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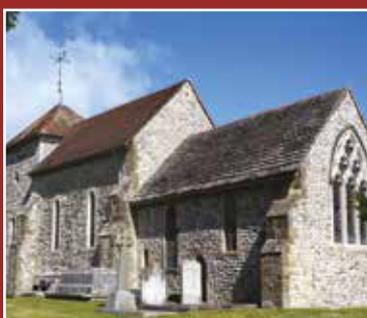


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## 100 YEARS ON

*We will remember them*



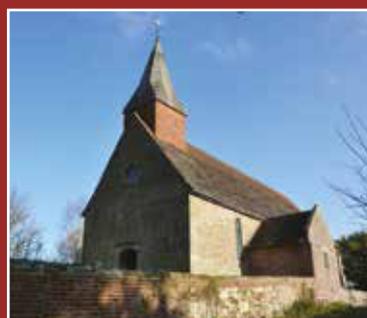
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Holy Sepulchre WARMINGHURST  
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# THE PARISH CHURCHES OF

St Mary  
STORRINGTON



St Mary  
SULLINGTON



St Mary  
THAKEHAM

## IN THE DIOCESE OF CHICHESTER

PARISH CLERGY

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Hon. Assistant Priest Revd Rupert Toovey BA (Hons), FRICS, FRSA, ASFAV (742888)

### SULLINGTON AND THAKEHAM WITH WARMINGHURST

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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.**



Dear Friends

As we commemorate this month the centenary of the end of the First World War, perhaps the words of Psalm 112, verse 6, will come to mind; "The righteous shall be had in everlasting remembrance". It is a sentiment which, deep inside us, we feel is right: that goodness deserves recognition, and should receive

it. It is that innate conviction which led to the practice of erecting War Memorials in both Churches and public places in the past. It is why we have the Unknown Warrior's grave in Westminster Abbey to provide an all-inclusive aspect to that remembrance.

Will that remembrance continue after this centenary year, when the media will bring it to everyone's attention? When the people who served this country in both world wars have become a distant memory? One would hope so. For as long as there is a family somewhere whose past history was broken and shaped by the World Wars, then Remembrance Sunday should stand. Yes, the time will come when a red poppy will no longer evoke quite the same response as it does today. However things are not bad because they are old, nor are things good just because they are new. Yes, we can wonder how long the annual ceremony will take place in the Albert Hall. We can speculate how long the annual service at the Cenotaph will persist. But the desire to recognise goodness will not. The righteous will still be had in everlasting remembrance. The church will still be proclaiming that, because it has always believed that there is an eternal mind, whom we call God, and it is there finally that the righteous are had in everlasting remembrance. God does not forget us. God never will! Reminding us that we should not forget those who, in the past, have paid with their lives for the peace we enjoy today. For in both the dark times of conflict and in the bright times of peace, goodness deserves recognition. Which is why the words we use at this time - "At the going down of the sun, and in the morning, we will remember them" - have a special meaning.

Yours in Christ

BERNARD SINTON

*Interim Priest of Sullington and Thakeham with Warminghurst*

"God is not a dictator. He is not an autocratic ruler of this world. He is your loving father, kind mother and Immortal friend."

*Sri Swami Sivananda*

## PRAYER FOR THE MONTH

Help us, O God, to live this day  
quietly, hopefully;  
to lean on your strength  
trustfully, restfully;  
to wait for the unfolding of your will  
patiently, serenely;  
to meet other people  
peacefully, joyfully;  
to face every task  
confidently, courageously;  
in the name of Christ our Lord.



**Don't be alone on Christmas Day**

Christmas Day Lunch for those who would otherwise be alone  
1pm at the Old School  
Transport available if needed  
Admission £10 by ticket only

For further details contact David and Jacqui Richardson  
Tel: 01903 744178

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What's happening at

# St Mary's Thakeham

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

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

#### Churchwardens

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#### Gift Aid Officer

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**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.

Thakeham Church  
**A FIRST TASTE OF CHRISTMAS**  
**Saturday 1 December**  
Thakeham Village Hall  
**11.30am - 2pm**

**COME AND ENJOY THE DELICIOUS FOOD, SWEET AND SAVOURY, AVAILABLE ON THE DAY**

**THIS POPULAR CHRISTMAS EVENT WILL INCLUDE:**  
Bumper Christmas Raffle  
Children's Tombola  
Christmas Goodies  
to name just a few

Everyone welcome to join us in this first taste of Christmas.

**A DATE FOR YOUR DIARY**

**Thakeham & Sullington Church Youth Groups**  
Come and join one of our fortnightly Friday evening youth groups

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

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

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

**Knit and Stitch Tea on Tuesday**

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

Thakeham Church Rooms  
20 November between 2pm and 4pm

**All welcome. Enquiries to Wynn Lednor - 743025**

**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**  
**Open November 14 and December 12 from 10am to 12.30pm**

**Spaces are limited to 8 and booking is essential**

**To reserve a space, please contact:**  
Tessa & Mark Holland Tel: 741904  
Email: [wildfortune@btinternet.com](mailto:wildfortune@btinternet.com)  
**Blog: [www.wildfortuneblog.blogspot.co.uk](http://www.wildfortuneblog.blogspot.co.uk)**

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

**MACMILLAN COFFEE MORNING**

The coffee morning, held on 28 September in the Church Rooms, Thakeham, was a huge success with a profit of £345.00, the cosy Church Rooms being full with people keen to support this worthy charity. There was a table fully covered with the most delicious cakes, but best of all, especially for the men present were Wynn's bacon rolls – who could resist one of those with their tea or coffee! A raffle was held to help boost the fund. A very pleasant morning was had by all who attended. A huge thank you to Wynn Lednor and her team of helpers for making this charity event possible.

**MACMILLAN CANCER SUPPORT**

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

# What's happening at St Mary's Sullington



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

#### Churchwarden

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#### Churchwardens Emeriti

Heather Cotton (745751)  
Douglas Parkes (743106)  
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Ann Salinger (01798 813481)

#### PCC Secretary

Gail Kittle (745754)

#### Freewill Offering & Gift Aid Officer

David Baxter (744346)

#### Electoral Roll

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#### Organist

Beryl Hardie (892349)

#### Church Flowers

Altar Rota Muriel Astley (01798 812706)

#### Safeguarding Officer

Jane Williams (742956)  
Sandgate Lodge, Washington Road,  
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#### 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

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

## JO GRAVES

It is with great regret that we announce the death on 23 September of Jo Graves, one of our Churchwardens at St Mary's Church, Sullington. Jo was a much-loved and respected supporter of both the Church and the community, and she will be sadly missed by us all.

## CHURCH CHOIR

Interested in singing? We would love to increase the members of our very friendly Church Choir.

For details please contact Beryl Hardie 892349.



## SULLINGTON REGISTERS

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

17 June Amelia Grace McCaig, daughter of Stuart & Ailsa  
26 August Noah George Beaumont, son of Andrew & Alexandra  
26 August Isaac George Leogue, son of Kieron & Christina

### Marriages – to love and to cherish ...

26 May Peter Charles Baxter & Rhiannon Virginia Ravenscroft

### Interment of Ashes.

27 April William Henry Yeoman (92)  
4 June Evelyn May Poole (81)  
29 July Frederick Rowland Salinger (100)  
10 August Mabel Alice Munn (93)

## Tea with the Vicar

1 November 3pm till 5pm  
Alan and Judy Moore, South View,  
Washington Road, Storrington



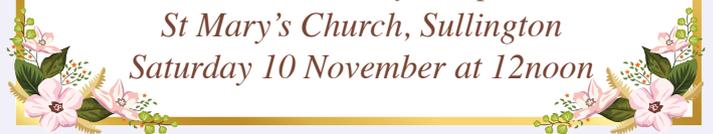
## ST MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS RAFA CHAPEL SUSSEXDOWN

Communion with the residents  
22 November 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

## Marriage Blessing

Matthew and May Lemprière  
St Mary's Church, Sullington  
Saturday 10 November at 12noon



## Christmas Fayre

Saturday, 24 November

See page 11 for more details

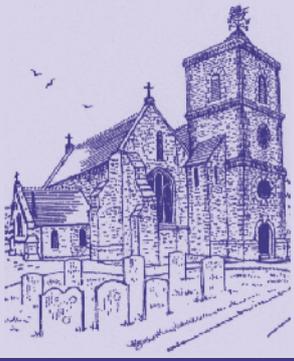
FAMILY SUPPORT  
PLOUGHMAN'S LUNCH  
at Greenacres on

Friday, 16 November, 12 till 2pm

£7 ticket. from Ann Salinger 01789 813481  
or on the door, Greenacres, RH20 2JU



THE SUSSEX CHARITY FOR CHILDREN  
SINCE 1850



# What's happening at St Mary's Storrington

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

## Churchwardens

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## PCC Secretary

Val Rice (918958)  
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RH20 4JZ

## Retired Clergy

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

**Verger:** Michael Taylor (742218)

## Sacristy Team

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

## Captain of Bellringers

John Taylor (745477)

## Pastoral Scheme

Barbara Buchanan (741916)

## Recorder

Rob and Alison Wall (743713)

## Readers and Sidesmen

Vera Blake (743974)

## Electoral Roll Officer

Vacant

## Director of Music

Stephen Bloxham

## Assistant Organists

Ian Miles, Chrystalle Kersley  
Peter Lewis, Keith Smithers  
Simon Whitchurch

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

## Church Flowers

Anna Forster (745392)

## Child Protection Officer

Jackie Lee (743661)

## Bible Reading Fellowship

Amanda Hislop (743700)

## Bible Society

Jean Hunt (01798 813681)

## Christian Aid Co-ordinator

Anna Forster (745392)

## REGULAR ACTIVITIES

**Church Services** see page 18.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

**Bible Study / Home Groups:** The Tuesday Home Group is at 23 Orchard Gardens from 5pm. The group reconvenes on 9 October. Contact Chrystalle on 744269.

The Thursday morning Home Group will run for six weeks from 25 October (10am–12 noon) at 51 Crowhurst Crescent. Contemporary issues and the Christian faith discussion group. All welcome. Contact: Alison on 743713.

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

## STORRINGTON DEANERY CONFIRMATION SERVICE Sunday 4 November

There will be a Confirmation Service for the Rural Deanery of Storrington at St Mary's Church, Storrington, on Sunday 4 November at 4pm. People of any age are invited to contact the Rector (742888) to register interest or to explore the possibility of being confirmed at this Service.

## REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY

All are invited to take part in the Service of Remembrance at Storrington Parish Church on Sunday 12 November at 2.55pm, assembling in fine for the laying of wreaths at the War Memorial on the south side of the Church. This is an inter-church service arranged in conjunction with the Royal British Legion. Civic leaders, local councillors and uniformed organizations are invited to be present, with banners if appropriate. Medals to be worn. Youth organizations will be invited to take part in a parade beforehand arriving at the War Memorial for 2.55pm (this will not take place if wet - in this event all assemble in Church). Tea will be available afterwards. This replaces 6pm Evensong.

## ADVENT SERVICE Sunday 2 December 6pm

A service of music and readings for advent which helps us look forward to the birth of the Christchild. This service gives us an opportunity to hear various readings and enjoy singing traditional Advent hymns.

## CHILDREN'S GIFT SERVICE

During the Family Service on Sunday 2 December at 10am, our children and young people are invited to bring gifts for needy children which will be distributed, through the Salvation Army, in the Worthing, Littlehampton and Petworth areas. A simple, durable and inexpensive toy or book would be much appreciated. Please wrap gifts using ribbon or string rather than sellotape. A label stating contents and suitable age-range would help the Salvation Army staff to give the presents to appropriate children.

## CHURCH DIARIES

A useful pocket diary is available in St Mary's Church, Storrington, which is open daily. Please help yourself and make a suitable donation. Our thanks to all who advertise in the Church diary and in this magazine.

## STORRINGTON REGISTERS

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

23 Sept Francesca Elizabeth Ray (daughter of Lucy and David)

**Marriages** - *to love and to cherish ...*

8 Sept Martyn Freeman and Janet Parr

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

18 Sept Mary Winifred May (92 years)

24 Sept Eileen Viola Martin (82 years)

## CHOIR FOR CHRISTMAS

We invite extra singers who would like to join Storrington Church Choir for the Carol Service and other Christmas services to come to the Christmas section of the choir practices on Fridays at 7pm, starting on 2 November; regular Choir please arrive at 6.40pm to practice for the forthcoming Sunday.



# FAREWELL TO REVD CHRISTINE SPENCER

It is 3 years and 3 months since Revd Christine Spencer joined us in Storrington. I can't believe how quickly that time has gone. It all began with a phone call from Douglas McKittrick, Archdeacon of Chichester, one day when I was still living in Lincolnshire and preparing to move to Storrington. "Would I be willing to take on a curate?" he asked. "Of course", I replied!



I moved to Storrington in August 2014 and Christine and I met up for the first time. Once I learnt that she wanted to have her own black Labrador I knew she and I would get on fine.

Christine and I discovered that we both grew up in Horsham. She attended Millais and I went to Horsham High School, and we both attended Collyers Sixth Form College, though I was a few years ahead of Christine. We both went to church as children and teenagers, but again different

ones. I went to the rather low church St Mark's and Christine to the much more Catholic All Saints' Roffey. After school, Christine headed off into a nursing career and I began the journey to full-time ministry.

At Petertide 2015, Christine was ordained Deacon by Bishop Martin in Chichester Cathedral and began her ministry at St Mary's, Storrington. Soon after her ordination, she completed her BTh degree from Oxford; a massive achievement alongside full-time training for ministry at St Stephen's House, Oxford.

During her 3 years in Storrington, Christine learnt what it is to be ordained as both deacon and priest: to lead services in all sorts of churches and contexts, to preach, to preside at the Eucharist, to baptise, to take funerals, to celebrate weddings. She has taken part in numerous committee meetings, the bread and butter of modern-day ministry, and learnt that a lot of modern ministry is about admin rather than visiting!

She learnt a lot of skills and knowledge that she will take on with her to her new parish as Priest-in-charge of St Richard's, Three Bridges, and then on to whatever God has in store for her next.

Christine also met a lot of people, both in Storrington and in the surrounding villages that have been in vacancy over the last two years. One of the massive privileges in ministry is getting to know people and being invited into their lives and their homes. We are there at those major life events of baptism, marriage and funerals. In the course of our daily work, we meet people in times of illness, grief, difficulty, and joy. We get to know people at a depth few others ever see. We get to know about their families, their past lives, and their relationship with God. We make connections with people, connections that last the whole of our ministry and



our lives. Our lives as clergy have touched other people's lives and we will never be the same again. Whether she likes it or not, we will travel with Christine into her new ministry, or at least our names and our characters!

Christine's life has been changed by us, and our lives changed by knowing her. Christine has changed our lives in other ways too. In her ministry she has helped us to come to know God better; in sermons, Lent groups, magazine articles, intercessions, Confirmation groups, one-to-one conversations, and in her wonderful Holy Week liturgies.

Christine, you have been hugely important to our life at St Mary's and in the Deanery of Storrington, and we will miss you very much indeed. We pray for you as you move on to your new parish. May you go with God; and keep in touch!

*Revd Kathryn Windslow  
Rector of St Mary's and Rural Dean of Storrington*



## HAPPY 95th BIRTHDAY VERA



A lovely photo of Vera Blake with our Rector, Revd Kathryn Windslow, and Curate, Revd Christine Spencer, when Vera celebrated her 95th birthday (officially on 2 October) at Christine's last service with us all at St Mary's, Storrington, on Sunday, 30 September.

The amazing Vera has lived in Storrington for over 40 years and became treasurer of this magazine in 1982 (a job she still does brilliantly) and she has been involved with the advertising for more than 35 years. Vera arranges the lesson-readers and sidesmen and she was Hon. Secretary of Storrington PCC from 1983 to 2010. In her spare time she knits beautiful prayer shawls and a variety of children's soft toys. A truly wonderful lady!

## DRIVERS WANTED

**St Mary's Church is committed to helping to assist those people unable to attend Church due to a lack of transport.**

Should you require help or are willing to offer lifts to and from the 10am Sunday service on a regular or occasional basis, please contact Churchwarden Barbara Buchanan on 741916. Any help, no matter how small or large, is greatly appreciated and welcome.

### 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, 6 November** Our Lady of England Roman Catholic Church will lead

**Tuesday, 4 December** – Community Church will lead

**One in faith and love and praise**

## Church@4pm

**18 November at St Mary's Church, Storrington**

*Church@4 is a more informal act of worship, with stories, songs and craft to which all are welcome, especially families with young children.*

## EVENTS AT ST MARY'S, STORRINGTON

### BATTLE OF BRITAIN SUNDAY



The Revd Christine Spencer and the Revd Charles Hadley at the grave of Storrington's Battle of Britain pilot, Flt Lt Raymond Davis DFC.

### STORRINGTON'S HARVEST SUPPER

The singing and music was led by Jill Arthur, Carmen Kew and Chrystalle Kersley.



St Mary's Church  
Church Street  
Storrington

Wednesday 21 November  
10am to 11.30am

And every 3rd Wednesday of the month

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

### ABC Animal Sanctuary

Carols and readings at St Mary's, Storrington  
1 December at 6pm

Tickets £10, to include refreshments

For further information, please call 07770 667319



### Grand Christmas Draw St Mary's Church, Storrington

Saturday 8 December at 2.30pm

Afternoon Cream Tea with light entertainment and singing of Carols

The Christmas Draw will take place with  
a Cake Stall and Bring and Buy

Tickets for the draw available from the  
Storrington Rectory Office, Churchwardens or in Church

St Mary's Church Storrington Concert Committee

# MELODIES of the GREAT WAR

Classical and Popular Compositions of 1914-1918

St Mary's Church, Storrington

Saturday

17 November 2018

7.30pm

"the music that kept the homefires burning"

Harp ~ Violin ~ Piano ~ 2 Sopranos

Tickets £10

(to include a glass of wine/soft drink and nibbles)

from Fowlers Estate Agents  
The Square, Storrington (745844)  
or King & Chasemore Estate Agents  
High Street, Storrington (745761)



### CHEMIN NEUF COMMUNITY

The Priory, School Lane, Storrington

### EVENTS AT THE PRIORY

#### PRIORY DAYS

Thursday 8 November 9.30 – 2pm

#### PRAYER GROUP

Every Tuesday 16 October 8-9pm

#### QUIET DAYS AT THE PRIORY

Wednesdays 10am-4pm

5 December 2018; 27 February, 2019;  
27 March 2019; 5 June 2019

Step off the world for one day... a talk, guided prayer and simple lunch. Spiritual Accompaniment if you would like it.

For any further information or to reserve a place,  
storrington@chemin-neuf.org

### CONVERSATION!

At the Priory we are hosting 12-14 students from France, Hungary, Poland, Brazil, Martinique and hopefully Ukraine for 10 weeks. It would be a great help if you could come to have conversation for 45 minutes with one or two of them on Mondays at 3pm followed by tea.

From now Monday 10 December (but NOT 12th November)

Please email to say if you can manage any Monday  
languageprogramme.uk@chemin-neuf.org

## WARMINGHURST CHURCH

The annual Candlelit Carols at Warminghurst Church  
Sunday 9 December at 4pm

This is a magical evening of traditional carols and music with readings, followed by mince pies and mulled drink. The event is extremely popular.



For more information contact the Friends on either info.fowc@gmail.com or 891312.

A retiring collection is taken for the Churches Conservation Trust.



## ST MARY'S THAKEHAM SEPTEMBER SKITTLES

Oh, what fun we had on a beautiful autumn afternoon in Slindon on our St Mary's Thakeham skittles tournament. It was the Youth Leaders versus The Rest of the World and, as anticipated, Youth prevailed! Hoorah! No prizes, but the privilege of crowing about it for twelve months until the grand rematch of 2019, not to be missed!

Thanks to Wynn for organising and to Sally for keeping order, of a kind! Entertainment was supplied by the most edible three year old, Amelie.

Super BBQ from The Spur, and unashamed plug there and a recommendation for a lovely venue for Sunday lunch!



## CHICHESTER CATHEDRAL

GOSPEL DAY: LEARNING WITH LUKE

Saturday 17 November 1.30pm – 5pm

An afternoon at Chichester Cathedral to explore and celebrate St Luke's Gospel through word, music, prayer and art.

Tickets £7.50. Advance booking is highly recommended.

Session titles and further information at the 'What's On' section of the Cathedral website: [www.chichestercathedral.org.uk](http://www.chichestercathedral.org.uk) or in person from the Chichester Box Office, Novium Museum, Tower Street, Chichester. Tel: 01243 816525.

### EXHIBITION

'STAR OF BETHLEHEM' BY JAYSON HAEBICH

Thursday 22 November to Sunday 3 February 2019

A spectacular morphing geometric laser star created by coding artist Jayson Haebich. Powered by two laser projectors set high up in the Cathedral's Triforium, the star will appear suspended above the Arundel Screen. At low light levels the haze machine will transform the star image into a three dimensional, floating star, creating a mythical spectacle. The effect will be mesmerising. Open daily with free entry.

Saturday, 24 November

An event for all the family to enjoy

# Christmas Fayre

In aid of St Marys Church, Sullington

12:30pm - 3:00pm

- \* Crafts & Stalls
- \* Father Christmas
- \* Children's Activities
- \* Face Painting
- \* Christmas Carols
- \* Refreshments
- \* Balloon Man
- \* Raffles & Tombolas

Sullington Village Hall  
Entrance Free  
(Children Under 14 to be accompanied by an adult)

Sandgate Singers present  
John Rutter's

# MAGNIFICAT

Elgar: Ave Verum, Holst: 2 Psalms, Parry: I was Glad,  
Mendelssohn: Hear My Prayer, Parry: Jerusalem

at Our Lady of England  
Church, Storrington  
on Sunday  
November 25<sup>th</sup> 2018  
At 7pm

**Tickets £12**  
from The Card Shop  
or 01903 741984

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

## WEST CHILTINGTON AND STORRINGTON MOTHERS' UNION

### MOTHERS' UNION

Christian care for families

In October we enjoyed an inspiring talk from Revd Charles Hadley and

his wife Felicity from the *Chemin Neuf Community* in Storrington. It was a very enlightening talk and he explained how it started and why it is such an important part of his Christian life.

The *Chemin Neuf Community*, founded in Lyon, France, in 1973, is an apostolic Roman Catholic community with an ecumenical vocation. Its members are celibates, married couples, lay people and ordained, united by their faith in Jesus Christ and the desire to serve the church, the Gospel and the world.

A Passion for Unity - "May they all be one" John 17:21

Members of the Community are Roman Catholic, Anglican, Orthodox, Lutheran and from the Reformed Evangelical and Pentecostal Churches. They choose to live, pray and evangelise together, without giving up their own identity, and remain in communion with their respective churches.

We learned about 'Cana' couples which is rediscovering joy, deepening spirituality, sharing and learning in an appropriate environment. It is also about the community life, a bigger family! It's about chipping in, being part of a team with a heart to serve. Cana sessions are great places for couples to share, listen, grow and celebrate together. And lastly, Cana is a message of hope, friendship and healing for all generations.

The Archbishop of Canterbury has invited members of *Chemin Neuf* to live as a praying community at Lambeth Palace. Together they share in the daily round of prayer that underpins the Archbishop's ministry and further the ecumenical and international dimensions of his work.

We are looking forward to our next meeting on **1 November** at 2pm when Roger Overton-Smith will be telling us about Lancing College and all members and visitors are welcome.

Jeannie Watten

"In this life we cannot do great things. We can only do small things with great love."

Mother Teresa

### THE FRIENDS OF ST MARY THE VIRGIN, NORTH STOKE

## THE NATIONAL MEMORIAL ARBORETUM

An illustrated talk by  
**JOHN BARKSHIRE**

Former Chairman of the NMA



To commemorate the ending of the First World War this talk will be given at the Old Rectory, Wiggonholt RH20 2EL (behind Wiggonholt Church)

## THURSDAY 1 NOVEMBER

Talk begins at 7pm approx. Refreshments from 6.30pm  
Reservations essential

Retiring collection for  
The Churches Conservation Trust



Please apply to Janet Aidin, The Old Rectory, Wiggonholt  
Tel: 01798 872531 or janet@aidin.co.uk

**ROTARY QUIZ NIGHT**

7.30pm Saturday  
**10 November**  
**Pulborough Village Hall**

A fun night out for teams of 2 to 6 with speed rounds, music, general knowledge questions and much more for all abilities. Prizes, Raffle and Licensed bar

Tickets £10 per person (with a light supper) from The Pulborough Flower Shop or Malcolm Gray on 07908576139

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Friday 9<sup>th</sup> November  
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To purchase tickets, contact Storrington Community Church via admin@storrington.org or tin\_and\_gill@hotmail.com or call Sue on 01798 744301 / 07443 006572

CDs, DVDs & Books all available to buy at the concert

'Best concert ever!'  
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'Amazing!'



## SULLINGTON 122 YEARS AGO

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

**Sun 1:** Trinity XXII. Generally fine, 45 degrees. Only thin congregations though the day fine. Preached on the collect for All Saints and on the "sealed" (epistle).

**Mon 2:** Dull and drizzly from the north west, 43 degrees. At school 23/25. Minnie left for London after a stay of nearly three weeks. Old Humphrey making a new wicket gate for Church walk.

**Tue 3:** Fine after a dull morning, 43 degrees. To Brighton, cook hunting with Clara in the "Cart" but in the rain. Visited the wreck of the carriage. Smith leaves with all his impedimenta! William Triggs comes in.

**Wed 4:** Very fine, a little frost, 39 degrees. Baptised privately a boy of Baigent, born last night. Had my first Threales service. Spoke on the Home reading. Genesis 2 part 3 and Parable of the Prodigal.

**Thu 5:** As yesterday, 36 degrees. A letter from Cripps that my land tax has been raised to £20.9s! A. de Laune comes, very little altered, noisy and rattly.

**Fri 6:** As yesterday, 37 degrees. Clearing up in greenhouse. Took down blinds. The rest of our party of 5 go down to the Play at Storrington.

**Sat 7:** Very white frost, fine till night when heavy rain, 29 degrees. Buried a one day old child of the new people named Baigent; had stove in the Church first time. Tried a turn on a bicycle. De Laune a very empty-pated fellow, but with some god principals, leaves us.

**Sun 8:** Trinity XXIII. After a rough night a stormy day. Strong north west wind, 29 degrees but poor congregations as might be expected. Preached from notes on the "World" (epistle) and on Their Eyes were Holden (second lesson).

**Mon 9:** Fine and brisk, 37 degrees. George Marten sent us a long list of executor's accounts. Take a few turns on the "Wheel".

**Tue 10:** As yesterday, 38 degrees. Board of Guardians. Lord Salisbury last night spoke 40 minutes chiefly on foreign affairs.

**Wed 11:** Fine, dull mild, 46 degrees. Drove Clara to Pulborough to see Amy Peters' tulip planting. To Cobden, my first service. May goes to Findon vicarage for the night. 3 old creatures try at a show.

**Thu 12:** Fine mild, 42 degrees. The elm goes down and is found "conky". Allen of Findon asked me to talk "something" at a Temperance gathering there. Parkinson dined, Gladys asked me to assist Gerald at her wedding.

**Fri 13:** Fine overcast, rain in the evening, 46 degrees. Finish putting out 200 mixed tulips. Took a bicycle lesson and visited in the lane. Napier sends photos.

**Sat 14:** Fine dull till 3pm when heavy rain, 47 degrees. Much leaf sweeping. Stars (falling) expected tonight. Not a single reply to an advertisement for a cook in the West Sussex Gazette!

**Sun 15:** Trinity XXIV. Fine till 4pm when rain, 40 degrees. Two fair congregations. Sermons on the "Tabernacle", its intent now fulfilled in our own bodies: and on the bonds of sin. Luke XII 16.

**Mon 16:** Damp but fine, 44 degrees. Mant came up and we knocked down the Land Tax Commissions Claim by £3.10s. Visited on the Washington Road, took a turn on the wheel.

**Tue 17:** Dull but fine, 45 degrees. Made up a faggot-stack. Gladys comes over and receives the water colour of "fallen trees in Sandgate" and a cheque from me for 3 guineas.

**Wed 18:** Dull foggy some misty rain, 47 degrees. Drove for Clara to Muntham. Piano tuner. Evening service at Roundabouts. Faggot-stack reared and place cleared up.

**Thu 19:** Dull morning then fair and white frost, 44 degrees. School 25. Drove Clara to the last cook meet at Steyning.

**Fri 20:** Fine, 40 degrees. A concert this evening at Storrington in aid of the charities: walked down (at 5) by a full moon: Wisdens and Parsons on the mandolin. The last performance.

**Sat 21:** Fine pleasantly mild. William Short paid a visit and had dinner. Clara and I walked to Wiggonholt and teated: the Canon and co are moving off to Rochester. Spoke to Lusher.

**Sun 22:** Trinity XXV. Fine, dull, mild, 45 degrees. A letter from Pearse surprised us announcing Hals return: "he has equitted him excellently" and his recall was to his credit. Two very fair congregations, morning service on "Walking by faith and not by right": afternoon an old written one on "this no continuing city".

**Mon 23:** Foggy, 42 degrees. Mr and Mrs Fallows to lunch. I drove May in the cart to Pulborough en route to Margaret Street re Minnie.

**Tue 24:** Much as yesterday, 40 degrees. Board of Guardians and County Council. Some tedious talk over Findon Down difficulties. George Carew-Gibson lunched and was as usual.

**Wed 25:** Dull and cold, 40 degrees. School 25. Cobden evening dark and cold. Good muster. Spoke on the desire to hide after sin committed. Adam and Jonah.

**Thu 26:** As yesterday, 39 degrees. Expected snow. Put in some *Chionodoxa Lucilla*, a plant I know not. Visited Richardson's and Humphrey's.

**Fri 27:** Fine with frost and sharp north wind, 40 degrees. To County Council riding, cold but fine. Lamps agreed on after much discussion. Put in 50 strawberries.

**Sat 28:** Fine very strong north wind. Frosty all, 35 degrees. A wintry day. Miss Phynne lunched. Zouche sent us two brace pheasants!

**Sun 29:** Advent. Fine keen as yesterday, 32 degrees. Thin congregations. Preached old sermon in the morning on the first words of the parable of the unjust steward and in afternoon on Revelations "is our Belief in the Judgement Real?"

**Mon 30:** As yesterday the wind not high, 32 degrees. Ploughs could not work this morning. Took Clara and Cicely to Pulborough in the cart which was hardly big enough for us. To Cobden with Neil in the afternoon.



## STORRINGTON FLOWER CLUB

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## "SNOWFLAKES"

FRIDAY 2 NOVEMBER

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CONTACT 01903 892837

SUPPORTING 'WHOOPSADAISY'

# 1ST STORRINGTON RAINBOWS AND 2ND STORRINGTON BROWNIES

## Launch of new badge scheme

You may have seen in the media that Girl Guiding has recently launched a new programme. Ladies who were once a Brownie may remember earlier programmes, starting with the first and second class awards, also known as Golden Hand and Golden Bar. In 1968, these changed to Journey badges, Footpath, Road and Highway. In 2014, after the Brownie section's 100th birthday, another change saw Brownies working towards Adventure, Adventure On and More Adventures badges.



The revised 2018 programme runs through from Rainbows to Rangers, along six new themes. Within these themes there are Skills Builders and Unit Meeting Activities, and a brand new set of interest badges. Girls in all sections can work towards their own Gold Award if they earn all six Theme Awards.



Phoebe

For the first time, Rainbows have their own badge book and can complete lots of challenges at home. This term our Rainbow meetings will be based around the Express Myself theme. Girls will earn their drawing badge and complete the Stage 1 Communicate skills builder.

The Rainbow unit was very pleased to achieve 1st place in the Storrington *In Bloom* group scarecrow challenge. Phoebe accompanied me to the presentation and proudly received our certificate.

Joan Parkes



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



## YOU ARE INVITED TO ATTEND A TRAVELLING TRENDS FASHION SHOW

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Don't miss out – come along to this event and enjoy an evening of fashion and fun hosted by travelling trends. This is your chance to see, try on and buy this Seasons fashions at greatly reduced prices and help to raise funds for Trinity Methodist Church

**2 November at Trinity Methodist Church, Thakeham Road, Storrington**

**TICKET PRICE: £5**

**START TIME: 7pm DOORS OPEN: 6.30pm**

**TICKETS AVAILABLE FROM 746390 or 01798 865036**



# STORRINGTON PRIMARY SCHOOL



After great anticipation, the new treehouse at Storrington Primary School has opened, much to the delight of the children and staff!



Revd Kathryn Windslow took on the ribbon cutting duty which formally marked the opening of the treehouse.

The Hooper & Downer Educational Foundation generously agreed to support the project which celebrates the school becoming a primary school in 2017. Many readers will already know that the school relocated from the Old School in the 1960s. The school was delighted that former Head of Early Years and current trustee of the Trust, Jude Randall, was also at the opening.

The project was made possible by support from other sponsors, which included Barratt Homes, the school's PTA Friends of Storrington School (FOSS) and a fantastically well-supported sponsored walk by the school's pupils.



Marion Smith, Head Teacher, said "We are very proud to be in the heart of our village and this treehouse was made possible by a real community effort. It is an amazing space for children to explore, reflect, play and learn and can

be used by whole classes or just a small number of children during break and lesson times, providing outdoor, sheltered spaces for all year use. We are immensely grateful for everyone who supported it."

The treehouse was designed and built by local company, Cheeky Monkeys, who added the final touch of a swing seat which was sponsored by retiring SEN Teacher, Carol Phillips.

Rebecca Stables, Business Manager

## Come and join our SPACE

**S**omewhere for  
**P**eople to make  
**A**rt or  
**C**rafts and  
**E**scape from home for a few hours!



**1st and 3rd Tuesdays 2pm - 4pm at the Old School**

Everyone will be very welcome (men and women, any age or ability). Either bring along something you can already do, or have a go at something different.

**For more information contact: Storrington Rectory Office (742888)**

## LOCAL WEATHER WATCH

September 2018 —mostly benign

When September is in an unsettled mood, it can be very wet indeed as I am sure some readers can remember back to 1968 when there was widespread flooding. Billingshurst was cut off by floodwater and a policeman, Leonard Osborne, was awarded an OBE for his part in a series of dramatic rescues at Pulborough.



Sullington Hill

September 2018 was much more benign with rainfall only around half the long-term average, and in fact 70% of it fell on one day, the 22nd. The heaviest rain occurred during the early hours of the 23<sup>rd</sup> but, by convention, meteorologists say that all rainfall from midnight up to 09.00hrs GMT is added to the previous day's total.

By day, September this year was reasonably warm with 20 days reaching 20°C or higher but clearing night time skies allowed a strong radiation of the day time heat away to the atmosphere which meant quite a drop in temperature. Storrington recorded six nights with a grass frost and there was even an air frost on the meadows at Wiggonholt near Pulborough.

It is typical that the first strong winds occur around the autumnal equinox as the temperature difference between the arctic and the tropics intensifies. Between the 18th to the 20th it was very breezy when storms Ali and Bronagh swept across the north of the UK but still gave wind gusts of 40mph or more in Sussex. Overall though, September 2018 will be more remembered for its light winds, chilly nights and some colourful sunsets. Gilbert White the well-known 18th century naturalist and author of *Natural History of Selborne*, a book that has never been out of print, expressed the mood of the month this year when he wrote about a September day in 1741. "As the morning advanced the sun became bright and warm, and the day turned out one of those most lovely ones which no season but the autumn produces; cloudless, calm, serene and worthy of the south of France itself".

Ian Currie-Weatherman, speaker and editor of *Weather eye* magazine

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

**Fireworks Extravaganza**

**Ashington CE School**  
**Friday 9 November**  
Gates open at 5.30pm  
Fireworks at 7pm

Fireworks by Aurora  
BBQ ~ Amusements ~ Raffle  
Stalls and much more!

Tickets available from school or Ashington Pharmacy

**IN ADVANCE:**  
£3pp/£10 family of 4

**ON THE NIGHT:**  
£3.50pp/£12 family of 4

**Age 2 and under free!**



## Rotary Film Night at Sullington Parish Hall Wednesday 14 November



Performance commences at 7.30pm with an interval and Bar & Raffle. Tickets £5 from 'The Card Shop' in Storrington. Unsold tickets will be available for purchase on the door on the night.

Anyone needing transport should contact Roger Jamieson on 01798 813956

For further details please contact Ken Collins on 01903 740745

### Rotary Club of Storrington & Pulborough District

The film on Wednesday 19 December will be *Mamma Mia-Here We Go Again*. This is the long-awaited sequel to the much loved musical, starring Lily James, Julie Walters, Colin Firth, Pierce Brosnan, and Meryl Streep.

## 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 29 November 7.30pm**

2nd Print and Projected Image Competition with an (Open Subject) theme. The judge for the evening will be Lisa Beany ARPS

### MORE INFORMATION:

[www.storringtoncc.org.uk](http://www.storringtoncc.org.uk) or contact Janet Brown

T: 01798 812183 • E: [chair@storringtoncc.org.uk](mailto:chair@storringtoncc.org.uk)

**SOC** Storrington  
Camera Club

# CHURCH SERVICES AT A GLANCE

DATE	FESTIVAL OR SUNDAY	STORRINGTON St Mary's	THAKEHAM St Mary's	SULLINGTON St Mary's
4 November	<b>All Saints' Day</b> 4 <sup>th</sup> before Advent	8am Holy Communion (said) 10am Family Communion 11.45am Baptiam Service 4pm Storrington Deanery Confirmation Service	10.30am Joint All-age Family Communion (with Sullington)	8am Holy Communion (with Thakeham)
11 November	<b>REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY</b> 3 <sup>rd</sup> before Advent	8am Holy Communion (said) 10am Parish Communion + Footsteps 2.55pm <b>Service of Remembrance</b> – see p.6	9.30am <b>Remembrance Day Service</b>	8am Holy Communion (with Thakeham) 11.30am <b>Remembrance Day Service</b>
18 November	<b>2<sup>nd</sup> before Advent</b>	8am Holy Communion (said) 10am Parish Communion with Prayers for Healing + Footsteps 4pm Church@4 6pm Evensong	8am Iona Communion (with Sullington)	10.30am Family Communion (with Thakeham)
25 November	<b>SUNDAY NEXT BEFORE ADVENT</b> <i>Christ the King</i>	8am Holy Communion (said) 10am Parish Communion + Footsteps 6pm Evensong	9.30am Family Communion	8am Iona Communion (with Thakeham) 11.30am Family Communion
2 December	<b>ADVENT SUNDAY</b>	8am Holy Communion (said) 10am Family Communion: <b>Children's Gift Service</b> 6pm <b>Advent Service</b>	10.30am <b>Joint all-age Christingle Service</b> (with Sullington)	8am Holy Communion (with Thakeham) 6pm <b>Advent Reflection</b>

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

## OTHER CHURCH DETAILS

### ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

*Our Lady of England, Monastery Lane*

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

Daily Mass: Monday – Friday 9am.

For other midweek services, confessions etc., please contact

Parish Priest: Fr Charles Howell

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

Tel: 740338

### STORRINGTON CHAPEL

*North Street*

Sunday Services 10.30am, 6.30pm

Church Elder: Graham Thrusell

Tel: 01243 545737

grahamthrusell.GT@gmail.com

### COMMUNITY CHURCH

*Steyning Grammar School – Rock Road Campus*

Family Worship – Sundays 10am

Enquiries to Mrs Val Augustine

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

Tel: 01798 817596

### TRINITY METHODIST CHURCH

*Thakeham Road*

Sunday Service 10.30am

Minister: Revd Dawn Carn

4 Gorse Avenue, Worthing, BN14 9PG

Tel: 260356 (Church Office: 746390)

www.trinitymethodiststorrington.uk

www.facebook.com/TrinityStorrington

## WEEKLY EVENTS

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

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

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

### Storrington Library Opening Hours – Tel. 839050

Monday to Friday 9.30am – 5.30pm

Saturday 10am – 4pm

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## 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

NOVEMBER	
<b>Thu 1</b>	
10.30am	Pop-In Lunch Club – p18
2pm	MU – Meeting – p14
3pm	Tea with the Vicar – p5
7pm	National Memorial Arboretum Talk – p14
<b>Fri 2</b>	
7pm	St Barnabas Quiz Night – p27
7pm	Fashion Show – Trinity Methodist Church – p16
7.30pm	Storrington Flower Club – Special Open Evening – p15
<b>Sat 3</b>	
10am	Storrington Museum – Great War Exhibition – p24
10am	Storrington Conservation Society – Working Party – p21
	Festive Wine Tasting Evening – p21
<b>Sun 4</b> All Saints' Day / 4th before Advent	
10am	Storrington Museum – Great War Exhibition – p24
11.45am	Baptism – St Mary's, Storrington, of Jacob Arlo Mills (son of Joanne and Lee) and Henry William Grant (son of Rebecca and Chris)
4pm	Storrington Deanery Confirmation Service – St Mary's, Storrington – p6
<b>Mon 5</b>	
7.30pm	Storrington Museum – Meeting – p22
<b>Tue 6</b>	
10am	Inter-Church prayers – RC Church (side-chapel) – p9
2pm	SPACE – Arts and Craft Group – p16
<b>Wed 7</b>	
10am	St Barnabas Outreach – Library Car Park – p23
2.30pm	Arts Society Storrington – Lecture – p31
<b>Thu 8</b>	
9.30am	Chemin Neuf Priory Day – p10
7.30pm	Bingo – Mary How Trust – p21
<b>Fri 9</b>	
5.30pm	Fireworks Extravaganza – Ashington CE School – p17
<b>Sat 10</b>	
10am	Sandgate Conservation Society – Working Party – p24
12noon	Marriage Blessing – Matthew and May Lemprière – St Mary's, Sullington – p5
7.30pm	Rotary Quiz Night – p14
<b>Sun 11</b> REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY / 3rd before Advent	
1pm	Sunday Lunch Club – p18
2.55 pm	Civic Service of Remembrance – St Mary's, Storrington – p6
<b>Mon 12</b>	
7.30pm	Thakeham Gardeners' Club – Meeting – p28
<b>Wed 14</b>	
10am	Wild Fortune Quiet Garden – p5
7.30pm	Rotary Film Night – <i>The Guernsey Literary and Potato Peel Pie Society</i> – p17
<b>Thu 15</b>	
3pm	Tea with the Vicar – p5
<b>Fri 16</b>	
7.30pm	Storrington Horticultural Society – Meeting – p34
<b>Sat 17</b>	
7.30pm	Concert – St Mary's, Storrington – p10
10am	Storrington Museum – Pro-Am Art Show and Sale – p22
7pm	Storrington In Bloom Quiz Night – p22
<b>Sun 18</b> 2nd Sunday before Advent	
10am	Storrington Museum – Pro-Am Art Show and Sale – p22
11.45am	Baptism – St Mary's, Storrington, of Ellis Emery James Whitmarsh (son of Sarah and Joe)
4pm	Church@4pm – St Mary's, Storrington – p 9
<b>Tue 20</b>	
2pm	Knit & Stitch Tea – p4
2pm	SPACE – Arts and Craft Group – p16

<b>Wed 21</b>	
10am	Cafe in the Church – St Mary's, Storrington – p10
10am	Chemin Neuf Quiet Day – p10
7.30pm	Sullington Windmills WI – Meeting – p24
<b>Thu 22</b>	
11.30am	Holy Communion at Sussexdown – p5
3pm	Tea with the Vicar – p5
<b>Sat 24</b>	
10am	Sandgate Conservation Society – Working Party – p24
<b>Sun 25</b> SUNDAY NEXT BEFORE ADVENT	
7pm	Sandgate Singers Concert – <i>Magnificat</i> – p13
<b>Tue 27</b>	
7.30pm	Mary How Trust Film Night – <i>The Greatest Showman</i> – p27
<b>Wed 28</b>	
2pm	Storrington Flower Club – Meeting – p24
7.30pm	Sandgate Conservation Society – Meeting – p24
<b>Thu 29</b>	
7.30pm	Storrington Camera Club – Meeting – p17

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

## SAINTS AND SPECIAL DAYS

NOVEMBER	
<b>Thu 1</b>	<b>ALL SAINTS' DAY</b>
<b>Fri 2</b>	<b>All Souls' Day (Commemoration of the Faithful Departed)</b>
<b>Sat 3</b>	<b>Richard Hooker, 1600</b> , Anglican priest and theologian <i>Martin of Porres, 1639</i> , renowned for work with the poor
<b>Tue 6</b>	<i>Leonard, 6<sup>th</sup> century</i> <i>William Temple, 1944</i> , Archbishop of York and Canterbury
<b>Wed 7</b>	<b>Willibrord of York, 739</b> , Apostle of the Benelux countries
<b>Fri 9</b>	<i>Margery Kempe, c.1440</i> , wrote first autobiography about her pilgrimages
<b>Sat 10</b>	<b>Leo the Great, 461</b> , secured unity of Western church under papal supremacy
<b>Sun 11</b>	<b>Martin of Tours, c.397</b> , Christian saint – famous story of cutting his cloak
<b>Tue 13</b>	<b>Charles Simeon, 1836</b> , founder of Church Missionary Society
<b>Wed 14</b>	<b>Samuel Seabury, 1796</b> , first bishop of Episcopal Church in USA
<b>Fri 16</b>	<i>Margaret, Queen of Scotland, 1093</i> , saint, recognised for her work with charity and religious reform <i>Edmund Rich of Abingdon, 1240</i> , Archbishop of Canterbury, university colleges named after him
<b>Sat 17</b>	<b>Hugh of Lincoln, 1200</b> , Bishop, patron saint of sick children and swans
<b>Sun 18</b>	<b>Elizabeth of Hungary, 1231</b> , devoted her short life to poor and sick
<b>Mon 19</b>	<b>Hilda, 680</b> , important in conversion of England to Christianity <i>Mechtild, 1280</i>
<b>Tue 20</b>	<b>Edmund, 870</b> <i>Priscilla Lydia Sellon, 1876</i> , founded Society of the Most Holy Trinity
<b>Thu 22</b>	<i>Cecilia, c.230</i> , patron saint of music
<b>Fri 23</b>	<i>Clement, Bishop of Rome, c.100</i> , considered first Apostolic Father of the Church
<b>Sun 25</b>	<i>Catherine of Alexandria, 1748</i> , martyr, the firework, Catherine Wheel, is named after her
<b>Fri 30</b>	<b>ST. ANDREW THE APOSTLE, Patron of Scotland</b>

# STORRINGTON & SULLINGTON – REFLECTIONS OF THE PAST

## SOME STORRINGTON FOLK

November is the month of remembrance and, with the media reminding us that it is 100 years since the bloodbath of World War I ending and the surviving veterans of World War II growing fewer and so much older, perhaps we can give a thought to some Storrington folk no longer with us.

I found in my newspaper archives a cutting of July 1941 headed: Storrington men on Hood. This was HMS Hood, pride of the Royal Navy, blown up by the German battleship Bismark. The first named was Boy (1st Class) Norman George Stocker, under which was handwritten 'Storrington'; Leading Seaman James David Comber 'W.Chilt'; and Leading Stoker George Edward Baker 'Ashington'.

Under the photographs is a headline: Storrington, and the advert: For all motor repairs, Stocker's Garages, Storrington. FULLY EQUIPPED with the latest machinery and breakdown equipment. Huge stocks tyres, accessories, etc., official repairer to AA and RAC. Phone Storrington 12.

In 1941 some of the few car-owning people had laid up their cars 'for the duration'. Under the advert other short items began with: Mr and Mrs J Stocker wish to express their most grateful thanks and appreciation for the sympathy extended to them in the loss of their son Norman on His Majesty's ship Hood.

Below this item is another headline: Storrington Airman's Funeral

An old Worthing High School boy, Cpl. George Alfred Acton RAF of Storrington who recently lost his life on active service, was buried at Storrington on Saturday. He was the son of Mr and Mrs Acton of 'Barrymore', Fern Road, Storrington, and entered the RAF when he left school. For three years he had seen service abroad."

As the glorious cricket season ends [sorry Chris, trespassing on your pitch again!] does anyone remember a remarkable lady, 'Mac', Dorothy McEvoy, a pioneer of women's cricket? Born in 1910 she was an England fast bowler who toured Australia and actually broke an Australian player's stump. I believe this incredible feat resulted in the two pieces being preserved at Lord's. Miss McEvoy's cricketing career was halted by the war, when touring was not possible, but her memoirs were well recorded along with the story of women's cricket in the book *The Golden Triangle*. Miss McEvoy was trained in Physical Education and excelled in everything she did, becoming adviser in PE and Games to the Middlesex schools. When she retired she came to live in Storrington where she joined the Bowls Club. Unsurprisingly, she excelled in this, becoming President of Sussex. Much loved by local people she became a member of the Third Order of St Norbert, participating actively in her parish matters.



*Dorothy McEvoy (3rd from right)*



*E Whitbourn  
– B Keeper*

Another lady, daughter of the Revd Arthur Faithfull, Rector of Storrington, Elizabeth (Betty) Faithfull, later Mrs Whitbourne, became better known to readers of the *West Sussex Gazette* as 'B. Keeper' contributing a regular article to that paper from 1955. Why? She described it as "... simply a manifestation of Bee Fever" when recounting what made her take it up. Her charming description, where she "...tried to explain the intoxication induced by keeping

bees; that fervour akin to being happily in love which first sweeps over us when we have tadpoles in a basin and caterpillars on the windowsill; a fervour that can only be assuaged by constant contact with them and thinking about them. So naturally I itched to write about my bees." She described her secondary motive in writing about bees, "... by writing I was learning". The first time she saw inside a hive was when one was brought to the garden and set down – she realised that she knew nothing of the bees or their life cycle. This ignorance was of short duration, and under the guidance of apiarist friends she became expert enough to take the BBKA examinations, a full day's written papers covering every aspect of the subject. She received letters from people asking where to get bees and how to start keeping them, which she was always pleased to try to help, although modestly claiming that she did not profess to give advice "... to anyone past the novitiate ...". One surprising claim was that in the schools it was found that "... beekeeping in some aspect or other can be fitted into any subject in the curriculum, and surely it is this versatility which makes the whole matter so fascinating, whether one keeps bees or not" citing research into pollen and nectar (science), botany, chemistry, biology, palaeontology (pollen has been found embedded in peat and ice), and geology, bees and honeycomb have been found fossilized in minerals, and climatology. All these disciplines from bees!



*Owen Crowhurst*

An excerpt from the *Evening Standard* of 1954 bemoaned the fact that "The only smith wants to retire". This referred to Owen Crowhurst of Amberley, the reporter claiming that it is setting farmers and villagers a problem as there is no-one to carry on his job. If he retires, villagers will have to go five miles to Storrington where his 65-year-old brother, Alfred, has a forge. Two other brothers are blacksmiths – Frank who works at Worthing and Ted at Chilmington. The family has a proud record of 150 years as blacksmiths, since their grandfather, Owen, founded the forge at Back Lane [North Street] in 1896 and taught them their trade. Alfred Crowhurst when interviewed said, "I will have to retire myself in a few years' time. It gets a bit difficult to handle the horses – especially the frisky ones – as you get older. But not many young people are taking up the trade." His son Alfred was a bank clerk.



*Crowhurst family*

Alfred W Crowhurst snr. made the original galleon for the Church weathervane [designed by the artist David Hardy in Church Street] now preserved in the Church. He noted some of his memoirs in 1963, recalling that at the time when the original forge started,

everything had to be brought in to the village by horse and cart – coal, salt, and other bulky and heavy goods – meaning a lot of work for heavy horses. A carrier travelled to Worthing three days a week. In winter when there was ice and snow on the ground, horses needed shoes to be fitted with frost nails to enable them to get a grip and not slide. It was not unusual for the blacksmith to turn out at 10 o'clock at night to take off the milkman's horse shoes and turn them upside down so that the heels would grip the surface like little brakes. In those days there were no ready-made horse shoes, old ones were recycled by doubling over two worn ones and welding them together. Cartwheels also needed to be re-tyred,

the thick band of iron round the wood, slightly smaller than the wheel, was heated and forced back on to fit snugly as it cooled. They always kept 100 faggots of wood in the lane to make the fire for this job. Ploughshares and other farm implements needed repairing, roadmen's picks sharpening and there were the large box sledges used to drag flints from the Downs for roadmending, fitted with heavy iron runners to ease the horses pulling them. On a lighter side, the smith would make children's hoops for one penny. Pelts were another job, iron tips for heels and toes needed by the bootmakers in Storrington. A blacksmith made all his own tools with the exception of a rasp.



Hilda Breed

In passing, a brief mention of some of the artists and craftsmen in the village. Do you remember Miss Hilda Breed of Cootham who had a large loom in her cottage and a spinning wheel? She made lovely fabrics from the wool she spun.

There was Walter Penn who had a shop "Mozart House" in West Street where he worked, claiming to be the oldest working watchmaker in the country – he was 82 when making his claim. Mr Penn was in great demand at parties and entertainments where he played instruments and sang.



Walter Penn

Vivian Rolt (1873-1933), artist, who came to live in Storrington because of the views of the Downs and built "The Studio" on Manley's Hill with ground-to-roof windows to let in the light.



Abner Soffe

And then there was Abner Soffe, an entrepreneur who had The Swan at Ashington, but later built houses at Storrington including the half-timbered one facing westwards to The Square at the end of the village where he had a cobbler's shop. Abner Soffe served an apprenticeship as a boot and shoe repairer. In 1911 he built a three-story house with a shop next to Lloyd's Bank called "The Homestead". He had his cobbler's shop, tea-rooms,

sweets and tobbaconist, and boasted the first indoor toilet in the village for customers' use. He was known to say to other tea-shop customers hoping for relief... "You take it back where you bought it!".



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## STORRINGTON CONSERVATION SOCIETY

### Concern with plastic recycling

A major subject of concern is recycling, particularly that of plastics. There seem to be two issues: the clearing up of discarded items, especially those adrift in the oceans, and the need to develop a better approach to recycling. At present, local authorities recycle items not recycled by neighbouring authorities, and vice versa. And it is disconcerting to learn that black plastic, carefully placed in recycling bins, cannot be handled by the sorting machinery, so goes to landfill. Manufacturers can do more to ensure as many products as possible are recyclable. It is a worldwide problem, but we can all be part of the solution. One example, we groan at the excess of wasteful packaging we have to wrestle with. Prevention of tampering is one thing, the denial of lawful access to the goods is another! Complain to the supplier. We can no longer sustain the 'throw away' lifestyle which has become widespread. Conservation and reuse of resources is essential.



The work party met on 6 October at Fryern Dell, continuing the restoration of the Pleasure Garden. We meet again on **3 November** at 10am as usual, again at Fryern Dell. Work is carried out there in autumn and winter, avoiding spring and summer in the interests of nesting birds.

There is a saying "One volunteer is worth ten pressed men", so the forces have volunteers: You, and you! Please don't wait to be asked to join our happy volunteers. All are welcome, gardening wear advised, tools provided, and a cup of coffee.

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

Stuart Kersley

## CHICHESTER CATHEDRAL FREE LUNCH TIME CONCERTS

### NOVEMBER

**Tuesday 6** David Alexander (*piano*)

**Tuesday 13** Peter Gould (*organ*)

**Tuesday 20** Meritus Collective Piano Trio

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# STORRINGTON & DISTRICT MUSEUM

On 1 October, members of the Museum Society were given a treat with a talk about chocolate, with samples of the real thing handed around as the talk progressed, to show some of the stages in the complicated business of chocolate production. The talk was given by Dawn Shrives, who set up as an artisan chocolatier in 2004. At *Le Salon du Chocolat* in Chichester she makes 'real' chocolate: gluten-free, dairy-free, vegetable and palm oil-free.

## The History of Chocolate

First of all she told us some of the history of the product, surprising many of us by saying that chocolate, as a drink, dates back almost 4000 years. It was drunk by the Olmecs, who preceeded the Mayans, in Mexico, where pots have been found in archaeological digs holding the dried up remains of chocolate drinks. The Mayans used it for medicinal purposes adding herbs and spices against coughs, colds, and snakebites, and also it was used as sun cream! The Aztecs regarded it as a gift from the gods. To them it was extremely valuable and only the richest of them could afford it. Montezuma II is said to have drunk fifty goblets of it a day. It was used in religious ceremonies by the King and by the Priests. It had a value greater than gold; in 1840 the beans were still used as currency in some Central American villages. Apparently the Army was given it when going into battle because of its sustaining and life enhancing nature.



It was taken by the Spaniards from South America and used as a drink, despite its bitterness, by the Royalty of Spain and Portugal, who mixed it with honey or, sometimes, sugar, also a brand new commodity. From these courts it spread to Royalty across Europe.

The word 'chocolate' arrived in English in about 1600, having come from the word *chocolatl* in Nahuatl, the language of the Aztecs, but the word for chocolate drink, which was its only form at this time, is *cacahuatl*, which means cacao water. The first chocolate house in London opened in 1647 and the drink became more popular than coffee, yet another new commodity.

In 1732, Joseph Fry wondered why many people used it as a medicine and he experimented with it. In 1828, Casparus van Houton invented a machine for manufacturing powdered cacao, and from then on chocolate was no longer the property of only the rich. It became available to all as the machine cut out many of the stages of production which till then had to be done by hand by slaves or servants. In 1847, Joseph Fry's firm made a chocolate bar. David Peter added milk in 1874 and Joseph Lindt made yet another machine called a conching machine to speed up the process. In 1913 van Houten made a machine to put fillings into a chocolate case.

Demand for chocolate outgrew what the original producers could provide. Very early on the Spaniards began growing the cacao beans in their other equatorial colonies. England got in on the action when it took over Jamaica from the Spanish in 1655. Now the main producer of cacao in the world is the Ivory Coast, followed by Ghana, Nigeria and Cameroon.

Making chocolate has been called "a long and tedious business", with many stages. Picking the pods needs to be done at exactly the right time. Shelling, roasting, grinding, pouring to produce a froth, mixing and drying are time consuming. That is why only the rich could afford it. The cacao pod grows like an apple and contains a core of up to fifty seeds which take on the nutrients and flavour of the soil they are grown in. The pods are opened and the beans are placed for fermentation on banana leaves. Then they are dried and left to absorb the 'taste' of their surroundings. The beans are roasted and then winnowed, leaving the nib. These are again dried and ground and pressed, so that two products result, the cacao powder and cacao butter, which are then re-mixed together in various proportions to make dark, light, and white chocolate. This is pure chocolate

and there are strict rules about the proportions enforced in many countries, Belgium being the most strict; Dawn buys all her chocolate from Belgium.

Because of the huge demand for chocolate flavoured foods and confectionery, many ingredients may be added which do not conform in every respect to these rules. Many bars nowadays contain vegetable fats and palm oil, cheaper substitutes for cocoa butter, skimmed milk and soya milk, flour and artificial sweeteners. These cannot legally be called chocolate. Dawn said, "Read the labels".

Cooking with chocolate needs care. It cannot be done quickly. Gentle heat is essential and chocolate is spoiled if water gets into it, so it needs to be kept at the right temperature, about 18 degrees. It should not be put in the fridge. The white bloom which sometimes happens is not dangerous, it is only crystals forming on the surface. There seems to be no agreement on its health giving properties. Some research says it is bad for you, others say it is beneficial. Dawn says, "Just enjoy it".

We had a Quiz Night on 29 September, organised by Eunice Allen, which was enjoyed by a full house. The home-made supper in the much needed interval was delicious.

The exhibition at the Museum at the moment is a gem. It shows meticulous and colourful embroidery, clever, imaginative woodcarving, and fine weaving, delicate beadwork and basketry, and some ingenious miniatures, everything being made by people in our area.

The next monthly talk on Monday 5 November, given by Neil Sadler, is called 'Gongoozling for Beginners', which sounds fun, but the talk by Tim Stanton on 3 December, 'The Acid Bath Murders', definitely does not.

The 9th Annual Pro-Am Art Show and Sale will be on Saturday and Sunday, 17 and 18 November. Last year there were almost 200 exhibits of watercolours, oils, and pastels, by artists in our area. There will be home-made refreshments available from 10am to 4pm on both days. It will be well worth a visit whether you come to buy or just to look.

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

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## QUIZ NIGHT

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**Saturday 17 November**

**Sullington Parish Hall, Thakeham Road**

**Doors: 7pm (Starts 7.30pm)**

**Tickets (in advance only)**

**Cherril Castle 01903 746424 or [mail@apejcastle.co.uk](mailto:mail@apejcastle.co.uk)**

## BRIDGE EVERY DAY

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

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

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

 **MONDAYS 9.30AM** 

**Adur Valley Bridge Club Storrington**  
Football Pavilion, Leisure Centre, Storrington RH20 4PG  
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 **TUESDAYS 6.45PM** 

**Storrington Bridge Club**  
Old School, School Lane, Storrington RH20 4LL  
Caroline Smith 01903 743255

 **TUESDAYS 7.10PM** 

**Thakeham Bridge Club**  
Thakeham Village Hall, RH20 3EJ. (01798 815467)  
Harold Linfield 01798 812276

 **WEDNESDAYS 7.15PM** 

**Storrington Bridge Club For Fun Group**  
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Don or Doreen Cork 01403 782516

 **THURSDAYS 2.00PM** 

**Ron James Play Sessions for less experienced player**  
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Prior contact please to Ron James 01903 742135

 **THURSDAYS 7.20PM** 

**Pulborough Bridge Club**  
Village Hall, Lower Street, Pulborough (01798 874647)  
Tom Garside 01403 782814

 **FRIDAYS 1.10PM** 

**Thakeham Bridge Club**  
Thakeham Village Hall, RH20 3EJ. (01798 814467)  
Harold Linfield 01798 812276



### Finding room for fruit

With barely room to swing a catmint, our garden may be small but I realised this year that we've managed to squeeze in 11 types of fruit. While not enough to keep us in jam, our son can pick himself a daily lunchbox snack from June to October, and compared to on the allotment, there are some real advantages of growing fruit in the garden.



### Seasonal interest

Our dwarf apple and pear trees in large containers have scented blossom in the spring, while the blueberry and fig leaves have stunning autumn colours. Grow fruit in pots and you can move them in and out of view depending on how they look through the year and give them the growing conditions they prefer.

### Pest protection

Our strawberries thrive in hanging baskets where they are less likely to be bothered by slugs, or get splashed by mud, than in the open ground. Planted among the flower beds, our raspberries, quinces and grapes are untroubled by birds; my hunch is that they're less visible here than en masse in the allotment.



### Clothing fences

Although you can get thornless blackberries, ours is a prickly beast and the tayberry is possibly worse, but trained along the trellis on top of the fence they do brilliantly and the berries are twice the size of their hedgerow cousins. These climbers double up as a deterrent to intruders, according to advice from the Metropolitan Police, and I suspect go some way to keeping unwanted animals from using the fence as an entry point too.

Finally, our rhubarb lives happily in a shady area of the garden. After we've had our fill of crumble, we leave the handsome stems and leaves to complement its neighbours: a hart's tongue fern, *Asplenium scolopendrium*, and an oak *Hydrangea quercifolia* -leaved hydrangea. How to make it a neat dozen next year? I'm putting a dwarf crab apple or morello cherry on my Christmas list!

Cheryl Brown

## STORRINGTON COMMUNITY MARKET

Village Hall, opposite Stable Antiques

Every Friday in November 10am to 11.15am

Please come along and support your Local Community Market selling delicious home-made cakes and savouries, jams and marmalades, eggs, local free range pork, mushrooms & vegetables, plants, flowers & perennials. Also a wide range of 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.

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

# B

St Barnabas House  
Hospice Outreach Project

St Barnabas House

Our staffed HOP vehicle converts into a cosy drop-in centre providing information and support related to end of life care.

The next visits to Storrington will be in the library car park.

**Wednesday 7 Nov and 5 Dec - 10am to 2pm**

For more information about the project please visit our website or email [HospiceOutreachProject@stbh.org.uk](mailto:HospiceOutreachProject@stbh.org.uk) or call 706357.

## Harry – journey from skiffle music to money raising

The President, Erika Brichta, opened the September meeting by welcoming members, along with two visitors. In her opening report, Erika informed members that the August fund raising evening had been a huge success, thus enabling a large donation to be made to ACWW (Associated Country Women of the World), the WI's designated charity. Erika continued by highlighting forthcoming events, which included a Wine Tasting Event on **Saturday 3 November**, tickets available at a cost of £15. This includes a taster size portion of food for each course with the carefully chosen wine to accompany; Les Allen-Williams will host the evening. We will have a bumper raffle with fantastic prizes donated by The Roundabout Hotel, Body and Face and Blush Hairdressers.

Following reports from the Treasurer, Secretary and Welfare Officer, the President introduced the speaker for the evening, Harry Vinsome, his talk entitled 'A Personal Musical History Through Talk and Tunes'. Harry began his talk by informing members how he, along with three friends (all choir boys) had formed a skiffle group, back in the Lonny Donegan era, known as *The Saints* and explained with humour the 'instruments' they played. To emphasis this, he played *My Old Man's a Dustman*. The group then progressed on to guitars, having survived the pain barrier of learning to play this instrument. Having heard the famous Everly Brothers, the group decided to focus on harmony, which proved to be successful, until the birth of The Beatles. Two of the group decided that was the way forward for them, leaving Harry and Tony to continue as a duo, who decided to introduce folk music into their programme. They played in coffee bars until 1971 when they started a folk club, having many guest celebrities, including Jake Thackery. In 1972, the duo was contacted by the local education authority to front a production of *Joseph and His Amazing Coloured Dream Coat* for local schools. Harry managed this by engaging two more musicians. From the early 70s to the mid-80s, work took Harry around the world. On his return to the UK, he and Tony reformed the duo and continued by introducing more music into their repertoire. Sadly, in 1989, Tony was killed in a car crash. This had such an effect on Harry he never played his guitar again until 2001, when, with his son and daughter-in-law, he produced an album in aid of the local hospice. Harry had once again begun playing the guitar and 12 years ago was asked by a young couple to join them, which he did for many years. Now he entertains WI groups and raises money for charity. Harry closed by saying how music had been his life.

Harry's talk was intermingled with his guitar playing from the relevant eras. The President thanked Harry for his talk.

Following refreshments members enjoyed a Dingbats puzzle set by Maureen Sherwood. After the raffle was drawn the President closed the meeting.

Sullington Windmills meet on the 3rd Wednesday of the month (2nd Wednesday in December) at Sullington Parish Hall, 7.30pm. New members and visitors always welcome. The next meeting on 21 November will be The Annual Meeting. Should you require further information or tickets for the wine tasting evening please contact Erika Brichta on 742039.

Pat Snape

### STORRINGTON FLOWER CLUB

Wednesday 28 November at 2pm

Sullington Parish Hall

Demonstrator: Jan Mason

Theme: *T'is the Month Before Christmas*

Competition: *Winter Magic*



## SANDGATE CONSERVATION SOCIETY



Into November, when the Society will be entertained by Mark Saunders, the Head gardener of Fittleworth House gardens, who is back by popular demand to give a presentation covering Wildlife Gardening.

This event will be held at the Sullington Parish Hall on **Wednesday 28 November**, commencing at 7.30pm. As many will know, there will be an interval where coffee and teas and cakes will be served.

You do not need to be a member of the Society to attend these excellent presentations, so please come along for a stimulating evening.

The work parties will be in action on Sullington Warren on **Saturday 10 November** from 9.30am until noon and in Sandgate Park on **Saturday 24 November** from 10am till noon.

Don't worry if you are unable to keep to the times as "every little helps", as someone said...we would be really pleased to see you, so come on, give it a try!

If anyone cares to join the Society and get involved in managing this lovely area, or wishes to learn more about the Sandgate Conservation Society, who work closely with the National Trust and Horsham District Council, please contact Jacinta White on 01798 813545 or take a look at our web-site: [www.sandgate-conservation.org.uk](http://www.sandgate-conservation.org.uk).

Brian Burns

## Storrington Local History Group 2018 Exhibition

Old School, Storrington

Saturday 3 and Sunday 4 November



### The final exhibition to close our Centenary commemorations of the Great War.

The group has been awarded a further grant for the year by the Heritage lottery fund, which means research can continue into the work and lives of the town. An example of this is the third 'Panel' of the Roll of Honour on the wall near the White Horse is to have an amendment to the list of names. We will now be able to do this.

We look forward to seeing you there

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# CRICKET IN STORRINGTON



## Annual Dinner, Cygnets Indoor Training, and Fund Raising

Our annual Dinner, held on Friday 21 September at The Crown in Cootham, was attended by 30 members, including parents and grandparents of the junior section. Chairman, Steve Watkins, thanked a goodly number of people for supporting the Club in different ways throughout another successful season. The Clubman's award was presented to Ian Homewood, captain of the senior eleven that finished a creditable 4th in their higher League division after the previous season's promotion. Martin Fisher presented a special bottle of wine to Colin Harrison as a thank you for all the wickets he had prepared for the Cygnets.

The Cygnets ended another successful season in good spirits. Following the All Stars U8's mini festival, reported last month, the season was rounded off with the older juniors playing a triangular eight a side tournament against a Ferring U13 squad, who just pipped our two squads in close matches.

Indoor training for the Cygnets carries on monthly throughout the winter, first Sunday of each month, in the Chanctonbury Leisure Centre. The All Stars U8's practice is from 3pm to 4.15pm, followed by the U14's & U11's from 4.30pm to 6pm. All enquiries to Martin Fisher, Colts Manager, on 07850 416886. Beginners to cricket, boys and girls, are very welcome. Full kit is provided. Our own Level 2 qualified coaches attend every session, and external professional coaches will attend periodically.

Fund raising for the outdoor practice nets has been progressing steadily, and we are now about two thirds of the way to our target. The latest contribution has been £1,000 from the Tesco Express blue token scheme. Potential benefactors should contact Steve Watkins on 744217.

Chris Winter

## West Chilmington Dramatic Society



Never has the theatrical phrase "The show must go on" been more apposite than on Saturday 22 September at the Glebe Fields, Pulborough. Despite its best attempts, the weather could not dampen the spirits of our members manning the stand at the Pulborough Harvest Fair. Our two prime objectives were largely achieved, namely in recruiting three new members and in raising people's awareness of our activities and forthcoming productions.

Whilst on the subject of productions, I would remind readers that tickets go on sale on Monday 15 October for our next offering. Tickets, at £10, will be available on-line via our website [www.wcds.co.uk](http://www.wcds.co.uk) in addition to our normal box offices; Nisa Stores and the Post Office in West Chilmington, together with The Card Shop, Storrington. The playing dates for the production are **22, 23 and 24 November**.

Rehearsals are well under way and whilst the play, **House Guest by Francis Durbridge**, is a mystery, rehearsal evenings are, as always, good fun. Ralph Wigg, our Director, writes "We are in the home of a world famous movie star and his wife, but here there's no glamour, no fans clamouring for autographs. Instead, their idyll is shattered by life-threatening terror, their home invaded by the worst of the underworld! I'll say no more about the plot, only that it's definitely edge-of-the-seat stuff".

We will be set building on **Sunday 11 November**, so if you fancy wielding a hammer, drilling some holes or sloshing paint come along and see what happens; in addition our team of techies will be rigging lights and setting up sound systems.

Horsham District Year of Culture is only two months away and the plans for our Drama Festival are taking shape. Invitations have been sent to all the Amateur Dramatic Societies in the District and positive responses have been received from a number of them. Our search for someone to help develop our publicity and social media presence continues.

We keep our web site, [www.wcds.co.uk](http://www.wcds.co.uk), up to date through the efforts of our Webmaster, Rob, and there you will find the link to our on-line box office in addition to lots of information about the Society and its activities. If you would like to find out more, why not come down to a rehearsal, on Mondays and Thursdays at 7.30pm in West Chilmington Village Hall; the only proviso is that you must not divulge any information about the ending of the play!

Our next Members Evening in December will be a challenge as we are planning a 'Play in a Day' wherein Members will assemble at 9am to cast, rehearse, set build and produce sound and lighting, in readiness for an evening performance; curtain up at 7.30pm. Only the Producer and Director know what the play will be! Could you contribute to this exciting event? If you think you could e-mail us at [mailing@wcds.co.uk](mailto:mailing@wcds.co.uk).

Geoffrey Steward, Chair WCDS

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# THAKEHAM GARDENERS' CLUB

## Hydrangea master class

In September, Roger Butler of Golden Hill Nurseries in Kent spoke on hydrangeas. He told us that his career started as an 8 year old selling chrysanthemum cuttings. On leaving school, he grew trees for local councils until it was found that councils could obtain trees more cheaply from overseas. In 1997, he decided to enter the retail nursery market and six years ago began concentrating on hydrangeas. Roger had brought potted hydrangeas with him which he used to illustrate his talk. He told us they are very hungry and very thirsty plants, so like a lot of organic matter and water, especially if they are in peat free composts. He told us how to prune saying that macrophylla and serrata varieties, these include what are commonly known as mop heads, should have dead heads removed in spring along with dead or weak stems. Paniculata and arborescens can be light, medium or hard pruned. Light pruning is dead heading and the result will be large numbers of small flowers; medium pruning is cutting back to four buds on previous year's growth resulting in medium sized flowers; hard pruning is cutting back to two buds which gives fewer but larger flower heads which may need support. When planting, farm yard manure, peat or well-rotted compost should be incorporated in the soil and a general fertiliser such as Growmore applied. It's well known that for macrophylla and serrata to remain blue, they need an acid soil so, if in a container, ericaceous compost can be used. To keep them blue, if you are on alkaline or neutral soil, 'hydrangea colourant', which contains aluminium sulphate, should be used. Alternatively, use lime to keep hydrangeas pink. Roger's talk was very informative and enjoyed by all members who snapped up his plants which he sold us at a reduced price.



golden hill nurseries hydrangea collection



Macrophylla 'Amour Toujours'



Paniculata 'Vanille Fraise'

The speaker at our next meeting on **12 November** is Benjamin Pope, his talk entitled 'Creating Movement Whilst Still Frozen'. Subscriptions for the coming year will be due at this meeting.

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

## OCTOBER ISSUE CROSSWORD ANSWERS

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# TEN TOP TIPS TO SAVE YOU MONEY ON YOUR HEATING



Winter is on its way and with heating oil prices recently reaching a 4-year high point, BoilerJuice.com have ten top tips to help you save on heating:

## 1. Place foil at the back of radiators

The heat from radiators tends to flow near the walls rather than into the rooms, this can leave your walls nice and toasty but the room feeling chilly. Placing foil behind the back of your radiator reflects the heat back into the room. This can make your heating more effective saving you money.

## 2. Programme your heating

You can now control your heating even when you are not at home. Programming your boiler to turn on half an hour before you wake up, and half an hour before you return home will make sure you don't overuse your heating. This can save a generous amount of money a year.

## 3. Shuffle your furniture

Did you know that your furniture could be blocking heat circulation?

Placing your furniture in front of a radiator means your comfy sofa will absorb all the heating for itself. By pulling furniture away from the radiators it will increase warmth around your home.

## 4. Block draughts in your home

Draughts can cause your home to feel cold even when the heating is on. Use a draught blocker to stop any cold breezes sneaking in. You can buy draught excluders to place under doors and add self-adhesive into cracks around windows to assure your home stays warm.

## 5. Bleed your radiators

It's time to check how your radiators are warming up, give them a feel top to bottom. If the radiator is cold at the top but warm at the bottom bleeding your radiator will resolve this issue. If your radiators are not working efficiently you will most likely reach for the thermostat. Just remember that higher temperatures mean higher heating expenses.

## 6. Turn the dial down

The World Health Organisation recommends that the minimum temperature in the living room should be between 18C-21C. Try dropping your room temperature by just one degree and you will notice a difference in your heating expenses.

## 7. Top up your oil tank early

Ordering oil early can save you money, as heating oil prices tend to rise in the colder seasons, the earlier the order the less the price of oil.

## 8. Book your boiler service early

Your boiler is the heart of your heating, low usage of your boiler in the summer can result in problems arising in the colder months. Book a boiler service and save yourself a potential breakdown fee in the future.

## 9. Group Buying heating oil

Buying in a group can get you discounts; some oil suppliers will give you a discount for bulk buying. BoilerJuice.com will group every order for you behind the scenes and even have Buying Weekends where customers orders are grouped over a three day period. This means customers get the benefit of grouping without the hassle.

## 10. Green gadgets

There are now smart gadgets that help us manage our usage in the home such as a smart thermometer, smart power trips and a shower timer. These will help to keep energy expenses low.

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## THE ARTS SOCIETY STORRINGTON



The November lecture is on **Wednesday 7 November** from 2.30pm to 3.30pm at West Chiltington Village Hall. A lecture by Louise Schofield: Archaeological Adventures in Albania. Attendance is free for members, guests are asked to make a donation of £5. For further information please contact the Membership Secretary, Caroline Long on 744797 or by email [caroline.fflong@gmail.com](mailto:caroline.fflong@gmail.com).

The December lecture is on **Wednesday 5 December** from 2.30pm to 3.30pm at West Chiltington Village Hall. A lecture by The Rt Revd Christopher Herbert: The Journey of the Magi: 1700 years of the Three Kings. From the earliest days of Christianity the story of the Three Kings has fascinated story-tellers and artists alike. This lecture traces the ways in which artists across the centuries have chosen to represent the Magi. Attendance is free for members, guests are asked to make a donation of £5. Coffee and tea will be served before the lecture from 2pm.

For further information please contact the Membership Secretary, Caroline Long on 744797 or by email [caroline.fflong@gmail.com](mailto:caroline.fflong@gmail.com)

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# STORRINGTON IN BLOOM ANNOUNCE 2018 RESULTS

Monday 17 September saw approximately 80 people attend the annual Storrington in Bloom awards once again held at Squires Garden Centre.

## THE RESULTS

### GROUP SCARECROW

Sponsored by the Rotary Club of Storrington & Pulborough

This year's scarecrow competition with the theme 'wedding party' was displayed in St Mary's Churchyard and formed part of the entry in the regional competition. Home entries and group entries which were judged separately by members of the community.

**1st Flora the Flowergirl (1st Storrington Rainbows)**

2nd Poppy Upcycle (2nd Storrington Guides)

3rd The Proposal (Fusion Youth Group)



Sarah Lackey receiving her award

Storrington Rainbows win Scarecrow competition

### ALLOTMENT Sponsored by Squires Garden Centre

All allotment plots were visited in April and August by Laura Bolton and Max Crisfield, gardeners at Parham House & Gardens.

**1st plot 11 Amberley Road (Sarah Lackey)**

2nd plot 8 Amberley Road (Paul Cripps)

3rd plot 23 Amberley Road (Gill Ion)

### BUSINESS FLORAL DISPLAY

Sponsored by Toovey's Antique & Fine Art Auctioneers

Local shop owners' external displays contribute towards the overall Storrington entry. Revd Kathryn Windslow was very complimentary of the displays during judging.

**1st The White Horse**

2nd Crossways Veterinary Practice

3rd The Card Shop



The White Horse



Oxfam

### BUSINESS WINDOW 'SUMMER SUN, SUMMER FUN'

Sponsored by Functio

Businesses were asked to use their imagination and create a window display on the theme 'Summer Sun, Summer Fun'. Revd Kathryn Windslow judged this category again.

**1st Oxfam**

2nd Body & Face

3rd Village Deli

### FAMILY SCARECROW Sponsored by Chanctonbury Lions

The results of the family entries in the scarecrow competition are:

**1st Watch the Birdie (Cheryl, Clive & Toby)**

2nd Reverend Veronica Mills (The Mills Family)

3rd Robo Scarecrow (Fionn Blundy)



56 Spierbridge Road



Watch the Birdie

### FRONT GARDENS Sponsored by Squires Garden Centres

There were 14 entries and nominations in this category. The entries were visited and short-listed by members of Storrington Horticultural Society. The finalists were judged by Max and Laura from Parham House & Gardens.

**1st 56 Spierbridge Road**

2nd 9 Bramber Avenue

3rd 106 Dean Way

### COMMUNITY AREA Sponsored by Anderson Rowntree

There were eight entries in this category, many nominated by passers-by. Entries were visited and short-listed by members of Storrington Horticultural Society. Finalists were judged by Max and Laura from Parham House & Gardens.

**1st Hanover Walk**

2nd White Horse Court

3rd Eastbrook Court

**Congratulations to all of the winners.**

On Friday 14 September the South & South East *In Bloom* regional results were announced at an awards ceremony at the Amex in Brighton. Storrington had three entries in their competition and received the following results:

- St Mary's Churchyard achieved a Silver Gilt in the churchyard category
- Place Villerest was awarded a Silver Gilt in the single floral display category
- Storrington Town Centre again received a Silver Gilt award, achieving 80% of the possible points but still 10 points short of the unattainable Gold!

However, we celebrate that the score continues to increase and we have now achieved 50 more points than our first entry back in 2012. There are many people to thank for this improvement over the past six years, eight special awards were presented:

- For even more trips with the watering cart than usual – Nick Charman
- For endless supplies of water during the long hot summer – Steve Tovee
- For their poppy display marking 100 years since the end of the 1st World War – 1st Sullington Brownies
- For endless support of the *In Bloom* entry and clean ups – Sue and Eddie Shelton
- For the transformation of the Mill Lane car park beds – Gilly and Peter North
- For a consistently beautiful front garden year after year – Marilyn Dadds
- In recognition of the endless hours invested over many years and the transformation of a number of areas of Storrington – Gill Ion and Pat Mansbridge

A special thank you also goes to all of our committee members and volunteers for their efforts throughout the Bloom year. Also thanks to all of our sponsors, the competition ones and our other major sponsors, Barratt Homes, Crest Nicholson, Waitrose and Village Nurseries.

## STORRINGTON DRAMATIC SOCIETY

### It's Panto Time!

As the evenings get darker and winter draws on, it's Panto time.....Oh yes it is!

This year, the Society has chosen the very traditional tale of *Hansel and Gretel* with the usual god versus evil, the comic idiots, the outrageous Dame and, of course, boy meets girl, all thrown into the picture. Norman Robbins, the author, does not disappoint in this lively, hilarious romp.

Rehearsals are well under way with the performances on 5, 6, 7 and 8 December at Sullington Parish Hall. Tickets are available early November from Fowlers Estate Agents and online via the web site. Last year, every performance was a sell-out. So get in early if you don't want to be disappointed.

New members are always welcome, so if you fancy joining a lively, active group, come along on a Tuesday or Thursday at 7.45pm and say hello.

[www.storringtondramatics.co.uk](http://www.storringtondramatics.co.uk)

## BUDDIES, WRECKS AND NUDIBRANCHS

During the year we often don't get the chance to see other member's images outside of those submitted into our Club competitions. At a recent Club meeting such an opportunity arose when some of the members gave a presentation of their holiday pictures.



Vince Mason, one of our newer members, treated us to some of his underwater images. His passion for taking photos whilst diving clearly showed. As Vince says, "Underwater photography involves a number of challenges beyond those facing land-based photographers.



Firstly, you need to be at ease in an alien environment. You must master the use of a range of equipment designed to allow you to breathe and operate beneath the surface. Next you need to acquire some technical skills, including survival and rescue techniques which will serve you

well should dangerous situations arise. If you intend to photograph marine organisms, you will need to familiarize yourself with the habitats and behaviour of the creatures which interest you."



Having a companion and someone you can rely on when diving is a key element. Vince explained that

"Finding a buddy who shares your interest is an additional challenge. Underwater photography is as engrossing as it is on land and it is very easy to forget about your dive partner while composing a shot of a colourful nudibranch (tiny sea slug) or cuttlefish. This happened to me in the summer in Lanzarote when I was photographing a school of fish. I stopped swimming to take several shots only to discover that my diving party had swum on and left me on my own. The dive guide noticed I was no longer with the group and swam back to collect me and I rejoined the group. I was never in any danger but it illustrated the need for a sympathetic buddy who hangs around whilst the photographer plies his trade."



The opportunities for divers is that they get to see things that 'landlubbers' don't. One of Vince's favourite dive sites is only just over a mile off Worthing pier! This site dates back to 1901 as a result of a collision in fog between the SS Indiana and

SS City of Washington. The latter took the rescued crew of the SS Indiana to Newhaven. Today the wreck is a shadow of what it was, as Vince says "Due to the actions of naval clearance activities and the destructive nature of the sea, the wreck now resembles a Nissan hut which has been trampled by a herd of elephants. Very little is left which resembles a ship. However, the numerous metal plates provide a wealth of shelter for myriads of marine life. Anemones, soft coral, star fish, sea squirts, sponges and shell fish are present in large numbers. Schools of fish, particularly Bib and Whiting, are abundant, as are predators in the form of Conger eels, Monk-fish and Cat sharks."

As we move into the new season and our competitions I am sure that we will get an opportunity to see more of Vince's underwater images and, we now understand some of the additional challenges that he faces compared to 'land-based' photographers.



Kevin Harwood & Vince Mason

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**Weird and wonderful plants**

Alan Martin gave an interesting illustrated talk on weird and wonderful plants he had come across in his many travels, first becoming inspired by plants and trees he saw when visiting the Jerusalem Botanical Garden in Israel.

Plants have been on the planet, before animals, for millions of years and have provided food, shelter, medicine and cosmetics. There are over 300,000 species of plants plus varieties and sub species and we can't do without them.

We were shown many illustrations of some amazing plants of various sizes growing worldwide.

One of the examples to be shown was the Titan Arum Lily of Sumatra which has a flower structure between 6 and 8 feet tall and it emits a foul odour and only blooms for one or two days.



*Titan Arum  
Lily of Sumatra*

The Amazonica lily native to South America is known for its huge circular leaves and has spectacular flowers which are short lived, lasting only 48 hours or so.



*Baobab tree*

The majestic Baobab tree, an icon of the African continent that can live up to 5,000 years, is valuable as the bark can be turned into rope and clothing, the seeds can be used for cosmetic oils, the leaves are edible and the trunks can store water. The giant

sequoias (Redwoods) are the world's largest single trees and can grow up to 279ft. and can be found in parts of America. Growing in the Seychelles is the nut and tree of the Coco de Mer, a palm tree, which has a flower and fruit having the largest seed weighing in around 40lbs.

This was an absorbing talk with great photographs of some of the strangest plants and was enjoyed by all.

On **16 November**, after the Society's AGM, Paolo Arrigo is giving a talk titled *From Seed to Plate*. Seeds will be on sale.

**MESSAGE TO ALL 3 HERALDS CONTRIBUTORS**

Due to our printing requirements before Christmas, we need your copy for the January magazine early!

Please ensure delivery to Amanda Hislop by email at 3heralds@gmail.com or to the Rectory Office, Rectory Road, Storrington RH20 4EF, by **Friday 1 December**.

Thank you for your help.

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