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St Mary's Church SULLINGTON



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#### THE PARISH CHURCHES OF

#### St Mary STORRINGTON

#### St Mary SULLINGTON THAKEHAM

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Information about study and prayer groups, and requests for baptisms, weddings and home communions, for Storrington contact Revd Kathryn Windslow and for Sullington and Thakeham contact Churchwardens – details on pages 4 & 5.

All telephone numbers are 01903 unless otherwise stated.



PARISH CLERGY

#### A NEW FACE!

In the present circumstances, the Diocese has asked me to provide some extra help at Sullington and Thakeham Churches from September. Another new face! But who is this interim minister being parachuted in? Yes, I am sure you are all naturally curious!

I am part of the Horsham Team ministry, based at Holy Trinity Church. I am a non-stipendiary priest, ordained in 1990. My wife is also an ordained non-stipendiary priest. She has been Priest-in-Charge of Shipley Parish since 2001. Patricia (Pat) and I have two grownup sons. I had a full time job in research for a large multinational construction company for 39 years, and am now retired from paid

employment, but not from ministry! As we all know, work expands to fill the time available, so I have been helping out at interregnums in Warnham, and most recently, in West Grinstead parishes, as well as my ministry in Horsham, in the recent past.

I have no doubt that life has not been easy in the communities of Sullington and Thakeham in the recent past. I am also sure they have responded to adversity, and will continue to respond, as all close communities do, by working together constructively. For if we do what we can, in our own small way, to keep a Parish on an even keel, then our centres of worship can remain a beacon of light and hope in dark days. Yes, we all struggle at times to get to grips with what is happening. For as someone comically observed; "Life is like a tin of sardines – we are all looking for the key".

Life has, and always will, unfold in a continuous succession of experiences and expectations, of certainties and doubts, of joy and despair. We sometimes need to remind ourselves that God is always there with us amidst all the distress, confusion, and even anger, of testing times as the book of Job reminds us. His love for us is constant and unwavering. The challenge to us is to have the faith to entrust Him with all our cares and woes each day in prayer. For then we will discover that he gives us faith, then we have faith. A faith which can cope with all the stresses and knocks which life throws at us. May God grant that we may come to know that as a reality in all our lives.

Yours in Christ

BERNARD SINTON Interim Priest of Sullington and Thakeham with Warminghurst

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#### PRAYER FOR THE MONTH

O gracious and holy Father, give us wisdom to perceive you, intelligence to understand you, diligence to seek you, patience to wait for you, eyes to behold you, a heart to mediate upon you, a life to proclaim you, through the power of the Spirit of our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

#### **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.

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#### What's happening at

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.

## St Mary's Thakeham

#### Revd Derek Spencer www.thakehamchurch.com

Churchwardens: David Peacock (745595) 5 Dean Way, Storrington RH20 4QN Allison Goodfellow (740499) Lyndene Newhouse Lane Storrington RH20 3HQ Treasurer: Margarita Smith (01798 817376) Staddle-stone, The Street, Thakeham RH20 3EP PCC Secretary: Allison Goodfellow (740499) Lyndene, Newhouse Lane Storrington RH20 3HQ Child Protection Officer: Karen Arkle (744844) 5 Jubilee Way, Storrington RH20 3NZ Electoral Roll Officer: David Peacock (745595) 5 Dean Way, Storrington RH20 4QN Organist: Beryl Hardie (892349) Church Bookings: Wynn Lednor (743025) 4 Crescent Rise, Storrington RH20 3NB Bellringers: Tower Captain Roger Watts (01798 813775) Gift Aid Officer: Bob Timms (01798 813807) Cootes, The Street, Thakeham RH20 3EP

PASTORAL ARRANGEMENTS FOR THAKEHAM: In the first instance, all enquiries for Baptisms, Weddings and Banns of Marriage should be directed to the Churchwardens, David Peacock or Allison Goodfellow, contact details above. Times of Church services can be found on page 18.

#### **EILEEN DAVIS AND DOREEN THOMPSON** – THE SISTERS

Some of you may already know that I have set up a fund to purchase a memorial bench, with plaque, in memory of Eileen and Doreen, the sisters, who devoted 40 years' service to our community.

I am pleased to advise you that a bank account is now active, and I have received written permission to install the bench next to the bus stop at the southern end of the Abingworth Development.

If anyone would like to contribute to the fund please either send me a cheque, made payable to 'The Sisters Memorial Fund', or contact me for bank details if you wish to make an online payment.

Please put your name and address, or a phone number, on the back of a cheque so that I can keep you updated.

If you would like more details please contact me.

Thank you for your support in honouring these remarkable ladies.

Christine Hounslow, Thyme, Furze Common Road, Thakeham, RH20 3EG. Tel 01798 815993 or 07798 610094.



Thakeham Village Hall Sunday 1 October at 1pm Children Free ALL WELCOME

For further information or tickets please contact Wynn Lednor on 743025

Church in the Pub Ist Monday of the month The White Lion Pub, Thakeham - 8.30pm Come along and enjoy

A gathering of people meeting and sharing together. No fixed agenda - the aim is just to meet chat be real and have a bit of fun - with maybe a few 'god gems' thrown in!

**Tickets** 

£5

#### Thakeham & Sullington Church Youth Groups

MILESTONES is a youth group for those in school years 6.7 & 8. It meets at Thakeham Rectory every other Friday between 6.15pm and 7.30pm. (Contact Ruth on 01798 813121)

TGIF is a group for those in year 9 upwards. It meets every other Friday at 7pm - 9pm at the Church Rooms in The Street,Thakeham (Contact Matt & Pippa Harder 01798 817522)

## Knit and Stitch Tea on Tuesday

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

19 September between 2pm and 4pm

All welcome. Enquiries to Wynn Lednor - 743025

#### Macmillan Coffee Morning Friday 29 September From 9am to 12noon

From 9am to 12noon Thakeham Church Room

Please come and support the Macmillan Nurses

#### ST MARY'S, THAKEHAM BELLRINGERS

We practice on a Wednesday evening from 7.30pm to 9pm at St Mary's, The Street, Thakeham.

If you would like to see what we do, and have a try, you would be welcome to join us.

Bell ringing is good for the body, mind and soul, and is a fun and sociable thing to do.

No strength required.

Just turn up on a Wednesday or for more details contact the Tower Captain, Roger Watts, on 01798 813775 or Christine Hounslow on 01798 815993.



'Forget about what's happened; don't keep going over old history. Be alert, be present, watch for the new thing I am going to do. It is happening already – you can see it now! I will make a road through the wilderness.' Isaiah 43: 18-19

## What's happening at



St Mary's Sullington

#### Revd Derek Spencer www.st-marys-sullington.org info@st-marys-sullington.org

Churchwardens: Jo Graves (742586) Highwinds, Washington Road, Sullington RH20 4DE John Williams (742956)

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Ann Salinger (01798 813481)

PCC Secretary: Gail Kittle (745754) Freewill Offering & Gift Aid Officer: David Baxter (744346) Electoral Roll: Margaret Slinn (746769) Beeches, Heather Way, Sullington RH20 4DD Organist: Beryl Hardie (892349)

Church Flowers: Altar Rota Muriel Astley (01798 812706) Special Occasions Jo Graves (742586)

Safeguarding Officer: Jane Williams (742956) Sandgate Lodge, Washington Road, Sullington RH20 4AF Lifts to Church: Anne Owen (743973) Church Fabric Officer: Douglas Parkes (743106)

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#### Let the beauty of Jesus be seen in us

ST MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS RAFA CHAPEL SUSSEXDOWN Communion with the residents 28 September 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

#### 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 Dates for the autumn:

13 September • 11 October • 8 November

Spaces are limited to 8 and booking is essential

To reserve a space, please contact: Tessa & Mark Holland Tel: 741904 Email: wildfortune@btinternet.com Blog: 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



St Mary's Church, Sullington Saturday 7 October 7pm for 7.30pm Tickets £10 to include a drink and nibbles Tickets: 745754 Gail Kittle

## DONATIONS NEEDED

St Mary's, Sullington will be holding our very popular Christmas Fayre on **25 November**. We would be very grateful for any contributions for our raffle, adult or children's tombola prizes.

Please bring to Church or contact Ann Owen on 743973.

#### SUMMER EVENSONG AT SULLINGTON CHURCH THE LAST ONE OF THE YEAR

St Mary's Church, Sullington 3 September at 6pm The subject will be Christian Sports People ranging from athletics to soccer to rugby.

#### **SULLINGTON REGISTERS**

Baptisms	5 – we welcome into the Lord's family			
25 Apr	Lucy Susan Dearden (daughter of Jennifer and Daniel			
23 July	Harrison Jamie Fletcher (son of Caroline and Jamie)			
Marriag	<b>es</b> – to love and to cherish			
20 May	Ben Grist and Anastasia Summers			
24 June	Nick Dolby and Chantal Holland			
15 July	Richard Kerslake and Taryn Paten			
Funerals	– we commend to God's nearer keeping			
21 June	William Henry Yeoman (92 years)			
17 July	John Palmer (82 years)			
Interment of Ashes.				
8 July	Mary MacNeil Dowson			

#### Tea with the Vicar

14 September 3pm to 5pm Ann Salinger, Greenacres, West Chiltington. 01798 813481 No booking necessary, but please let

us know for catering numbers!



#### What's happening at

PCC Secretary:

Val Rice (911179)

**Sacristy Team:** 

Little Tregullas, Bracken Close RH20 3HT

Stella Hastings & John Taylor (745477)

Verger: Michael Taylor (742218)

Rosemary Wills (01798 813206)

**Captain of Bellringers:** 

Barbara Buchanan (741916)

Rob and Alison Wall (743713)

John Taylor (745477)

**Pastoral Scheme:** 

**Recorder:** 

## **St Mary's Storrington**

#### Clergy see page 3 www.storringtonparishchurch.org.uk office@storringtonparishchurch.org.uk

#### **Churchwardens:**

churchwardens@storringtonparishchurch.org.uk

Dennis Cowdrey (744372) 17 Bannister Gardens RH20 4PU Barbara Buchanan (741916) Broad Oaks, Melton Drive RH20 4RJ

**Treasurer:** David Rice (911179) Little Tregullas, Bracken Close, RH20 3HT

**Parish Secretary:** Vivien Stuart (742888; home 745913) Rectory Office, Rectory Road RH20 4EF

#### **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. Adults or children interested in joining the choir please contact the Director of Music or clergy. Altar Servers: Bridget Vickerstaff (743346)

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: Tuesdays, 10am Sylvia (745878). Tuesdays, 7pm Chrystalle (744269). Thursdays, 10am Alison (743713) Sunday Lunch Club (ecumenical): Second Sunday in the month. See page 18.

#### St Mary's Church Storrington CONCERT COMMITTEE

are pleased to announce the following Concerts at St Mary's Church, Storrington

The Swing Band 7 October 2017

2018 6 January Taylor Maid

3 March Brighton Welsh Male Voice Choir

16 June Petworth Town Band

Please make a note of the dates in your diaries!

#### **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 Storrington Rectory Office (742888) or Sam Ward (893794) for details.

**Readers and Sidesmen:** Vera Blake (743974)

**Electoral Roll Officer:** Michael Taylor (742218)

**Director of Music:** George Jones (850019)

#### **Assistant Organists:**

John Henville Chrystalle Kersley Peter Lewis James Phillips Simon Whitchurch **Keith Smithers** 

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: Sue Kibblewhite (745325)

#### **STORRINGTON REGISTERS**

**Baptisms** – we welcome into the Lord's family ... Lily Jane Astridge and Louie Ray Astridge (children of 6 Aug Rachel and Taurean)

Marriages – to love and to cherish ...

- 8 Apr Alex Butcher and Juliana da Silva Matos
- 17 June Luke Harvey and Annie Ellis
- Arran Elliott and Millie Garden 22 July
- Funerals we commend to God's nearer keeping...
- 11 July Irene Florence Cunnell (93 years)
- 14 July Donald William Elkin (79 years)
- 18 July Peter Smith
- 20 July Stuart Ramsey (Steve) Freeman (89 years)
- 3 Aug Audrey Lilian Levey (91 years)

#### **BATTLE OF BRITAIN COMMEMORATION** SERVICE

#### 17 September – 10am

At this service we welcome many of the young people who belong to 2464 (Storrington) Air Training Corps, together with members of the Royal Air Forces Association and the Royal British Legion. Everyone is welcome; medals to be worn.

#### HARVEST FESTIVAL AT STORRINGTON Sunday 1 October

This year Harvest Festival will be celebrated on Sunday 1 October. Our Harvest Family Communion Service is at 10am and our Harvest Songs of Praise Service is at 6pm followed by Harvest Supper in the Old School. See page 9 for more details.

#### 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, 5 September Our Lady of England RC Church will lead One in faith and love and praise

#### AT STORRINGTON The Church will be decorated on Friday 29 September, starting at 9.30am. Contributions of fresh produce, eggs, preserves, etc., gratefully received. Extra helpers welcome. **SUNDAY, 1 OCTOBER** 10am **Harvest Family Communion:** everyone is invited to bring gifts of produce 6pm **Harvest Festival Songs of Praise:** followed by dispersal of produce in support of Christian Aid 7.30pm Harvest Supper in the Old School: tickets available in Church or from Rectory Office from mid-September

#### MILK BOTTLE TOPS Please keep collecting!

Donations to St Mary's, Storrington should be taken to the Rectory Office.

St Mary's, Sullington is no longer collecting but tops can be given directly to Storrington Primary School



Thank you to everyone who has collected so far - keep up the good work!

St Mary's, Storrington will be holding a Christmas Bazaar on 9 December. We will also be having a Grand Draw, tickets for which will be available for a few months beforehand. Gwen Fisher, contactable via email at: office@storringtonparishchurch.org.uk is collecting prizes for this draw and would be very grateful for any contributions. We are particularly looking for a \*STAR\* prize! Any donations of gifts or help with the bazaar will be gratefully received though – just contact Gwen.



#### THINKING OF TAKING UP A HOBBY OR CRAFT? Why not try bell ringing?

There is nothing like the sound of the bells at a wedding or special occasion. The art of ringing bells dates back hundreds of years and has given pleasure to countless people. Ringing bells...

- Helps keep you fit;
- Is good exercise;
- Keeps your mind alert;
  Helps you meet people and so much more.

To find out more or to ring a bell at one of our practice evenings call Steve on 07761 019875.

You will be made very welcome at St Mary's Church, Storrington.

#### Could this be what it would be like to have an automated answering system for Heaven?

Thank you for calling heaven.

For English, press 1; for French, press 2; for all other languages, press 3.

Now please select one of the following options: Press 1 for a request; press 2 for thanksgiving; press 3 for complaints; press 4 for all others.

I am sorry, all our angels and saints

are busy helping other sinners right now. However, your prayer is important to us and we will answer it as soon as possible. Please stay on the line.

If you would like to speak to: God, press 1; Jesus, press 2; the Holy Spirit, press 3. To find a loved one that has been assigned to heaven press 5, then enter the personal number, followed by the # key. If you receive a negative response, please hang up and try again later.

For reservations in heaven, please say the word JOHN followed by the numbers 316. For answers to particularly difficult questions, please wait until you arrive in heaven.

I'm sorry, the office is now closed for the weekend to observe a religious holiday. Our computers show that you have already been prayed for today, so please hang up and call again on Monday. If you are calling after hours and need emergency assistance, please contact your local clergy.

Thank you and have a heavenly day.



Storrington

Saturday 7 October at 7.30 pm

Tickets:£10 (to include glass of wine/ soft drink and nibbles)

from Fowlers (745844) or King & Chasemore (745761)

#### Ladies and Gentlemen - it's Swing Time!!

The Swing Band (lead vocals, piano, double bass and drums) performs a selection of the most well-known songs of the 40s and 50s covering the likes of Frank Sinatra, Sammie Davis Junior, Dean Martin and Tony Bennett. With years of experience behind them, the band are certain to have you swinging the night away with their irresistible charm and charisma on stage and off. This will be a concert to remember - don't miss it!



## **PROJECT LAPTOP** FOR ZIMBABWE ORPHANAGE

In St Mary's Church, Sullington, we support New Growth Ministries in Zimbabwe. Founded 25 years ago by Rob and Hilary Mackenzie, whose parents live in Hassocks, it cares for orphaned children and the underprivileged. It runs a programme to support widows, orphans and vulnerable people in the local community, providing food, clothing, medical help or other urgent supplies for up to 250 people at any one time. Over 1000 adults and children have been assisted over the years.

They have had many scares, especially when other farmers have had their farms taken from them, and they have been threatened many times. There are many problems in Zimbabwe, yet they have requested prayer and the Lord has supplied their needs. Many of the earliest orphans are now adults with their own families and professional careers - a lawyer, accountant, builder, qualified doctor who is Medical Superintendent in a mission hospital etc. They were given a loving home and education by the team in New Growth Ministries thanks to the hard work of Hilary and Rob and churches who pray for them and give them financial support.

In April, they took in six-month-old twins, Tinashe and Takudzwa, and 13-year-old Munashe, to add to their family. Last year, five





boys were admitted with no trace of their backgrounds or dates of birth. However, the hospital dentist assessed each of their ages by examining their teeth. From examination they were given a birthday as the day they arrived at the orphanage.

We decided to have a project to help and support their work, and asked Hilary what they needed. In their latest newsletter, they said they need 20 tonnes of maize and fuel for the next six months, and also a laptop as



the one they use is at the end of its life. We chose to raise money for a laptop which will cost £600 plus £150 for additions. We have already raised nearly £400 and wonder if anyone else would like to support the orphanage in Zimbabwe.

If you would like to receive newsletters or contribute to this worthy cause, please send a cheque, made out to NGM, together with your name and address to Anne Owen, 2 College Place, College Hill, Steyning, BN44 3NN.

Thank you



Support your local church with the annual Sussex Historic Churches Trust



#### Saturday 9 September 9am till 5pm

#### Fundraising event 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 Storrington Rectory Office (742888) or Sam Ward (01903 893794).

#### The Old School Storrington

The Trustees of the Hooper & Downer Educational Foundation are looking for someone to help look after this beautiful old building and ensure it is clean and safe for all users.

This will involve a commitment of approximately 4 hours a week.

The hours would be flexible.

For further details including responsibilities and remuneration please contact vivienstuart44@googlemail.com





**Sun 1:** Trinity XII. Fine and warm. Fair attendances morning and evening, self in a poor condition. An old sermon on Holy Communion in the morning and in the evening on "The Healing of Jairus' Daughter". Our Litany services fairly attended.

**Mon 2:** As yesterday. Opened school with Mrs Hallet. She seems a quiet determined little person. Intensely warm for the first days of September.

**Tue 3:** Very warm. Board of Guardians and District Council. Some tennis here. Began mowing the square meadow again. At last got the Government Report on local schools, brief and fair with big grant.

**Wed 4:** As yesterday. Doctored for my cough and laid low. The two Burrs left us, the others to Sandgate to play games.

**Thu 5:** As yesterday. Edward sends from himself and Mary a souvenir of our wedding, a flask and sandwich box giving lugubrious account of his family and household. A Mr and Mrs Stanley called and had tea. Cutting Churchyard and taking cuttings.

**Fri 6:** Very close and foggy morning. Am still much below par, and cough a good deal. Congratulatory letters from dear Mother and Cicely. Renewed our singing practice, Mrs Hallet attends. Many reflections come in on what ones 60th birthday: chiefly penitential and grateful.

**Sat 7:** Hot. Like a midsummer day. May and HW Smith went to Worthing for a sail: May found it rough. Made enquiries after Mr Amphlet, Burchet and Miss S Walker.

**Sun 8:** Trinity XIII. As yesterday wonderfully hot. Had a letter from a Mrs Skinner at Marienbad about the Chaplaincy at Leipzig. Preached extempore on the epistle and second lesson. Mr Stanley from Sandgate, kindly read the lessons.

**Mon 9:** Very warm. Day in the hay field; secured some good second cut, four cart loads. Cicely returned from a week at Bengies. Clara and May to a first gathering of the Chorals at Stopham.

**Tue 10:** Fine but overcast, some rain at sundown. Hal and the girls to Burpham for a water picnic. Only Hal appeared about 10pm leaving the girls at Mrs C's. Got on with hay carting. Three cart loads filling up the hay barn.

**Wed 11:** Fresh and unsettled. Edmund C escorted the girls from Burpham by lunch. Poor old Bobby falls in a kind of paralytic fit. Two wagons of hay – *finis*.

**Thu 12:** Fresh fine. Picked up the rakings. Despatched Bobby. With Clara and the girls to Houghton, then on foot to Bury and West Burton: visited Anne Murdoch (aged 80) and on to Colonel Wesley's.

**Fri 13:** Fresh dull morning then fine afternoon. Hal goes to Town to visit and misses his train. I meet Mr Witcomb the organist and he looks through the school giving many good suggestions.

**Sat 14:** Fine and generally warm. Helped to mow lawns with Sam Stringer. Visited the porter and wife at Wiston House; and Mrs Curtis and Penfold and found out that Mrs Lambourne was tricky about her daughter coming here on Saturday and Sunday for her banns.

**Sun 15:** Trinity XIV. Fine and warm. This is Harvest Sunday in neighbouring churches so that we were thinly attended. My sermons were from notes on "Prophets". Took a family walk on Downs, lovely in sleepy haze. Had a difference with the daughter of Lambourne about the banns.

**Mon 16:** As yesterday. George Marten offers us a house at Southview for a few days: unable to accept. Write many letters about local tenants. Mow lawns with Hal and toss the hay with pony and kicker.

**Tue 17:** As yesterday. To Board of Guardians, no quorum for second time, little Davey there. Drove in to Worthing leaving cards on Wyatts, Wisdens and seeing our old friends. On return attended a Harvest evening service at Washington. Walked home across the fields.

**Wed 18:** Very fine and warm. Went to Style House Farm West Chiltington. Got Richardson to bid for a Jersey cow and two heifers. A letter from Leipzig makes us wait until Saturday.

**Thu 19:** Dull and inclined to rain. Took dear Cicely as far as Havant en route to school in Winchester stopping at Midhurst to see Albury about George's affairs. Called on Mrs Parker a remarkably quiet well-mannered woman. Telegraphed "No" to Leipzig at noon and in evening had one back "Please come!"

**Fri 20:** Fine and warm. Telegraphed to Leipzig: could come by 6th, not before. Up the Hill to call on the Remnants. Fine colouring, very clear. Clara May and Hal go to Wiston for afternoon tea.

**Sat 21:** As yesterday morning frosty. Took up last load of hay in very good order: had time permitted could have cut plenty more. First cut was June 3rd. Married Grace Humphries to one John Randle Earwicher, grocer of Burstow: a 2 fly wedding: very decorous party. Hope for some telegrams, only a call from Lady Thynne and Miss Thynne. Ben has a fit.

**Sun 22:** Trinity XV. Fine, bright, warm. Preached from notes on Nehustan, a danger of turning sacred things to superstitious uses. In evening an old sermon on the Marriage of the King's son, in preparation for the Harvest Services for next Sunday. Hal goes to Town in evening.

**Mon 23:** As yesterday very warm. Remarkable weather for the time of year. All to Portsmouth this morning. Clara and May to Lodsworth. I to Town to see Edward who looked well. Hal joined us and seemed hopeful about an Australian start as a mine prospector.

**Tue 24:** As yesterday hot, thunder and rain at night. Clara and May returned from Lodsworth by lunch. I received a telegram from Leipzig at 4, declining. Hal came in evening from Town, not thinking that he will get his mining in Australia. Mr Luckman writes from Turriff that he will come here on his terms; accept him.

**Wed 25:** As yesterday remarkable. Very enervating. Hal begins real work with a big tracing of an Oregon Mines map for Pearse. Visit Page and Crowhurst and get offerings for Sunday.

Thurs 26 – 30: Missing pages.

#### MACMILLAN FILM NIGHT THEIR FINEST (12A) MONDAY 18 SEPTEMBER Doors open 7pm for 7.30pm start PULBOROUGH VILLAGE HALL



In 1940, a married woman (Gemma Arterton) and a screenwriter (Sam Claflin) develop a growing attraction while working together on a propaganda film about the evacuation of Allied troops from Dunkirk, France.

Stars: Bill Nighy, Gemma Arterton and Sam Claflin

**Tickets: £6** available from Gatley's Pet Store, Lower Street Pulborough; on the door (subject to availability) or online from www.touringcinema.com

Wine, coffee/tea & biscuits available from 7pm with Raffle and Macmillan stall. Ices available during interval.

## 50th Thakeham Festival 2017

The Fashion Show on 7 July launched the Thakeham Festival 2017. What a start! The Church was packed with excitement noise and fun. The programme was packed with video, music models, enticing new fashion from the American company Cabi and vintage clothing, ready for the Festival of Speed; many of us remembered their first appearance on the runway, astounded at how lovely those 1960s fashions actually were. What a delight to welcome Nick Herbert MP, local Councillors, representatives from St Barnabas, Macmillan nurses and the diocese. The evening was hot, falling in a spell of perfect summer weather - a complete contrast to the Festival weekend which coincided with stormy, wet and blustery weather. Who could believe that we could be so unfortunate again.

Thakeham Rocks was a sell-out. Over 300 people talked, laughed, ate and danced in heavy rain and strong gusts of wind that lifted the sides of the marquees alarmingly. The marquees, erected on Tuesday, had already suffered from awful conditions, several having to be re-built and pegged down more than once on Friday. Cars floundered in the mud. Despite that, the music was amazing. The Other Brothers and Boxwood Strings got us dancing and singing in the rain. Domi Hawken braved the weather and produced an outstanding interval act, a forerunner of the amazing concert on Saturday evening, and The Cheer Up Mollies added a new dimension. It was a fabulous evening!

Throughout the weekend, steady numbers visited the Art Show. As always the Art Show preview on Thursday evening offered the first opportunity to purchase originals and prints, at prices from £25 to

£400. Prosecco and delicious canapés added to the elegance of the event. Regulars know what they want for their collections and red spots quickly appeared on many exhibits. It is a wonderful way to purchase works by local artists.

On Saturday and Sunday, visitors had the opportunity to mingle and buy a range of items from the marketplace; flowers and plants of excellent quality and extraordinary prices, artefacts in wood being made and turned by the sellers, gifts and crafts and an amazing array of bric-a-brac. Entertainment and amusement was offered by opportunities to ring the Church bells, throw a teddy from the tower, watch Morris dancers and listen to Worthing Steel Band, Petworth Youth Band and pianists playing in the Church Rooms and in the Church for the Flower Festival.

"Amazing"," unbelievable", "stunning" and "fantastic" were just some of the words visitors to Thakeham Church used to describe the flower arrangements displayed in the Church as part of the 50th Thakeham Flower Festival. There was a wonderful water feature as you entered the porch, and from there as you entered Church you were greeted by all the arrangements, each one depicting a different celebration, including wedding anniversaries, special birthdays, bonfire night, Shrove Tuesday



Joan Barnes, who started the **Flower Festival** 

and a wedding day, plus many more. Warmest congratulations and a huge thank you must be extended to everyone who worked tirelessly on these arrangements and decorated the Church, which





over the weekend gave so much pleasure to the vast numbers who visited the Church.

A Celebration of Music from Bach to Broadway, took place on Saturday evening in Church; this event featured extremely talented young local musicians, including vocalists; Sopranos, Mezzo-Sopranos, accompanied by three musicians playing the recorder (who are all members of the London Recorder Orchestra). A member of the Horsham Symphony Orchestra played the French Horn, all accompanied by Jane Thomas on the Piano. The packed audience enjoyed this wonderful evening of music, and the Church, decorated so beautifully, enhanced the music and added to the atmosphere.

The Tea Rooms proved to be as popular as ever, run by Wynn and her dedicated team of helpers. Visitors could be tempted by a delicious array of homemade cakes and scones all day, with Ploughman's lunches and sandwiches being served at lunch time, always a busy venue.

The final event of this special weekend was the Songs of Praise Service; this year the service was led by David Whitehead, many favourite hymns being sung, and the congregation also listened to music sung and played by the Thakeham Church Music Group. This was such a happy and uplifting end to what has once again been a successful weekend.

The variety and scale of the events available mark Thakeham Weekend Festival as one of the best in the area, a must-do! Put a reminder into your diary to come again in 2019.

Pat Snape



#### TRINITY METHODIST CHURCH WELCOMES NEW MINISTER

My name is Dawn Carn, and I have been married to Geoff for nearly 40 years. We have two children and three grandchildren. I am from Hastings originally and lived there until going to Bristol, Wesley College, to train for ministry and complete my theology degree. When I left school, I became a nurse and that is where Geoff and I met. Once we had the children, I moved into education and worked in several capacities, including working with children and families at risk of exclusion.

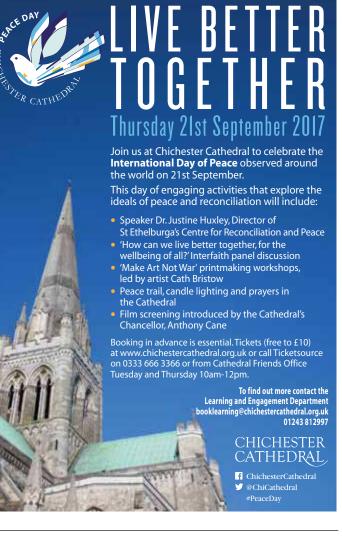


We moved to Winchester after training and had pastoral charge of three churches. One in the beautiful market town of Alresford, another on the north side of the city and the final church in the rural village of Kings Somborne.

We moved to Worthing a year ago, having served seven years in my first appointment and two years after ordination. Ministry is a huge privilege and I love it. I long to see the church sharing the love of God in a relevant and practical way. I guess this is due to my being a Methodist since the age of five and embracing a tradition that encourages social holiness and inclusivity.

I have pastoral charge of Offington Park, a large and active Church in Broadwater, and Lyndhurst Road in Worthing which is currently a Children's centre. I am looking forward to seeing what God is doing in Storrington and joining in.

Revd Dawn





#### STORRINGTON FIRST SCHOOL

#### The end of one era and the start of another!

The end of the academic year saw the whole school preparing for the building works which will take place over the summer. The two modular buildings that were on site will be removed (the newer one has a new home in Amberley School for their Year 6 class) and replaced with double huts, each housing two classrooms which will become Year 2 and Year 6. As well as the building on site, school staff will be

busy over the summer preparing for the September re-opening as Storrington Primary School!

Whilst we didn't say farewell to our Year 5s this year, we did say goodbye to our Chair of Governors, Peter Surtees. Peter, local to Storrington, has been a governor for an amazing 22 years and has been a tremendous support to the school during

this time. Head teachers past and present, Governors, staff and representatives from West Sussex came into school to pay tribute to his long service and contribution, which included work across the Authority and other schools.



David Gwenlan from WSCC said "Thank you Peter for your invaluable contribution not only to Storrington for so long, but to other schools and areas of Education within West Sussex. Your input has been very much appreciated, and your wealth of knowledge and experience will be greatly missed. I wish you well for the future as you deserve now a long and well-earned rest."

In a letter to parents, Peter referred to the challenges and rewards of being a governor and said that his experience as governor is something he "would not have missed for the world", finishing by

wishing pupils, staff and families of Storrington the very best for the future. In turn, we would like to add our thanks and appreciation for everything Peter has done for the school and look forward to welcoming him back as a VIP visitor!

If you would like to be involved with your local school we'd love to hear from you. The role of school governor is a crucial one but there are also other opportunities available, and we are currently hoping to recruit a volunteer librarian to oversee our school library. If you are interested please contact the school office on 742047, which re-opens on 4

September.

Finally we would like to say a big thank you to one of our neighbours (you know who you are!) who over the years has transformed the front of our school; the gladioli, sunflowers, dahlias and sweet peas this year have looked fantastic and brightened all our days. Thank you!

Rebecca Stables, Business Manager





#### **Interested in** photography? Looking for an opportunity to develop your interest and skills? Come and join us,

visitors welcome.

Our programme includes guest photographer talks, demonstrations, competitions, practical workshops and a monthly coffee club.

MEETINGS alternate Thursdays 7.30pm to 10pm, September through to May in The Football Pavilion, behind Chanctonbury Leisure Centre, Storrington.

> THURSDAY 7 SEPTEMBER 7.30pm Start of Season Welcome and Summer Photos

THURSDAY 21 SEPTEMBER 7.30pm Guest speaker Richard Peters, European Wildlife Photographer of the Year' winner 2015

**MORE INFORMATION:** www.storringtoncc.org.uk or contact Janet Brown T: 01798 812183 E: vicechair@storringtoncc.org.uk



LENS MADE IN

#### STORRINGTON FLOWER CLUB Wednesday 27 September at 2pm **Sullington Parish Hall** Demonstrator: Katie Baxter

Theme: Joy of Flowers Competition: Wine and Roses





Fridays ... 9.30 – 11.00am (Term time) Trinity Methodist Church, Thakeham Rd, Storrington Cost: £2.50 per family



For more information contact 01903 744821 Email: admin@splashshools.org.uk www.splashschools.org.uk Splash is a registered charity UK Reg No.1106290





A community orchestra for string and wind players of all ages

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Rehearsals will begin again on Saturday 9th September 2017

9.45 -11.15am

#### in the Meadows Hall, Pulborough Village Hall

We welcome anyone who can read music and is looking for a group of enthusiastic and friendly instrumentalists to make music with.

String players are particularly welcome

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downlandensemble@gmail.com



Members and visitors packed the hall to hear Adrian Thomas give an illustrated talk on gardening for wildlife.

He explained that having a garden to attract wildlife does not mean it has to be a scruffy wilderness and gave several ideas to encourage wildlife to come to your garden.

The best way to attract animals and insects is to provide suitable habitats for them where they can feed, rest and produce their young. Flowers, logs, leaves, ponds and compost heaps and all undisturbed wild areas are all great features for a bug-friendly garden. Fallen tree branches when left break down by decomposing and provides homes for a multitude of creatures, such as beetles, spiders, centipedes and even slowworms. A simple dish of water for birds to drink and bathe will encourage birds whilst a pond with plants brings dragonflies, frogs and toads. Hedges and creepers make good shelters and ideal nesting places and bird and bat boxes placed in trees can give us much pleasure.

Even if one only has a tiny space, you can do great things to attract wildlife such as having a window box, planters with herbs and flowers or even a container pond. All this gives a little extra help to keep our wildlife going.

A mixture of flowers especially open daisy types are great for hoverflies and bees while tubular flowers will attract various butterflies and moths. Another important reason for having a garden full of wildlife is that it is so convenient to be able to study the natural world outside your back door.

All agreed that Adrian Thomas's talk made an entertaining and humorous evening.

On 15 September Dr Gillian Regan will give an illustrated talk on 'A Plantaholics Garden'. Bulbs will be on sale. Details on website: www.Storringtonhorti.org.uk

Sheila Webber

#### CHICHESTER CATHEDRAL **FREE LUNCH TIME CONCERTS**

#### SEPTEMBER

Tuesday 12	John Kitchen ( <i>organ</i> )		
Tuesday 19	Continuum		
	Elizabeth Walker (flute and recorder)		
	Moreven Brown ( <i>flute</i> )		
	Sebastian Comberti ( <i>cello</i> )		
	Michael Overbury (harpsichord)		
Tuesday 26	26 Henry Melbourne ( <i>clarinet</i> )		
	Ben Socrates (piano)		
Free entry. A	Il are welcome		
For full details	s of programmes see 🛛 🕄 🖉		

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3 September	Trinity 12	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
10 September	Trinity 13	8am Holy Communion (said) 10am Parish Communion 6pm Evensong	9.30am Morning Prayer	8am Holy Communion (with Thakeham) 11.30am Morning Prayer
17 September	Trinity 14	8am Holy Communion (said) 10am <b>Battle of Britain Commem.</b> <b>Service</b> with Prayers for Healing 11.45am Baptism Service 4pm Church@4 6pm Evensong	8am Iona Communion (with Sullington)	10.30am Family Communion (with Thakeham)
24 September	Trinity 15	8am Holy Communion (said) 10am Parish Communion 6pm Evensong	9.30am Family Communion	8am Iona Communion (with Thakeham) 11.30am Family Communion
1 October	Trinity 16 HARVEST FESTIVAL	8am Holy Communion (said) 10am Harvest Family Communion 6pm Harvest Songs of Praise	10.30am Harvest Festival Joint all-age FC (with Sullington)	8am Holy Communion (with Thakeham)

Midweek Holy Communion service on Thursdays at St Mary's Church, Storrington at 10.30am. Monthly Holy Communion Service (fourth Thursday in month) at Sussexdown 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

#### **COMMUNITY CHURCH**

#### at Rydon Community College

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)

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	

#### SUNDAY LUNCH CLUB

**1pm on second Sunday in the month (except August)** at the Old School, School Lane, Storrington, for those who would like to join us for friendship and food.

**Tickets (£4.00) are available from:** Louisa Austin, Church Street, Storrington



#### STORRINGTON POP-IN LUNCH CLUB Storrington Village Hall –

First Thursday of each month

**COFFEE served from 10.30am** 

LUNCH available: £3.00 12 noon – 1pm (Soup, Ploughman's and home-made puddings)

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

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Fri 1	
1.10pm	Thakeham Bridge Club – p24
Sat 2	
10am	Storrington Conservation Society – Working Party – p27
1pm	Wedding – St Mary's, Storrington:
	Stuart Crane and Sarah Hunt
2pm	Wedding – St Mary's, Sullington:
	Daniel Trimer and Aimee Deacon
3pm	Wedding – St Mary's, Storrington:
	Luke Alderman and Victoria Osborne
Sun 3	TRINITY 12
6pm	The Comedy of Errors – play – Parham House – p24
Mon 4	
7.30pm	Storrington Museum – Talk – p22
8.30pm	Church in the Pub – p4
Tue 5	
10am	Inter-Church prayers – RC Church (side-chapel) – p6
2pm	SPACE – Arts and Craft Club – p22
7.10pm	Thakeham Bridge Club – p24
7.45pm	Storrington Dramatic Society – Panto auditions – p33
Wed 6	
10am	St Barnabas Outreach – Library Car Park – p32
2.30pm	Storrington DFAS – Meeting – p28
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	Pop-In Lunch Club – p18
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Details of all church activities on pages 4,5,6 and 18.

#### **SAINTS AND SPECIAL DAYS**

SEPTEMBER				
Fri 1	Giles, c.710 – Hermit – founded Abbey of St Giles, France, a popular pilgrimage site. Also patron saint of Edinburgh			
Sun 3	<b>Gregory the Great, 604</b> – Pope Gregory I – patron saint of musicians, singers, students, and teachers			
Mon 4	Mon 4 Birinus, 650 Venerated as a saint, first Bishop of Dorchester			
Wed 6	Allen Gardiner, 1851- British Royal Navy officer and missionary to Patagonia			
Sat 9	Charles Fuge Lowder, 1880 – Founder of Society of the Holy Cross			
Wed 13	John Chrysostom, 407– Archbishop of Constantinople			
Thu 14	HOLY CROSS DAY			
Fri 15	St. Cyprian, 258 – Bishop of Carthage – Early Christian writer			
Sat 16	<b>Ninian, c.432</b> - Christian saint 8 <sup>th</sup> century missionary for the Pictish peoples (now Scotland)			
	Edward Bouverie Pusey, 1882 – One of the leaders of the Oxford Movement			
Sun 17	Hildegard, 1179 – Founded monasteries of Rupertsberg in 1150 and Eibingen in 1165			
Tue 19	Theodore of Tarsus, 690 – Eighth Archbishop of Canterbury, reformed the English			
Wed 20	John Coleridge Patteson, 1871 – Anglican bishop and martyr			
Thu 21	ST. MATTHEW, APOSTLE AND EVANGELIST			
Mon 25	<b>Example 1626</b> Each of Chichester, Ely and Winchester and oversaw the translation of the Authorized Version (or King James Version) of the Bible			
Tue 26	Wilson Carlile, 1942 – English evangelist - founded the Church Army; Prebendary of St Paul's Cathedral			
Wed 27	Vincent de Paul, 1660 Renowned for his compassion, humility, and generosity – known as the 'Great Apostle of Charity'			
Fri 29	ST. MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS			
Sat 30	Jerome, 420 – Known for his translation of the Bible into Latin			

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#### **STORRINGTON & SULLINGTON – REFLECTIONS OF THE PAST** THE RIVER STOR

To find the birth of our little river, we can refer to an old book, Wells and Springs of Sussex, by FHEdwards MA, published in 1928 by HMSO as Memoirs of the Geological Survey, England.

The tabulated list of the more important spring supplies gives map references, (6"O.S.) where it says of Sullington, "Chantry Farm, 1/2 mile SW of church" and gives the formation from which the spring issues, "Lower chalk and upper greensand" yielding a supply of water for the village. A section through the wealden anticline of which this diagram is the southern half, shows the Downs like a layer cake beginning with the chalk top of the hill, a thin layer of upper greensand, gault clay, lower greensand and then the Weald clay which rises out of the village.



Drawing of sections across Weald H1 - Weald clay, H2 - Lower Greensand H3 - Cault Clay, H4 - Upper Greensand H5 - Chalk fills two ornamental ponds at Chantry Farm made by Mr Hainsworth when he laid out the gardens of Chantry House which he built about 1900. There was a sheep wash at one time at the ponds, before chemical sheep

The spring at Sullington

dip content was invented. A tumbling bay was made by bricking up the sides of the stream for several yards and another brick wall was built across the stream with a trap which raised the water level. Sheep would be plunged into the clear running water to remove dirt from their fleeces. The trap could be taken out when not wanted so the water could flow steadily northwards on its way. The first Methodist pastor, Mr Stanford, came to Storrington in the 1880s; the Methodists held their public baptisms in the Chantry sheep wash with the pastor standing waist deep in the water to immerse the baptism candidates.

Below the ponds, the water tumbles over a little waterfall marking the edge of the impervious gault clay layer. Here stood the first of Sullington's mills, a fulling mill which used the water-power to operate the hammers which beat woollen cloth from the downland sheep



and at this point the stream was diverted to flow behind the present Waterfall Cottage and below the higher footpath parallel to the lane, before re-joining the roadside course.



Lower down Chantry lane, the stream filled another millpond to power what was originally called the Park Mill [now Chantry Mill] owned by Lord Leconfield in 1790, as was a large part of the area. It was leased to William Quait who had his own millstones, "three bolking mills" used to power

looms, so that the little river in earlier times kept a whole industry from sheep to cloth and cloth processing in business. There are letters referring to repairs to the mills between the miller and the Leconfield estate; in 1774 nine oak trees were sign out in Chantry grounds to make a new trough and penstock to the upper mills and a new wheel shaft, and in 1886 an exchange of letters reported that " ... the water wheel has give out today; cannot work the mill ..." Two men brought in to examine the wheel confirmed that it could not be repaired, a previous visit had also warned that it was completely worn out and the millwright, sent by the agent, wrote, "I reported on this wheel some time ago as not worth repairing". An estimate submitted in April 1896 quoted £85 for a new water wheel, shaft and to find all necessary iron work, and a new water trough. The landlord was to supply the timber and carting and delivery from Shoreham. In almost living memory, it was a corn mill run by the Crowhurst family. By 1921, Chantry Mill, as it had become



Sullington Manor farm lambing yard (note electricity pole)

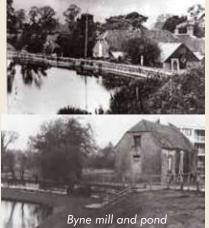
Here, the river, leaving its busy mill, turned westwards into Meadowside. Behind the shops, the White Room has a strange concrete structure which suggests that at one time it was a wheel-pit. Interior features also pointed its one-time use as a mill; local tradition suggests a snuff-mill.

known, was part of Chantry Farm owned by the Hecks family. Bernard Hecks, a modern-minded man, was more interested in machinery than husbandry. He had the old mill-wheel taken out and installed a 10-horse-power turbine, using the mill-pond to generate Sullington and Storrington's first electricity, originally to light his lambing yards and then to install an electric milking parlour. Later, the wires were extended to the Church where the old oil lamps were superseded by electric ones, and the little plant at the mill extended its supply into Storrington.



Byne Mill Wheel

Continuing on its way, the River Stor passes under the High Street - East Street junction, or in times of heavy rain, it passed over it, flooding nearby cellars. Emerging beside The Moon's one-time stables, Charles Mant recalled seeing horses "... up to their bellies in water ...". This flooding problem was finally cured by the major installation of a siphon system to take up excess water when needed and release it slowly. The Stor now continued to flow through a meadow edged by the road, where cows grazed - (Old Mill drive was built in the 1970s) to another mill-pond where it powered the Bine Mill, working eventually to grind cattle feed during WWII and later. The last relic of this mill with its unusual iron overshot wheel is the oblong opening set into the brick wall behind the pond, once a shute carring the water away from the mill-wheel.



The Stor then meandered its way, where there once a manor-house, was before reaching Fryern. It was owned by Apsley Newton, who sold it to William Wheeler, who became Lord of the Manor of Storrington. Three generations of William Wheelers, Lords of the Manor, succeeded him but by the 18th century the old house was demolished to make way for a splendid Georgian mansion further

west, Fryern. The sale particulars of Fryern in 1928 described " ... the charming gardens and pleasure grounds ... the second lawn which slopes to the fish pond and banks of the stream which forms a waterfall which is a feature of great interest."

The river's more mundane job after this was to power a ram to supply the house and Hurston Farms with water, where it was used once again to power the two millwheels of Hurston Mill. A delightful watercolour of this was featured on th



road to Pulborough and

out of the parish, it runs

by the site of a Roman

shards of red Samian

ware could sometimes

be seen in the river bed.

On the opposite side of the road at Lickfold, the

flood-plain sometimes in

times of very wet weather

bath-house,

where

watercolour of this was featured on the cover of the February 2015 issue of 3 Heralds. As the river leaves Hurston to flow beside the



Fryern Waterfall and stream

reveals a causeway linking us via Codmore Hill, Pulborough to Stane Street, the arrow-straight Roman road from Chichester to Londinium.

The River Stor now ends its independant life, joined by the little River Chilt, which leave our parish at Wickford Bridge, to pour their combined waters into the River Arun, and so onwards via Arundel to the sea.



A book was published in

Hurston Lane Bridge

1929 for the "Nature and Archaeological Circle …" to be sold at the Littlehampton Museum. Its contents had a long and convoluted history, but the title-page begins, "A description of the High Stream of Arundel, the Heads and Risings thereof in their several Haunts

... being the titles of a manuscript written by or for the Water-bailiff of Thomas Howard, twenty fourth Earl of Arundel, about the year 1637, ..."

"But the way it taketh [the river] in a little rivulet that springeth forth from the foot of the Downs at Chantrey farm in Storrington, whence driving certain Watermills it passeth from Sillington, the ancient inheritance of Sir William Covert and of Sir Roger his son, of Knight's degree in Henry the Third's time and Edward the First's time, through the village of Storrington, sometimes the inheritance of Henry Fitzalan, Earl of Arundell, now in the possession of Edward Apsley of Worminghurst Esquire. Thence by Hursten, a member of Ecclesden, sometimes the possession of the Abbie of Sion, given unto that Abby of Edward the Fourth, King of England, sometimes belonging to the Priors Aliens of Normandy, unto which Abby the said Edward the Fourth by his charter granted divers Priviledges and Immunities. Hence it passeth under Wickford Bridge, that ought to be repaired by the Hundred. thence with a straight line to Stickle Dike, which parteth the Parishes of Pulberough and Wigginholt, intending there to meet the High Stream, being put of, it compasseth in trench Wiggenholt Brooks and then passeth through Washingham [ nr. Washingham in Rackham] where, divided into two branches, it sheddeth itself into the High Stream aforesaid."

> Joan Ham (Village Historian) Ron.ham@talktalk.net

#### **CRICKET** IN STORRINGTON



#### Good team spirit taking us to the top!

Winning all three of our matches in July had lifted us to the top of Division 6 in the Invitation League by the end of July.

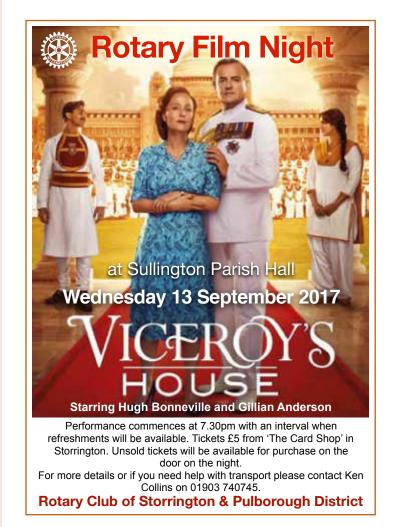
In the return match against Barns Green on 8 July, we overturned the defeat of the previous week by bowling out the visitors for 88, and passing that score for the loss of 5 wickets. Andy Livermore and Jon Carpenter were the pick of our bowlers, taking four and three wickets respectively. Miles Scerri top-scored in our innings with 24.

Against West Wittering the following week, we scored 157 batting first, Miles Scerri being run out on 60. Extras of 30 were the next highest score! We then bowled out the home team for 91, with Dan Pickard and Andy Livermore taking five wickets apiece.

After a 'free' Saturday, we met Aldwick on a wet 29 July who were almost bowled out single-handedly by skipper Ian Homewood, taking six wickets for just seven runs in 8.2 overs that included five maidens. Their score of 46 was quickly knocked off by Guy McKilligin and Miles Scerri as heavy rain set in that caused most of the other League matches to be abandoned.

We are pleased to report that the Parish Council has approved our project for a fully enclosed two-lane outdoor practice net, which is going to be of particular benefit for our expanding junior section. The site for the net having been agreed, we are now able to proceed to the planning application stage and begin identifying potential sources of funds to pay for the net, which will cost in the region of £40k.

Chris Winter



#### STORRINGTON & DISTRICT MUSEUM

The current exhibition, which continues until 17 September, is 'Life Moves On'. It sets out to show, from items in our storage boxes, the gradual development and improvement of many household goods. We have razors, hair clippers, irons, kitchen scales, and hearing aids. How wonderful this last mentioned items is. I had an aunt who was stone deaf who received a set from the NHS soon after the war, who became a different person, despite the whistles and screeches it produced!

We also have typewriters, calculators, telephones, and cameras. It is the development of this group of things into all-purpose, digital, electronic apparatus that is amazing. We would not be able to fit the computer a friend was privileged to use, and I was allowed to visit in 1957, into our museum. Nor have we one from the late 1970s, as was kept under lock and key at a local school, and which only the most trusted pupils were permitted to use, but we do have various 'gadgets' which show how life has moved on and, relentlessly, on. I was horrified to learn that more electronics are contained in a basic mobile phone than in the whole computer system which guided men to the moon and safely back.

Miniaturisation is mind boggling to me, a complete nonscientist, deprived of any sort of science at school. How can all those instructions and information be packed so successfully into something so small? The whole process may have begun with the person who made the first abacus; the word abacus means "a drawing board with dust to write in" and from then on the need for speedy, accurate calculations multiplied till we come to Bletchley Park and all that that means.

Or maybe it all began with man's desire to communicate; smoke signals, semaphore, telegrams (which we have an example of from 1883), telephones and wireless. I have a Children's Encyclopaedia dated 1911 which says, "We have had the Stone Age, the Bronze Age, the Steam Age. Are we coming to the Telephone Age? We are familiar with the telephone today ..... but we must remember that little more than thirty years ago nobody in the world had ever talked to another person who was out of hearing distance." Accompanying this are two pictures of telephone wires, thousands of them, on a roof top, all converging on an exchange. These wires, and the honeypots of my childhood, have largely disappeared. The writer of the article goes on, "Soon we shall be able to talk without the help of wires ..... even if we are on a train". (!!) Would that writer be surprised by our mobile phones and tablets? I wonder! Technology is designed to hook us up and keep us locked in so we do not miss anything, so we must beware of what might be ahead.

We might not have the whole story in our museum exhibition, but there is plenty of food for thought. Do come and visit us.

From 30 September we will have a new exhibition called 'Around and About', in which we hope to look at people and objects from our surrounding villages. If you have any things specific which you are prepared to loan for three months, we would be very grateful to have them, including areas surrounding Storrington.

The monthly talk on **Monday 4 September**, at 7.30 pm promises to be exceptional. Peter Lovell will talk on The Bloody History of the Adur Valley and Seven 1000 year old Churches. Not to be missed! £4 at the door, and all welcome.

The Annual Old School Reunion will be held at The Old School on **Saturday 16 September**, from 11am to 4pm. This is a good chance to meet up with old friends over a cup of tea or coffee and a cake, and talk about times past. Even if you are not an ex-pupil you might find it interesting to learn a little of the history of The Old School, and we hope that copies of the book, which resulted from the research funded in 2014 by the HLF, will be on sale.

Our usual monthly talk will be on **2 October**, when Julian Hoad will be talking All About Fungi.

Looking further ahead there will be An Evening with John Galsworthy on **Thursday 19 October**, at 7.30 pm. The speaker, Professor Peter Barker, a lecturer at Chichester University, is writing a biography of Galsworthy, and has been an adviser to *Radio 4* on their recent series of Forsyte Saga plays. Tickets will be £10, to include glass of wine and canapes.

Also in **October, on Saturday 28**, there will be another of our popular quiz nights with Stephen and Christine Turrell, starting promptly at 7.30pm. Tickets are £10 each, to include home-made supper and may be purchased from Rene Harwood on 745756.

#### Old School, School Lane, Storrington RH20 4LL

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Either bring along something you can already do, or have a go at something different.

For more information (or just to tell us you are coming along) contact Jane Kendall (745529) or Christine Turrell (741272)

#### SOUTH DOWNS PROBUS



#### Revelations of a reformed criminal

The speaker at our July meeting, John Burrows, now a reformed prisoner, has a lengthy history of crime and punishment. He is articulate and tells his story well. He now writes articles of his experiences and gives talks to Third Age groups and to schools. The talks started, in fact, with an invitation from Eton College where he now visits on a regular basis.

John opened with a challenge: "Does anybody think that prison life is a holiday camp?" No response. In graphic detail, he described the reality of prison life: the boredom, the hopelessness, the absence of friends and family, the threats and abuse of fellow prisoners with over 15,000 assaults recorded last year, resulting in many cases of self-harm and 119 suicides.

He was born in America where his mother, a GI Bride, had emigrated to join his father who, shortly after, ran off never to be seen again. Mother and son returned to the UK. John was put into foster care with periodic visits from his mother. These were seven happy years until he was returned to his family where life was chaotic and he kept running away.

At the age of 14, he left home for good, living rough and earning from odd jobs. He kept out of trouble until one Christmas Eve, tempted by an open door and a purse on the table, his first crime was committed. He was arrested, sent to a Young Offenders Prison where the 'short sharp shock' was the order of the day strict discipline and tough physical work with exercise. The result was that he learned nothing, but became super fit.

Crime and prison becomes addictive, with 80% of young offenders and 55% of adult prisoners re-offending, and John was no exception. He started a life of increasing criminality; ABH, burglary and robbery. Sentences became much tougher, including spells at Manchester and twice at Dartmoor which he described as "utter hell".

He found that the real problem for any 'ex-prisoner' is the difficulty in being accepted for employment and in finding a partner to share his life. Education and learning a new trade would be a real benefit and also help with money and securing a job after leaving prison. All very difficult with an increasing prison population.

John strongly believes that less criminals, other than the "really bad boys", should be sent to prison and that remedial sentences should be given for the drug users and those with psychiatric problems. These are difficult challenges for future law-givers, among them the present students in his audiences, to face.

Many questions were asked and opinions given at the conclusion of what had been a very interesting talk. Thank you John.

Derek Down





#### SANDGATE CONSERVATION SOCIETY

During September, Mark Perry Nash, the first of our eminent speakers, will give a presentation featuring historical changes that have occurred during the past fifty years.

Mark's presentation will be held in the Sullington Parish Hall on **27 September**, commencing at 7.30pm.

A list of the various presentations that have been carefully selected for the coming months can be found on our web site, together with an array of photographs and history of the Society, so please do have a browse.

This month's work will recommence on Sullington Warren, where the work team will be tackling many of the problem areas where we are trying to re-establish the lost heather beds, while the group operating in Sandgate Park have made great strides in clearing rhododendrons and cane plants around the pond areas.



We will be at Sullington Warren in September on the second Saturday and Sandgate Park this month on the fourth Saturday, where work starts at 10am until 12 noon, with a break for coffee or lemonade and delicious cake, just to keep the energy flowing.

Any time you can spare for the conservation of these local areas of outstanding natural beauty will be greatly appreciated.

Just a foot-note to say that the Galloway cattle have been re-established up at Warren Hill where they are doing a fine job in clearing the brambles etc; they do this by eating them would you believe!



To learn more about the Sandgate Conservation Society, who work closely with the National Trust and Horsham District Council, please contact our Chairman, Jacinta White, on 01798 813545. www.sandgate-conservation.org.uk.

Brian Burns

#### WEST CHILTINGTON AND STORRINGTON MOTHERS' UNION

#### MothersUNON

Several members attended the funeral

**Christian care for families** service for Donald Elkin on 14 July, in order to support our member, Joan, in her loss. We extend our deepest sympathy to Joan and her family.

Our thanks go to Jeannie and Laurie Watten who very kindly hosted a coffee morning at their home on 28 July. Despite the 'iffy' weather, we were delighted to welcome several vistors and members of the congregation, including four-and-a-half month old Hamilton Hunt and his parents, visiting from Paris. Proceeds amounted to £165 for our Branch funds. Thank you to all who supported this.

There was no Branch meeting in August, but as I write we look forward to an outing to Uppark on 15 August.

On **7 September**, we shall be holding our Corporate Communion Service at West Chiltington Church at 12 noon. The service will be conducted by Revd Christine Spencer, followed by a Ploughman's Lunch ( $\pounds$ 5) in the Church Hall. Vistors are very welcome to join us.

Jean Hunt

#### THAKEHAM BRIDGE CLUB meets at Thakeham Village Hall

#### Tuesdays – 7.10pm for 7.20 pm start

Fridays – 1.10pm for 1.20pm start Duplicate is played and so please come along and give us a try! Some help sessions are being considered if needed

Contact: Harold Linfield (Chairman) 01798 812276 or Inge Garside (Hon. Secretary) 01403 782814



#### THE MARY HOW TRUST FILM SOCIETY

Screenings take place at 7.30pm on the fourth Tuesday of every month at West Chiltington Village Hall

#### VICEROY'S HOUSE (12A)

"A sumptuously decorated historical drama from veteran director Gurinder Chadha (Bend It Like Beckham) that recounts the final days of Britain's domain over a divided India." – 3AW

#### **Tuesday 26 September**

New loyalty card - watch 6 films and get your 7th free! Collect your loyalty card at your next visit.

Tickets: £6 including membership, *available on the door and from the following:* Mary How clinic and charity shop (Ticket hotline 01798 877646); Guy Leonard Estate Agents in Storrington & Pulborough; The Card Centre, Storrington; Nisa Local Stores, West Chiltington; West Chiltington Post Office.

#### www.maryhowtrust.org



All proceeds to the Mary How Trust for Cancer Prevention Independent Health Screening Charity, Registered Charity No.1122393

#### *Events* at Parham House

#### Open Air Theatre Sunday 3 September at 6pm

Parham House welcomes back The Lord Chamberlain's Men for a rendition of one of Shakespeare's earliest plays, *The Comedy of Errors*. Performing on the South Lawn, the talented theatre troupe will perform this riotous rollercoaster of a comedy that will keep you



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Tickets

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Tickets

£12

guessing and laughing until its joyous conclusion.

## Harvest Fair

Saturday 23 – Sunday 24 September



Celebrating the abundance of produce that Autumn brings and the traditional rituals of harvest time, Parham's Harvest Fair brings together the very best of homemade food and locally grown produce, as well as activities such as live cookery

demonstrations, deer walks, gun dog displays, working rides, falconry displays and live music. There will also be a wide array of stalls selling food, drink and country wares.



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Storrington baby and toddler group Nearly New Sale Saturday 16 September 10.30am - 12.30pm Sale includes children's clothes and shoes 0-10yrs Maternity wear, Toys, Games, Baby equipment, prams, cots etc plus loads more THE SALE WILL BE HELD AT THE USUAL SITE HOWEVER NOW KNOWN AS STEYNING SCHOOL ROCK ROAD For all enquiries please email <u>sbandtq@ymail.com</u> We look forward to seeing you there



#### STORRINGTON CONSERVATION SOCIETY

At the time of writing, the results of the 'In Bloom' competition are unknown. Even so, it is right to say thank you to all who put in the hard work of preparation to such good effect. Seeing beautiful colours lifts the spirits.

Last month I mentioned how much the honey bees also appreciate the flowers. However it is not only in public areas or in large gardens where bees and other insects can find nectar and pollen. Even the smallest gardens can provide suitable plants for them, as well as making for attractive displays. The use of pot plants where space is limited is one solution. Research has shown that blue or purple flowers are preferred by bees. Herbs such as lavender and thyme are examples, and fuchsias are ornamental with long lasting flowers. Where space permits in larger gardens, an area set aside for wild-flowers and grasses have their own beauty, as well as meeting the needs of bees.

Our work parties meet next on **Saturday 2 September** at 10am at Fryern Dell, managing and restoring the woodland in the Victorian Pleasure Garden. For those who wish to give more time, the morning work can be extended to 3pm. For details of the Thursday work party on **21 September** at 2pm, please refer to our website nearer the time. A reminder to those who wish to share our work, we provide equipment such as hand tools and gloves. Wearing wellies is usually a good idea, and refreshments are provided at break time. Just turn up and enjoy the open air and exercise in good company.

For information about this and all our activities, or becoming a member, please get in touch with Mick Denness on 745971, or look on our website www.storringtonconservation.org.uk

Stuart Kersley



#### WI NEWS SULLINGTON WINDMILLS

#### Award-winning photographer presentation

The July meeting was opened by the President, Russ Fry, who welcomed all members and remarked on the good attendance. A special welcome was extended to our visitor: it is always a pleasure to welcome new members and visitors.

The President commenced her report by thanking all members who had taken part in the evening's proceedings, and who had brought items for the bring-and-buy stall, the profits from which would go into the Institute's fund. The Treasurer gave her report, followed by the Secretary's report which included numerous events organised locally and nationally; you don't have a chance to get bored in the WI. The Welfare officer spoke next, reporting that apart from one member who she had visited, everyone else was fit and healthy, which is good news.

The speaker for the evening was introduced, Gillian Lloyd, her talk entitled 'Wild Life Begins at 50'. Members had wondered what this talk would cover, and all were pleasantly surprised to hear Gillian explain for her 50th Birthday her husband had given her a DSLR camera, and a Safari holiday to South Africa. After this holiday, Gillian became obsessed with both photography and wildlife. Gillian stated you do not have to travel overseas to take photographs of wildlife; many of the photographs she showed on the screen had been taken in the UK. In fact, Gillian spends a lot of time in her garden to photograph the birds and insects that appear in her garden. Members saw amazing photographs and were told both practise and patience are important. Four important aspects of wildlife photography are character, personality, environment and behaviour. Over the last 10 years, Gillian has become a professional photographer entering several nationwide competitions, she is a member of the Guild of Professional Photographers and in 2015 she was winner of the Image of the Year which was published in the British Wildlife Photography Award Book. She closed the talk by saying photography had opened her eyes to just what an amazing and wonderful world we live in. Anita Savill gave the vote of thanks.

The next meeting will be held on **Wednesday 20 September**, when the speaker is to be Linda Mills, her talk entitled 'Willow from Start to Finish'.

Monthly meetings are held on the 3rd Wednesday of each month (2nd Wednesday December) at 7.30pm at Sullington Parish Hall. New members and visitors can be assured of a warm welcome. Should you require further information, please contact Pat Snape on 01798 817389.

Pat Snape



#### **STORRINGTON FLOWER CLUB**



#### Chrissy Desmond, Chairman, welcomed members and visitors to the Club.

Chrissy thanked Club member Syb and her husband for opening their lovely garden at Arborgarth for members to explore. An enjoyable afternoon was had by all and Syb provided delicious cakes and refreshments.

The October day workshop is now full, but there is a waiting list for cancellations.

The Weald and Downland Museum are having exhibition of work days on 7 and 8 October, with local flower clubs exhibiting. Members and people interested are encouraged to visit and support the exhibition.



The demonstrator, Angie Hyde, a frequent visitor, was introduced. Angie began by commenting on the members' arrangements. The title of the competition was 'Let's Twist Again'. Two of the striking members' arrangements were a large sunflower arrangement, complete with Chubby Checkers' Let's Twist Again records, and another pretty pink and white arrangement with twisted Medilino sticks.

The demonstrator's theme was 'Top of the Pops'. She interpreted this by using some of her favourite containers and flowers. Five arrangements were completed along with a second placement, and spare flowers formed a bunch to take home. All the arrangements proved popular in the raffle. They ranged from a traditional arrangement using Willow and Fern as greenery and large pink and white Carnations, pink Phlox and Lilac.





Another more modern arrangement formed a low Crescent. The greenery was Cheese Plant leaves, Skimmia, Tree Ivy and cut down Fatsia leaves. White Cala Lily flowers formed the main flowers. A

fabulous piece of twisted bark placed was underneath the arrangement.

The vote of thanks was by the Club President, Sylvia Tilley, who commented on the fabulous arrangements and the good humoured commentary by Angie.

The Club is pleased to welcome visitors and new members. You do not need to be a flower arranger to come and join us. The meeting is informal, welcoming a monthly demonstrator

whose arrangements are raffled at the end of the meeting. We have a second-hand bookstall and an accessory stall for flower arranging. Refreshment and chats end a pleasant and informative afternoon.

Susanne Carter.



#### **NEXT LECTURE**

Wednesday 6 September 2.30pm to 3.30pm West Chiltington Village Hall

'Frida Kahlo and Diego Rivera: The Golden Age of Mexican Painting'. The lecturer will be Chloe Sayer. Attendance is free for members and we ask for a donation of £5 from guests.

For further information please contact Linda Hannaford: lshannaford2@gmail.com or call on 01798 813127.

For Society information please contact the Membership Secretary, Pam Hopper: colinhopper412@hotmail.com or phone 01798 813693.

Val Considine

STORRINGTON FLOWER CLUB **OPEN EVENING** WTTH JACQUI ARNOLD WINNER OF TWO PRESTIGIOUS GOLD MEDALS AT CHELSEA

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and we look forward to seeing you, especially

if you are new to the

village, it's a great way

to meet people!

#### SUPPORTING ALDINGBOURNE TRUST

#### STORRINGTON COMMUNITY MARKET Village Hall, opposite Stable Antiques All are welcome

#### Open Friday 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 September from 10am to 11.15am.

Please come along and support your Local Community Market selling delicious homemade cakes and savouries, jams and marmalades,

eggs, local free range pork, mushrooms & vegetables, plants, flowers & peren nials. Also a wide range of handicrafts, cards & jewellery and Aloe Vera skincare and health products. Stop for a coffee or tea and cake and browse our second hand book stall.



#### NStorrington ∕Camera Club

## SUMMER VISIT TO ST MARY'S HOSPITAL ALMSHOUSES CHICHESTER





As part of our summer activities, our Vice Chairman, Janet Brown, arranged an afternoon guided tour and photo opportunity of St Mary's Hospital Almshouses in Chichester. Many of us had often viewed the Hospital and Chapel's impressive roof from the Little London car park without realising what was hidden behind the car park wall.

The building has been on the same site for over 700 years and is notable for its timber construction and attached chapel. The timber framed roof, which is over 40 feet high, is a rare and fine example of the early decorated style, thought to have been completed by 1292. The roof slopes down to side walls only six feet high and is covered by 60,000 handmade clay tiles.

The building exteriors provided several great photo opportunities. In addition, the chapel, with its 24 stalls and their original desks with lifting seats and misericords carved with a series of grotesques, human figures and foliage, provided a further interesting subject.

The colourful, well-maintained gardens gave us yet another photo opportunity. The consensus was that our guide and tour of St Mary's made for a memorable visit to what we all agreed is a remarkable, unique and hidden historical and architectural gem in Chichester.

We are now looking forward to our first meeting for the start of our new season on **7 September**, 'Welcome for both existing and new members and summer photos'. This is followed on **21 September** by our first guest speaker Richard Peters, Wildlife and European Wildlife Photographer of the Year 2015.

Kevin Harwood





#### What's in a name?

Apart from generally being a massive gardening fanatic, loving plants, being outside and learning horticultural techniques, one thing I am really interested in is the history and folklore behind plants' names.

This started when I took an interest in wildflowers as some of the common names for these are really unusual, interesting and varied as well as being comical and strange!

Here are some examples of the folklore behind plants' names and descriptions:

Bluebells – ring to call fairies to meetings.

Foxgloves – might be gloves for foxes or a corruption of folk's gloves; they were placed in children's shoes as a remedy against fever.

Stitchwort-a cure for stitch! And any plant with a brittle stem was nicknamed 'Dead man's bones' or 'Old Nick's ribs', picking it said to bring thunder.

Creeping buttercup – that pernicious weed has some fantastically descriptive names: Devil's guts, tether toad, Old wife's threads and Meg many feet.

Shepherd's purse – has heart-shaped seed cases which break in two; in old times, children would pick these and when the case broke they would say you have broken your mother's heart.

Heartsease – has many love connotations such as 'kiss-and-look-up', 'kiss-me-love-at-the-garden-gate', 'leap-up-and-kiss-me', 'Jack-behind-the-garden-gate', and 'Kitty-run-in-the-street.'

One plant that has more names than any other is Arum maculatulum, aka Cuckoo pint, Adder's tongue and Lords and ladies. Other surprising names include: Angels and devils, bloody man's fingers, Hobble-gobbles, man in the pulpit and the fabulous Kitty-come-down-the-lane-jump-up-and-kiss-me! The powdered root was used to stiffen ruffs in Elizabethan times.

Often, these names are given due to the appearance of the flowers, leaves, or seed pods, so it just goes to show how many more people took an interest in plants in days gone by. Although how the name Kitty-come-down-the-lane-jump-up-and-kiss-me came about, we can only wonder at!

> Heidi Hurwood Leaf and Seed - 07952122228



#### FRYERN LADIES' PROBUS

As usual, the ladies gathered in The Roundabout Hotel in West Chiltington for their monthly lunch,chat and speaker.

The invited speaker was none other than Tessa Martin Bird who was

to talk about her 'Equestrian Travels'. Before her talk, Tessa had displayed a full and varied



Left to right: Jan Goodliffe, Tessa Martin Bird – President, Anne Ford-Robertson

assortment of interesting photographs for the members to see and these contained one of her with Princess Anne, receiving an award from Martyn Clunes, a pupil at The Spanish School of Vienna, and many others, to establish the overall theme of her talk.

It started well with the opening statements, "I was almost born on a horse" and "This four-legged friend is dangerous at both ends and in the middle"; to the few retired horse riders amongst us, who used to 'tack up' our mounts, this second statement rang very true.

Tessa, on leaving school, had the usual career struggle to make between medicine or horses. Needless to say, the equestrian interest won and this led to extensive travelling as a competitor, judge and coach, where she gained a top grade coach qualification at 26, being the youngest to get that grade!

Over the years of much foreign travel through Europe and further afield, obtaining distinguished fellowships and contributing to charitable works, Tessa found herself a TV personality when, through riding for the disabled, she appeared on *Blue Peter* with the well-behaved *Blue Peter* pony called Rags! Indeed, it was whilst working on the show that she became acquainted with Princess Anne, who was the first celebrity to support Riding for the Disabled, and friendship blossomed, with a later invitation to the Princess's wedding celebrations! Tessa particularly enjoyed working with John Noakes on the live show *Blue Peter* and recalled a few tricky moments when he rode the South Downs Way to Beachy Head, in very windy weather, supervised by Tessa on Rags. Happy memories

Over her many years of 'Equestrian Travel', places are remembered for other reasons too. Rhodesia she recollects, not only for horse trials, but where she was introduced to buffalo livers as a breakfast treat, and then being narrowly missed being run down by elephants. Jamaica, she said, was full of "singing frogs" who disrupted sleep, overly long presentation ceremonies, and being stranded at the airport because she'd mislaid her ticket. Vienna was understandably great for concerts and riding The White Stallions, whilst in New Zealand horse-back was the way to travel, especially if you wished to meet the seven million residential sheep personally.

What of the future? China looks interesting, as it has just drawn up a contract with The British Horse Society, so maybe next year Tessa will be there. We wish you every success with your 'Equestrian Travels' and hope to see you back soon.

A fascinating and stimulating talk from a most accomplished lady was warmly thanked by Muriel Astley. The audience were very attentive and many questions of interest asked. Thank you, Tessa.

Our next meeting will be on **7 September** when Tina Cooper will talk to us about The Badgers' Trust.

Russ Fry, with contributions from Sue Povey and Rachel Martin





Patricia Liechti-Clarke made a return visit to the Club in July to talk about unusual hardy plants. Patricia has visited the Club previously to talk on this subject and she talks through the alphabet. Unfortunately, on both occasions we only got as far as the letter 'C' so we



must remember to ask her to start at 'D' should she come again! Her talk was enjoyed by all our new members and older members were reminded of many lovely plants.

Also in July, 40 members travelled to Sissinghurst Castle, enjoying a nice drive along less busy countryside roads with a coffee stop at 'Petals for Plants', Burwash, which was a superb find with excellent service and very healthy plants. Sissinghurst was busy and hence reception was a bit chaotic but the weather was glorious, even if the gardens weren't quite 'up to scratch'.

Our flower show took place on Saturday 22 July and was again of a very high standard. Unfortunately, the weather let us down with an afternoon of rain which meant teas had to be taken inside the hall, which was a squash. Our Club is growing and we look forward to the erection of the new village hall when we will have more space. Thanks to Janet Greenhill and her show committee for their organisation of another successful show.

Our speaker for the next meeting on **11 September** is Thomas Stone, who will be talking about hardy Geraniums. Tickets will be on sale for the trip on 26 October which will be to view the Autumn Colours through the wooded grounds of Cliveden whilst enjoying a Ploughman's lunch on-board a boat from Maidenhead.

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

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## STORRINGTON FILM NIGHTS

Storrington Film Night, also known as Rotary Film Night, is a Community event organised by the Rotary Club of Storrington and Pulborough District.

These film nights have been running for over 10 years, and aim to bring the best films for the enjoyment of the local community.

The films are shown on the 2nd Wednesday of each month at 7.30pm at Sullington Parish Hall, Thakeham Road.

One of the additional services the Rotary Club provide is a transport service to the films. Anyone requiring transport should contact Marion Emery on 813014.

#### The Next Season starts on

Wednesday 13 September VICEROY'S HOUSE Starring Michael Gambon, Hugh Bonneville, and Gillian Anderson.

The October film, on Wednesday 11, will be chosen from Their Finest, Lion, Allied or The Time of Their Lives.

Tickets are £5, and are available from the Card Shop in Storrington. There is a bar and a raffle at each showing. For further information please contact Ken Collins on 740745.

#### LET CALL BLOCKERS HANG UP ON PEST CALLERS SO YOU DON'T HAVE TO



Elderly and vulnerable residents fed up with unwanted phone calls are reminded that technology is available to sift out potential con callers. West Sussex Trading Standards have prevented 99.7% of 15,572 nuisance and scam calls after the first call blocker devices were installed last year. Eighty devices have so far been installed since February 2016 with a further 20 ready to loan to qualifying residents.

Following their installation, one call blocker recipient said: "As my brother and I live abroad, I wanted to thank you (Trading Standards) for everything you're doing to support my parents in their home."

Another resident added: "Thanks very much for fitting the call blocking system for my mum, it has given her peace of mind."

Residents are urged to be cautious of suspicious calls from phone scammers posing as trusted authoritative figures requesting personal data or financial information. West Sussex County Council Cabinet Member for Safer, Stronger Communities, Debbie Kennard, said: "I can't stress enough how invaluable call blockers have proved to be in protecting our residents this past year, the number of reported suspect calls is alarming. Not only do they prevent our most vulnerable residents from high-end scams worth thousands of pounds, but the call blockers' sheer presence takes away their worry when answering the phone."

To be considered for one of the limited remaining number of call blockers, West Sussex residents must be able to prove they receive unwanted calls on a regular basis and have care or support needs. Relatives, carers and friends can also apply on behalf of people who meet the criteria.

To apply for a call blocker, contact Trading Standards online at www.westsussex.gov.uk/callblocker or phone Citizens Advice on 03454 04 05 06.

For information on scams advice and to find out about upcoming community events, visit www.westsussex.gov.uk/sam17



#### Panto auditions are coming!

Yes, it's nearly that time – Pantomime!

This year, we will be performing *Dick* Whittington and open auditions will be held on 5 and 7 September at 7.45pm in Sullington Parish Hall. Performance dates are 6 to 9 December, with a matinee on Saturday.

So if you would like to be involved, either on stage or generally helping out, please come along in September. If you can't make these dates but would still like to take part, or for further information, please call Charlotte Amey, Director, on 07767 833198.

#### WEST CHILTINGTON PROBUS



#### **Murders!**

Our speaker this month was Doug Eaton whose subject was 'Whodunnit - 200 years of Murder'. Doug recounted that he started his music career serving in Bryan Epstein's record shop in Liverpool and played at the famous *Cavern* in a rock band called the *Detonators*, at the same time as the Beatles. However, his career was not to be in music but in corporate business working for Unilever, Reed International and Barratt. After some years, he reinvented himself and became a publisher, a mentor to start up business, resumed his interest in music and also became a speaker. His writing was on golf and London plaques and his business involvement included advising women's world cooperatives in such places as Nigeria and Philippines.

He began giving talks covering a large variety of subjects and found that the British public have an appetite for murder and mystery. His talk covered the various notorious ones including the Radcliffe Highway of 1811: Radlett murder of 1823; Red Barn 1828; Thomas De Quincey 1859. Ladies featured in many of these murders and it seems the most popular way was using poison. In order to fight the increase in crime, the Peelers were formed in 1829 and to cope with all emergencies they even carried with them smelling salts to revive women who fainted because their corsets were too tight!

One result of the increased interest in crime was that detective stories were brought to the public attention and this was originally in penny broadsheets. Perhaps the most well-known of these writers is Edgar Poe whose first novel *Murders in the Rue Morgue* appeared in 1841. Since then, the number of these fictitious detectives have become famous, such as Sherlock Holmes, and the number of novels read to the extent that one in four of all novels are detective stories. This interest has also been expanded to the television and film screen.

Doug has not forgotten his initial interest in music and last year played *The Cavern* again (50 year anniversary) and still appears as one of the 'Elderly Brothers'.

Probus meets the first Monday in the month and apart from talks, has a very varied programme of activities and social events. Membership is open to retired PROfessional and BUSiness men. If you would like to know more, please contact our Secretary, Colin Hopper, at colinhopper412@hotmail.com.

Don Lugton

#### Note from the editor....



Does anybody do anything at our church?

As always, there was an important job to be done

at the church. Everybody was sure that somebody would do it. Anybody could have done it, but nobody did. Somebody got angry about that, because it was everybody's job. Everybody thought anybody could do it, but nobody realised that everybody wouldn't do it. It ended up that everybody blamed somebody when nobody did what anybody could have done.

Could you be somebody that does something? However small your contribution, you church needs you! And so does God!

Blessings and thanks to all those tireless volunteers who make such a difference in our lives within our churches.

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