

August 2018

# 3 Heralds

STORRINGTON  SULLINGTON  THAKEHAM



## Scarecrows in the Churchyard Storrington *In Bloom*



St Mary's Church SULLINGTON



St Mary's Church STORRINGTON



St Mary's Church THAKEHAM



Holy Sepulchre WARMINGHURST  
(Churches Conservation Trust)

# THE PARISH CHURCHES OF

**St Mary  
STORRINGTON**



**St Mary  
SULLINGTON**



**St Mary  
THAKEHAM**

## IN THE DIOCESE OF CHICHESTER

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### SULLINGTON AND THAKEHAM WITH WARMINGHURST

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**All telephone numbers are 01903 unless otherwise stated.**



For some of us, August is the month to keep off the roads and water the garden. But for anyone with a family it is holiday time, and for young people it is often the time for adventurous expeditions, or perhaps big Christian assemblies like Soul Survivor or a Christian camp. For the Church, it is a time for mission.

Missions are one way of doing evangelism, of creating experiences and opportunities which allow a person to make a life changing decision, to say “yes” to Jesus with all their heart and soul and mind and strength.

The *Chemin Neuf* Community run missions for young people, like the Young Adults Festival at Hautecombe Abbey by Lake Berger in the Haute-Savoie. Last year 1700 attended. *Chemin Neuf* also runs Cana Weeks for couples and their families (Felicity and I should be just back from a Cana mission in Ireland when you read this). Cana missions happen all over the world in over 50 countries, including China and India. Later this month we go to Gloucestershire to help at *Noah's Camp*, a five-day festival for families held in a Roman Catholic couple's field.

These events will be fun, and quite energetic for the young people, and challenging. But the key in the end is that they will provide a moment when people can say “yes” to Jesus. They are evangelistic.

*What makes someone participate in these evangelistic events?*

Some will come simply because they appreciate that a friend has taken the trouble to invite them.

Some come because they are searching for something missing perhaps in their life.

Some are inspired by what they hear and read, heroic examples of Christian endeavour.

Some will have been prayed for, like Monica praying for her wayward son, Augustine.

Some come because they have been touched by some act of kindness or generosity or healing.

And some people are simply touched by God in a personal moment of transcendent awareness.

*How did you come to be a Christian?*

The point is that if there are people out there, people like us, looking for happiness, looking for inspiring role models, needing healing or liberation, then evangelism has to be every church's top priority. “Go

and tell the good news,” was what Jesus trained his disciples to do. He formed ‘missionary disciples’.

You may not think of yourself as an ‘evangelist’, but anyone who invites friends to occasions when the Gospel is proclaimed, anyone who brings prayer and words of comfort to those in difficulty, anyone who is seeking to imitate Jesus in their daily life, are all ‘evangelists’.

We can all be ‘missionary disciples’; there are so many ways to evangelise. The question is: does our faith mean so much to us that we want others to share our experience? Jesus said the kingdom of God was like treasure buried in a field that a man bought in order to acquire that treasure. If we love God and our neighbour, then we all have a treasure to be shared with everyone.

With love and prayer

CHARLES HADLEY

Assistant Priest, St Mary's, Storrington

## PRAYER FOR THE MONTH

Bless to me, O God, the earth beneath my feet.  
Bless to me, O God, the path on which I go.  
Bless to me, O God, the people whom I meet.  
O God of all gods, bless to me my life.



## ST MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS RAFA CHAPEL SUSSEXDOWN

Communion with the residents  
24 August at 11.30am

BCP Holy Communion in the Chapel at Sussexdown  
Please do come and join us; visitors are welcome  
For more details phone Jo Graves on 742586

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# St Mary's Thakeham

Thakeham and Sullington share this verse for the year. We're a joint benefice which means we also share our priest - although our styles are different.

[www.thakehamchurch.com](http://www.thakehamchurch.com)

### Churchwardens

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Roger Watts (01798 813775)

### Gift Aid Officer

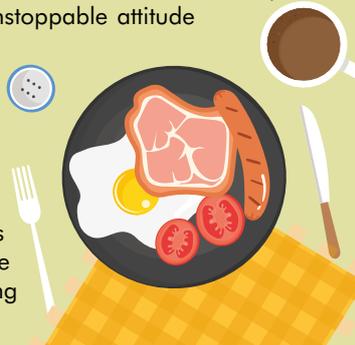
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## MEN'S BREAKFAST

This took place on Saturday 9 June, in Thakeham Village Hall. As usual there was a delicious cooked breakfast and an inspirational speaker, Bartholomew (Bart) Gee. Bart has been severely disabled since birth, his parents being told he would never walk; but Bart had other plans! Although a very amusing and articulate speaker, I know at least one of those present was moved to tears by his unstoppable attitude to challenges.

The next Men's Breakfast will be in the Autumn. Watch out for the date and book a place as quickly as you can, you won't be disappointed. Please contact Derek or Lis on 01798 813012 for more information. Feel free to bring a friend along.



## Thakeham & Sullington Church Youth Groups

Come and join one of our fortnightly Friday evening youth groups

**MILESTONES** is aimed at children in years 7 and 8 of secondary school, and consists of games, crafts and discussions about moral issues, with a healthy sprinkling of 'God Stuff'. It runs from 6pm to 7.15pm in the Church Rooms at Thakeham.

**T&IF** (Thank God It's Friday), is aimed at years 9 upwards, and, like Milestones, has games and different activities based around a termly theme. It runs from 7.30pm to 9pm at the Church Rooms in Thakeham.

For more information about the youth work of Thakeham and Sullington, please contact Matt and Pippa at: [youthwork.stmarysthakeham@gmail.com](mailto:youthwork.stmarysthakeham@gmail.com), or call 01798 817522

## GUIDED TOURS OF SULLINGTON CHURCH AND FARMSTEAD

At 2pm every Wednesday

Guided tour of the ancient farmstead and Church at Sullington.

Meet by the Rector's parking space.



No charge but donations to ongoing repair work greatly appreciated.



## Knit and Stitch Tea on Tuesday



Come along, meet with friends and catch up over your favourite stitch-craft project.

Thakeham Church Rooms  
21 August between 2pm and 4pm



All welcome. Enquiries to Wynn Lednor - 743025

## SUNDAY TEAS

12 August at 3pm

At the home of  
Elk and Chris Whitehead

Harbour Lights, Thakeham Road,  
Storrington RH20 3PP

Further information available from  
Wynn Lednor 743025



“The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases, his mercies never come to an end: they are new every morning; great is thy faithfulness”. Lamentations 3:22-23

# What's happening at St Mary's Sullington



[www.st-marys-sullington.org](http://www.st-marys-sullington.org) [info@st-marys-sullington.org](mailto:info@st-marys-sullington.org)

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#### Freewill Offering & Gift Aid Officer

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#### Church Fabric Officer

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Let the beauty of Jesus be seen in us

Don't forget to keep an eye on our website for up to date information regarding service times and events

## SUMMER EVENSONG AT SULLINGTON CHURCH

*Evensong will be held at 6pm  
on the first Sunday of each month  
at St. Mary's, Sullington*

David Whitehead and Harold Linfield will lead sessions as follows:

5 Aug Slavery past and present

2 Sep Changing attitudes between men and women

7 Oct Those incarcerated in prison

Changes to approaches to the marginalized in society over the years, inspired by Christ's examples in the New Testament

## The Wild Fortune Quiet Garden



Jesus said, 'Come with me by yourselves to a quiet place and get some rest.' Mark 6:31

Rooted in the Christian contemplative tradition of prayer and hospitality, the vision of the Wild Fortune Quiet Garden is to provide space for stillness and quiet prayer in accompanied silence in the surroundings of our home and garden and the adjoining woods of Sandgate Park.

We are open monthly on a Wednesday from 10am -12.30pm

12 September and 10 October – dates to be confirmed

The house and garden are closed during August

Spaces are limited to 8 and booking is essential

To reserve a space, please contact:  
Tessa & Mark Holland Tel: 741904

Email: [wildfortune@btinternet.com](mailto:wildfortune@btinternet.com)

Blog: [www.wildfortuneblog.blogspot.co.uk](http://www.wildfortuneblog.blogspot.co.uk)

Affiliated to the Quiet Garden Trust. Details of other Quiet Gardens in West Sussex and worldwide are available on the Trust's website. [www.quietgarden.org](http://www.quietgarden.org)



## ST MARY'S CHURCH, SULLINGTON TEA WITH THE VICAR



On a lovely sunny afternoon on 14 June, a group of parishioners from St Marys, Sullington, met for a get together for a Tea with (or without) the Vicar event hosted by Phillippa and Mike Warner. The tea and cakes were excellent, and the location at Houghton Bridge idyllic. We all enjoyed a lovely warm afternoon on the banks of the River Arun, with the South Downs in the distance blanketed in fields of hay and corn, and a spectacular field of poppies brightening the whole landscape.

Although we enjoyed our visit very much, the time flew by and all too soon it was time to leave. A very relaxing afternoon in good company, and our thanks go to Mike and Phillippa for their hard work and generosity.

All are welcome to our Tea with the Vicar but please phone the host for catering purposes.



What's happening at

# St Mary's Storrington

For Clergy see page 3 [www.storringtonparishchurch.org.uk](http://www.storringtonparishchurch.org.uk) [office@storringtonparishchurch.org.uk](mailto:office@storringtonparishchurch.org.uk)

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### PCC Secretary

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### Retired Clergy

Revd John Peal (743083)  
Revd Jaquie Peal (743083)

**Verger:** Michael Taylor (742218)

### Sacristy Team

Rosemary Wills (01798 813206)  
Stella Hastings & John Taylor (745477)

### Captain of Bellringers

John Taylor (745477)

### Pastoral Scheme

Barbara Buchanan (741916)

### Recorder

Rob and Alison Wall (743713)

### Readers and Sidesmen

Vera Blake (743974)

### Electoral Roll Officer

Vacant

### Director of Music

Stephen Bloxham

### Assistant Organists

Ian Miles  
Chrystalle Kersley  
Peter Lewis  
Keith Smithers  
Simon Whitchurch

**Footsteps** (Sunday School):  
Jackie Lee (743661)

### Church Flowers

Anna Forster (745392)

### Child Protection Officer

Jackie Lee (743661)

### Bible Reading Fellowship

Amanda Hislop (743700)

### Bible Society

Jean Hunt (01798 813681)

### Christian Aid Co-ordinator

Anna Forster (745392)

## REGULAR ACTIVITIES

**Church Services** see page 18.

**Footsteps (Sunday School):** 9.45am every Sunday, except 1st Sunday of the month, half term and school holidays.

**Choir:** Fridays, 6.40pm - 7.45pm. Anyone interested in joining the choir please contact the Revd Jaquie Peal – 743083.

**Altar Servers:** Revd Jaquie Peal (743083)

**Bellringers:** Fridays, 7.45pm - 9.30pm.

**Handbells:** Mondays, 10am. Kathleen Osgood (01403 780928)

**Church Cleaning:** Jeannie Watten (742542)

**Church & Churchyard Maintenance:** Ray Hunt (01798 813681)

**Mothers' Union:** Jean Hunt (01798 813681)

**Bible Study / Home Groups:** The Monday Home Group is at 23 Orchard Gardens from 2.30pm. The group reconvenes in October. Contact Chrystalle on 744269.

**Sunday Lunch Club** (ecumenical): Second Sunday in the month. See page 18.

## HISTORIC CHURCHES RIDE & STRIDE

Sussex Churches will be open on Saturday 9 September for this annual event, when people are sponsored to cycle, walk or ride from church to church. Money raised is divided between the Sussex Historic Churches' Trust and the participant's own church. If you would like to take part, or organize a group, please contact Sam Ward on 893794 for details.



## AFTERNOON TEA & CROQUET

in  
Storrington  
Rectory Garden

**SAT 18 AUGUST**  
**2.30 ~ 5.00pm**

**TICKETS: £6.50**

from the Rectory Office, Rectory Road, Storrington (742888)  
(Office open Tuesday and Thursday, 10am - 1pm)

**OPEN TO ALL ~ CHILDREN WELCOME**

Proceeds in aid of St Mary's Church, Storrington

## STORRINGTON REGISTERS

**Baptisms** – we welcome into the Lord's family ...

24 June Thomas Jason Lesuc (son of Heather and Catalin)

**Funerals** – we commend to God's nearer keeping...

21 June William Oliver McNeill (88 years)

25 June Evelyn Anne Hendrie (83 years)

**Interment of ashes only:**

21 June John Anthony James Hamshaw (80 years)

26 June John Martin Jennings (95 years)

**More Tea Vicar**

Saturdays in August (except 18 August)  
**2pm - 4.30pm**  
at St Mary's Church, Storrington  
In aid of St Mary's Church Fabric Appeal  
Seating outside (weather permitting)

Why not also visit Storrington Museum's free Exhibition?

Tea/Coffee & Biscuits/Cake for just £2.50



## RECTOR RESUSCITATES!

On 13 June, eight members of St Mary's Church, Storrington and one from West Chiltington Church attended a first aid course, run by Alan Hyde of Essex First Aid Training Services. The course is AoFAQ Level

3- Emergency First Aid at Work (RQF). The qualification is valid for 3 years, in compliance with Health and Safety Regulations 1981, and is a recognised national qualification.

We were taught how to deal with unresponsive casualties, shock, burns and much more, and then had great fun practicing resuscitation, including the Rector, Revd Kathryn Wndslow.

# HARVEST FESTIVAL AT STORRINGTON

The Church will be decorated on **Friday 5 October, starting at 9.30am**

Contributions of fresh produce, eggs, preserves, etc., gratefully received.  
*Extra helpers welcome.*

## SUNDAY 7 OCTOBER

10.00am **Harvest Family Communion:** everyone is invited to bring gifts of produce. The produce will be sold in support of The Chichester Diocesan Appeal at the end of the service.

6.00pm **Harvest Festival Songs of Praise:** followed by

7.30pm **Harvest Supper in the Old School:** tickets available in Church or from Rectory Office from mid-September

## UPDATE FROM TGIF

It was quality not quantity that mattered at our Praise in the (car) Park – Ignite Service in July. Competing with World Cup matches and 30 degrees beach weather on a Friday evening resulted in a small but beautifully formed congregation enjoying all the more burgers and cake together with the heartfelt message from our special guest all the way from Texas. Mark was impressed by the weather conditions imported especially to make him feel at home!



End of term saw our annual camp at Champs Hill providing fun and friendship once again for our young people. This year we enjoyed a variety of



activities and teaching sessions on the theme of the environment or more particularly our responsibility towards recycling and natural resources. The next generation of eco-warriors ready to save the world!



### Christians in Storrington

*Monthly Inter-Church Prayer Meetings*  
*Everyone welcome*

Do join us in the side-chapel at Our Lady of England RC Church – 10am - 10.30am on the first Tuesday of each month.

**Tuesday 7 August** Storrington Community Church will lead  
**Tuesday, 4 September** Church of England will lead

*One in faith and love and praise*

### STORRINGTON HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

## SUMMER SHOW

**SATURDAY 4 AUGUST**  
**2PM**

**STORRINGTON VILLAGE HALL**

**PLANT STALL ~ RAFFLE**  
**REFRESHMENTS**

**ADMISSION**  
**ADULTS 50P, CHILDREN FREE**

## LETTER FROM BISHOP RICHARD



As I write this, the temperatures are soaring into the 30s and look set to remain so for the next few weeks. This in itself is not an indicator of human induced climate change, but the scientific evidence for that is now overwhelming. It really is the most vital issue for our species to address if we don't want half our country under water in 100 years. And yet our local MPs report that they don't get a huge amount of correspondence about it. Other things seem more pressing. There is something in the human psyche that allows us to prioritise the urgent over the vital. We have a natural predisposition to focus on our personal concerns before spiralling out with decreasing levels of energy to family, community, and world.

Sometimes we need what is called 'disruptive leadership'. The Bible calls it the prophetic voice: an irritating reminder that things are not as well as they seem, and we cannot carry on the same way as we always have. Prophets tend to have a hard time of it because they challenge inertia. Jesus was a prophet par excellence in this regard. He was never driven by the expedient or politically correct. He reminded people that the most pressing thing they needed to think about was their relationship with God and how that affected their dealings with other human beings. That remains the most pressing issue for us today. May we all hear afresh Jesus' disruptive voice to move us out of our comfort zones to real kingdom living.

+Richard  
Rt Revd Richard Jackson  
Bishop of Lewes

St Mary's Church, Storrington, needs your  
**STAMPS** PLEASE SAVE ALL YOUR STAMPS

and leave in the box in the Church porch...  
they can be converted to much needed funds for our Church.  
Please pass the message to all your friends and neighbours.



Support your local church with the annual  
Sussex Historic Churches Trust

**RIDE + STRIDE**

Saturday 8 September  
9am till 5pm

Fundraising event [www.rideandstride.info](http://www.rideandstride.info)

Get sponsored and support some of the most interesting churches in Sussex – half the proceeds to your own Church. Details and sponsorship forms from Sam Ward (01903 893794)



FOOD AND WINE PAIRINGS

# FIVE COURSE TASTER MENU & WINE EVENING

(MATCHING SOFT DRINKS AVAILABLE)

**SATURDAY**  
**8 SEPTEMBER**  
**7.00 for 7.30pm**



at the Old School, School Lane  
Storrington, RH20 4LL

**TICKETS: £12.50 per person**

from Fowlers Estate Agents, Storrington (745844)  
and King & Chasemore Estate Agents, Storrington (745761)

TASTE YOUR WAY AROUND THE WORLD!



St Mary's Church  
Church Street  
Storrington

Wednesday 15 August  
10am to 11.30am

And every 3rd Wednesday of the month

Come and join us for a friendly 'cuppa'  
with the Rector or Curate

**WOULD YOU LIKE TO JOIN THE ST MARY'S,  
STORRINGTON, BAND OF HANDBELL RINGERS?**

Come and learn to play handbells – we practise in Storrington Church on Monday mornings at 10am. New players are very welcome.

Kathleen Osgood (01403 780928)





## SULLINGTON 122 YEARS AGO

### EXTRACTS FROM CANON PALMER'S DIARY – AUGUST 1896

**Sat 1:** Fine and bright. 61 degrees. Called at the Cottage and saw young Trench and Jack: the latter has an Admiralty appointment as Superintendent Engineer and leaves for Mauritius and the Cape on Friday, harbour surveying. All the rest go to a party at the Austins.

**Sun 2:** Trinity IX. Fine dull. 61 degrees. Congregations only fair, 7 only to Holy Communion (alas for the vacations). Preached old sermon on "The Overlordship of Jehovah" Psalm XXIV and an *extempore* address on Matthew XVII. G. Cartwright and a doctor came over to tea and remained for the evening.

**Mon 3:** Fine but overcast. A little rain in the evening. 62 degrees. Freddy, Kate and Bertha came to lunch; the first very fat and queer looking: the last much better. A quiet Bank holiday for us, Musgrave to Brighton. A calf to the heifer.

**Tue 4:** Fine but fresher. 58 degrees. Council and Board. Old John to the fore and being worsted on an amendment, was rude as usual. Ellie Brohlmann writes hoping we shall come to their neighbourhood, Bagnolles De L'Orme. Lifting potatoes.

**Wed 5:** As yesterday. 58 degrees. Paid small bills in Storrington. Webster arriving on a two or three weeks stay for reading. Cleared out fernery pond.

**Thu 6:** Fine but quite fresh from the north. 58 degrees. Large garden party at Sandgate, which went off well, though morning here dull and cold. Expected Humphreys this evening who came not.

**Fri 7:** Dull, fine. 58 degrees. A picnic at Amberley with the Cartwrights. Cicely and I remained at home. WBC came in afternoon. Webster relegated to the farm.

**Sat 8:** Much as yesterday. 58 degrees. Some showers. Change to cold. Some rain but not very much.

**Sun 9:** Trinity X. Dull and unsettled. Some showers. 58 degrees. Preached on the Pursuit of Pleasure Ending in Poverty and in evening on the Parable of the Two Sons.

**Mon 10:** Dull morning. 60 degrees. Had a satisfactory letter from Hal from Colombo 20 July. Took WBC for a short drive as he is a little lame. Humphrey appeared at last. Harriet leaves.

**Tue 11:** Fine, warm again. 64 degrees. To Brighton with WBC, and saw Blaker who did not think the sebaceous cyst required excision. Some tennis here for the youth.

**Wed 12:** Very warm. 66 degrees. The early morning very much occupied with my 3 pupils. To Horsham in mid-day, meeting Bradourne and Olbery and Chasemore – agreed on selling the two properties outside of Bruges. Flower show at Pulborough.

**Thu 13:** As yesterday. 64 degrees. Worked all morning. 1 Corinthians XVII. Horace Satires book II and Thucydes book VIII! Visited Sam in hospital. The boys went to Brighton and returned late.

**Fri 14:** Showery morning, then fine. 59 degrees. Lord Zouche sent us a haunch of venison. The girls accompanied the Austins to see Sussex v Australians and much enjoyed it. I visited Sandy Lane people.

**Sun 16:** Trinity XI. Fine, bright with fresh North Westerly. 59 degrees. Fair morning, poor evening congregations. Sermons on the lesson in the morning and in evening on Psalm 84. Lighted up for the first time.

**Mon 17:** As yesterday very dry. 59 degrees. To an SPG meeting at Wiston Rectory where a full room but N. absent owing to his son's illness at Chatham, one Priestly of Kolapore Bombay and Mr Codrington, late of Melanesia, spoke. Dear Hal sent me some whist markers.

**Tue 18:** Dull and rainy morning then clear. 60 degrees. Board of Guardians. Reed has a 'clean sheet', much ahead in consequence of the new Agricultural Rating Act. With Cicely to Washington Vicarage, one of my last visits under the present Vicar.

**Wed 19:** Fine, some thunder in afternoon. W played in Storrington versus Petworth, when the Storrington won by 6 wickets. A sale of work for home missions at Sandgate, where the others went.

**Thu 20:** Fine and bright. 58 degrees. Rode over to call on Pickering who looks woefully thin and wan, but cheery. Mr and Mrs Austin and Miss Rivett-Carnac with a fiddle, dined: Zouche venison excellent.

**Fri 21:** Fine until noon when some misty rain until 5. 57 degrees. Left my 3 pupils for Chichester and Asylum Committee, advanced Dr Kidd on his showing three months: looked over the building with Innes. The rest (Musgrave excepted) go to a dance at Storrington given by the pupils.

**Sat 22:** Fine, bright. 61 degrees. Cicely passes her exams in French and German. The 2 Cantabs. go to Brighton and come home late. Musgrave to Chichester. I visit Bowers and Lusker.

**Sun 23:** Trinity XII. Overcast with a little scud in the morning then fine and hot. 65 degrees. Thin morning congregations (but WV Fenton there!), good evening preached from notes on "Being Fools for Christ".

**Mon 24:** Working up all day from South West. Rain at night. 65 degrees. Webster and Humphreys left with much luggage: they were very well behaved but a little off hand as visitors. Cicely and I played croquet at Sandgate with Mrs Fenton and friend.

**Tue 25:** Some heavy storms from the West. 58 degrees. Drove into Worthing with Clara: called on the Farmers. Heard of the death of old Potter.

**Wed 26:** Good. As yesterday. Quite fresh from West. 51 degrees. Ella Conybeare arrived from Graffam with 3 girls. Visited Paige, Crowhurst and Parkinson.

**Thurs 27:** Fine but unsettled. 54 degrees. Had a small and last tennis gathering: Wright, Amphletts and Wilson, Cadman, Bartlett and Dawnay with Allen and his sister. Cecily opens an account at the bank.

**Fri 28:** Fine and fresh. 57 degrees. Took Clara and May to Pulborough for the day at Tunbridge Wells: interviewed Albery at Pulborough, walked home calling at Roundabouts.

**Sat 29:** Cool and overcast. 56 degrees. Musgrave left: a thoroughly gentleman-like unselfish fellow, physically rather feeble, mentally average. George C Gibson came over and bored me a long while about his lost farms. Called on Faithfull, Hemingway, and married Allen Seargent to EM Broadbridge.

**Sun 30:** Trinity XIII. Fine, warmer, dull. 61 degrees. Fair congregations. Preached old sermon on the proverb "The Tongue", in evening notes on "The Good Samaritan".

**Mon 31:** Heavy thunder, rain early. 58 degrees. A welcome fall which has freshened us up a little. School begins with 23 but packing and preparing, the usual unrest.

Spent September in Normandy.

**Rotary Club of Storrington & Pulborough District**

**CAR BOOT SALE**

**STORRINGTON LIBRARY CAR PARK  
8am until 12noon**

**Bank Holiday Monday  
27 August**

Pitches available at £7 per car and from £10 for vans.  
All proceeds go to charitable causes supported by Rotary.



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by Muriel Astley

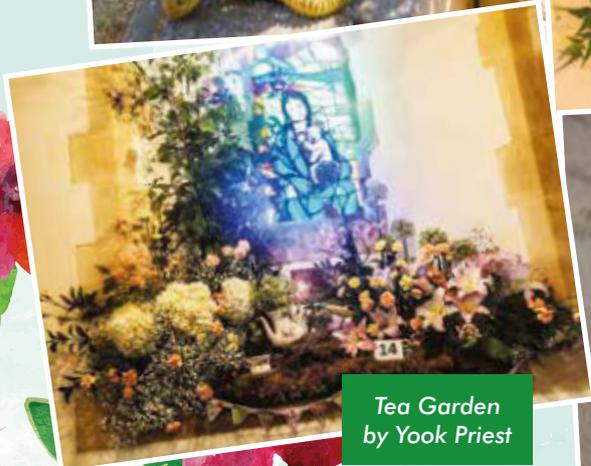


# St Mary's Church, Sullington Flower & Craft Festival 2018 A Gardener's World

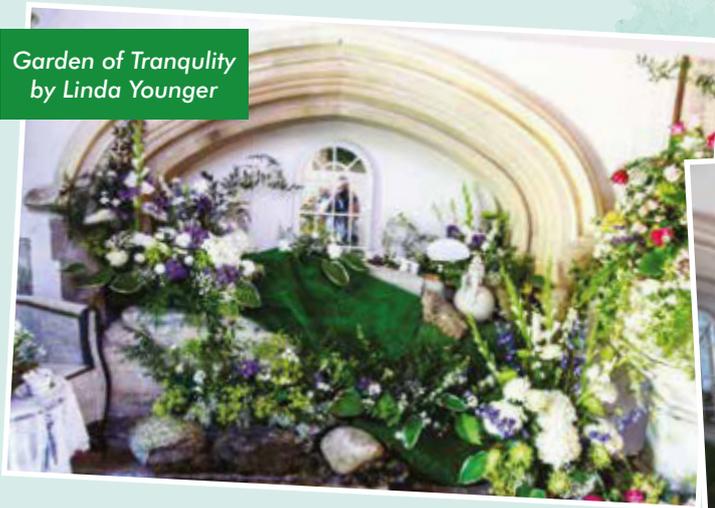
English Garden  
Gateway to Eden  
by Barbara Pert  
& Mollie Williams



Tea Garden  
by Yook Priest



Garden of Tranquility  
by Linda Younger



What an amazing amount of work went into the 2018 Flower Festival weekend and we were well rewarded. We were so blessed with the weather which enabled visitors to wander around the Church and surrounding Sullington Manor Farmstead at a peaceful pace to appreciate the location, the flower arrangements, the children's art competition and especially the gentle sound of the folk band 'Sounds and Sweet Airs'. Thank you also to the South Downs craftsmen who came to show us their beautiful crafts.

This is a lovely community event in Sullington and one which shows the tremendous care and dedication of all who love this little Church nestled in the South Downs. There was a wide choice of Church stalls manned by our very own Church congregation and friends of the Church, offering homemade and home-grown goods. Many bargains were to be had at the Nearly-New stand. This biennial event is a major fundraising event for St Mary's Church, Sullington and it was brilliant to see so many visitors old and new come to see us at our loved Church.

Bernard Sinton, our interim Rector, said, "We hope that, surrounded by this wonderfully fresh and green countryside, you will stop and wonder on the beauty and the mystery of God's creation on display here.

The scope and lovely atmosphere of the event is a testament to the friendliness of the people of Sullington Church and what can be achieved when united in a cause."

Thank you everyone who contributed in any way for your time, energy and enthusiasm. We are very thankful to all the wonderful flower arrangers who made our Church look even more beautiful.



**The Beauty of God's Creation**

As written in this poem by Pauline Hoadley reflecting the flower arrangements at the altar

**Reflections of Dawn to Dusk and the Seasons**

Dawn breaks creating a golden hue over the land,  
Spring emerges and winter is damned.  
Bright yellow daffodils stand up straight and bold,  
They herald the summer – a sight to behold!  
The fields and the meadows gleam in the hot sun,  
Gradually the days shorten and the harvest is done.  
The leaves on the trees turn to orange, brown and red,  
Autumn has come and soon all will look dead.  
Dusk hovers over the end of the day,  
Just as winter is here to stay.  
The boughs on the trees hold icicles bold,  
And the earth sleeps in a white blanket of cold.  
Do not despair as life will appear  
In the cycle of seasons revealed each new year.

If you can, please come to see us at one of our services.  
Details can be found on page 5 or on our website  
[www.st-marys-sullington.org](http://www.st-marys-sullington.org). You will be very welcome.

Jean Hoadley and  
Linda Younger



Vegetable, Herbs  
and Edible flowers  
by Sue Stuart Scott



## WEST CHILTINGTON AND STORRINGTON MOTHERS' UNION

Although the weather on the South Downs at 11am on 20 June was breezy and murky, eight members participated in a joyful prayer walk, as part of the Awareness Week for Chichester Diocese MU.



Christian care for families

Chrystalle Kersley wrote the prayers, chose Bible readings and hymns, and accompanied our singing on her guitar. Not only did we praise God but our prayers were for all those who live and work in Storrington and West Chiltington.

On arriving at the foot of the Downs, Storrington was bathed in sunshine, and we retired to Joanna's Boutique Cafe for a delicious lunch and a time of fellowship.

Joyous celebrations continued on 5 July when members and guests, including our Diocesan President, Kathryn Anderson, and her husband, Andy, Diocesan Treasurer, our District Chairman, Lou Scott-Joynt, and six members from our linked Branch of Aldingbourne, Barnham and Eastergate, gathered at West Chiltington Church for a service to celebrate 100 continuous years of West Chiltington Branch. The service was kindly led by Revd Christine Spencer, as the new Rector, Revd David Coleman, had a prior engagement.

During the service, Kathryn Anderson participated in the enrolment of our newest member, Ella Coventry.

Afterwards, we enjoyed a delicious fund-raising lunch provided by the members in the Church Hall, and a beautiful celebration cake made by Chrystalle Kersley, decorated by Stella Hastings.

Proceeds from this memorable occasion amounted to £227, which will go to *Away From It All Holidays* to support our two caravans at Winchelsea and Selsey, providing free holidays for families who might otherwise not be able to have one.

There is no meeting in August but on 9 August, Mary Sumner Day, 12 of us will be visiting Old Alresford Place near Winchester, the home of Mary Sumner, where she founded MU 142 years ago. We shall then attend the noon-day service in the nearby Church before retiring to a local hostelry for lunch.

Jean Hunt

## STORRINGTON IN BLOOM JUDGING

On 11 July, the judging took place of the regional *In Bloom* competition. The judges were Paul Dalby and Fiona Phillips. After the judging, a lunch was enjoyed in The Moon with sponsors, Parish and District Councillors, *In Bloom* committee members and helpers. The results will be announced in September. More pictures next month!



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## 1ST STORRINGTON RAINBOWS AND 2ND STORRINGTON BROWNIES

We are very fortunate to have a shady garden behind the Hall where we can get outdoors for our summer meetings.

To celebrate Midsummer Night, we talked about fairies, although we weren't lucky enough to see any. The Rainbows collected leaves and other natural objects and had great fun creating pictures.

We finished the term with a family picnic on the Leisure



Centre field, where we said goodbye to two Rainbows that are joining Brownies in September. We wish them well.

Joan Parkes



Girlguiding, the UK's leading charity for girls and young women, offers a hugely varied programme of events, activities and adventures for girls aged between 5 and 25.

## CRICKET IN STORRINGTON



### Successful Car Wash Fundraiser and Good Cricket for Seniors and Cygnets

The seniors notched up further wins in June against Stirlands, Wisborough Green and Chichester Priory Park, and lost heavily to the Division leaders, Crawley Eagles. Dan Pickard's 76 was the key innings in the match against Stirlands, and Jon Carpenter took 3 wickets. The low-scoring match against Wisborough Green produced an 8 wicket victory, with skipper Ian Homewood taking 4-15. Against Crawley Eagles, who rattled up 269-9, Ian Homewood shone with 45 runs in our meagre total of 92, after taking 3 wickets for 39 runs. At Chichester, Ian just missed out on the season's first century, scoring 94 in a total of 203. Andy Livermore was the pick of our bowlers with 4-41. The first match in July was conceded by Southwater (a casualty of the Football World Cup!), and the points we gained pushed us up to 4th place in our Division of ten teams.

There was perfect weather on Saturday 23 June when the Cygnets' Car Wash Fundraiser generated an impressive £830 profit: a total of 45 cars were cleaned, and additional monies came from a tombola, various refreshment stalls, and a bouncy obstacle course. A big thank-you to all the Cygnets' parents, Club members, and local people who made this event such a success. Unexpectedly, the visiting Crawley Eagles team who were playing our seniors, negotiated the standard rate of £6 for their taxi to be cleaned, only for the Cygnets to discover that it was a massive and challenging 16 seater vehicle! No complaints received, only compliments all day.

As a further aid to our outdoor net fund raising, the Club has been chosen by Tesco as one of three 'good causes' in their blue token scheme in the Storrington, Pulborough and Billingshurst Express stores during July and August. Shoppers, please support.

The ECB All Stars initiative for 5 to 8 year olds had been so successful that it was extended by two weeks, and the Club has now decided to keep those young cricketers' momentum going with monthly indoor sessions over the winter on Sunday afternoons, on the first Sunday of each month from September to April inclusive. Please email new enquiries to Martin Fisher, Colts Manager, on martin\_fisher@hotmail.co.uk or Jude Houghton, Welfare Manager, on judehoughton@hotmail.com.

Our association with the Storrington Primary School continues to flourish, with this year's Summer Fete being attended by the Cygnets along with Kwik Cricket. In addition, we have provided PE lessons for pupils on the Recreation Ground.

The Cygnets U10's, managed by James Harrington, have completed their ten match league season, with noteworthy wins against Findon and Littlehampton. Then during June, the U13's, managed by Martin Fisher, defeated Pulborough, Ferring, and Goring. The victory over Ferring was a particular highlight. The Cygnets were chasing 102 in 20 overs, and cruised to a 7 wicket win in the 18th over, thanks to a brilliant 55 run partnership between Tom Fisher (22 not out) and Daniel Wroe (17), and an unbeaten 26 from Joe Coutts.

Chris Winter

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# CHURCH SERVICES AT A GLANCE

DATE	FESTIVAL OR SUNDAY	STORRINGTON St Mary's	THAKEHAM St Mary's	SULLINGTON St Mary's
5 August	Trinity 10	8am Holy Communion (said) 10am Family Communion 11.45am Baptism Service 6pm Evensong	10.30am Joint All-age Family Communion (with Sullington)	8am Holy Communion (with Thakeham) 6pm Evensong
12 August	Trinity 11	8am Holy Communion (said) 10am Parish Communion 6pm Evensong	9.30am Morning Prayer	8am Holy Communion (with Thakeham) 11.30am Morning Prayer
19 August	Trinity 12	8am Holy Communion (said) 10am Parish Communion with Prayers for Healing	8am Iona Communion (with Sullington)	10.30am Holy Communion (with Thakeham)
26 August	Trinity 13	8am Holy Communion (said) 10am Parish Communion 11.45am Baptism Service 6pm Evensong	9.30am Family Communion	11.30am Family Communion
2 Sept	Trinity 14	8am Holy Communion (said) 10am Family Communion 6pm Evensong	10.30am Joint All-age Family Communion (with Sullington)	8am Holy Communion (with Thakeham) 6pm Evensong

Midweek Holy Communion services on Thursdays at St Mary's Church, Storrington, at 10.30am  
Holy Communion Service at Sussexdown on the fourth Sunday of each month at 11.30am

## OTHER CHURCH DETAILS

### ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

*Our Lady of England, Monastery Lane*

Mass – Saturday 6pm, Sunday 8am and 10am

Daily Mass: Monday – Friday 9am.

For other midweek services, confessions etc., please contact

Parish Priest: Fr Charles Howell

2 St. John's, Fern Road, Storrington RH20 4LW

Tel: 740338

### STORRINGTON CHAPEL

*North Street*

Sunday Services 10.30am, 6.30pm

Church Elder: Graham Thrussell

Tel: 01243 545737

grahamthrussell.GT@gmail.com

### COMMUNITY CHURCH

*Steyning Grammar School – Rock Road Campus*

Family Worship – Sundays 10am

Enquiries to Mrs Val Augustine

Community Church Office, PO Box 1020, Storrington RH20 3UY

Tel: 01798 817596

### TRINITY METHODIST CHURCH

*Thakeham Road*

Sunday Service 10.30am

Minister: Revd Dawn Carn

4 Gorse Avenue, Worthing, BN14 9PG

Tel: 260356 (Church Office: 746390)

www.trinitymethodiststorrington.uk

www.facebook.com/TrinityStorrington

## WEEKLY EVENTS

**Tues** 10am Coffee Morning – Storrington Chapel

**Wed** 9.30am Registrar of Births and Deaths – Storrington Library – pre-booking only – 01243 642122

**Fri** 10am Storrington Community Market – Village Hall

### Storrington Library Opening Hours – Tel. 839050

Monday to Friday 9.30am – 5.30pm

Saturday 10am – 4pm

The Churches of Storrington invite you to

## SUNDAY LUNCH CLUB

**A CHANCE TO GATHER TOGETHER OVER A MEAL, AND BE WITH FRIENDS OLD AND NEW**

**1pm on Second Sunday each month (except August)**

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**First Thursday of each month**

**COFFEE served from 10.30am**

**LUNCH available: £3.00 12 noon – 1pm**  
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**ALL ARE WELCOME. Come and meet old friends and make new ones. No need to book – just turn up.**

Co-ordinator: **Pat Webb (893145)**

# WHAT'S ON

AUGUST	
<b>Wed 1</b>	
10am	St Barnabas Outreach – Library Car Park – p31
<b>Thu 2</b>	
10.30am	Pop-In Lunch Club – p18
<b>Sat 4</b>	
10am	FSW Coffee Morning – p16
2pm	Storrington Horticultural Society – Summer Show – p9
<b>Sun 5 Trinity 10</b>	
11.45am	Baptism Service at St Mary's, Storrington Brooke Sempel (daughter of Kate [and Rob])
<b>Tue 7</b>	
10am	Inter-Church prayers – RC Church (side-chapel) – p9
<b>Thu 9</b>	
7pm	Bingo – Mary How Trust – p17
<b>Sun 12 Trinity 11</b>	
2.30pm	Storrington Museum – History Walk – p22
3pm	St Mary's, Thakeham – Sunday Teas – p4
<b>Mon 13</b>	
7.30pm	Thakeham Gardeners' Club – Meeting – p33
<b>Wed 15</b>	
10am	Café in the Church – p14
7.30pm	Sullington Windmills WI – Fun Evening – p32
<b>Fri 17</b>	
7.30pm	Storrington Horticultural Society – Talk – p23
7.30pm	Charity Performance – <i>The Black Knight</i> – p33
<b>Sat 18</b>	
2.30pm	St Mary's, Storrington – Afternoon Tea and Croquet – p9
<b>Sun 19 Trinity 12</b>	
<b>Tue 21</b>	
2pm	SPACE – Art & Craft Club – p32
2pm	Knit and Stitch Tea – Thakeham Church Rooms – p4
<b>Wed 22</b>	
10am	Storrington Camera Club – Drop-in Workshop – p23
<b>Thu 23</b>	
11.30am	Holy Communion – Sussexdown Chapel – p5

<b>Sat 25</b>	
10am	Sandgate Conservation Society – Working Party – p33
<b>Sun 26 Trinity 13</b>	
<b>Mon 27</b>	
8am	Rotary Car Boot Sale – p13
<b>Wed 29</b>	
10am	Storrington Camera Club – Drop-in Workshop – p23

Details of all church activities on pages 4,5,6 and 18.

## SAINTS AND SPECIAL DAYS

AUGUST	
<b>Fri 3</b>	<i>Jean-Baptiste Vianney, 1859</i> – Patron saint of priests
<b>Sat 4</b>	<b>Oswald, 642</b> – King of Northumbria from 634
<b>Sun 5</b>	<b>THE TRANSFIGURATION OF OUR LORD</b>
<b>Mon 6</b>	<i>John Mason Neale, 1866</i> – Anglican priest, scholar and hymn-writer: Good Christian Men, Rejoice and Good King Wenceslas
<b>Tue 7</b>	<b>Dominic, 1221</b> – Spanish, Patron saint of astronomers
<b>Wed 8</b>	<b>Mary Sumner, 1921, Founder of Mothers' Union</b>
<b>Thu 9</b>	<i>Laurence, 258</i> , one of most widely venerated saints of RC Church, and, according to lore, spirited away the chalice used during Last Supper (the "Holy Grail") to Spain
<b>Fri 10</b>	<b>Clare of Assisi, 1253</b> – founded Order of Saint Clare (Poor Clare's) <i>John Henry Newman, 1890</i>
<b>Sun 12</b>	<b>Jeremy Taylor, 1667</b> , best known as a prose stylist <i>Florence Nightingale, 1910</i> <i>Octavia Hill, 1912</i> – social reformer. Joint founder of National Trust and pioneer for modern social work.
<b>Mon 13</b>	<i>Maximilian Kolbe, 1941</i> – Polish priest, patron saint of drug addicts
<b>Sun 19</b>	<b>Bernard, 1153</b> <i>William and Catherine Booth, 1912 and 1890</i> – founders of Salvation Army
<b>Thu 23</b>	<b>BARTHOLOMEW THE APOSTLE</b>
<b>Sun 26</b>	<b>Monica, 387</b>
<b>Mon 27</b>	<b>Augustine of Hippo, 430</b>
<b>Tue 28</b>	<b>Beheading of John the Baptist</b>
<b>Wed 29</b>	<b>John Bunyan, 1688</b> – author of <i>The Pilgrim's Progress</i>

# STORRINGTON & SULLINGTON – REFLECTIONS OF THE PAST

## WHEN THE FORCE WAS WITH US (THE POLICE FORCE, THAT IS!) PART 1

Householders in Storrington recently had consultation cards delivered through their doors, asking for their views on the provision of Neighbourhood Wardens.

One of our first memories when we moved to Storrington in 1954 to live in the flat over the shop at 3 High Street, then a wireless and electrical shop, was of looking out of the window on a cold snowy night and seeing the reassuring shape of a big caped policeman walking along the other side of the street, trying shop doors to check that they were secure and making his way to the telephone box next to what is now the Card Shop, to “make his point”. He was required to call Steyning Police station and report his position on his beat.

Storrington at that time had a manually operated telephone exchange of four switchboards in the house at the bottom of Manley’s Hill. The policeman, with a large beat patrolled on foot or bicycle, had to be at certain places at given times, where there was a public phone booth. Starting in the



Amberley Road 200 yards west of Paygate, and extending along the Pulborough Road to Monkmead, as far out as Danhill Crossroads and on to the Blue Idol, Coolham, Warminghust Church, Hampers Lane, Barn’s Farm Lane and up to Cobden and Lee Farms on the Downs, back to the Amberley Road. Edward Post, the village policeman from 1948, recalled that the telephone operators were very good to them. If he was late at the phone box ringing at intervals, they would always let him know that the Sergeant from Steyning had been on, so that he could have his excuses ready. If the operator could not reach him that way, he would ring his house and leave a message.

Policemen from neighbouring beats would meet at a pre-arranged point to exchange news, information and messages. Four of them were remembered by an old lady where they always met at Peacock Tree, West Chiltington.

West Sussex Constabulary had been slow in installing the telephone. By 1904, only principal stations had them. Between the two World Wars they were installed in the policeman’s house, where his wife was not expected to go out to work and must take messages if her husband was out. The constabulary rented a house for their PCs and it was not until much later that two police houses were built in Storrington at the end of North Street behind Mulberry House, and where ‘Storrington 22’ would connect callers directly to our Police Station. The Police Inspector must be admitted to the houses on demand to inspect them.



The first long-serving Constable (1923-1939) was PC132 Percy Connor. His pay had increased after WWI to £3.10s.0d. per week and he was the first to move into the new police house, later joined in the second house by PC Field. In 1934, a notorious burglar, Rowland Hill, was disturbed by PC Jex who was shot. A 10 mile cordon was thrown around the Downs and a lady staying at a local hotel was asked to bring her bloodhounds, and tracked the man up to Myrtle Grove where he was cornered. A shot rang out as the gun which had injured PC Jex was turned on himself, Rowland,

thinking he had killed the policeman. He was taken to Worthing Hospital and, unaware, put in the bed next to his victim. He died without saying a word. That event saw armed policemen in Storrington



PC Terry Smart with mobile radio

for the first time. Mr Post also recalled operational benefits when the night telephone operator rang to say that he was getting a call from Gatley’s office but no-one was answering. The policeman got up, dressed and made his way to the office just in time to catch a man leaving by a window with the contents of the safe. “He never knew how I came to be there at that moment but, in fact, he had knocked the receiver off the telephone without knowing when he climbed in the window, which automatically alerted the operator to the number calling. We do not get this service from STD”. Or, one might add, from today’s various electronic telephone devices.

Routine work for our Storrington Bobby, who was very much part of village life, included meeting the last buses from Worthing to check with the crews that all was well, and sometimes receiving useful information, being around in the village when the pubs closed to see all was quiet, checking shop and office doors at night and building up a great deal of local knowledge and people. He would know which doors to knock on if youngsters misbehaved, where a stern caution could often save a future life of crime. He knew those he could call on if he needed a lift in an emergency. Motor cars were not very common in villages before the war, and there were no police cars in rural areas. Mr Peterson of School Hill Garage would always oblige and George Goring quite liked to be ‘in on a chase’. Later, one policeman was issued with a Velocette motorcycle, the other used the bicycle.



On duty at Abbey Cottage

Another great inconvenience was the lack of a police office. After a run of burglaries, PC Post, who had been out until 4am, was alerted by a lady reporting that she had seen a man in her bedroom. Checking the village quickly, he thought he would head for Spierbridge and, returning towards the village, he saw a shape in the darkness and rain, which “... raced off like the wind. It had to be the chap I wanted and he was not going to get away and give me any more sleepless nights. It was soon obvious that he was wearing only plimsolls, trousers and jersey and I was in full uniform with cape and boots. As he reached the allotments I was just 10 yards behind but the going was hard in the sticky mud when he suddenly stopped and held his side gasping for breath and I was on the point of collapse – I threw my cape over his head and tucked both under my arm – we stood holding on to each other slowly sinking into the mud for some minutes and battered by wind and rain. Then I walked him back to the house. There was no question of obeying the Court order that the arrested person must be informed of at the time of his arrest as to why he was being arrested, as neither of us had breath to speak. We had no cell, and as my wife and daughter were asleep upstairs; I wanted to reassure the people that all was well, also to retrace the ground covered to see if he had dropped anything. I improvised by sitting him in a chair, bending him forward and handcuffing his wrists underneath the seat. I thought that he could not free himself and get past two locked doors. He was still there one hour later, uncomfortable but sound asleep, which was more than I was!” That

## NEW WEST SUSSEX CARE GUIDE RELEASED



The new West Sussex Care Guide 2018/19 is now available.

It is full of useful information and advice about the adult social care services that are available around West Sussex.

The guide lists day care providers, extra care provision, key contacts and provides a handy checklist for people choosing a domiciliary care or care home provider. It also acts as a directory for finding local care providers that are registered with the Care Quality Commission (CQC).

The CQC recently surveyed 1000 people looking for adult care either for themselves or a loved one with 70% saying the process was more stressful than finding a wedding venue or a school for a child.

To help you in thinking about care for yourself or a loved one, see the new 2018/19 West Sussex Care Guide.

The guide includes:

- useful contacts
- how to access locally available services and equipment
- carers assessments and support
- assessments and finding out about funding for care
- day care services
- care and support at home services and care homes in West Sussex which are registered with the Care Quality Commission (CQC)
- extra-care housing schemes
- two useful checklists on what to look for when choosing care at home or care home providers, and much more.

The West Sussex Care Guide is available online or as a printed book, which can be found in libraries and GP surgeries across the county.

To view the Care Guide online visit [www.westsussex.gov.uk/careguide](http://www.westsussex.gov.uk/careguide). For more information please call 01243 642121.



Alan Goacher

arrest cleared up 30 – 40 other offences. Previously, they had set up a trap. A gentleman in the Amberley Road kept his whisky in an old grandfather clock which had no pendulum, from where it had been stolen twice. After being persuaded to change his storage

place, PC Post obtained some display bottles from Greenfields, which were also stolen from the clock, so that did not help. The thief's house was searched after his arrest and was found to be an Aladdin's cave of stolen property, including the whisky under his bed. The bottles were intact, except one which still had liquid in it. The man complained that it was a rotten trick; the display bottles contained a vile liquid which did not cloud in a sunny shop window. He said he had been off work for a week after drinking it!

*The story continues next month!*

Joan Ham (Village Historian)  
[Ron.ham@talktalk.net](mailto:Ron.ham@talktalk.net)



Ian Currie and the weather station

## THE WEATHER – A VERY TALKED-ABOUT SUBJECT!

### June and July 2018 – months to remember

The weather in June 2018 was outstanding in the Storrington area and especially so for rainfall. With precipitation measuring just 1mm, it ranks as the driest June since at least 1925. During this time, only August 1995 has matched this lack of rain for a monthly period. As I write, July has continued in the same manner with rainless conditions for much of West Sussex and the temperature soared to 31.6C on Sunday 8 July. This, combined with June being in the top three warmest since at least 1950 and sunshine averaging around 9 hours a day since 1 June, the evaporation of surface water has amounted to a staggering shortfall.

For instance, in the Storrington area and the county beyond for each piece of land the size of a World Cup football pitch the loss of rainfall equates to about 272,700 gallons ( 1.2 million litres) of water! Yet just two years ago June was the dullest and one of the wettest on record. No wonder we all talk about the weather.

Be prepared for a wet autumn as quite a few warm, dry summers have been followed by rainy autumns, including the infamous drought summer of 1976. Back then, following months of blue skies and withering heat, September to November was the fourth wettest on record and the drought was simply washed away.

Ian Currie

*Weatherman, speaker, broadcaster and editor of Weather eye magazine*

Ian Currie BA, FR Met S, Cert.Ed

Ian has always been fascinated by the ever changing moods and patterns of our skies, and the childhood memories of a spectacular thunderstorm in September 1958 or the prolonged deep winter snows of the 1962/63 which buried his first weather station, have never faded.

Ian is now a full-time weatherman, broadcaster, author, columnist, speaker and editor of *Weather eye* magazine that he established. He has contributed to and appeared on many TV and radio programmes. He has written or co-written a number of county weather books illustrating outstanding events from Dorset to Suffolk, Hampshire, Sussex, Surrey, Kent and Essex and has chronicled in his book *Frosts, Freezes and Fairs* the great freezes on the Thames and other UK rivers. This latter was featured on BBC Radio 4. He has also written several books on weather lore and how one can forecast the weather locally.

He is a Fellow of the Royal Meteorological Society and can be heard regularly on BBC Radio Surrey and Sussex with forecasts for gardeners and growers, and for 18 years was the weather columnist for the national magazine *Garden News*. Ian also gives regular forecasts to vineyards in Sussex and Kent.



# STORRINGTON & DISTRICT MUSEUM

On **Sunday 12 August**, Eunice Allen will lead a history walk around the village, followed by afternoon tea. The cost will be £5 and participants should meet at The Old School at 2.30pm.

There is no monthly talk in August, but on Monday 3 September, Brenda Mathews will tell us the history of the handkerchief, 'Nothing to be sneezed at'. This will be at The Old School at 7.30pm. Entry is £5, to include coffee and biscuits, £4 for Museum Society Members.

On Saturday 15 September, between 10am and 4pm there will be a reunion for ex-pupils of The Old School, and anyone interested in its history is welcome to attend. Homemade refreshments will be available all day.

There is a very interesting exhibition on show at the Museum at the moment, called 'Dissections' and is all about jigsaw puzzles. One sceptic, having been persuaded to have a look, said, "I didn't dream there was so much to them".

The first jigsaws were educational aids. Child-centred education is relatively recent. In the past, in homes where education existed at all, once children left the nursery they were treated as adults and were expected to learn, in a grown up way, subjects that could take them to University, such as Latin or Greek, or into business. There was no fun. The philosopher John Locke (1632-1704) had said that he believed "learning might be a play and recreation for children", so the idea was there, but there was little resulting action. In the 1740s, Thomas Boreham published a series of tiny books for children about famous buildings. They were educational but they were popular. In 1744, John Newbery began publishing children's books and soon books for enjoyment, as well as education, were produced.

Then, in 1759, one of the first games, albeit with education at its core, was made, called "The Play of Geography". In about 1760, John Spilsbury (1740-1769), a printer at Covent Garden of maps, charts, Bibles, plays and prints, produced boxes of 'dissected maps'. He mounted fine prints of maps on thin mahogany board and cut around the shapes of the countries or counties with a fine marquetry saw so that children could assemble and reform the map. In 1763, Spilsbury was listed as an "Engraver and Map Dissector in wood in order to facilitate the teaching of geography". The boxes were sold direct from the printers and were very expensive at 10s.6d. to 1 guinea, which was more than a working man's weekly wage.

Other printers took up the idea, but it was twenty years before anything other than a map was dissected (though the usefulness of interlocking pieces had been worked out!). Eventually, pictures of Kings, Queens and Biblical characters were dissected, but they still were not much fun; you had to have the knowledge before you could do them. In 1790, John Wallis made a fun puzzle, called the *New Game of Human Life*, and then he made a dissection from a print of *John Gilpin* by William Cowper. This was a comic poem about a man whose horse ran away with him, and so, though the educational element still persisted, the dissected puzzle became a popular form of family entertainment.

In 1812, John Wallis claimed to be the originator of the idea. It was not until 1972 that John Spilsbury was recognised as the first dissector.

Throughout the Victorian period the production of dissections became more intricate and clever. Better tools emerged, such as the treadle-operated jigsaw from which the puzzles gained that modern name. Better glue was used and thinner board, and better colours helped to keep all the family interested.

Dissections were first called jigsaws in 1909. Plywood was used and also, in America, cardboard, which greatly reduced the cost of production. This was a time of innovations and upheavals and jigsaw pictures reflected all of them: ships, trains, cars, aeroplanes, and war.

In 1909, Raphael Tuck launched its *ZagZaw* puzzles, which included 'whimsies' – pieces cut to the shape of animals, birds, and airships, for example. 1918 to 1939 saw a jigsaw craze, and with it the beginnings of mass production. The actual cutting proved very difficult

as the amount of pressure needed to go through the layers of card was immense, and separating the sheets once they were cut posed problems for Waddingtons, who had bought the machines from the American firm. County house parties were said to rely on them, they were very popular on board ships, and their advertising potential was speedily recognised.

During the 1939-1945 War, only poor quality cardboard puzzles and inferior pictures could be bought, and many enthusiasts made their own. After the War, the rising cost of labour made wooden puzzles even more expensive, so manufacturers turned to die-cut cardboard puzzles. However, television arrived and ate up the family leisure time that jigsaws had once occupied. Jigsaw clubs and libraries, begun before the War, continued however, including one called The Benevolent Confraternity of Dissectologists. Many people began to collect worthwhile memorabilia after the war, jigsaw puzzles among them.

At the end of the 20th century, laser and waterjet cutting made more complicated puzzles possible. Plastic and foam was used and three-dimensional designs came on to the market.

Jigsaws vary in size from the minute, being the size of a 50p piece, to the gigantic. The largest commercial puzzle has 32,256 pieces, while in 2011 a 55,283 piece puzzle was assembled at a Vietnam University.

The form the actual cutting takes is very interesting. Originally following distinct outlines, the cutters gradually ignored the printed shapes with cuts varying from subtle curves without interlocking tabs to fully interlocking. Some have whimsies, some cuts are tiny, some geometrical. Some puzzles are double sided and some have a single item picture, like the famous baked bean.

Many people collect jigsaws, among them our Queen. One wonders if she has in her collection some of Spilsbury's dissections bought by George III to educate his children, or one of the sets bought by Queen Mary in 1937 of special Coronation puzzles. Many have been specially cut for her, and apparently she gets much pleasure from them.

Mary Wilson

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During the Club's summer break, our monthly coffee morning meetings and photoshoots continue to provide an opportunity for those not away on holiday to meet up and visit different locations. With our monthly Flickr challenge, they also help in finding images that need to have been taken in that month. Recent subjects have been 'Frames and Viewpoints, Seats and Seating' and the current subject 'A Sussex Postcard'. Recent photoshoot visits include: Winkworth Arboretum; Fort Nelson, where the 'Poppy Wave' from the Tower of London was on tour, and Sullington Homestead.



Our visit to Sullington Homestead became a history lesson as well as providing a great photo opportunity. Gail Kittle started us off with her tour of the Homestead and shared the history and pointed out the interesting historic items. These included the Church cornerstones that indicate it was a Saxon

Church, the builders' mark on Sullington Farmhouse and details in the Tithe Barn. Her knowledge and passion for the Homestead along with her ability to bring the history to life meant we all found the tour very interesting and for a number of long-term residents this was the first time they had visited the Homestead.

The Homestead provided plenty of opportunity for taking photos with the choice of the Church, Farmhouse, Tithe Barn and Old Workshop that now also houses the new café. The consensus from



attendees was a great tour and location for a photoshoot and a venue many will return to if only to just visit the cafe. For some the reason to return was provided sooner rather than later by the Sullington Flower and Craft Festival. The amazing flower displays in the Church provided great photo subjects, although challenging at times, trying to get them at their best whilst avoiding parts of the many visitor's hands or bodies blocking the image!



## Summer Exhibition

Our summer exhibition of member's prints will be on display in Pulborough and Storrington libraries. Pulborough Library from 6 to 18 August and Storrington Library from 20 August to 8 September.

In addition, during the exhibition this year we are offering 'Get to Grips with your Camera' drop-in sessions. These will be available from 10am to 12noon on **Saturday 11 August** at Pulborough Library and **Wednesday 22 and 29 August**, Saturday 1, Wednesday 5 and Saturday 8 September at Storrington Library. During these times a member of the Club will be available to help you and to try and answer your questions.

Kevin Harwood

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**STORRINGTON**  
HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

## Pests and diseases

Andrew Gaunt, a plant health and seed inspector from DEFRA which is the government department for safe guarding our natural environment covering food production, agriculture, fisheries and rural communities, explained the many alien pests and diseases arriving in our country bringing devastation to our trees and crops.

Many of these arrive from abroad being introduced in soil with plants, garden items, containers or untreated timber. Some may even have flown across the channel. So great is the problem that import inspections have been increased at docks and airports. Fruit, vegetables, flowers, trees, even machinery are scrutinised and some are quarantined.

We have seen over the years the diseases that are wiping out many of our trees such as the elm, ash, oaks and chestnut. Remotely controlled aircraft have been introduced in some areas which can detect diseased trees to help with ground inspection. There are around 1,000 pests and diseases on the risk register.

Members were shown slides of a broad range of some of the pests and the devastation they have caused both here and abroad and saw how a large amount of olive trees have been wiped out on the continent.

All agreed that they were not aware how big the problem is. Being such a crucial problem, Andrew pointed out that when holidaying abroad it is sometimes tempting to bring back plants, cutting and seeds. This, however, is no longer permitted.

The meeting on **17 August** brings Graham Cornick of Hydestile resident animals who is giving a talk on the wild side. He may bring a few residents. This is open to members only.

Sheila Webber

## SUMMER SHOW 4 AUGUST

All exhibits welcomed, have some fun and give it a go!  
Further information from Janet Webber on 740109

# WEST CHILTINGTON WI SUMMER TEA

A brimming glass of bubbly, accompanied by a tune from an excellent accordion player, was a great welcome on arrival, and things could only get better as the afternoon wore on; after all this was a WI highlight of the year: The Summer Tea!

As our President was overseas, the afternoon was conducted by Vice-President Jill Vincent and the tireless, hardworking committee plus helpers and four 'brave' husbands.

The Hall looked immaculate and, since the theme of the afternoon was The Suffragette Movement (being its centenary), the tables of eight were appropriately named after a well-known personality of the time and a potted history given (literally on a card placed in a potted plant on the table).



After the completion of a group photograph, tea was a wicked indulgence with delicious sandwiches, scones with jam, followed by the greatest selection of mouth-watering cakes, naturally all guaranteed calorie-free! This of

course needed to be followed by some exercise, so our visiting musician, Philip Lane, put us through our vocal paces with a great collection of eight past-centennial hits such as *Down at the Old Bull and Bush*; *Hello, Hello Who's Your Lady Friend*; *You Are My Honey*; *Honeysuckle, I Am The Bee*; *After The Ball Is Over*; and many more. It was a great sing along, led by songstress WI member, Maggie Baker, who kept us all in tune!

Next was a complete surprise when the committee and invited helpers staged a sketch relating to The Suffragette Movement. Dressed appropriately and carrying banners, they marched down the Hall singing the anthem *Shout, Shout Up With Your Song*, - indeed a moving experience. This was followed by the sound of glass smashing and a suitable, introductory comment made which was, "Mrs Pankhurst says windows breaking, when men do it, is an HONEST EXPRESSION OF THEIR POLITICAL OPINION but when women do it, IT IS A CRIME!". The script continued along the well-known lines of history with the Suffragettes discussing various plans of militant action to be taken and eventually, interrupted by a heckler who shouts from the audience, "Dysfunctional family - all of you! You should have stayed at home looking after your children and doing your embroidery not causing HAVOC! Butterfly brains the lot of you!" Eventually though, the cause was won and all women over the age of 21 got the vote. A new women's organisation, campaigning for better housing, was mentioned, The Women's Institute. As one person emphatically said, "THE WOMEN'S INSTITUTE - IT WILL NEVER CATCH ON!" The sketch concluded with the singing of Jerusalem and the company left the



stage to much applause and a further rendition of *There'll Always be an England*, all quite warming and patriotic. Thank you for a stupendous effort ladies as we all appreciated it.

So as our Vice President said, "Please raise your glasses to those brave women, known and unknown, who fought so hard and suffered so much to achieve what we now take for granted, The Vote, The Suffragists and The Suffragettes."

Russ Fry

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At the meeting on 5 July, there was much discussion, during pre-lunch drinks, about the latest trip to Windsor, which was much appreciated and enjoyed by all participants. Luckily the weather was good, with a gentle breeze, and the M25 conditions favourable. In Windsor, there were plenty of souvenir shopping opportunities available, as a result of The Royal Wedding, and bags were not only bought but quickly filled. A two and a half hour boat cruise was next on the agenda and the ladies enjoyed a leisurely lunch on board, with exceptional service, and an opportunity to appreciate the scenery and interesting wild life. Finally, a tour of the Castle beckoned, for those with enough stamina, or a continuous refill of the shopping bags, ride on the open top bus or even a drink at the bar! All in all an excellent way to spend a day with friends and naturally we all appreciate and value our Probus connections.

Our invited Speaker of the day was Chris Conners whose talk title was CoCo's Foundation. Most of the ladies hadn't a clue as to the relevance of CoCo but we were not kept in ignorance for long. As



our Programme Secretary, Jo Gatley, said in her introduction, "The CoCo's Foundation was set up for the relief of poverty in Africa by providing water, food and shelter. Chris has been a huge inspiration to others and the charity has gone from strength to strength, having a huge impact on the people it helps from school uniforms, setting up water tanks, building houses and feeding countless numbers a day via CoCo's Food 4 Life programme. Chris still manages to fit in a normal job, running three highly successful hairdressing salons and I have been a happy client for more years than I care to remember!"

The last sentence more than amused us as it is not often we can all immediately relate to a speaker on such a personal level – thank you Jo and this is a good hair day!



After such an introduction, Chris spoke about his own background of dyslexia and under achieving at school and, consequently, his deep rooted ambition to help others. Since he had only returned from Africa the

day before, we were impressed by his resilience, enthusiasm and energy. Chris spoke fluently and emotionally and totally captivated his audience. We heard that The CoCo Foundation is a non-profit organisation, founded in 2010, which inspires UK teenagers to be charitable and help orphaned children communities in the poorest areas of Africa. In so helping others, the helpers mostly benefit themselves and it is rewarding to hear of such unconditional love in today's, brutal world. Often as not, these children have been physically abused, from a very young age, and have lost their family, self-respect, dignity and purpose in life, but their lives can be changed by support from organisations such as companies, UK schools, community groups and many individual volunteers to help, such as us. To change these children's lives is the main objective and the Foundation is funded entirely by donations. There are no administrative costs and every penny donated goes to one of the core projects such as *Build 4 the Future* which provides the homes and shelters for child-headed families; *Food 4 Life* which feeds children

every day; *Skills 4 Life* which delivers professional, emotional and life skills. As one volunteer said, "I never thought I could make such a difference". We all can help make a difference, now.

Chris was warmly thanked by Anne-Ford Robertson for his very thought-provoking talk and we were impressed by his compassion and emotion. Should you be interested in supporting this cause, the charity number is 1138100.

Our next August Speaker will be Susan Purcell who will talk on The A-Z of Dictionaries.

Russ Fry

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# PARHAM HOUSE & GARDENS



## Garden Masterclass Creating and developing a late summer border Monday 3 September

This one day course is in collaboration with Gardens Illustrated and is taught by nursery owner and plants woman, Marina Christopher, and Parham Head Gardener, Tom Brown. Focusing on late-flowering plants, the workshop will give an insight into the collaboration between Marina and Tom on developing this exuberant late summer border here at Parham. Tom will explain the process of soil preparation, design and plant selection, followed by a talk from Marina Christopher on late summer colour and the plant associations in the newly planted Gold Border.



## Parham Autumn Fair

Saturday 22 - Sunday 23 September

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# STORRINGTON CONSERVATION SOCIETY

## Conservation is important for all

In his poetry John Betjeman often spoke of vanished and vanishing times. Times less rushed. He had a keen eye and wide knowledge, not least of wild flowers. Hence he wrote feelingly of "Lady's Finger, Smokewort, Lovers' Loss . . . sorrel and the gold-starred moss". A conservationist, he deplored what he saw as ill-considered ugly developments, the destruction of natural beauty. He wished to preserve things of elegance and historic worth, and championed causes to that end. Nostalgic? Maybe. Yet people like him are needed to open our eyes to the irreplaceable things we take for granted; things whose loss would perhaps be devastating. Their values do not have pound signs attached, because they are beyond price, as is with so much of true benefit.



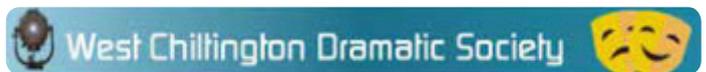
The aim of conservation is to protect such in the interests of all, not simply of those who are actively involved. It is far from being no more than an enjoyable hobby for the enthusiast. It matters.

The work party on 7 July was involved in the preparation for the 'In Bloom' judging later in the month, working mainly at the West Street garden and Old Mill Drive. We were glad to support the many others who give their time to keep our community attractive. We hope all such efforts will be recognised by the judges!

We have a break in August, and meet up again on 1 September at 10am at Fryern Dell, to continue our project of restoration of and care for the Victorian Garden. Perhaps in the spirit of John Betjeman? Those who share our concerns are invited join us, if possible, with healthy exercise and cheerful company guaranteed. Tools provided, work clothes recommended. In the meantime, enjoy the holiday season.

For information about this and all our activities, or on becoming a member, please get in touch with Chairman Mick Denness on 745971, or see our website [www.storringtonconservation.org.uk](http://www.storringtonconservation.org.uk).

Stuart Kersley



We now have our Year of Culture Working Party in place and it is commencing the preparatory work for our Drama Festival. This exciting event will be taking place on 24 to 27 July 2019, however, we are still looking for a Publicity Officer to join the group.

The next Members' Evening is taking place on Saturday 18 August at 7pm for 7.30pm when we will see a performance of a historical drama *Black Knight* by our own Rosemary Lawrence. A ploughman's supper, bar and raffle will complete the event, tickets for which are available at £10 (£5 for members) from Geoffrey Steward, email [mailing@wcds.co.uk](mailto:mailing@wcds.co.uk) or telephone 01798 874932. During the evening we will be announcing the winner of this year's Chairman's Challenge.

We are continuing to look for new members particularly in the younger age groups, so why not contact our membership secretary Christine Pearson at [mailing@wcds.co.uk](mailto:mailing@wcds.co.uk) who will be pleased to provide information and membership forms.

Geoffrey Steward, Chairman

# BRIDGE EVERY DAY

There are no less than six duplicate Bridge Clubs in the Storrington, Thakeham and Pulborough area and they provide an opportunity to play every weekday. The clubs are quite small and are ready to welcome newcomers to the area or to help those who enjoy social rubber Bridge to experience the duplicate version of the game.

Thakeham and Pulborough Clubs are ready to help those with some experience of Bridge by arranging a discussion and play session on duplicate. If you are interested please contact Harold Linfield (01798 812276) or Tom Garside (01403 782814).

If you are new to the game then we can put you in contact with experienced local teachers. Bridge, like all games, is competitive but the Clubs provide a welcome and friendly atmosphere. You can keep your mind active but at the same time enjoy meeting new people and making friends.

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<b>Thakeham Bridge Club</b>		
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## School's out, gardening's in

Every Friday in term-time, I'm at Storrington Primary School helping different groups of students discover the delights of gardening. With the summer holidays in mind, I thought I'd share a few things I've learned this year about gardening with children:



- They love weeding! To adults this sounds bizarre, but if I go into a classroom, even on a baking hot or bitter cold day and ask for help with weeding, a forest of arms fly up. Don't expect children to know what a weed is though. Until they learn, find them a patch that needs completely clearing, tell them they can pull up anything green and you'll have a bucket-full in no time.
- Keep your sessions short. Most children are interested in gardening, but their attention can quickly stray – ooh look, a grasshopper! A good rule of thumb is to spend no more than twice as long as the youngest child's age on something before switching to another activity.
- Play it safe. Red ants, cat poo, stinging nettles and burning sap can turn gardening from fun to tears in a few seconds. Until children are familiar with the risks involved, point out the hazards for them, get some child-size gloves for when they need the protection, and make sure they wash their hands. Children will enjoy learning about the plants and insects you're telling them to be aware of: Did you know that wasps eat greenfly? Or that nettles are essential food for Red Admiral and Peacock caterpillars? Finally, have a first aid kit handy for the inevitable scratches, stings and bumps.



- Give them something to keep. I always try to finish a gardening activity with finding something in season for children to harvest and eat (after washing it of course), or to keep, like a flower, an interesting leaf or seedpod.
- Enjoy the silly-side. Whether it's plants' names (Granny's Bonnet, Lambs' Ears, anything with 'superbum' in it), the exploding seedpods of Busy Lizzies, or getting wet during watering sessions, kids are great at finding the funny side of gardening. Enjoy sharing it with them this summer!



## St Barnabas House Hospice Outreach Project

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### Unexplained mysteries and cover ups

On a delightful early summer evening, members were welcomed by President, Erika Brichta, and there was an extra special welcome for Felicity Downe who came to give us a report from our National Meeting held this year in Cardiff. Felicity had been the second President of Sullington Windmills, which was formed 49 years ago.

We were able to up-date members on our very successful Shuffleboard Evening, interestingly both the winning and losing teams sharing a table, one of life's mysteries!

On that point, our speaker for the evening, Andy Thomas was introduced with his talk "Unexplained Mysteries and Cover Ups". He had spoken to us before about crop circles. This was one of the mysteries and apparently there are just as many nowadays but they barely ever make the news headlines. It seems that one in ten people think they have seen a ghost but this also is something not taken seriously. UFOs have been seen by thousands of people and apparently there is a lot of research going on into this but yet it isn't reported. Why not? Are the stories 'covered up?!' There are mystery animals: Loch Ness monster, the Yeti, Big Foot etc. Is it possible some prehistoric animals are still around? How were the pyramids built? Andy's talk was wide ranging, very interesting and thought provoking: an exceptionally good speaker.

Following tea and coffee with delicious homemade scones, both sweet and savoury, thanks to Sheila Foster, Felicity gave a full report of her extremely interesting day at the Annual Meeting. The resolution "Mental Health Matters" was carried by a landslide vote, for once the organisers had not been able to find anyone to speak against. This is such a difficult and sensitive subject matter, but somehow, we need to make it much easier to access help and, perhaps more importantly, for sufferers to feel able to speak about their mental health issues just as someone with a physical illness would be able to do.

The August meeting will take place on **Wednesday 15 August** in Sullington Parish Hall and will be something a little different: no WI business, just a fun evening. We will be holding not a Beetle Drive, but a 'Windmill' Drive. Well we are Sullington Windmills WI! Tickets cost £2.50, available from Liz on 742648, to include tea or coffee and delicious cake. Any money raised will be donated to the Associated Country Women of the World. There will be a bookstall and raffle, plus we will be collecting used stamps, old foreign or British coins and unwanted jewellery, which will be handed over to Jane Biggs, our County representative, who will attend the evening. So ladies, why not join us? If anyone has any stamps or coins etc. to donate but won't be able to make the meeting please telephone the number below to arrange collection.

We meet on the 3rd Wednesday each month (apart from December which is the 2nd Wednesday) at Sullington Parish Hall at 7.30pm; new members and visitors are always welcome. Should you require further information please contact Erika Brichta on 742039.

## STORRINGTON BABY AND TODDLER GROUP



Started by two mothers who just wanted to meet new mums and entertain their children, Storrington Baby and Toddler Group has been at the hub of the Storrington community for many years. In fact, supporting families and providing a safe learning environment for pre-school children for 40 years! What an achievement! 40 years' worth of children have passed through our doors at the Trinity Centre. 40 years' worth of mums, dads and grandparents.



40 years of wonderful volunteers who work so hard to make sure the group keeps running. 40 years' worth of talking, listening, laughing and crying. 40 years' worth of tea and coffee, not to mention the biscuits!



We all feel so proud to be part of this achievement, so much so that we decided to throw an anniversary party for the whole of our community. Perhaps we hadn't realised how much hard work it would be organising which made it all worth-while! Children, mums, dads, grandparents and past volunteers all joining in our fun indoor fete party! Hook a duck, hoop the loop and tombola were all very popular, but not quite as popular as our cake stall! The amazing cake barrow donated some fantastic cupcakes, whilst us amateurs threw together cookies, brownies, and sponges! For 50p a cake who could say no?

What could beat the abundance of cake? The raffle! The raffle so generously donated to and heavily promoted surely brought the numbers in on the day. We have so much gratitude to all the local businesses who gave so willingly to support our cause. Storrington Baby and Toddler Group is a friendly and welcoming group at the Trinity Centre, Takeham road. We open our doors to families every term time on Tuesdays and we love a new face, so why not pop along and visit us.



You may already have met us as we also run the children's nearly new sales at Steyning Grammar School, Rock Road, Storrington. Our next sale is on Saturday 15 September.



### STORRINGTON FLOWER CLUB

Sullington Parish Hall

**No meeting in August!**

Next meeting:

**Wednesday 26 September at 2pm**





# THAKEHAM GARDENERS' CLUB

## Glorious Clemetis

The Club enjoyed a very enlightening talk on Clematis from Liz Gibbison at the June meeting. Liz was standing in for her son as he has moved to Suffolk but as a real lover of clematis with a garden containing many different varieties flowering throughout the year we couldn't have had a better speaker.

We learnt about spring flowering alpines, macropetala and montana which don't need pruning but new shoots can be cut off until the end of July. If they get very tatty she recommended cutting the top quarter of growth off and then, once new growth starts, to cut off a further quarter, giving a feed of tomorite or granular osmacote at the same time. Early flowering hybrids should have all dead stems pruned in spring. Again, if heavier pruning is necessary cut a quarter and then further quarter in February. This will result in late flowering and doubles will be single for that season. Later summer-flowering varieties should be cut low in February, especially veticella. Winter flowering clematis include cirrhosa which flower from end of October to March, armandii which dislikes wind so needs a protected site and nepalensis which is a rare winter evergreen, however it is deciduous in summer so looks a bit unsightly.

Generally they all love potash and Liz recommended mulching with a product called strulch which is a mineralised straw with slug deterrent. When planting in the ground, after digging your hole, use a bucket of water, add soil then a second bucket of water. Plant alpines at the same depth as the pot they were in and all others 2 inches lower. Back fill, stamp down and mulch. Another recommendation was to plant an open ended bottle alongside to enable watering down to the roots. Clematis can also be planted in containers using a mix of soil and a peat based compost. Given a 40/45 litre pot it should be happy for seven years.

Liz concluded her talk with very sharp slides of different varieties many taken in her own garden and was warmly thanked by Janet, our acting Chairman.



Clematis 'josephine'



Clematis 'blue pirouette'

Neil Miller will be telling the 'Secrets of Hever Castle' at the meeting on **13 August** and the Club competition is 'A Vase of Summer Flowers'. Meetings take place at 7.30pm on the second Monday in the month at Thakeham Village Hall. We welcome new members and guests; come along to the Hall on Club night or ring our Chairman, Bruce, on 892466 for further details.

Sandra Jenkins



## SANDGATE CONSERVATION SOCIETY

The National Trust group will be taking a break this month but the Sandgate Park group will be active on **Saturday 25 August** from 10am till noon, so if you feel like a bit of gentle exercise why not come and join us, with a coffee or tea break mid-morning. Even if it is for an hour or so, you will be most welcome.

To learn more about the Sandgate Conservation Society, who work closely with the National Trust and Horsham District Council, please contact Jacinta White on 01798 813545. [www.sandgate-conservation.org.uk](http://www.sandgate-conservation.org.uk)

Brian Burns



A Charity Performance of

# The Black Knight

By Rosemary Lawrence

**Friday 17th August**  
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at the **Tithe Barn, Sullington**

**Tickets £10** (including a glass of Wine)

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## STORRINGTON COMMUNITY MARKET

Village Hall, opposite Stable Antiques

Every Friday in August 10am to 11.15am

Please come along and support your Local Community Market selling delicious home-made cakes and savouries, jams and marmalades, eggs, local free range pork, mushrooms & vegetables, plants, flowers & perennials. Also a wide range of handiworks, cards & jewellery and Aloe Vera skincare and health products. Stop for a coffee or tea and cake and browse our second hand book stall.

All are welcome and we look forward to seeing you, especially if you are new to the village, it's a great way to meet people!

## TICK ALL THE BOXES THIS SUMMER TO PROTECT AGAINST LYME DISEASE



With long summer days now upon us, West Sussex County Council is urging families to tick one more job off their lists to protect against Lyme disease.

As more and more families look to make the most of our beautiful countryside and the warmer summer weather, the county council is keen for residents to protect themselves against the risk of tick bites.

Ticks can transmit bacteria that cause diseases such as Lyme disease. Although not all tick bites result in the disease, it is important to know how to avoid tick bites and to take action if you or your family get bitten. Ticks mainly attach themselves to animals, but sometimes they may bite you or your family.

Amanda Jupp, the county council's cabinet member for adults and health said: "It is important to be tick aware and to remember that you could be exposed to ticks whenever you spend time outdoors, whether in your garden, local park or the countryside. You can prevent tick bites by walking on clearly defined paths, using insect repellent and making regular tick checks."

Kayleigh Hansford, vector-borne disease scientist at Public Health England, said: "When enjoying the outdoors, we encourage you to be aware of what ticks are, where they are found, and how to remove them safely in order to protect yourself from tick-borne diseases. Carrying out a tick check involves looking and feeling for ticks that might be on your body. It is important to remove ticks promptly and safely using a tick removal tool. Grasp the tick as close to the skin as possible and pull upwards slowly and firmly, as mouthparts left in the skin can cause local infection. Clean the bite area and monitor it for several weeks for any changes. If you feel unwell with flu-like symptoms or develop a spreading circular red rash after being bitten or spending time outdoors, you should visit your GP or call NHS 111 promptly. Remember to tell them where you have been and if you were bitten."

Public Health England has produced a factsheet which has details about the health risks of tick bites, how to check your skin for ticks, remove a tick and how to prevent being bitten.

For more information visit <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/tick-bite-risks-and-prevention-of-lyme-disease> or <https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/insect-bites-and-stings/>

### Note from the editor....



I am facing a major change in my life this month with my daughter leaving home to live in Germany to study for her PhD, a four year project. I shall miss her terribly, and all we share together. I know it will be hard for me, but even more so for her, facing a new life, new challenges and a completely new existence.

We all face challenges in our lives, be it through death, health problems, financial problems or sometimes just little things; anything can make a dramatic impact.

But with our trust in God, He will help us through any difficult or challenging times. And never forget, we have the support of our friends within the church and the community – you will be surprised how much help and support is out there. So whatever challenge you are facing, reach out to God, neighbours, friends and family. You are not alone.

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