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On October 24<sup>th</sup> I will have been with you all for a whole year. It's amazing how fast the time has gone. It's been a rich and varied year, watching the seasons come and go together with the many different experiences that that has brought.

The church year also has its seasons, and as you know, we have just celebrated our Harvest Festival where we thanked God for the abundance of good things that we in Buckland and Betchworth experience. We also started to wonder why, when we have so much, there are so many communities and people who have less than nothing. This challenges us as individuals and as a community here, to reflect on what more we can do to start redressing that balance.

As we enter November the church begins a season of remembering, we celebrate All Saints and All Souls; when we remember those who have died amongst our own families, friends and in our community. We all have our own memories and ways of remembering, some wear it openly and others keep the pain hidden. There is no right or wrong way but however we handle grief, it can be a difficult time for many as we remember those we have loved and lost.

Our All Souls Service of Remembering is being held on Sunday 3 November at 4pm in St Mary's Buckland. It is open to anyone in Buckland or Betchworth and everyone is very welcome. It is a simple, quiet service when we focus on acknowledging our pain and grief, whilst giving thanks for the time we had with those who have died. You don't have to be a church goer. It is very relaxed and you can take part as much or as little as you wish. It includes quiet music, a chance to light a candle and the reading out of the names of all those who have died. The service is followed by refreshments and a chance to meet and chat to others who are similarly bereaved. If you would feel more comforted or soothed by having your dog with you, then they are very welcome too. Both our churches are dog friendly churches.

November also brings Remembrance Sunday, this year Sunday 10 November, where we remember those who have given their lives in the World Wars and all

the subsequent conflicts for our freedom and for peace in the world.

As we approach this time of remembrance with all the challenges and loss that we may each face, let us remember that we do so together as a church and community, and as friends, and neighbours. Together there need be no one left alone and lonely whether during this period, or over Christmas or beyond into the rest of the year. That is what family and community does. So please keep an eye out for each other, not just your besties but those who might otherwise be overlooked or ignored as well.

God bless  
Pru



**For your diary:**

**Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> November 4pm in Buckland** – All Soul’s Service of Remembering followed by refreshments.

**Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> November 10.45 at the War Memorial Buckland** – act of remembrance followed by the church service at 11.15.

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## CHURCH SERVICES—NOVEMBER

Date	St Mary's Buckland	St Michael's Betchworth
<b>3 November 2024</b> <i>All Saints, All Souls</i>	<b>4pm</b> All Souls Service of Remembrance	<b>11am</b> Harvest Thanksgiving followed by refreshments <i>Mark 5: 25-33</i>
<b>10 November 2024</b> <i>Remembrance Sunday</i>	<b>10.45 am for 11am at Buckland War memorial</b> followed by Remembrance service in church at 11.15 <i>Mark 1: 14-20</i>	<b>10 am in church</b> for the Remembrance Service, followed by the Act of Remembrance at Betchworth War Memorial at 11am  <i>(No choral Evensong)</i>
<b>17 November 2024</b> <i>Trinity 26</i>		<b>10am</b> Parish Communion <i>Mark 13: 1-8</i>
<b>24 November 2024</b> <i>Sunday before advent</i>	<b>10am</b> Parish Communion <i>Matthew 10: 46-end</i>	
<b>1 December 2024</b> <i>Advent Sunday</i>		<b>10am</b> Parish Communion <i>Luke 22:25-36</i>

We also hold a said, midweek Holy Communion each Thursday morning 10am at St Michael's church in Betchworth. It is open to anyone in either parish or visiting from elsewhere.

Southwark Cathedral livestreams their services throughout the week from <https://cathedral.southwark.anglican.org/worship-and-music/worship/live-service-stream/>

You can also find it by searching '**Southwark Cathedral live service stream**'

### Saturday 2 November, 10am to 2pm

#### Parish Awayday, St Margaret's Chipstead

Discussions will include the mission and direction of both St Mary's Buckland and St Michaels Betchworth. More details from Revd. Pru

## WINTER LUNCHES - 8 November & 13 December

Our next winter lunch will be on **Friday 8 November** at 12 noon. Thank You to those who were able to get to our October get-together.

Looking further ahead our Annual Christmas Lunch will be **Friday 13 December**. Doors open at 12 noon....and we can the start the count-down to Christmas 2024.

If you could let Liz Vahey on 01737 221444 or me Carol Leeds on 01737 247399 know if you would like to be with us on the 8th November that would be helpful

*Carol Leeds*

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## ARCHIVED CHURCH DOCUMENTS

A number of church documents concerning St Mary's Buckland have long been stored in the church vestry. The PCC agreed to have some of the historic documents donated to our County Records Office, the Surrey History Centre (SHC Woking), where they will join other records of St Mary's Buckland Church including our historic registers of baptisms, marriages and burials.

SHC will catalogue the items and store them in controlled conditions. They will soon be more accessible via the SHC online catalogue to readers with interests in church history and genealogy.

*Ed.*

Deposits at Surrey History Centre	Oct 24		Number of books
Buckland National School	1896-1903	Board Meeting Minutes	1
Buckland Charity Records	1855-1889	Recipients of Charity gifts	4
Church Rate Books	1845-1927	Contributions & Poor rates	22
Church Services Registers	1934-1963	Dates & types of services	5
Highways Road Repair accounts	1850-1859	(managed by Church)	4
Overseers book of Poor Relief	1851-1867	Recipients of Poor Relief	1
Parish Electoral Roll Books	1952-1980	Names of those on Church Roll	2
Parochial Church Council (PCC)	1921-1972	Minute Books	4
Vestry Council	1871-1914	Minute Books	6

## REPORTS ON BUCKLAND HARVEST LUNCH & FOSM MUSIC QUIZ

### St Marys Harvest festival service and lunch

The annual harvest festival service was held on the 29th September to celebrate our harvest. But we also celebrated and thanked all those in the village who help the church in different ways such as providing the flowers, locking and unlocking of the church on a daily basis and the bell ringers. They were invited to the service; many did attend and it was lovely to see them and for them to hear our thanks directly. Afterwards they were invited to our harvest lunch in Reading Room; it was a bring and share lunch and, with plenty to eat and drink, there was much conversation. My thanks to all those who brought the food and drink, those who served and organised the lunch, and to everyone who came.

### Friends of St Marys Music Quiz

FOSM held a fund raising musical quiz on the 11th October in the Reading Room. As Roger Daniel, chairman of FOSM, said, when welcoming everyone, it is to raise funds for the church's fabric. It was a wonderful evening with all tickets sold very early on and a waiting list; the Reading Room was at capacity and it was great to see many from the village as well as those outside the village. The work put in by FOSM was immense from the actual quiz itself and smooth playing of all music, the refreshments, the provision of the raffle through to organising tables themselves. Congratulations to the Dire Straits table for winning! On behalf of Pru our Rector and Liz, my fellow churchwarden, I would like to thank FOSM and all those who made the evening possible. There is little doubt it was a great success, and enjoyed by all who came.

*David Sayce, Churchwarden*

The FOSM Committee also express their thanks to those who attended the Music Quiz and also purchasers of raffle tickets. The event raised £1500 for FOSM to contribute towards church maintenance.

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## BUCKLAND READING ROOM AVAILABILITY

Following the unfortunate closure of one of our long term clubs we now have an opening for a regular booking on Monday afternoons. There are also some other time slots available which may be more suitable for your needs, so please do ask.

Our rates are very reasonable and if you would like some further information, please contact our (new) Bookings Secretary, Jane Stewart on 07733 116992 or [bookings4bucklandreadingroom@gmail.com](mailto:bookings4bucklandreadingroom@gmail.com)

Tim Howe

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## AFTERNOON TEAS at THE HAMILTON ROOM 2024

We began holding our Drop-In teas in 2011, and welcome local villagers, walkers and visitors to Betchworth from further afield, in fact anyone who wishes to Drop-in. This year has been very successful with around 20 visitors most months, and donations have enabled us to support St Catherine's Hospice, The Brigitte Trust based in Dorking and most recently a charity sending entertainers into hospitals to visit children. Spread a Smile visits both East Surrey and Epsom hospitals locally, giving parents and children additional support during a trying time for families.



Our next Teas will be on **27 th November, our 13 th Anniversary**, meeting in the Hamilton Room, Church Street, Betchworth from 2pm – 4pm.

Thanks go to Carol, Liz, Linda, Pam, Heather, Mair, Kevin and John, without whose help Teas could not be held. New friendships have been made, and there is time to chat to neighbours and visitors during what has become a social afternoon. If you are in Betchworth on a 4 th Wednesday, from January to November, do drop in, our dates for 2025 begin on **Wednesday 29 th January**. All are welcome. For more information contact -

*Margaret Miller on 01737 842098 or email [jma.miller@btinternet.com](mailto:jma.miller@btinternet.com)*



## BUCKLAND BELLRINGERS



Have you ever wondered what happens in the belfry as we ring for services at Buckland church? After climbing the wooden spiral staircase we enter the ringing chamber. One visitor was very surprised to see that it is carpeted, and we have old pews round the edge, so there's somewhere to sit when we are not ringing. There are six bell ropes hanging through small holes in the

ceiling, as we have six bells at Buckland. The heaviest bell, the tenor, is 4cwt, which is quite light in bellringing terms. The bells are hung within a framework in the bell chamber, above the ringing chamber. We have a model to explain the mechanism which allows us to use the bell rope to control the swinging of the bell and determine when it sounds. Any of the bellringers would be happy to show this to you.

We always start by ringing rounds 123456, which is a descending scale (highest note to lowest), from the lightest bell (treble, no.1) to the heaviest bell (tenor, no.6) in turn. We can vary the order of the bells by calling 'call changes' or by memorising a pattern, to ring more complicated methods. When ringing for the Coronation last year, we rang the sequence Kings 531246, and previously for the Queen's Jubilee we rang Queens 135246.

Bells have been rung for many, many years, to mark special occasions, as well as for services, with the old bellringing methods dating from the 1600s. It's a great tradition and we always need more ringers to continue the tradition. Come and join us on our practice night (Fridays 8pm) to find out more - just to listen, watch, and have a go if you like. We'd be delighted to see you. We have ringers of all ages and from all walks of life. It is a fun hobby which keeps you fit. As long as you can climb the stairs and catch a ball (and therefore a fast moving rope) you can ring a bell. Please contact David Sayce, our Tower Captain, if you are interested, 242776 drsayce@ntlworld.com. Remember to listen out for bells ringing for all the Christmas services next month!

*Julie Beale*

# Buckland Matters

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## BUCKLAND PARISH COUNCIL - NOVEMBER NEWS

### News, Events, Report-It

The news, events, report-it section of the village website is your guide to latest announcements, upcoming events and tips and pointers to make it easier to submit reports to ask for issues and concerns to be addressed. Please do take the time to become familiar with what is published on this section of your village website which is regularly updated to keep it topical and relevant. If you encounter any difficulty submitting a report and uncover a new tip or pointer please share your learning by sending an email to [webmaster@bucklandsurrey.org.uk](mailto:webmaster@bucklandsurrey.org.uk) to enable any new tips and pointers to be added to the website.



### Surface water ponding and blocked roadside gullies

When water ponds on either the main carriageway, hard surfaced footway alongside the carriageway or on the verge between them anyone using the footways is at the mercy of drivers travelling along the main carriageway. As none of us want to be dodging deluges of water, if you see water ponding, or a blocked gully please submit a report to Surrey Highways.

### Buckland Parish Council owned grit bins

Council owns three grit bins, and the grit is made available for use on public rights of way and in public spaces close to the location of each grit bin. Please do not use the content of these grit bins on private paths or drives or transport it elsewhere in the village. If you do decide to spread grit, please use it sparingly – SCC Highways advises a small amount will be effective and a shovel will be enough to treat 20-30 square metres.

### Amenity improvements

When the Parish Council next meets it will consider, as part of budget planning for April 2025 – March 2026, potential amenity improvements. If you have identified an amenity improvement you think would benefit our community and are prepared to help deliver it, please contact me.

## Village email group

If you have recently moved to Buckland (welcome!) or have not yet opted-in, please consider joining the village email group. The simplest way to join is to visit the village website at [www.bucklandsurrey.org.uk](http://www.bucklandsurrey.org.uk), click “Contact us”, select Buckland Parish Council from the drop-down list, and include your surname, house name or number and postcode in the message box. You can, if you prefer, sign up by emailing the same information to [parishcouncil@bucklandsurrey.org.uk](mailto:parishcouncil@bucklandsurrey.org.uk).

*Sheena Boyce, Clerk 01737 448023*

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## STROOD GREEN SHOP & CAFE, BROCKHAM—Manager Vacancy

Following the upcoming retirement of Christine Nolan, our Manager, in December 2024, we are seeking a replacement manager. This is a salaried role, and includes pension contributions and paid holiday. You will lead our team of 20 part-time employees and volunteers. We seek someone who is customer-focussed, energetic and has suitable retail management experience. The working hours are flexible, but will be at least 25 hours per week. A job share is possible. Are you up for the challenge of leading this community enterprise? If yes, or if you have questions that you’d like to discuss first, please contact:

*Paul Morris, Chair Strood Green Shop Association  
07808 176364 [Paul.Morris564@gmail.com](mailto:Paul.Morris564@gmail.com)*

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## VACANCIES FOR VOLUNTEER ROLES—an update

### **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](mailto: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](mailto:rogerdaniell@icloud.com) or Simon Thomas, [sgthomas@btinternet.com](mailto: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](mailto:roseydavy@gmail.com)*

*Ed.*

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## TILLY'S PLANT SALE STALL at RANA, OLD ROAD BUCKLAND- Thank You Messages

Tilly Mitchell wishes to say thank you for your generous donations of cash, plants and pots. Between us we have raised the record sum of £700 for the maintenance of Buckland's Reading Room. A special thankyou to Brockham Green Horticultural Society for donating plants left over from their own Plant Sale in May.

'I couldn't raise it without all your help so keep sowing seeds and taking cuttings and dividing plants for next spring. Thankyou also to the Little Person who left me this lovely thank you card earlier on in the year. It was such a lovely sweet thing to do. Keep visiting. XX'

Tilly Mitchell



The card and woven caterpillar!  
The message inside:  
*'Dear Flower-Seller Owner,  
Me and my family find it very fun to  
cycle and buy some of your flowers  
and plants! ENJOY'*

And a thank you on behalf of our village community for all the effort that Tilly puts in to keep this little stall stocked with plants, in all seasons, available for very good-value prices. The honesty stall has become a famous village feature, attracting local visitors to Buckland on their walks and bike rides, and raised a fantastic amount of money over so many years to support the Reading Room.

Ed.

## WATCH THIS SPACE !! The Churchyard Wildflower Garden

A few years ago, Everett Leeds took the initiative to create this wild flower bed to encourage pollinating insects and provide a colourful corner to a part of the church graveyard. For a couple of years it was an excellent display. However it had a few years without a dig-over, and several weeds had taken over.

We have recently cleared it again, and sought the help of the Buckland Toddler Group to 'sow our seeds! They really got stuck in and were very helpful !

A vote of thanks is due to -

- **Buckland Toddler Group:** the Toddlers, Ada Cannon, Monty Hoatson, Wilbur Lock and Jessie Swan—and of course their Mums for bringing them along to help. To Debbie Jones, our Toddler Group Leader for agreeing to break-up play time to sow some seeds.
- **The Gardening Group:** Everett and Carol Leeds for starting the initiative and being helpful on the day with the Toddlers; Rachel Studholme, Leigh Banks, & Duncan Ferns—for the digging and root removal; the organisation & photos.
- **The Re-Betchworth Team:** especially Norman Jackson for organising the donation of the packs of wild flower seeds in support of our greener local environment.

Thank you to all. And to everyone, do 'watch this space!' Our commitment is to have some wild flowers and insects in the Spring, with a photo update.



Ed.

# Features

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## GARDENING NOTES

### Hellebores – the winter wonder plant



There are plenty of plants that provide winter interest, but there are few that are as varied and reliable as Hellebores. They are evergreen perennials with winter and early spring long-lasting flowers from shades of white, pink, purple, green and even dark maroon and black. Unlike most plants which lie dormant during the winter months, hellebores ignore cold weather and bring much-admired colour.

Hellebores prefer dappled shade. Their glossy, deeply-lobed dark green and rich foliage will thrive in usually difficult places such as woodland, shady borders or

under trees. They are also pollen-rich plants that are attractive to bees and butterflies for their nectar: however, being toxic they are not nibbled at by rabbits and deer.

Helleborus Niger is known as the Christmas rose as it is among the earliest to flower. Their snow-white flowers provide a wonderful contrast with the dark green leaves. Where these leaves are too prolific, remove some to make the flowers more visible. Also remove any marked or diseased foliage during the year.

The Orientalis species are known as the Lenten rose as they flower during the period of Lent. They have a wide range of colours, which can continue for many weeks from midwinter into April. Their plentiful varieties include double flowers, speckled petals and many different leaf forms. Frostkiss is again hardy, long-flowering and has stand-out marbled foliage all year round.

Hellebores can successfully be grown in pots as well as borders. Give them plenty of gritty soil to prevent waterlogging and they will reward you with their colourful display.

*David Hogg, Buckland Nurseries*



## ST. JAMES THE LEAST OF ALL

### On why the C of E should never combine parishes

The Rectory  
St James the Least

My dear Nephew Darren

I suppose it had to come, but combining parishes is now firmly on the agenda for our villages.



I had always wondered what the first Earl of Stowe was trying to prove, building a church here in 1347 to accommodate 800 people when the total population has never exceeded 250. In the short term – which in this village is measured in centuries - it seems to have been to house the tombs of his 13 successors. I now realise it was to make uniting with adjoining parishes in the 21st century more difficult. Clearly the first Earl had formidable foresight. None of our neighbouring churches seem too keen to share their reserves to help maintain our cathedral-sized building.

The threat of the closure of St Herve the Bard has, inevitably, caused outrage – not so much from its regular congregation of three, but from all those in the village who would never think of attending. People do so like to have a church not to go to.

The church of St Bregowine, built by a wealthy parishioner in the 19th century because she did not like the high church practices of the parish church of St Iwig, is refusing to re-unite, even though the two churches stand only 100 yards apart, in a village with a diameter of 300 yards. If only they could get over the trauma of seeing the incumbent putting water in the wine on Easter Day in 1894.

(Although it must be conceded that the Bregowinians were equally affronted that when the daughter church opened in 1895, they found that the Iwigers had provided no brass troughs at the end of the pews for umbrellas. That they have subsequently refused to install them has only compounded the offence.)

Meanwhile St Plegmund is in discussions with the Church of South India as a way of avoiding uniting with anyone. Should it happen, I will be interested to see what travelling expenses the new incumbent claims. It will be difficult to tell when the present incumbent resigns, as he has not been seen at a clerical meeting for the



last 30 years. Some of my colleagues suspect he is mythical, that a bloodless coup took place in the 1980s and that the church is now entirely run by the Mothers' Union.

The church of St Maximus of Constantinople in our nearest town has rather grandly offered to take all of our churches under its wing, but as a parishioner has pointed out: how could we possibly consider joining with a parish that fought on the other side at the Battle of Bosworth in 1485.

In the meantime, we will serenely carry on, as we seem to have done for the past six centuries; parish mergers and reductions in numbers of clergy seem to be of less interest than debating the suggestion that we change the brand of coffee served after Services.

Your Loving Uncle, Eustace

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## MUSIC IN DORKING—NOVEMBER



16<sup>th</sup> at 7.30, Surrey Philharmonic Orchestra at St George's church, Ashted, £16, 01372 275907

23<sup>rd</sup> at 6.30, Dorking Choral Society at St Martin's church

The Dorking Choral Society presents a concert of music for St Cecilia's day. St Cecilia is the patron saint of music and musicians and she is celebrated each year on or around her feast day, 22 November. The concert includes odes written especially for the Cecilian celebrations in London by Purcell and Handel. There will also be a piece entitled *Good News from New England* by Cecilia McDowall, which describes the arrival of the Mayflower pilgrims in America four hundred years ago. The Surrey Philharmonic Orchestra, playing in Ashted, begins with Rossini's lively overture to his opera *The Italian Girl in Algiers*. This is followed by Mozart's concerto for flute and harp and the concert closes with Beethoven's third symphony, the *Eroica*.

Dorking Halls plans to open in January with screenings from the Royal Opera House, Royal Ballet and National Theatre, along with several musicals. And the Dorking Concertgoers are able to resume their concerts with a visit from the Gesualdo Six (this one in St Martin's church), three concerts by the Brodsky string quartet and a guitar recital by local musician Fiona Harrison. It is good that we can finally look forward to more live music once again in Dorking!

Ian Codd

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## RICHARD ROHR

Our regular look at Richar Rohr's writings, this month shares two of his powerful, reflective poems

### A SPIRITUALITY OF NON-VIOLENCE

I recognise the sacred in all people

I accept myself deeply

I recognise that what I resent in other also resides in me

I renounce the 'us-them' mentality

I face my fear with love

I accept that New Creation is a community act, not a solo act

I am part of the whole creation, not master over

I am ready to suffer to help liberate the Divine in others

I will celebrate when the presence of God is accepted

I will slow down and plant seeds



### THE SEER AND THE SEEN

Dear little flower

I want to thank you for simply being you

Thank you for the delight you are

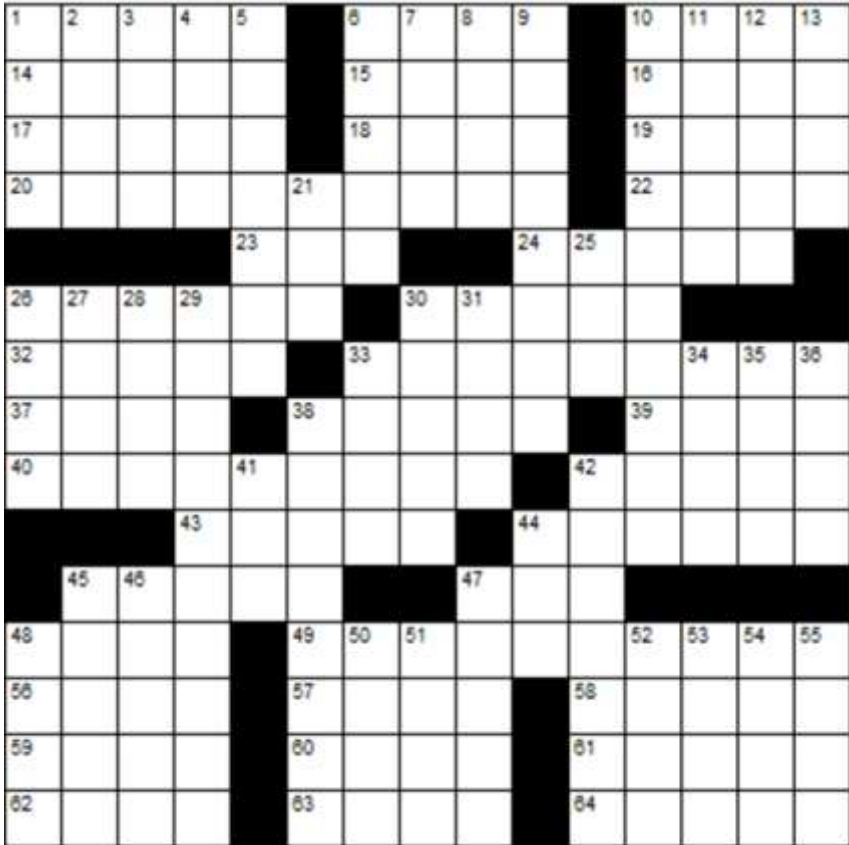
For the joy I feel gazing at and being with you

Dear Little flower, what would you have me know?

Thank you

# GENERAL KNOWLEDGE CROSSWORD

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- 6. Smell
- 10. Egg-shaped
- 14. Extraterrestrial
- 15. No
- 16. Scarce
- 17. Looked amorously
- 18. Dross
- 19. Abbey area
- 20. It causes food

- poisoning
- 22. Swiped
- 23. Damp
- 24. Prickle
- 26. Shun
- 30. Bigot
- 32. Liquid
- 33. Sunrooms
- 37. Bother
- 38. Satisfies
- 39. Obscene term for feces

- 40. Groups of seven singers
- 42. Siberian antelope
- 43. Bay window
- 44. Cream-filled pastry
- 45. A group of concubines
- 47. Half of a pair
- 48. Indian dress
- 49. Nothing noteworthy

- 56. Millisecond
- 57. Prospector's find
- 58. Josh
- 59. European volcano
- 60. Utiliser
- 61. Consumed
- 62. Welt
- 63. Dispatched
- 64. Clothe

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## **MARRIAGE JOKES—BY THE CYNICAL FEMALE** (following from last month’s cynical male perspective)

If it weren't for marriage, men would go through life thinking they had no faults at all.

‘Why did you marry your husband? You don't seem to have much in common?’  
‘It was the old story of opposites attracting each other. I was pregnant and he wasn't.’

During a heated spat over finances the husband said, ‘Well, if you'd learn to cook and were willing to clean this place, we could fire the housekeeper’  
The wife, fuming, shot back, ‘Really? Well, if you'd learn how to make love, we could fire the chauffeur and the gardener.’

A wife thinks that marriage is like a game of cards, you start out with two hearts and a diamond in your hand, but it's not long before you're desperate for a club and a spade.

Wife: Do you want dinner? Husband: Sure, what are my choices? Wife: Yes or No.

Husbands are the best people to share secrets with. They'll never tell anyone because they aren't even listening.

The best way to get your husband to do something is to suggest he's too old to do it.

Wife : “Honey, I don't like you with the new glasses on.” Husband: “But sweetheart, I don't wear any glasses.” Wife: “True, but I do.”

# SUDOKU

Grade: Medium.  
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| fireworks           | Omaha         |
| Remembrance Day     | Bagpipe       |
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| Second              | Parachute     |
|                     | Millions      |
| World War           | Soldiers died |
| Normandy Liberation |               |
| France              |               |
| Europe              |               |
| Picnic              |               |
| Beach               |               |

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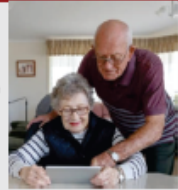


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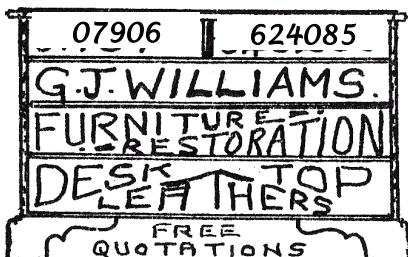


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# Buckland's PAST LIVES

Learning from memorials

A2

## James Herbert Scrutton



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*James Herbert Scrutton was a wealthy Partner of the family company of a major ship brokers and operators, in London. In 1900 he purchased land from the Buckland Estate and commissioned the building of The White House, a substantial Arts & Crafts home.*

### The family

James Herbert Scrutton was born in Mile End, London on 17 July 1858, to wealthy parents, James Scrutton (1830-1887) and Sarah (1834-1920). He had two younger brothers, Percy Edward and Claude Alexander. The family moved to Waltham Cross (1871) and later to Caterham (1880s).<sup>2</sup>

In 1894 James Herbert married Edith Mary MacKinnon in Godstone. Her father Duncan was, like James, also a member of Lloyds. Their first home was at The Cottage, Park Lane, Reigate with 3 servants (1901 census).<sup>2</sup>

James Herbert Scrutton is first mentioned in Buckland village records in 1894, when he joined Buckland Parish Council, with his profession noted as 'Ship Owner'. Perhaps joining the Parish Council prior to moving here, was his way of getting to know the locals and start to carry some influence? In 1900 he purchased land from Francis Henry Beaumont of the Buckland Estate on which he commissioned the building of The White House.

The deed of 1900<sup>3</sup> shows that he purchased 8 acres for a price of £1,628 with permission to build a home, with cottages for a gardener and a Coachman.<sup>3</sup>

James Herbert and Edith had two sons & two daughters;

- Geoffrey McKinnon Scrutton (1897-1964) served with the RAF during WWI and was mentioned in despatches for his bravery at Carnoy
- Joan Mackinnon Scrutton (1906-1989)
- Christopher McKinnon Scrutton (1909-1940). Christopher served with the RAF & was lost at sea in May 1940
- Ruth M Scrutton (1915-1915), infant death.<sup>2</sup>

### **Scrutton Ship Brokers**

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- In 1875, James Herbert Scrutton joined the firm at the age of 17, and

in 1884, aged 26, he was one of three Partners, and a member of Lloyds Register. James was largely responsible for decommissioning all the sailing ships and bringing in a new fleet of 9 steam-ships, providing larger cargo capacity and faster journeys.

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- From 1922-1925 James Herbert Scrutton was Chair of Lloyds Register.<sup>1</sup>

This book of the company was published in 1970, and had it been published more recently, there would likely have been some apology for the slave trade during the period 1800-1860, often used for crewing such sailing ships.

### **The White House in Buckland – and who designed it?**

The White House is absent from the 1891 and 1901 census, so it was completed after 1901, and before the 1911 census when it was occupied by James Herbert Scrutton and his family. Whilst it was being built, James Henry and family continued to live in Reigate.<sup>2</sup>

It is clear that James Herbert Scrutton had the White House built for himself on land he purchased from Francis Henry Beaumont. Scrutton would have personally commissioned the architect.



Map Extract from Deed of 1900, selling 10 acres of land in the shaded area to J H Scrutton, on which The White House was built. (The top road is Old Road, and the north-south road is Dungates Lane). In 1922 a further more land to the south-west was later purchased, extending the White House Estate to 22 Acres.<sup>3</sup>

The architect is not yet known. Hence the search began for whether the Scrutton family may know and have commissioned any of the famous Arts & Crafts architects?

A published biography of James Herbert's Uncle, Thomas Scrutton<sup>4</sup>, provided some clues:

- Thomas Scrutton was a city lawyer, specialising in ship brokerage and insurance. The family firm of Scrutton & Sons (ship owner & broker) was run by his father and his brothers, they worked together.
- James Henry Scrutton was the nephew of Thomas and joined the family firm as a ship broker working alongside Thomas.
- Thomas Scrutton was a member of St John's Wood Art Club - a gentleman's club. **CFA Voysey**, the famous

Arts & Crafts architect and his brother (HA Voysey) were also members of this club, as was **Andrew Nobel Prentice** – another Arts & Crafts Architect. Thomas worked for 3 years (1897-1900) with HA Voysey to help artists and composers campaign for royalty payments, ultimately resulting in the first Act of Parliament on this subject.

- On behalf of the Art Club, HA Voysey asked his brother (CFA Voysey) to design a portfolio cabinet to store art-work, which was presented to Thomas E Scrutton and stayed in the Scrutton family until 1971. [It was sold again by Christies in 2003 for £12,500].

At this stage, I concluded that Thomas Scrutton and CFA Voysey knew and respected each other. It would have been possible for Thomas to ask CFA



Voysey on behalf of his nephew to commission the design in 1900 (when the land on which to build the house was acquired), and it was clear from the success of the Scrutton business that James Henry as a Director of the family firm, could have afforded to build the house around 1901-1905.

In addition, James Herbert Scrutton would have known Francis Henry Beaumont, the Lord of Buckland Manor, as he had negotiated with him for the sale of land on which the White House was built. James would no doubt have met Mr Beaumont's wife, Mary Emily Beaumont, (nee Baillie) from Dochfour in Scotland. I have researched that Mary Emily Baillie was the second cousin of **Mackay Hugh Baillie Scott** (1865-1945) – a third famous architect. It is possible that the Beaumont's may have recommended Baillie Scott to Mr Scrutton, both as a family member and increasingly famous architect of the time.

Scrutton also commissioned a pair of cottages for employees of the White House, to match the Arts & Crafts style of the White House. These are now separate homes on Robins Close (adjacent to the Reading Room). In 1956 the White House was split into two homes: one continued to be called The White House, and the second, Kirkleas.

In 2019 I shared with some 'experts' a technical paper<sup>5</sup> suggesting that the White House is probably designed by a

'famous architect': Baillie Scott, Voysey or Prentice being prime candidates, not least because James Scrutton is proven to know them in his personal network, and he could readily afford 'the best' in life. Records no longer appear to exist to validate this, but maybe one day they will be rediscovered.

It is true that there were no patents on architectural design features and several 'lesser-known' architects copied features of the more famous architects. Nevertheless, Buckland's White House has the grand scale, complex design, detailed features, architectural layout and close similarities to other buildings of the exact build-date; so that it merits association to one of the famous architects.

Voysey and Prentice appear to have 'complete' records of their design commissions. Their catalogues were checked and Buckland's White House is not indexed. However, Baillie-Scott's records are known to be very incomplete, as records and drawings of his commissions were destroyed in two successive fires. The experts agree that there is 'substantial evidence of similarities (to other works) but inconclusive evidence to attribute a single architect'. Baillie Scott is my personal candidate, or maybe we have a lesser-known architect who was inspired to copy their designs; very cleverly!



Above: Daglingworth Manor  
(in 2015), purchased in 1922  
Right: James Herbert's 1934  
Rolls Royce  
Below: Advert selling The  
White House from 1939



*By order of Mrs. J. Herbert Scrutton.*

**THE WHITE HOUSE, BUCKLAND, SURREY**  
*In a very pleasant residential district a few miles from Dorking and  
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**THIS CHARMING MODERN RESIDENCE**

Standing 250ft. up on sandy soil facing South with delightful views to Leth Hill and Fox Hill. Hall, 4 reception, 11 bedrooms, 4 bathrooms, servants' hall, extensive attic playroom, etc.

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## After Buckland, Daglingworth Manor & Rolls Royces

James Herbert Scrutton & family lived in the White House, Buckland until c.1922, at the age of 64, they retired to Daglingworth Manor in the Cotswolds, a beautiful manor with many village houses included in the sale. In Charles Voysey's personal address book, James Herbert Scrutton is entered at Daglingworth Manor, so the personal relationship is further confirmed.<sup>6</sup>

However, on arriving at Daglingworth, Scrutton commissioned another Arts & Crafts architect, **Andrew Noble Prentice** (mentioned above as Member of St John's Wood Art Club), to add some features to his Manor House, and this work is recorded in the inventory of Prentice's projects (although the earlier White House in Buckland is not recorded here). In his retirement, Scrutton also restored many of the village cottages that he owned on the Daglingworth Estate.

In 1934 James Herbert Scrutton purchased a new Rolls Royce, an unusual '20/25 Hooper Limousine de Ville' model (DG 9057) which is still running today.<sup>7</sup>

James Herbert Scrutton died at Daglingworth in 1938, leaving a (very!) substantial inheritance of over £878,000,<sup>1</sup> (which is £70.3m in today's money,

based on RPI inflation).

James Herbert Scrutton had a memorial service at Daglingworth village church, and a second service in London. He is understood to have been cremated. He was survived by his wife, Edith.

Although he had moved from Buckland in 1922, he had kept The White House, probably as a rented property, and it was only sold by his widow in 1939, as stated in the advert on the previous page: sale 'by order of Mrs J Herbert Scrutton.'

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*If you have further information or research leads on finding the architect of The White House, please contact the Editor - [fernsdc@gmail.com](mailto:fernsdc@gmail.com). Thank you*

## Postscript—Myfanwy Williams (last month's Past Lives profile)

As you get older, coincidences multiply. I was very interested reading in the last Parish Magazine about Myfanwy Williams, who died in Buckland in 1963. As an old journalist myself, I was very impressed by her illustrious career in both newspaper writing and broadcasting. And I was really struck that after marrying a Redhill consultant anaesthetist a few months after I was born in 1947, she first lived at “Wychwood”, in Glade Spur, Kingswood. I spent much of my childhood just a couple of hundred yards away, in Drive Spur (funny the way they named short cul de sacs in that Surrey village). I'm pretty sure I remember her house. I think my parents had friends there, after Myfanwy's time though. What an impressive amount she packed into her life before her death aged only 50.

Nicolas Owen, *Cliftons Lane*



and two readers asked for one of Myfanwy's poems ...

### *Solitude by Myfanwy Hancock*

The green gate cracks –did anyone come in?  
And what was that? Did anybody knock?  
There's so much noise, the kettle's pompous din.  
The shrill, incessant teasing of the clock

A distant train goes coughing up the hill,  
Crisp leaves drift loudly in the flower-bed  
And in the churchyard where all should be still,  
A noisy blackbird serenades the dead.

There's such a noise! The very tap— drips talk  
In rumbling basses, and the glint-eyed cat  
Who should have paws of thistledown, now stalks  
On paws of granite to her corner mat.

Oh, such a noise! Both outside and within.  
The greying embers roar and break apart  
Then comes the thunder of a falling pin  
Made louder by the silence of my heart.

# Societies & Charities

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

## The Betchworth & Buckland Society



Please join us over the festive season:

### Annual Dinner

Friday 29<sup>th</sup> November 7.30pm

Hartsfield Manor, Betchworth

7pm welcome drinks followed by seasonal menu £45pp

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Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> December 12-2pm

The Reading Room, Buckland

Members £10 & Non-Members £12



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Winetasting Friday 21<sup>st</sup> March



Numbers are limited so please register

your interest as soon as possible. Ticket enquiries & further details

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[www.betchworthandbucklandsociety.org.uk](http://www.betchworthandbucklandsociety.org.uk)

*We are always looking for new people to join our small, friendly and informal organizing Committee to help with social events and organize our growing membership. Short meetings every 6-8 weeks*

*Please enquire if you want to join us*

## DORKING LOCAL HISTORY GROUP



**4 November, 7.15pm, Dorking Crossways Church**  
**The Bomber in the Back Yard—Wartime local history**  
by our popular speaker John Griffiths-Colby.

**19 November, 7.30pm Zoom only talk**  
**Medieval London**  
Everyday life in medieval London from Anglo-Saxon to Tudor  
times, by Toni Mount  
<https://www.meet-up.com/Surrey-History-Meetup>

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

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Betchworth Village Hall



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*Carole Evans*

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### SINGING FOR PLEASURE GROUP



For those who would like to start the week with a lively activity and haven't heard as to what we are up to... We meet in Buckland's Reading Room, Old Road for an enjoyable two hour session, 10am to 12 noon, with a break for coffee and chat, on the first and third Monday of each month.

No singing test to join. Vacancies for a few more ladies and men. Good fun, friendly, no grand public performances, although do we sing to residents of BroomPark Nursing Home now and then.

The aim is enjoyment. To give it a go contact: Meike, Dorking U3A at [mlaurenson@talktalk.net](mailto:m Laurenson@talktalk.net)

*Meike Larenson*



## BROCKHAM BOWLS CLUB



Very sadly it's another season that's come and gone. When you're enjoying yourselves time flies by and this one has certainly flown by. Whilst not necessarily our most successful year I think all members will agree it has been the most enjoyable. We won more games than we lost with a large shot count in our favour and finished mid table in both the Leagues we plan in. Considering the strength of the opposition in those League that was no mean achievement. We have gained a dozen new members who have all made valuable contributions to the activities in the

Club which bodes well for the future. One of the main reasons for our enjoyable year has been our social scene which has definitely flourished. We have had numerous theme nights, race nights and games evenings. All have been well attended by members and proved to be hugely successful.

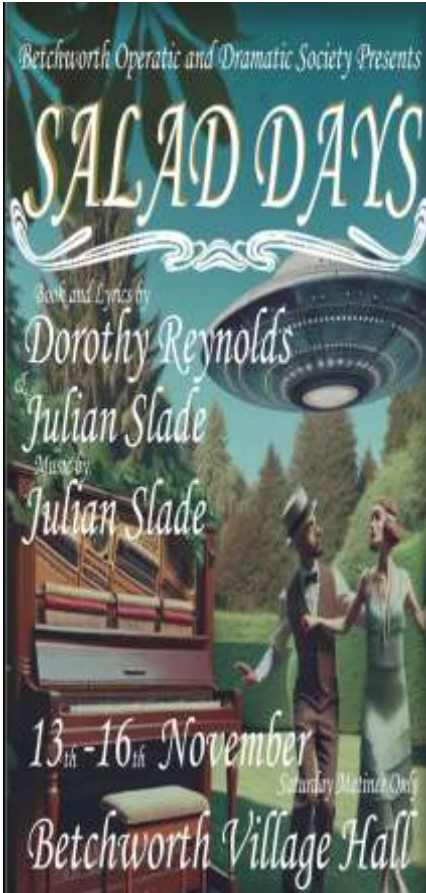
Towards the end of the month we had our closing drive which had over 30 members involved and again was expertly organised by John Hoad. It was won by Carol Jull and Paul Racket and as Paul only joined in June that was an excellent result.

At the beginning of September we had the finals of our internal competitions and thankfully we were blessed with some excellent weather. We run a dozen varied contests which are keenly played in by most of our members. In the pairs both matches were much closer than had predicted but in the end Jan Storey and Joan Darling won the ladies by the narrowest of margins and John Hoad and Peter Goldup just prevailed to win the men's title. In the lady's championship Carol Jull, one of our newest members started like a train and built a commanding lead and despite the best efforts of last years champion, Hazel Leitch, she wasn't to be pegged back. In the men's championship it was a game of nick and tuck and there was never more than one point in it until the last 3 ends. Then, last years defending champion, produced some excellent bowls and ran out a 21 to 15 winner over Mark Yeo. I hope some of you remember who won it last year but if you've forgotten I'll leave you to work it out. Sadly, there is not enough space to mention all the other winners but well done to all especially as some of the winners only joined this year.

Well that is it from me for the year so until next year from everyone at Brockham Bowls Club may we hope you all winter well and I look forward to being back in the Parish magazines shortly.

*Rick Lawrence*

BETCHWORTH OPERATIC & DRAMA SOCIETY  
SALAD DAYS  
13-16 November  
Betchworth Village Hall



## B.O.D.S.

Written in the 1950s, *Salad Days* is a light-hearted, energetic and zany musical, combining memorable tunes such as 'We Said we Wouldn't Look Back', 'Look at Me I'm Dancing' and 'We're Looking for a Piano' with fast-moving comedy, drawing on panto and music hall traditions.

Just out of university, Jane and Timothy agree to look after a piano for a mysterious tramp, while Timothy's family try to find him a suitable job, and Jane's a suitable husband. The piano turns out to have magical powers, causing anyone who hears it to dance. A series of unexpected events follow, involving numerous eccentric characters, the disappearance of the magic piano and the appearance of a flying saucer.

Betchworth Operatic and Dramatic Society has been staging a wide variety of drama and musical productions in the Village Memorial Hall since 1936. *Salad Days* is presented by arrangement with Concord Theatricals Ltd.

Performances Weds-Fri at **7.30pm**, Saturday matinee at **2.30pm**. Doors open half an hour before and there will be a bar serving wine, beer and soft drinks. Tickets are £15 adults, £12 senior citizens/under-16s Please book through ticketsource (no booking fee, card required). Use this QR code, or follow the link from our website [bodsweb.com](http://bodsweb.com).

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

Our recent members' only trip to the UCL Mullard Space Science Laboratory was very successful. It was a sunny afternoon, and we were treated to a guided tour of the beautiful gardens by Mark Dobell, who is Head Gardener there.

Our Autumn Show was also a great success with a huge number of entries, some from members who had never entered before. The heaviest pumpkin weighed in at 10lb and was won by Aaron Humphrey, a junior member, at his first ever show. The Arthur Fegan Trophy for the highest number of points in show was won by Ruth Johnson.

Our next events are:

**11 November, 7.30 pm —AGM. Brockham Village Hall**

**7 December, 2.15 to 4pm - Christmas Decoration Workshop**

Saturday 7 December 2.15 to 4pm – The Old Snooker Room, Brockham Village Hall. Costs per person are Wreath with ribbon £20, Table Decoration £15, Garland £15. If you are interested, please book a place (indicating your preference) asap by contacting us on the email address below.

If you are interested in joining us at any of our other 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, [bghsociety@hotmail.com](mailto:bghsociety@hotmail.com)

*Ruth Johnson, [bghsociety@hotmail.com](mailto:bghsociety@hotmail.com)*



It is no use asking me or anyone else how to dig...  
Better to go and watch a man digging, and then  
take a spade and try to do it.

Gertrude Jekyll

## DORKING MUSEUM IN NOVEMBER

**Arts Council Accreditation:** Dorking Museum has been awarded full Accreditation by Arts Council England, the benchmark for well-run Museums and Galleries. It means that it is properly managed and governed to the nationally agreed industry standard and takes proper care of its collections, sharing them with visitors and keeping them safe for future generations.

**World Nursery Rhyme week:** Family activity at Dorking Library: Make nursery rhyme moving characters out of card, Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> November, 10am-noon, aimed at 4-11-year-olds.

**Sweeping Through History: 100 years of Johnston Sweepers:** Our current exhibition closes at the end of November. Now a world-leading designer and manufacturer of truck mounted road sweepers, its Dorking-produced machines operate in 120 countries worldwide.

**Remembering Strawberry Studios:** A Museum exhibition in 2026 will celebrate the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the band 10cc establishing a recording studio in South Street Dorking. In October, a blue plaque was unveiled by founding member Graham Gouldman and a mural by local artist Uncle Stubble created on the Museum's external wall.

**Get involved:** The Museum's Family Activities and Education team has a range of activities in both formal and informal educational settings and is looking for additional volunteers with experience of teaching and learning, or familiar with working with young people, to help maintain and develop this programme. Other opportunities available in events management, digital communications, website editing and volunteer recruitment and training. See [dorkingmuseum.org.uk/about/volunteer-opportunities](http://dorkingmuseum.org.uk/about/volunteer-opportunities).

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

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Never trust a man with short legs –  
his brain's too near his bottom

Noel Coward

## PUZZLE SOLUTIONS

**Crossword (p.18)  
Solution**

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**Wordsearch (p.20) Solution**

S	A	S	W	N	O	R	M	A	N	D	Y	E
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**Sudoku (p.20) Solution**

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

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

*For booking enquiries please contact Jane Stewart, preferably by email:  
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British Legion	Maurice Daley	843058
Brockham Green Horticultural Society	Ruth & Paul Johnson	842691
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