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Westcott has a population of over 2,000 and this is the only magazine written specifically for the Westcott area by the people of Westcott. It is hand delivered, free of charge, to every household and further copies are available at the church, local shops, pub and doctor's surgery.



If you have any articles, photos, letters, etc that you think we may like to feature in the next issue, please email the Editor on:

editor@westcottmag.com

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FROM THE EDITOR



We made it to summer! I am definitely making the most of the warm, light summer evenings - long may they last! If you've just

finished exams, then congratulations and I hope you get a well deserved break over the next few weeks.

We have a couple of reports of Jubilee celebrations held in the village, whatever you did I hope you enjoyed it and that it brought you together with friends or family. The cricket club has an open evening on 22nd July, with a

BBQ and the bar running. In the same week, on 20th July, Westcott School is also holding an open evening to show what has been done up at the site and to share the plans for the future, everyone is invited (see p32).

Lastly, welcome to our new vicar, Rev Tim Armstrong who takes up his post in September, and introduces himself on p6-7.

Enjoy the summer, however you spend it and fingers crossed the weather is kind!

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VOLUNTEER/BABY MEALS

Happy news! We've had a flurry of enquires - multiple new babies are due in Westcott over the summer...! More to follow in the next issue, but in the meantime we would be delighted

if any more volunteer cooks want to join our list! Please get in touch if you think you could help out occasionally cooking meals for families with new babies and other Westcott residents in need, or if you know of someone in a time of difficulty, who might benefit from a few home cooked meals. And of course, please also get in touch if you're a Westcott

resident expecting a baby, we have over 40 volunteers ready to cook for you in those first few weeks of new-baby chaos!



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...FROM THE CHURCH IN WESTCOTT



THE VILLAGE CHURCH, FOR THE WHOLE VILLAGE

I was recently looking through a box of historical documents in the church, a fascinating step back in time, giving glimpses of the past such as the introduction of electric lighting (and electricity bills!), to a discussion on whether to take out extra war insurance.

One book that was of particular interest was the "rent" book from 1852. Did you know when the church was first built you had to rent your seat? The church then was quite a bit smaller than today, and the book records the names of those who had paid up for the year, and therefore secured their place on a Sunday.

I am pleased to say that only three years later, something, or someone recognised that going to church shouldn't be dependent on ability to pay! Accessibility is the watchword of today, but in 1855 it was clearly also an issue. The famous architect (Gilbert-Scott) who designed the church, made radical changes to increase the capacity of the building, making a significant sacrifice to the original

design in the process (it was originally designed in the shape of a cross), to make the building accessible to the whole village. Grants were sought for extra "free" seating, a requirement for which was that they should be located in the best parts of the church i.e. with a good view of the preacher and not be facing away from the altar. The church was rammed with seating, probably far beyond what would be acceptable for fire regulations today – with up to 50 children seated on benches under the belltower, where we currently have the Creche room.

IF YOU HAVEN'T BEEN IN CHURCH RECENTLY, DO POP IN AND HAVE A LOOK.

Accessibility today has thankfully moved on from whether you can (or want to!) pay for your seat in a Sunday service. But making church accessible is still an ongoing project for us. By the time this goes to print I hope we will be well underway with the installation of an accessible toilet, generously funded by the legacy of a former member of our congregation. A much overdue provision for those who cannot use our current facilities. We also have a hearing loop, and the service words can be followed on an iPad for those who find that easier to see.



...FROM THE CHURCH IN WESTCOTT



If you have visited church in the last couple of years you will have also noticed that we no longer have pews, having been temporarily removed to facilitate social distancing during the pandemic. The flexibility to adapt to the myriad of changing rules on social distancing, proved invaluable, especially when managing “bubbles” to maximise capacity for significant events such as weddings and funerals. But we were also struck by the fact that we had made the church accessible for wheelchair users, and parents with buggies. Instead of sitting to one side with a poor view of the preacher and no view of the altar (considered to be an issue even in 1855!), now families could sit together and join in fully with the service.

Not having the pews has also opened up the church as a large community space for the village, in a way it hasn't before. We have more flexibility for concert seating, and events with people sitting at tables – most notable recently was the Ukraine fundraiser, where the church was packed for a very enjoyable night of fish and chips, a quiz and c.£2,500 raised for humanitarian relief in Ukraine.

The PCC has decided to apply to make the change permanent, and not lose the benefits we have experienced for accessibility and community use. Of course with any change there can be a sense of loss. We understand that the old seating has been used for significant events over the years, and features, for example, in many wedding photos (including my own!). As of today, the temporary nature of the change also means the interior could look better, and so if the change is permanently approved, we plan to do work to smarten up the floor and buy new chairs so we don't have to use plastic ones for big events.

If you haven't been in church recently, do pop in and have a look. The church is open in the daytime, and we get positive comments on how light and airy it now feels. There is also a display board at the back of church describing the plans.

Our aim is to have a village church that is accessible and usable for everyone in the village. We stand on the shoulders of our forebears in that endeavour.

Simon Mabley, Churchwarden

INTRODUCING REV'D TIM ARMSTRONG

The Bishop of Guildford is delighted to announce the appointment of
Rev'd Tim Armstrong
as Vicar at Holy Trinity Westcott

The Bishop of Dorking will licence Tim on Thursday 8th September at 7:30pm
**Rev'd Tim's first Sunday services at Holy Trinity will take place
on Sunday, 11th September**

We look forward to welcoming Tim, his wife and children into the parish, and encourage us all to pray for him and his family, as they prepare for their move



I am so excited to have been appointed the next Vicar of Holy Trinity, Westcott, and look forward to joining you all in September.

I thought I would briefly introduce myself and my family.

I am married to Jenny who was born and raised in Worthing on the South Coast. We are celebrating our tenth wedding anniversary this July. We have two boys: Archie (5) and Herbie (2), and are expecting a third son this September.

As a family we enjoy walking up hills (the boys may question my use of 'enjoy' here), exploring the countryside, visiting National Trust Properties, going rock pooling for crabs, generally causing chaos, and attempting to garden – especially when it involves a visit to a Garden Centre Café.

I grew up in a village overlooking the beautiful Severn Valley in Shropshire (an area that is well worth a visit if you have never made the trip). I am currently a Curate in South West London at St Michael's, Southfields with St Stephen's, East Putney and Ackroydon Community Church. Before training to be a Vicar up in the Cathedral City of Durham I was a Youth and Children's Worker in Peckham, South East London. In all these places I have seen the role that churches can play as a focal point for community life, and I have a passion to see communities coming together.

In my spare time I enjoy reading, drinking a good pint of bitter,



and trail running (although not often at the same time). I am an often-disappointed Kidderminster Harriers FC fan and I look forward to watching the recently promoted Dorking Wanderers FC as they play next season in the National League (Kidderminster went out in the playoffs in case you were wondering).

I became a Christian at a young age, and as the years have gone and I have wrestled with my faith I have become more and more convinced that the claims Christianity makes about Jesus Christ are intellectually plausible, utterly transforming for individuals and communities, and are truly Good News for all people. I have

found that my faith in Jesus has given me deep joy and hope – even in the most challenging of circumstances. Whether you have a strong faith or are utterly opposed to the idea of religion, I am really looking forward to spending time with you exploring the big questions of life, as well as chatting about football/gardening/international politics (delete as appropriate), in the years to come.

I will be praying for you all over the coming months, and we would appreciate your prayers for us as we prepare to move and say our farewells here.

All the best,
Tim Armstrong

Information for those interested in helping Ukrainians

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FLOODLIGHTING

There has been no floodlighting sponsorship for July and August.

If you would like to sponsor the floodlighting, please contact Sarah Massey at sarah@holytrinitywestcott.org.uk. (Suggested donation of £75 to Westcott Church Funds.)

THE CHURCH IN WESTCOTT

BALANCING JUSTICE: BEING A MAGISTRATE AND A CHRISTIAN – ARE THEY COMPATIBLE?

DIEU-ET-MON-DROIT (God and my right – the motto of the British Monarch)



I have been a Magistrate (JP) for over 22 years and an active member of church communities in London and Westcott, and I believe that being a JP and a Christian are compatible.

Our summary justice system was founded with the magistracy at the centre. Magistrates are unpaid volunteers and have dispensed justice in their local communities for more than 650 years, since Justices of the Peace Act introduced the novel proposition that decent members of the community, not themselves lawyers, should be vested with the power to administer justice. We are not judges and do not wear gowns and wigs. That is not to say that the magistracy hasn't changed since then. Thankfully, it has. JPs are a vibrant and diverse group and closely represent the communities they serve. I am particularly impressed by the improvements relating to gender and ethnicity.

The role has changed over time, and will continue to do so as communities change. But the qualities of today's magistracy – fairness, good character, understanding of people and the

application of sound judgement – have been constant for decades.

The word “justice” gets bandied about a lot. We talk about justice, injustice, social justice, doing justice, and whether or not justice has been served. It seems many of us use different definitions of justice. What seems “just” to one person seems “unjust” to another. What is a Christian perspective and definition of justice?

When Scripture says God is righteous, it is saying God is just. In Romans, Paul has much to say about the “righteousness of God” (Romans 3:21-22). I'd like to suggest four aspects of biblical justice that relate back to my role as a Magistrate.

Personal Accountability: For many modern people, justice has only one aspect, personal accountability. This aspect is certainly part of the biblical definition of justice. When a person does something wrong, a person in authority (judge, king, God, etc.) assigns a commensurate penalty for that crime. In other words, justice is served when the guilty individual is called to account.

Fairness: Doing justice means not giving an unfair advantage to some people over others. Because ancient

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Israel was an agrarian society, the Bible often uses terms relating to measurements, balances, and weights to express the fairness aspect of justice. People traded with goods like grain and oil. There was a natural temptation for merchants to give a slightly better exchange rate to certain people over others. After all, who would notice? God noticed. He noticed every time people used an unequal weight or measurement (Proverbs 11:1; 16:10-11; 20:23). Justice is not only a matter of the courtroom but also the marketplace. It is not just police officers, judges, and lawyers who should be concerned about justice, but every person who interacts with others. Justice demands we ask the question, "Is this fair?"

Collective Responsibility: An aspect of biblical justice that many modern people struggle to understand is collective responsibility. We tend to create a false dichotomy between collective responsibility and personal accountability. Many think it must be one or the other, but it is actually both. Human beings are more than individuals. We are part of communities, social groups, and nations. We influence one another. Our choices both benefit and harm others. So, injustice is often a tangled social web we weave and it touches nearly everyone in society. Justice demands that we take responsibility for our community and JPs represent that community. It means we speak up

against unfairness and mistreatment. It also means we attempt to repair what others (including previous generations) have broken.

Merciful Generosity: The biblical concept of justice does not pit mercy against justice but ties it all together. Biblical justice is loving, merciful, gracious, generous, and restorative. As mentioned earlier, Jesus considered charity an act of doing justice or practicing righteousness (Matthew 6:1-2). When we provide food, clothing, and shelter to those in need, we are doing justice or acting righteously.

The bad news is, we've all participated in injustice. We've been selfish, shirked away from our personal and collective responsibilities, treated people unfairly, and withheld good from people when it was within our power to do it. That is why, in love, Jesus has become the human representative we so desperately need. Though he was personally innocent, he took responsibility. He offered himself as the atoning sacrifice, so that humanity could be held accountable and also have mercy extended to them (see Romans 3:21-26).

When we adopt the biblical perspective on justice, we can *never* self-righteously stand in condemnation of others. Only those who adopt a humble posture of repentance and faith will be "justified" (Luke 18:9-14).

Kieran Murphy JP

SUNDAY SERVICES AT HOLY TRINITY



8.30am Book of Common Prayer Communion, A warm welcome in our beautiful, traditional service.

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Mask wearing is no longer mandatory in church. If you feel unwell, please do not come in person - join us on Zoom at 10:15am.

The church is open every day, 9am-4pm for private prayer & reflection

DATE	THEME	8:30AM	10.15AM
3rd July	Trinity	Book of Common Prayer Communion	Morning Worship
10th July	Trinity: God the Son	Book of Common Prayer Communion	Communion
17th July	Trinity	Book of Common Prayer Communion	Morning Worship
24th July	Trinity	Book of Common Prayer Communion	Communion
31st July	Trinity: God the Holy Spirit	Book of Common Prayer Communion	Morning Worship
7th, 14th, 21st & 28th August		8:30am Book of Common Prayer Communion 10:15am Morning Worship/Communion, also on Zoom.	

MIDWEEK PRAYER & WORSHIP

Wednesdays	10am	Communion at St John's
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FROM THE PARISH REGISTERS

Marriage:

19th May 2022

Alistair Scriven & Meghan Lewis

Death:

4th May 2022

Paul Frederick Killick (58)



Westcott 100 Club

By the time you read this, three tickets will have been drawn for the June quarterly and one-off special Platinum Jubilee draws. We hope the winners have found a suitably regal way to celebrate their wins.

The fund available for grants for good causes and initiatives in the village continues to grow. The Westcott 100 Club will be supporting a party for our Ukrainian guests, their hosts and others on 24 August (Ukraine's Independence Day). More details will be published nearer the time.

Membership costs £25 per year per "ticket". Your number(s) will be entered into four quarterly draws (June, September, December and March) and the regular annual draw in December. Prize values are based on the number of eligible tickets – the more tickets, the bigger the prizes. Don't delay!

For more information on joining the scheme or for the process for applying for funds from the scheme, please email us at westcott.100.club@gmail.com.

We look forward to hearing from you soon.

*Alda Andreotti (Chair), Edwin Harland (Treasurer),
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WestFest

Thank you to everyone who visited the WVA bottle tombola and raised money for the village. Thank you also to everyone who contributed a bottle or bottles to the stall; without your generosity we could not raise the funds we did. We will let you know how much money was raised.



AGM

Thank you also to everyone who joined us for the AGM on 30th June at Holy Trinity; it was great to be able to meet in person rather than virtually over Zoom and to be able to have a drink and chat with everyone afterwards. Minutes of the meeting will be published on the village website www.westcottvillage.com

The Queen's Jubilee

It was great to hear of all the Street Parties which were arranged across the village, and wonderful that the Ukrainian families who we are hosting in the village could participate in the celebration and fun. We are a nation who knows how to do pageantry



and do it well and it was hopefully an opportunity for us to help lighten the spirits of those who would rather be home with their loved ones!

Indigo Spice/Cricketers

Contrary to the grapevine in the village, the WVA has been working behind the scenes to firstly get the owner of Indigo Spice to make the exterior of the building more presentable. MVDC, at our request, has issued him with an improvement notice on the basis that the building is highly visible, within the village Conservation Area, and within the AONB. We will continue to exert pressure to ensure the work is properly completed.

Secondly, we have tried over the last three years to encourage the owner to put forward a Planning Application which complies with the Westcott Neighbourhood Development Plan, and have offered him a number of potential solutions for him to pursue to overcome the parking issue which is causing the main sticking point. At the end of the day the WVA has no power over a private property owner to do anything and can only encourage compliance with planning policies. This is frustrating when the building is so visible within the village.

Street Clean

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cared for. We will send a note out with a date and would encourage anyone who would like to help to join us. You can arrange for the Council to send a kerb cleaning vehicle along your street by going onto the MVDC website and booking a street clean.

Litter pick

We will also be organising a litter pick during the summer. Again, we will send a message out advertising a date, time and place. Last year about 10 young and older volunteers helped collect



a fair amount of rubbish discarded around the village. The activity is popular with young people as part of their “looking after the planet” approach to life.

Comments, suggestions, and other feedback are always welcome and helpful in steering the Association’s thinking and actions.

With my best regards,

Tim Way

Chairman, Westcott Village Association

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As the Magazine goes to print we’re just in the final stages of preparing for WESTfest “On the Beach” 2022 - photos will follow next time.



And Introducing: WESTfestivity!



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JUBILEE CELEBRATIONS



Balchins Lane Platinum Jubilee Street Party



With the road closed from mid-morning on Sunday 5th June, the Platinum Jubilee Team set about transforming the Lane into a party space fit for the Queen! Gazebos were put up to shelter us from the rain, tables were laid and bunting festooned the hedges whilst a steady stream of sumptuous



savouries, sandwiches and beautifully decorated Jubilee Cakes arrived from all parts – not to mention the cheeses!



Everyone gathered, and after a drink or two, and accompanied by music from the decades, we sat down and continued lively conversation with friends and neighbours old and new. Apart from a break for a toast in honour of the Queen, the hubbub continued all afternoon – and after the road was supposed to re open! Everyone contributed to the event and given the smiles, the conversation and

the laughter, everyone enjoyed it too. Special thanks go to the organisers, Lesley, Alda, Fiona and Jenny for bringing everything together to enable neighbours to enjoy such a memorable afternoon.



Milton Street Celebrations

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WESTCOTT VILLAGE HALL TRUST



Happy Summer to all Westcottians!

In May 2022 the Hut and Reading Room charities amalgamated so we are delighted to announce that the number of trustees of the Westcott Village Hall Trust CIO has increased to reflect a more representative and informed Westcott based group. The trustees as of 8 June 2022 are:

Steve Brooks

Hugh Broom

Graham Clark

Lise Copeland

Helen Everett

Sally Hewetson

Hugh Parry

Janet Phillips

Alan Reif

The trustees are considering adopting rules that will regulate the practices and procedures relating to the governance of the Trust; the adoption of its financial statements; the appointment of trustees and the calling of meetings.

The trustees will meet during the summer to receive reports from two committees of the Trust reflecting Management Operations and Property Development. We shall also be taking space at WESTfest to engage with the Village on suggestions for the future of our important village assets.

We currently have a number of midweek slots available for regular use at The Reading Room - Monday daytime, Tuesday afternoon, Wednesday afternoon, Thursday daytime, Friday daytime. We also have a slot on Saturday mornings for a regular activity, leaving space still free for the ever-popular children's party users on Saturday and/or Sunday afternoons. We welcome enquiries for evening parties on Saturday evening and of course funeral wakes, christening celebrations and all-important birthday/anniversary celebrations.



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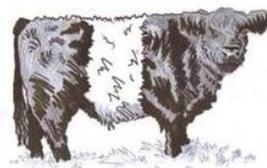
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Tuesday 12th July 2022

The final Lecture in our 2021/22 programme is entitled 'Three Great Families and their gardens: a History of the Astors, Rothschilds and Sackville Wests'. Caroline Rayman will trace the history of the families, discuss their contribution to life in England and celebrate the splendid gardens they have created.



Our society brings people together through a shared interest in the Arts. We meet on the second Tuesday of the month at 10:30am in the Dorking Halls. We welcome new members and further information about how to join us or attend one of our Lectures as a visitor as well as information about our cultural visits and holidays can be found on our website www.theartsocietydorking.org.uk. Our new series of Lectures for 2022/23 commencing in October is already planned.

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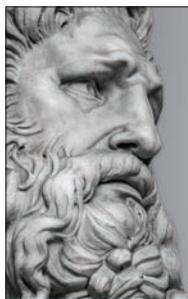
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THE DISTRICT COUNCILLOR WRITES...



A New Role at Mole Valley District Council

At the Annual Meeting of the District Council, I was delighted to be elected by fellow councillors as Vice-Chairman of the Council for the coming year.

As a District, rather than a Borough, Mole Valley selects a Chairman and a Vice-Chairman rather than Mayor and Deputy Mayor but the roles are equivalent. These are entirely non-political roles and custom and practice is that the councillors elected to such positions do not cast a vote in the council chamber unless decisions are tied. I will be serving this year alongside our new Chairman Councillor Paul Potter from Brockham, Betchworth and Buckland.

Paul has family connections to Westcott through his wife, and Consort for the Council year, Anna who tells me that she is a regular Westcott Village Magazine reader. Together we had our first civic outing at the recent Platinum in the Park Jubilee celebrations at Meadowbank, Dorking.

Between the three of us, together with the Editor in her role as Vice-Chairman's Consort and the Council's Chief Executive Karen Brimacombe, we had the honour of handing out the prizes for the children's Fancy Dress competition as well as visiting the stalls.



It was wonderful to see local businesses marketing their wares and some of our societies having the opportunity to profile their causes and how residents can join in with activities. I am pleased to say that Westcott residents have active roles in many of the stalls and activities that took part in the day.



If you want to know more about, for example, the Surrey Arts Society then you can check out their website www.theartsocietydorking.org.uk

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THE DISTRICT COUNCILLOR WRITES... (cont.)

Chairman's Charities

For the year ahead, the Council Chairman has the opportunity to choose to support local charities and I am really pleased that Paul has selected two with Westcott connections.



Leatherhead Start (www.leatherheadstart.org) provides emergency, direct access, short-term accommodation for homeless men and women over the age of 18. Priority is given to those with a local connection to Mole Valley. It was once known as Leatherhead Night Hostel and the hostel staff team is employed and supported by a volunteer Board of Trustees and Directors, headed by their Chair, Myfanwy Tothill, who many Westcott residents will remember from her time teaching at Westcott CoFE First School.

Leatherhead Starts' team of twelve people support their clients throughout their time at the hostel and into the wider community. The project support workers staff the hostel on a 24/7 rota and assist the hostel clients individually through the key-working process, using the Outcome Star model.

The tenant support worker continues this assistance when clients move out

of the hostel and into independent accommodation and, in conjunction with the learning development worker, runs a regular tenancy training programme.

The learning development worker assesses each client for education, training, volunteering and work needs, sourcing and providing daytime activities to address their requirements. She also recruits and manages a team of volunteers and organises events, trips and entertainments.

Paul's other charity is Dorking Men's Shed, part of the UK Men's Sheds Association. I know that there are several Westcott folks active in Dorking Men's Shed and their website (www.dorkingshed.org.uk) is a great place to go to find out how they are supporting mental health and our community



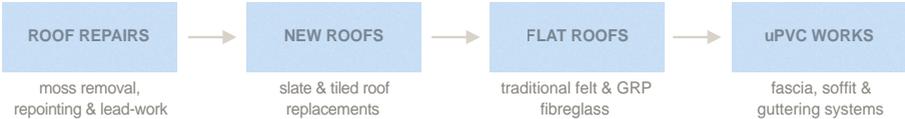


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THE DISTRICT COUNCILLOR WRITES... (cont.)

causes at the same time. The aims of the Dorking Men's Shed are:

- To bring together the men of Dorking and give them a venue to meet and to co-operate on creative workshop projects
- To promote recreational and creative activities, mutual support and joint aid among our members.
- To establish a workshop where our members can meet
- To become involved in Community Projects

Their members meet on Thursday and Saturday mornings from 9.00 a.m. to 1.00 p.m at Hampstead Road Church, Hampstead Road, Dorking, RH4 3EA,

Publicity Offer

If you have an event where you would like the extra publicity of the Council's Civic team coming along then please email chairman.office@molevalley.gov.uk to find out how the council team can support you.

James Friend

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Summer Writing Workshop: THE TURN OF THE TIDE

Sat 13th August 2022 on Zoom - 2:00 to 4:30pm

Helen Overell once again runs the traditional 'summer school' for Mole Valley Poets www.molevalleypoets.co.uk and guests. Expect a warm welcome, poetic stimulation, writing exercises and sharing with supportive friends in a workshop style engaging session on ZOOM. More about Helen <http://www.bayleaf.org.uk/inscapes> Book via Ticketsource £8.00 www.ticketsource.co.uk/mole-valley-poets/t-xmvodon

Mole Valley Poets Charity for 2022 is CRY Reg Charity No 1050845

Harvest – a community celebration of our Surrey Hills landscape: Saturday 17th September

Harvest is an annual event celebrating the outstanding Surrey Hills landscape from the top of the iconic Box Hill. Taking place at dusk on Saturday 17th September, the community are invited to come together for a creative picnic with singing, percussion, poetry and a striking art installation. See www.surreyhillsarts.org



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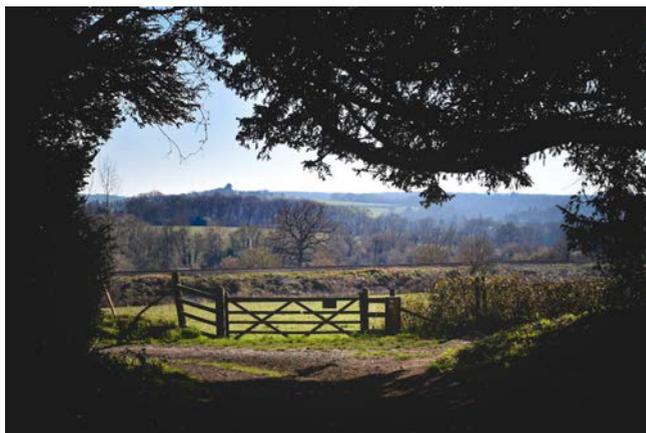




Steam train going through Westcott by Jo Smewing



Wildflowers on the triangle at the bottom of Logmore Lane, maintained by the Gardeners' Club, by Edward Bennett



Rural View by Fiona Humphrey



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After a fantastic first summer half term we are delighted with the progress the pupils have made in so many aspects of their learning at Surrey Hills All Saints. From lots of sports tournaments, amazing class assemblies, to completing SATS and working hard together to be the best all of us can be every single day. I am incredibly proud of our school and all the children within it.

Victorian Day

Year 1 & 2 really enjoyed their Victorian Day. Their outfits looked fab!



Nature garden/ Forest School

We are extremely fortunate to have had such dedicated team of helpers attending our working party day to



make sure our Nature Garden is in great shape for our Forest School sessions. Thank you to all of the parents and children who have helped with this task to make the Nature Garden such a wonderful place to learn.

Jubilee Celebrations

We celebrated the Queen's Jubilee



in style. A picnic lunch was enjoyed outside, along with an afternoon's performance of some may pole

dances. Each class created a portrait of the Queen from a different decade of her reign.



They were amazing!

Well done all!



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The Teddy Bears' Picnic 2022 was a huge success – raising over £8000 for our school. A big thank you for all the donations and to all the amazing volunteers who gave up their time to make it such a great family occasion. It was fantastic to see our extended school community coming together to support this great event - parents, grandparents, pupils (past and present), teachers and school governors. Special thanks to Mr Coles for telling such wonderful stories to the children in the beautiful bell tent provided by #Sleepyilly.



Also a MASSIVE thank you to Becky Smith and Amy Smith for leading our Surrey Hills team and working with the Peaslake team to deliver a brilliant day. Monday 1st May 2023 will be the 40th anniversary of the Teddy Bears' Picnic so pop the date in your diary and make sure you come along to enjoy the celebrations.

Mr Coles

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On page 17 there are some details of Platinum Jubilee celebrations in the village. Going back over 100 years here is an account of the celebrations held in 1918.

'At last. Our prayers are answered, and God has given us Peace - peace with honour, through the bravery and endurance of our men and our women. That is how God generally works, through us.' So wrote the Vicar at the end of the First World War, and the parish magazine went on to describe '...a procession from the Vicarage to the Church, headed by the Old Nines, whose music throughout the day was of the greatest value to us. Flags of the Allies, and a Peace Dove carried by children from the Albany Home, made for colour and spectacular effect. The Church was crammed even to the porch, and such hearty singing has never been surpassed. After the service the children were packed into beautifully decorated wagons, provided with musical instruments, and departed for a drive round the village, making a joyful noise. The afternoon was fully occupied with sports, which went off extremely well. The prizes were kindly given away by Mrs Carey Druce in the evening, just when the rain was setting in. The rain was unfortunate, but the Torchlight Procession and Bonfire seemed to take no heed of it, and everybody went to bed at a very late hour, tired but happy.'

There won't be any readers who recall these celebrations more than one



hundred years ago, but some may remember the street parties that celebrated the end of the Second World War. This was the gathering in Bailey Road.

The Albany Home was an orphanage at the far end of Parsonage Lane (now a private house), but the Local History Group would welcome information about the 'Old Nines', who provided the music for the parade around the village in 1918.

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WESTCOTT HISTORY GROUP

Lonesome Lodge, Broadmoor on 10th May by Robin Daly

Back in November 2019 at the last lecture held in the Reading Room, Robin Daly gave us the story of Broadmoor Hamlet in the Tillingbourne valley. This began around 1600 and there were about 8 dwellings on the earliest map from 1762. He has followed this up with the story of Lonesome Lodge, a Palladian mansion, designed and built in about 1740 by Theodore Jacobsen, a London trader and gentleman architect.

Robin Daly is the Chairman of a charity called 'YestoLife' which helps people and families in various ways when they are enduring the rigours of cancer treatment. The website for the charity is <http://www.yestolife.org.uk>. Donations can be sent by cheque to: Yestolife, 7 Paynes Park, Hitchin, Herts. SG5 1EH. Please be generous.

Several members of the Capel History Society and Robin Daly have compiled a 100 page illustrated booklet about the five families associated with Lonesome Lodge over its 114 years from building in about 1740 to its demolition in 1854 by the Duke of Norfolk and being rebuilt as Tillingbourne House a few miles further down the valley. In 1724 Theodore Jacobsen (1686-1772), who had made his fortune trading in London with the Hanseatic ports of Northern Europe, visited the Dorking countryside and was

inspired by the natural beauty of the area between Leith Hill and Wotton with its streams and ponds. Dorking had acquired a reputation for its fish dish called 'Water Souchy' made as a soup with small fish, particularly perch, carp and tench from the many local mill ponds, served with white wine and parsley. Many people visited Dorking in search of this delicacy.



Theodore Jacobsen

Jacobsen began buying portions of surrounding land from Broadmoor over to Squires Farm and by the time he sold the estate in 1763 it amounted to some 440 acres. He had bought about 6 separate lots of land at about £10 per acre. His inspiration for the house was the Villa Ragona in Italy, and it was finished with sumptuous interior rooms and landscaped around a large pond with decorative fountains and trees on the slopes behind. Theodore Jacobsen had very deep pockets and lavished attention on creating his idyllic summer retreat.

He sold the whole estate in 1763 to Jeremiah Joye, a London merchant and stockbroker for £8,500. Jeremiah died within 3 years and the estate passed to his wife Mary Margaret with



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an ample inheritance but she chose not to remain at 'Lonesome' and in 1767 John Gritton, Jeremiah's nephew and executor, sold the property.

David Franco, a very wealthy diamond dealer and business man in London, bought the Lonesome Estate at the 1767 auction for £10,000 including many farms and fields. When Franco died in 1778, eleven years later, he left the estate in trust for his daughter Catherine, wife of Daniel Haynes, and her family. He also left many generous bequests to various members of his family and staff who had worked for him, and to The London Hospital. After the deaths of Daniel and Catherine, the estate passed first to William, the eldest son, until he died in 1804, and then to David until 1811 when it passed to his son Daniel Franco Haynes. The estate was broken up and it was sold to Robert Barclay of Bury Hill for £9450 in 1821. Daniel and Mary Haynes moved to Ashted and had three children between 1820 and 1825, but Mary eloped with an Irish man and was divorced by Daniel by an Act of

Parliament.

Robert Barclay had bought Bury Hill with some 1000 acres in 1815 and when his son Gurney died in 1820 Robert also bought the Lonesome Estate for his widowed daughter-in-law Mary Elizabeth (Freshfield) who, after 3 marriages to husbands who died, lived at 15 Berkeley Square with 10 servants to the age of 80. In 1831 the estate was sold by Barclay to the Rev Thomas Haughton Harding and it was renamed Tillingbourne Lodge. The Tillingbourne Estate was then sold in 1840 to the Duke of Norfolk for £14,000. It was methodically dismantled in 1854 and rebuilt further north as a smaller Steward's Lodge. It was let to a series of tenants and it was used both by the Army and the Youth Hostel Association, but by 1960 it was deteriorating and was demolished. Today the footprint of Lonesome Lodge and the remnants of the landscaping remain in the hands of Wotton Estate.

Robin Daly provided a most intriguing account of the events and personalities in the life of Jacobsen's magical creation in the Tillingbourne Valley.

There will not be a lecture in August but we anticipate a lecture with the AGM on Tuesday 13th September. As always we remind members that ideas for talk subjects and lecturers they may meet will always be welcomed by the WLHG committee.

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It's been really lovely for some of us to spend some time with the wider community, visiting S.J.s Café and singing to both people and their dogs!!! There have been a few birthdays there too so our singing has been celebratory and we made colourful cards for those whose birthday it was.

Out in our gigantic garden we are becoming rather green fingered! We've been working away, planting lots of things that we will hopefully be able to eat! From tomatoes to courgettes and

peas and carrots to potatoes. Watch this space! Perhaps we can cook them in our mud kitchen! When we do cook we do it in style. We recently made fish cakes from scratch. A whole fish was brought in for us to explore before it became said cake. We wondered at it as we poked, prodded and felt its smooth scales. Such a wonderful learning experience.

One Friday morning we met at the foot of Leith Hill for a sponsored saunter right to the very top. Even our two year olds walked all the way up!! It was such a lovely way to raise some money and for our parents to join us too. The wiggly jelly worms and tasty homemade cakes at the top refuelled us (after a considerable amount of rolling down the grassy hill) to make it back to the bottom. Thank you to all who participated and those who sponsored us.



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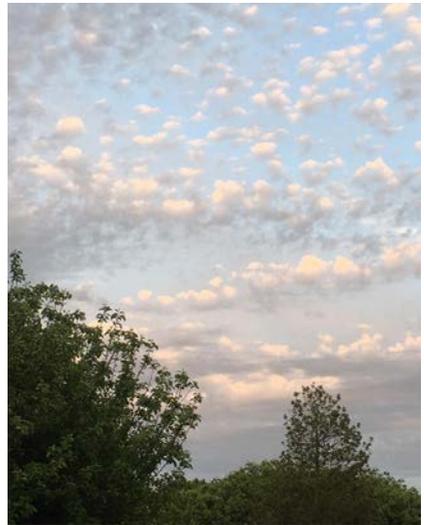
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A lot of maintenance and tidying up work took place at the Memorial Woodland last month because we wanted it looking lovely for our 8th Anniversary since we opened and the Annual Commemoration Service that took place on Saturday 11th June. The day

was a beautiful day with approximately 200 people in attendance. The day started with a splendid selection of music from The Redhill Corp of Drums and Band followed by a Commemoration Service when five families planted saplings and honoured loved ones. We were also greatly honoured ourselves to have Chelsea Pensioner Ted Heath, and The Frimley and Camberley Cadet Corp join us and a Saracen tank on display from Capel Military Show team. After the Commemoration Service our local singer Stu, from the band Gone Country, entertained us with some excellent music. The chef on the BBQ, Veteran Nick Montague, did a stirring job as did those who ran the bar, the hot drinks stall, raffle, bottle tombola and craft stalls all manned by volunteer veterans or partners. A great team effort which raised £1,900 for our Charity.

We are looking towards the summer shows now when we will be taking our QRMW Charity stand with lots of interesting things for sale at bargain prices. So if you are at Capel Military Show, Albury Produce Show or Peaslake Fair do come and have a chat with us. Everything we raise from these events goes into the Memorial Fund to assist our veterans who are down on their luck.

Wishing you all a good summer and if you are in the vicinity of the Memorial Woodland in Pasturewood Road, Holmbury St Mary do drop in, bring a picnic, we have lots of lovely picnic benches under the canopy of our trees.

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The team at Dorking Museum wishes you a happy summer in the expectation that we will be experiencing good weather and freedom from most of the restrictions of previous summers. Many will be making the most of this and enjoying the pleasures of the beautiful area in which we live.

Walking in Dorking: The Museum continues its popular programme of guided walks in and around the area. Sunday walks in the town, leaving from the Museum, are Hidden Historic Dorking, revealing the hidden treasures you may have walked past (10 and 31 July, 14 and 28 August, 2pm); and a Family History Detective walk (17 July and 21 August, 2pm), suitable for children aged 4-10, which asks, 'Can you be a history detective to find the things shown in the photos?'



Out-of-town Sunday walks feature the Deepdene Trail, including exclusive access to the grade 2* listed Hope family Mausoleum, leaving from Dorking Golf Club clubhouse (10 July and 7 August, 2pm); and a Betchworth Castle tour, with exclusive access

to the castle enclosure, leaving from the entrance to Betchworth Park Golf Club (17 July and 21 August, 2pm).

Please book in advance. See dorkingmuseum.org.uk/guided-walks-around-dorking/ for these and other scheduled dates, details and bookings. Private group bookings can also be made to suit your requirements for timing and itinerary (other themed walks are available).

'Rewildings': Someone who has been inspired by the landscape of the Mole Trail between Leatherhead and Dorking is local artist Daisy McMullan. The Museum's summer exhibition features a display of new paintings that she created especially for this event. The works depict various forms of rewilding: the scattering of wildflowers, preservation of rare plants on the riverbanks, and the maintenance of areas of outstanding natural beauty. Prints and cards of Daisy's 'Rewildings' paintings are available from the Museum shop.



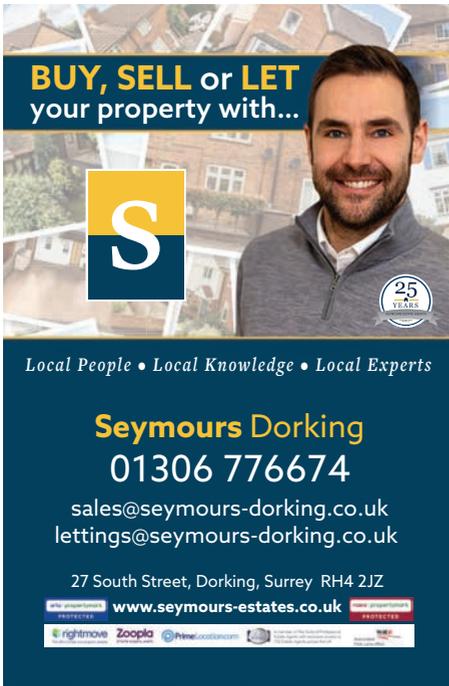
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Alden House

Summer Family Activity: The Museum's family activity this summer invites families to 'Play the Old-Fashioned Way'. Very popular last summer, the museum has wooden board games, like bagatelle or shove ha'penny, noughts and crosses or tangram available to play during museum hours. This time we have added other objects that children may be unfamiliar with but can have



a go at – a gramophone, record-player, typewriter, dial telephone, old radio, cameras and the like. July 28th to August 27th.

South Street Caves: Open days for cave tours are on the last Saturday of each month until October, with tours at 10am, 11am, 1pm, 2pm. These sell out quickly, so additional open days are being added (including Sunday 17th July): check the website for availability, or why not arrange a private tour for a special group or occasion? Please see dorkingmuseum.org.uk/south-street-caves/ for details and booking.

Dorking Museum is at 62 West Street, Dorking RH4 1BS. Thursday 1pm-4pm, Friday and Saturday 10am-4pm. Free entry, but donations welcome. Visit www.dorkingmuseum.org.uk. Enquiries to admin@dorkingmuseum.org.uk or phone 01306 876591.

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When thinking about what to write, I got to thinking about what irks me? At the moment it's plastic. Now don't get me wrong – I do not live a plastic free life – but boy would I like to. So, what's stopping me? I guess the fundamental problem is, that it is easy to use and hard to avoid. Although there have been many initiatives from supermarkets, to get rid of their single use bags in favour of "Bags for Life", there is still a lot of packaging which I have to deal with when I unpack at home.

So where does all this single use plastic go. In the UK I'm sure that many of us are doing our bit to try to reduce our plastic waste but the truth is that plastics are still being produced. With this being the case and knowing that there is a fundamental problem with it, something surely has to change!

A report in 2020 by National Geographic, predicted that – "*plastic trash that flows into the oceans every year is expected to nearly triple by 2040 to 29 million metric tons*". This astounding and somewhat depressing figure was part of a two year study by Pew Charitable Trusts & System IQ Ltd. They report that global plastic production is on track to increase 40% by 2030, with hundreds of billions of

dollars being invested in new plastic production plants, locking us into the status quo. Their solution is for a complete overhaul of the plastics industry, replacing it with a circular economy, which recycles and reuses whatever we have already in the system, rather than creating more as is currently the case. They estimate that to implement this new system would cost \$600 billion which, believe it or not, is in fact a saving of \$70 billion, on the current costs of running the plastics industry as it currently stands.



73% of all litter on our beaches worldwide, is made of plastic and 40% of all plastic made, is single use, meaning it can't be recycled! These figures are not only disturbing but worrying for our wildlife. The fish in our seas are now being affected by these plastics which start to break down into micro plastics which can end up inside the fish we eat. Its one thing to do a litter pick and clear up all the large pieces of rubbish we see – but trillions of barely visible pieces of plastic are

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now floating around in the world's oceans. These are then ingested by wildlife including those in our own food chain.

A review of four decades of research conducted in 2016, indicates that the number of marine fish species found with plastic inside them has quadrupled over that period. It is not surprising that the actual amount of plastic that fish consume depends on how much plastic is in their immediate environment. It stands to reason then, that species that live in ocean regions known to have a lot of plastic pollution, such as the Mediterranean and the coasts of East Asia, were found with more plastic in their stomachs.

Of course many of us are concerned with the amount of plastic ending up in our oceans and it is easy to point the finger at other countries, for example around East Asia, for shoddy practices of getting rid of their plastics. Indeed certain countries are less regulated than others and this can sometimes mean that rubbish ends up being dumped in places like the sea, rather than being recycled.

In 2020, a study by RAJA rated India as the top worst offender for plastic waste in the oceans, with a staggering 126.5 million kg of plastic per year being dumped into the ocean. The USA actually produces double this amount of plastic but not as much of it

ends up in our oceans, or does it? Now before we all jump up and down and declare India to be failing in its duty to help the environment, it helps to know the truth behind the waste disposal of other 'developed' countries.

You see the USA actually exported the equivalent of 1.07 million kg of plastic to other countries to deal with their own waste problem. Some of the countries they exported their waste to, have better waste disposal programs than others, such as Canada or South Korea. But huge quantities of waste were also shipped from the USA to countries with poor waste management systems like Malaysia, Thailand and India, which took 19%, 10% and 12% of US plastic waste respectively.

When countries such as the UK & the US ship their plastic waste abroad they are unbelievably, able to claim it has been recycled! This then remarkably, fulfills the 'obligation for developed countries to effect a greater positive change for the environment'. So, whilst it is easy for us to point the finger at many poorer countries for their recycling practices, let's not forget the amount of plastic we 'developed' countries are sending their way in our own attempt to claim that we





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The problem isn't that people aren't recycling enough. The problem is that there is still far too much throwaway plastic being produced – so much in fact that we're having to burn it or dump it on other countries to deal with. If the UK produced half as much single-use plastic as it currently does, we could end waste exports altogether, and send less plastic into incineration and landfill.

However, the production of plastic has been and still is, a profitable prospect which began way back in the early decades of the 20th century. The petrol and chemical industries began to form alliances with companies like Dow Chemicals, ExxonMobil, DuPont and BASF. These companies are still

the major producers of raw material resins for the plastics industries today. These alliances were driven by the desire to make use of waste material from processing crude oil and natural gas. Unfortunately, with these big companies still making a profit from the use of their waste materials from oil and gas, the likelihood of anything changing soon is remote.

Unfortunately, the UK makes it into tenth place of the top ten of plastic dumpers in the world, with 703 thousand kg of plastic dumped each year! This is clearly nothing to be proud of and is not going to reduce all the time new plastics are being made.

Surely the solution has to be to stop producing any more plastic. Yet the way we consume, we are constantly perpetuating the problem. Packaging materials, account for almost half of all plastic waste globally! So, while we wait for our own governments to get on board with a total ban on creating more plastic - what can we do to be part of the solution?





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- 1) Lobby your MP to make the move to a plastic free world.
- 2) When buying fruit and veg go for the ones which are loose.
- 3) When ordering things online – look for recycled packaging solutions often offered by environmentally conscious businesses.
- 4) Carry a reusable bottle for cool drinks
- 5) Say no to plastic straws
- 6) Take your own reusable coffee cup if buying a takeout coffee/tea.
- 7) Say no to plastic cutlery – just pop a fork into your bag and have it ready if you need it.
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