage Open Days, 6th – 15th September: Free events: Historic Pub Walk, Saturday 7th September, 6pm; Betchworth Castle tour, Sunday 8th September, 2pm; South Street Cave tours, Saturday 14th September, 10am, 11am, 1pm and 2pm. Booking details on Heritage Open Days website. Family activity at the Museum: Model-Making Extravaganza: Celebrate Dorking's transport history by creating your own unique cardboard models and discover the stories behind them. FREE model kit to take home.

Walking in Dorking: Deepdene Trail, Sunday 15th September, 2pm. Hidden Historic Dorking Walk, Sunday 22nd September, 11am. Blue Plaques and Statues Walk, Sunday 22nd September, 2pm. Book in advance at dorkingmuseum.org.uk/guided-walks-around-dorking/. Private group walks also arranged.

Family Activities: Free family activity at Dorking Library for 4-11-year-olds, Roald Dahl Story Day: Colour or make crafts based around well-known Roald Dahl stories, Saturday 28th September, 10am-noon.

South Street Caves tours: Private group tours available by appointment. See dorkingmuseum.org.uk/south-street-caves.

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

My real dwelling has no pillars and no roof either.
So rain cannot soak it and wind cannot blow it down.

Ikkyu, Japanese Buddhist monk, 1394-1481
He is of course implying that his real dwelling is in his heart, where the presence of God is felt and cannot be removed

PUZZLE SOLUTIONS

**Crossword (p.20)
Solution**

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Wordsearch (p.22) Solution

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Sudoku (p.22) Solution

7	4	2	8	9	1	3	6	5
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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).

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Regular activities in the Reading Room:

- Monday am Singing for Pleasure (1st & 3rd Mondays)
- Monday pm Art Group
- Tuesday am Toddlers
- Tuesday 2.15pm Bridge Club
- Thursday 2.15pm Bridge Club
- Thursday evening Yoga
- Saturday pm Sugarcraft Guild (2nd Saturday)

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