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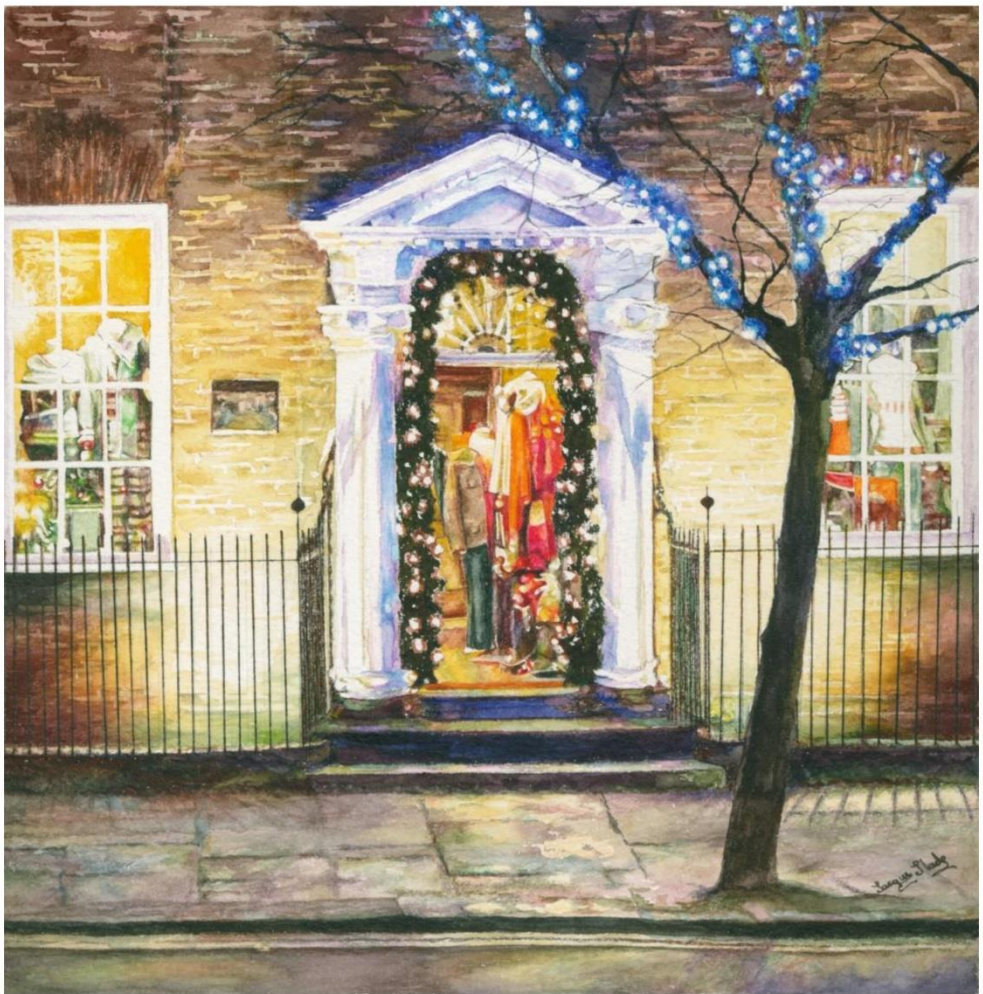
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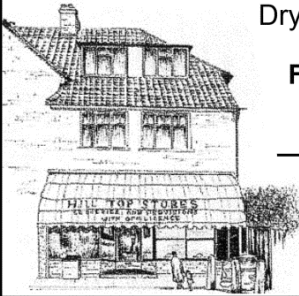
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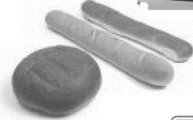
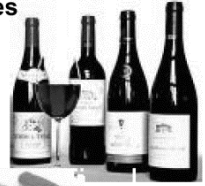
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### **TRIBUTE TO DAPHNE LADELL**

As many of you will know Daphne Ladell passed away suddenly on 2nd December.

She and her husband Malcolm, with their four children, moved to live on Box Hill in 1983. Both became committed to helping our local village and community.

Daphne was for many years an active member and past chairman of BHNC. She was instrumental in, and the driving force behind, the Village Fair, Carol Concert, Children's Christmas Party and many other Village events. She was passionate about bringing our community and villagers together.

She will be very much missed by all who knew her and we would like to pay a very special tribute for her selfless and tireless efforts in our community. She always shied away from recognition for what she had done. She was a true "iron lady" who inspired and motivated us all. There is big hole left for us all (villagers and BHNC members alike) to fill to ensure we keep and retain the benefit of her legacy but let's all make her proud in the coming months and years.

*Martin Williams* (acting chair BHNC)

### **SANTA'S SINGALONG – SUNDAY 18TH DECEMBER**

Thank you to everyone who came along. It was great to see so many people. We hoped everyone enjoyed seeing Santa's Sleigh and parade. Everyone enjoyed the occasion and sang their hearts out around the tree and then moved into the village hall for free refreshments.

Thank you to all the helpers on the night who provided the sausage rolls, chestnuts, mince pies and mulled wine. We couldn't do it without you.

The raffle was well supported and an amazing amount of prizes were distributed. So thank you to everyone who purchased a ticket – without your support it would not be possible to run these events.

### **HIGHWAYS**

Gully and drain cleaning took place in the Autumn. We are aware that leaves are banking up again on Boxhill Road. May we politely ask that residents of Boxhill Road do not blow leaves from their properties onto the road.

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## **BHNC EVENTS & MEETINGS FOR 2017**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Day</b>	<b>Event</b>
<b>05-Mar</b>	Sunday	Litter Picking Sunday – see p29 for details
<b>06-Mar</b>	Monday	BHNC Public Meeting, 8.00 pm Village Hall
<b>05-Jun</b>	Monday	BHNC AGM, 8.00pm Village Hall
<b>23-Sep</b>	Saturday	Barn Dance
<b>02-Oct</b>	Monday	BHNC Public Meeting, 8.00pm Village Hall

## **CYCLING EVENTS**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Day</b>	<b>Event Name</b>	<b>Numbers</b>	<b>Event Type</b>
<b>06 May</b>	Saturday	Maison De Velo	50	Bike Demo Day
<b>13 May</b>	Saturday	North Downs Way 100	100	Running
<b>14 May</b>	Sunday	Dorking club ride	50	Cyclists
<b>11 Jun</b>	Sunday	Evans Cycles – King of the Downs	1,200	Cyclists
<b>18 Jun</b>	Sunday	Help for Heroes Dawn Raid	500	Cyclists
<b>25 Jun</b>	Sunday	Mid-Summer Monroe	500	Running race
<b>09 Jul</b>	Sunday	North Downs Way Marathon	350	Running race
<b>30 Jul</b>	Sunday	RideLondon	27,000	Cyclists
<b>05 Aug</b>	Saturday	North Downs Way 100	100	Running
<b>04 Nov</b>	Saturday	Ballbuster	500	Duathlon

## **BHNC**

Jennie Ladell has very kindly offered to join the BHNC whilst she is living on the hill. Jennie brings with her a wealth of experience in event organising. We welcome Jennie. If any residents are interested in putting their name forward to join the committee please get in contact. We would be particularly interested to hear what skills you might bring to the group.

## **FEEDBACK**

The BHNC welcomes residents to feedback any concerns they might have about the village. You can do this by emailing [admin@boxhillcommunity.com](mailto:admin@boxhillcommunity.com) or contacting any member of the BHNC: Martin Williams, Lynn Blackford, Rhona Porter, Jeremy Johns and Julie Lever. We also welcome suggestions on how the money we raise could be distributed for the benefit of the village.

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<https://www.gov.uk/government/news/motorists-warned-when-applying-for-a-driving-licence-online>

### Protecting Your Home

A home that looks empty is more likely to be targeted by a burglar, use automatic timer-switches to turn on a light and perhaps a radio when it goes dark, even for just a couple of hours.

- Take photos of your expensive items and keep copies of them with your insurance policy.
- Think about fitting a small safe.
- For electronic or larger items, use a commercial or forensic marker which identifies the item as yours to increase your chance of getting it back if it's stolen.
- Do not close your curtains during the daytime; this can suggest your home is empty.
- A pile of post on the doormat is a clear sign that you are away. Ask a trusted neighbour to clear your post away, or use Royal Mail's "keepsafe" service; they will keep your mail for up to two months.
- Beware of bogus callers; use your spy hole and a door chain until you have seen their ID and are satisfied you want to let them in.
- Never discuss your security requirements or existing arrangements with a doorstep caller or salesperson

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## **ACTION FRAUD – Latest Alerts** (Continuation)

### **Amazon Scam**

Action Fraud has received several reports from victims who have been sent convincing looking emails claiming to be from Amazon. The spoofed emails from “service@amazon.co.uk” claim recipients have made an order online and mimic an automatic customer email notification. The scam email claims recipients have ordered an expensive vintage chandelier. Other reported examples include: Bose stereos, iPhone’s and luxury watches.

The emails cleverly state that if recipients haven’t authorised the transaction they can click on the help centre link to receive a full refund. The link leads to an authentic-looking website, which asks victims to confirm their name, address, and bank card information.

Amazon says that suspicious e-mails will often contain:

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**Carers Support Mole Valley**

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We are also introducing our new 'surgery sessions' at Leatherhead hospital. This is an extra opportunity for Carers to talk face to face about any specific issues or questions they may have with one of our Carer Advisers; we're very fortunate to have been given access to a private meeting room to run these sessions. As always, these are free and confidential. Booking in advance is advisable, by calling our office on 01306 640212.

**Angela Goodwin** (Services Manager, Carers Support Mole Valley)

## Planned activities for Carers up to April 2017

### Coffee Mornings

Activity	Dates	Timings	Venue
<b>Dorking Coffee Morning</b> No booking required: everyone welcome!	16 February 16 March 20 April	10am to Midday	The Point Mayflower Centre Lyons Court Leatherhead
<b>Leatherhead Coffee Morning</b>	7 February 7 March 4 April	10am to Midday	The Edmund Tyney (Wetherspoon) 30-34 High Street Leatherhead

### Leatherhead Hospital: meet one of our Carer Advisers

Booking advised by calling our office on 01306 640212

Activity	Dates	Timings	Venue
<b>Meet one of our Carer Advisers</b>	8 February 22 February 8 March 22 March	10.30am to 2pm 10.30am to 2pm 10.30am to 2pm 10.30am to 2pm	<b>(Meet in Main Reception)</b> <b>Von Bergen Consultant Room</b> Poplar Road Leatherhead

**Other Activities include:** (Full details by phoning us or checking our website)

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# Update: Malcolm Ladell

District Councillor Box Hill & Headley

## What a year 2016 turned out to be

Leaving aside international uncertainties regarding the change of the newly elected USA President, the uncertainties and horrors of events in the middle-east, I believe that whilst 2017 may be a tough year the underlying indicators are that the British economy will improve once Brexit is invoked.

### EU Brexit

A Referendum vote with a small majority in favour of Brexit resulted in a very mixed and uncertain effect on the economy. The stock market dropped but then climbed back to its highest level. The fall of GBP against EUR and USD pushing up some prices of imported goods but against this export sales are up for some UK goods and services.

As I previously stated there is going to be some price increases on some but not all goods that we import into UK. Against this I remain even more convinced that it will only be a temporary problem that will be overcome once our own farmers and manufacturers have stepped up production.

Once we are out of the EU we are our own masters free of petty burdensome EU legislation and can enter into trade deals with other countries as well as negotiating a better deal with EU. The EU, which sells more to us than we sell to them, would be a bigger loser than us if it does not agree a realistic trade deal with us.

### NHS & Other Public Services

The NHS provides a unique and, compared to most other countries, a unique public service but, in addition to a growing public demand for its generally excellent services there are numerous underlying inefficiencies in the way it operates with a complicated management structure. The government needs to firmly resolve these underlying problems and to do this it needs to be supported by the relevant professions and trade unions to avoid its collapse resulting in inevitable job losses and a serious threat to the welfare of all those that cannot afford private medical care.

A different but similar situation arises with the privatised transport systems and other essential supply industries where the trade unions are trying to hold the government and fare paying public to ransom.

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## **Update: Malcolm Ladell** DC Box Hill & Headley (Continuation)

The fact is that for too many years since WW2 our various governments have overspent to meet these past ransom demands resulting in borrowing spiralling out of control and this will get worse when international interest rates increase. Raising taxation is not the answer as this would only reduce personal spending and result in industrial and retail job losses exacerbating rather than easing the situation and will contribute to the collapse of our economy and mass unemployment with extreme hardship on a scale comparable to that of the 1920's and 30's.

Regardless of political beliefs and position in life it is time for us all to put our shoulders to the wheel of work and get on with pulling our country of the financial mess that it is in for future benefit of our children and grandchildren.

### **In conclusion**

I repeat my previous neighbourly request that now the winter weather is upon us please look out for infirm or elderly neighbours particularly those who live alone and check on them if you do not see them around for a day or so.

Thank you for reading my update. Please do not hesitate to contact me with any queries or other issues.

### **Malcolm Ladell**

Contact me by emailing [MalcolmLadell@btinternet.com](mailto:MalcolmLadell@btinternet.com), or phone 01737 843644, or mobile 0783 676 3783, or calling at The Hollies, Boxhill Road.

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# Headley Road Closures

**(When relevant traffic signs displayed during three months from 9<sup>th</sup> February)**

Surrey CC Highways have informed us of the temporary road closures detailed below, the effect of which will be to temporarily prohibit vehicles from entering or proceeding in the lengths of roads described in the Schedule to this Notice. This Order is required to enable A Plant Lux to carry out cabling and tree cutting works on behalf of BT.

These works are anticipated to be carried out over a total of two weeks as soon as possible between the hours of 09.30hrs and 15.30hrs within the three-month period of operation of this temporary Order that commences on 9th February 2017. The temporary closures will only operate when the relevant traffic signs are displayed.

## **SCHEDULE**

- (a) That length of Church Lane, Headley, between its junction with Headley Common Road and its junction with Hurst Lane, a distance of 1233 metres.
  - a. Access will be maintained for pedestrians, residents and emergency vehicles at all times.
  - b. Access will be maintained for equestrians and cyclists at all times but both will need to dismount to pass these works.
  - c. Vehicular traffic will be diverted via Tot Hill, Leech Lane, Mill Way, Reigate Road, By-Pass Road (Leatherhead), Leatherhead Road, The Street, Epsom Road, Farm Lane, Headley Road, Tilley Lane, Clay Lane and Church Lane.
- (b) That length of Mill Way, Leatherhead and Leech Lane/Tot Hill, Headley from its junction with Church Lane for a distance of 1600 metres in a north westerly, westerly and then north westerly direction.
  - a. Access will be maintained for pedestrians, residents and emergency vehicles at all times.
  - b. Access will be maintained for equestrians and cyclists at all times but both will need to dismount to pass these works.
  - c. Vehicular traffic will be diverted via Headley Common Road, Pebble Hill Road, Station Road, Reigate Road, Deepdene Avenue, London Road, Mickleham By-Pass, Dorking Road, By-Pass Road (Leatherhead), Reigate Road and Mill Way.

**SCC Highways state that these temporary road closures will not take place at the same time.**



## **BOX HILL EVENING W.I.**

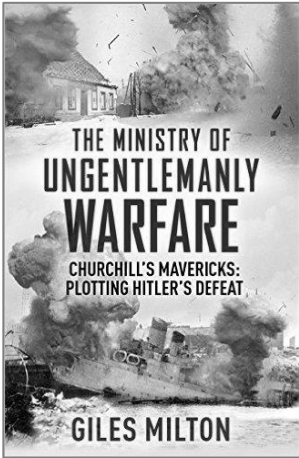
Ever wondered what the W.I. is all about? It is not all 'Jam and Jerusalem'. It is about meeting up with like-minded friends, listening to extremely interesting and entertaining speakers, having meals out, going to other W.I.'s events, and much more.

Ladies, if you would like to see what a friendly group we are, and join in the fun, come along to the Village Hall on the second Thursday of the month at 7.30 p.m. It will be lovely to see you.

If you would like to speak to someone first, please telephone Celia on 01737 844046

# BOOKWORM

compiled by *Ann Marshall*



## **The Ministry of Ungentlemanly Warfare: Churchill's Mavericks: Plotting Hitler's Defeat** by *Giles Milton*

This is an outstanding book. It makes one feel extremely humble to learn about the people who devised the weapons and the exploits of those who carried out the subterfuge. From defending England's coastline in 1940, the destruction of Norway's heavy water plant, and to harassing the Nazi Panzer divisions reaching the invasion beaches, this is an amazing tale which deserves to be better known. **I recommend this book.**

### **Amazon Review:**

Six gentlemen, one goal - the destruction of Hitler's war machine

In the spring of 1939, a top secret organisation was founded in London: its purpose was to plot the destruction of Hitler's war machine through spectacular acts of sabotage.

The guerrilla campaign that followed was to prove every bit as extraordinary as the six gentlemen who directed it. Winston Churchill selected them because they were wildly creative and thoroughly ungentlemanly. One of them, Cecil Clarke, was a maverick engineer who had spent the 1930s inventing futuristic caravans. Now, his talents were put to more devious use: he built the dirty bomb used to assassinate Hitler's favourite, Reinhard Heydrich. Another member of the team, William Fairbairn, was a portly pensioner with an unusual passion: he was the world's leading expert in silent killing. He was hired to train the guerrillas being parachuted behind enemy lines.

Led by dapper Scotsman Colin Gubbins, these men - along with three others - formed a secret inner circle that planned the most audacious sabotage attacks of the Second World War. Winston Churchill called it his Ministry of Ungentlemanly Warfare. The six 'ministers', aided by a group of formidable ladies, were so effective that they single-handedly changed the course of the war.

Told with Giles Milton's trademark verve and eye for detail, *The Ministry of Ungentlemanly Warfare* is thoroughly researched and based on hitherto unknown archival material. It is a gripping and vivid narrative of adventure and derring-do and is also, perhaps, the last great untold story of the Second World War.

(<https://www.amazon.co.uk/Ministry-Ungentlemanly-Warfare-Churchills-Mavericks/dp/1444798952>)

# IN MEMORY – DAPHNE LADELL (21-Apr-1949 to 02-Dec-2016)



**MVDC Cllr for Box Hill & Headley (2000-2011)**  
**Box Hill Neighbourhood Council (2000-2016)**

**Organiser:**

**Christmas Santa Parade & Carol Singalong**

**Village Pit Stop for RideLondon Cycle Race**

**Plant Sales Events**

**Village Tearoom – 2012 Olympic Cycle Race**

**Children’s Christmas Party (to 2014)**

**Queen’s 50th Birthday Street Party & BBQ**

**Village Fair (2000-2011)**

**Daphne Ladell**, who died suddenly on 2<sup>nd</sup> December 2016, spent much of the last sixteen years of her life working tirelessly for the interests of Box Hill and its residents. She will be particularly remembered for the eleven years she served as our District Councillor and all the major events she organised on our behalf through the Box Hill Neighbourhood Council – but there was much more behind the scenes work she undertook too.

In 2014 Daphne underwent complex lifesaving major surgery. In 2016 she had further surgery and having recovered she was going full-out on preparations the Christmas Santa Parade and Carol Singalong and the Christmas decorations of her house when, in her words, she “had a funny turn”. Daphne was rushed to hospital and died that same night.



Daphne’s husband, Malcolm has provided a more personal insight, and wrote:

“A very young Daphne and I met walking our dogs in Wandle Park in 1965. We married in 1966 and our first child was born later that year. We had four more children, including one who died and one who we adopted; although during that period she did take on part-time office work, her time was mainly taken up looking after the home and children. In the late 1970’s Daphne started her cake making and catering business which by the 1980’s had transformed into an accomplished and successful provider of

confidential boardroom meeting lunches for international financiers in the City of London.

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## IN MEMORY – DAPHNE LADELL (continuation)

“As the children grew up Daphne became actively interested in the local community in the 1990’s and became a member of the Box Hill Neighbourhood Council. She organised opposition against a proposed housing development within the Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty of Box Hill and gave evidence at the Public Appeal Hearing that upheld the planning refusal by MVDC. Following on from that she was asked to stand and was elected the MVDC Councillor for the then newly created Box Hill & Headley MVDC Ward which she held for 11 years until she decided to retire in 2011. During that 11 years she acted with quiet determination getting on with the job of working for, and helping the residents of Box Hill and Headley.”



“Over the last 25 years Daphne’s hobby was a growing passion for mechanical music in all its various forms and she became an accomplished internationally recognised collector and restorer with a workshop that would be the envy of many



an engineer, carpenter or fitter. Her eclectic collection encompasses small wind up and battery powered childlike toys, antique 18th to 20th century music boxes, 1940’s jukeboxes, large complex organs with multiple instruments etc., most of which she maintained herself. This interest resulted in long standing family friendships with people from very different backgrounds and beliefs across the world.”

“I was fortunate to have been pursued by, and married to Daphne and owe her a great deal for her support over the 50 years of our marriage. She will be greatly missed by me and my family together with many others who knew her over the almost 34 years we have lived on the Box Hill she loved since regularly visiting it as a child with her parents.”

“Finally, I feel it important to publicly express my, and my family’s sincere thanks to the NHS staff, nurse and duty doctor at the Hillside Surgery, the ambulance service crew, East Surrey Hospital A&E and EMU doctors and staff who promptly did everything they could to save Daphne.”



## TRIBUTES TO DAPHNE LADELL

Here are just a few of the tributes received -

**Glenys Sahay** wrote: "We all know that Daphne worked tirelessly and with great enthusiasm for our village. Over many years now we have shared the same hopes and convictions through good times and bad. She was always there for me, and ready with support and advice. I have not only lost a friend but an ally, and without her I feel diminished."

**Val Cross** wrote: "As soon as we had moved to Box Hill in 1999 Daphne called at our new home just as soon as we were settling in as she had heard that Ron Lubbock was good with figures and she needed a Treasurer! You didn't like to say NO to Daphne - hence a long association with the BHNC ensued. Ron and Daphne became firm friends until Ron died in 2014."

**Coran Foddering** (Box Hill Computer Project) wrote: "On the 11th January 2017, we gathered round the kitchen table for the final committee meeting of the Box Hill computer club. Meeting without Daphne was a challenge as she had passed on the day of our very last club get together to say goodbye to friends who had been with us for several years; we were closing our doors after 11 years. Little did we know that we were also saying goodbye to a friend in Daphne who I saw for the last time doing what she does best – doing things for other people and bringing food and drink to the village hall for our final celebration.

The kitchen table was covered in paper, unopened envelopes, receipts and other boxes full to the brim of bank statements, invoices and the like. As I sifted through the paperwork trying to find the kitchen table, I was moved by the thought of how big a footprint we leave as we pass beyond the veil. Very few of us leave a footprint the size of Daphne's as she had been a key part of village life for many a year. She touched the lives of many in the village and beyond in her role as a councillor but also as a human being.

Letting go is one of the most difficult things to do. I will struggle as I have to let go of both the computer club and Daphne. Yes, the universe will bring things to fill those vacant spaces but the underlying loss never truly goes away; it gets manageable. Daphne's footprints have finally stopped in this mortal coil but they continue in another domain."

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## TRIBUTES TO DAPHNE LADELL (Continuation)

**Vicky Herridge** wrote: "Daphne was a loyal friend extremely dependable, and always motivated. Nothing ever seemed too much trouble. And she was a bloody good cook!! Miss her already."

**Fred Williams** wrote: "Since coming to live on Boxhill from 2001 my first recollection of meeting Daphne and my impression was that she appeared to be a person whom you could easily talk to and share various things with. In my capacity of leading Boxhill Christian Fellowship and other activities in the village she was very helpful and a ready listener and always making herself available either to help or sometimes if she needed anything herself personally was very easy to talk with so in my opinion prior to her death she will be in my memory a good and outstanding person."

**Jina & Deep Patel** (Hilltop Stores) wrote: "We are still in shock from your sudden demise. Having moved here to Box Hill in 2006, you were my first and only support system. You have always supported us as a business but even me personally when things got on top. Nothing was ever too much. Daphne you will never be forgotten. Your departure has no doubt left a void in many ways, not only for our community but especially for us. How lucky we are to have known someone like you, a prime example of unselfish dedication to our community. Thank you for being you."

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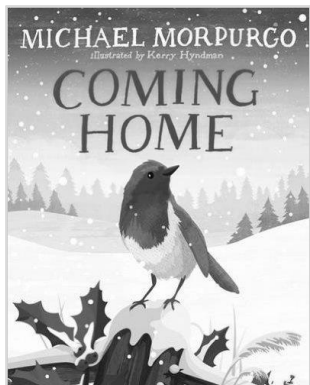
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Celia welcomed everyone to the meeting and the record of last month's meeting was then signed as a correct.

As this was our Christmas Party evening business was kept to a minimum. It was agreed that we will hold a special handbag and scarf sale at our February meeting. Celia reminded members that the Resolutions for next year had been published in the WI magazine and asked members to peruse each one and complete the voting paper in the magazine with their choice and bring it along to the January meeting. The programme for 2017 has been completed and copies were to be handed to members at the Christmas Dinner at The Watermill.

With the completion of business members then proceeded to enjoy the wonderful buffet that had been provided by all members contributing a plate of goodies. With the inclusion of mulled wine or fruit juice for those who preferred it a delightful meal was enjoyed by everyone.



Celia thanked Ann for organising a picture quiz for members to complete during the evening. Ann's quiz intrigued everyone and a good many of the places pictured were found to be difficult to recognise. The Christmas cards were distributed and the Secret Santa presents given out. Everyone then settled down to listen to readings and poems by Karen and Anne. Anne had been able to get a copy of Michael Morpurgo's beautifully illustrated book *Coming Home*. (The Christmas TV advertisement about the robin was based on this).

At the close of our festivities Celia wished everyone a safe journey home and looked forward to seeing everyone at the Dinner at The Watermill.

A request had been put out for volunteers from the village to decorate the hall for Christmas and five of our members responded. We spent a busy but pleasant afternoon putting up the streamers and decorating the trees but were stumped when it came to putting up the streamers which needed to go fairly high up on the walls. Happily we managed to borrow two WI husbands and the following afternoon the remaining decorations were put up.

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Our Christmas Dinner at The Watermill proved to be a very happy evening. As always the food was good and the company excellent.

Sadly, our January meeting had to be cancelled because of the snow. As it had happened our speaker had been forced to call off because she had a very heavy cold. Celia desperately tried to get a replacement speaker but was unable to do so. Although it was very disappointing to have to cancel the meeting it really was a case of safety first and we look forward to our February meeting.

We have a very interesting programme ahead. In **February** our speaker is David Allen who will talk about "The making of Gone with the Wind - Directors, Divas and Backstage Rows". **March** is our Birthday month and once again we will be entertained by our good friend Mel Rees, and in **April** Rhoda Nevins will talk about "The Magna Carter Embroidery - How we spread law and order from 1215 to the present day".

Any ladies wishing to join us will be made very welcome. We meet on the second Thursday of each month starting at 7.30pm at the Village Hall.

**Anne Vine** (Report Secretary)

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## STOLEN COW RECOVERED



The fibreglass sculpture of a cow, stolen from outside the National Trust Visitor Centre at Box Hill on 18<sup>th</sup>/19<sup>th</sup> August last year, has been found.

**Cycling Moo Kay**, which is decorated with a photograph of two cyclists coming up Box Hill, was found at a property in Newdigate by police. A man in his 40s was arrested on suspicion of theft.

A charity auction of the cows in November - excluding Cycling Moo Kay - raised more than £130,000 which was to be split between 52 charities.

**Cycling Moo Kay** has now been returned to organisers at Surrey Hills Cow Parade.

## **JOIN OUR LITTER PICKING SUNDAY**

**5th March, 2.00 – 4.00 pm**

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# CRAFTS THRIVE ON BOX HILL



Three established craft groups who have previously met in other areas have recently moved their venue to Box Hill from. The Epsom Spinners, the Box Hill Knitters (formerly Ashtead Knitters) and the Ashtead Beadworkers are now holding their club meetings at the Box Hill Village Hall. This means we have five craft groups from which to choose – our own Box Hill Craft Club and the Creative Fibres group, which moved to the hill in 2012, making up the set.

The **Epsom Spinners** (the woolly sort) have been meeting every month for some 25 years and are delighted to invite you to their new venue on the 2nd Friday of every month. Find out how to spin different fibres, use a spinning wheel and ultimately create your own 'designer' yarns. New and experienced spinners are most welcome at our informal, eclectic gatherings.

The re-named **Box Hill Knitters** are also an established group who would love to welcome you on the 3rd Friday of every month to relax with your knitting over coffee and cake. It's a great opportunity to share knitting (and crochet) tips and ideas, sort out problems and generally have time out to be inspired! All abilities from beginners to the seriously expert are very welcome.

The **Ashtead Beadworkers** meet on the 1st Friday of each month to ply their craft, exchange knowledge, and enjoy a chat over a nice cup of tea! New joiners always welcome.

The **Box Hill Craft Club** is an informal group of mostly local residents who meet on the 4th Wednesday each month to share their craft experiences. Occasional outings arranged.



The East Surrey Guild of Weavers, Spinners, and Dyers are known as **Creative Fibres** as they encourage and enjoy all textile related disciplines. As a member you have the opportunity to improve and expand your skills, as well as meet new friends with similar interests. Many of the members are also keen participants in separate spinning, weaving, braiding and beading groups, which meet on other days during the month.

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# CRAFTS THRIVE ON BOX HILL (Continuation)

## Creative Fibres: Programme for 2017

<b>18<sup>th</sup> Feb</b>	General Meeting: sales table Mini Workshop "Sock Blanks" with Christina
<b>25<sup>th</sup> Feb</b>	Workshop* "Make a Willow Trug" with Judith Needham
<b>18<sup>th</sup> Mar</b>	11am: Annual General Meeting. 2pm: 'How craft can help combat mental health issues'
<b>22<sup>nd</sup> Apr</b>	General Meeting; sales table. Mini Workshop: Embroidery
<b>20<sup>th</sup> May</b>	General Meeting; sales table. Mini Workshop "Sock Blanks" with Christina
<b>17<sup>th</sup> Jun</b>	General Meeting; sales table. Mini Workshop: Lace Knitting
<b>15<sup>th</sup> July</b>	Workshop* "Working with Silver Clay" [tutor tba]
<b>19<sup>th</sup> Aug</b>	General Meeting; sales table.
<b>16<sup>th</sup> Sep</b>	General Meeting; sales table. Mini Workshop: Advanced Spinning Techniques
<b>21<sup>st</sup> Oct</b>	OPEN DAY (part of Mole Valley Arts Alive programme)
<b>18<sup>th</sup> Nov</b>	Workshop* "Printing with Lino Cuts" [tutor tba]

\* Numbers are always limited for workshops and classes so it is essential to book in advance.

## CRAFT GROUPS CONTACT LIST

Groups	Monthly Meetings	Contacts
Ashted Beadworkers	1 <sup>st</sup> Friday 9am to 1pm	Betty Newman T: 01372 272971 E: foxhollow@waitrose.com
Epsom Spinners	2 <sup>nd</sup> Friday 9am to 1pm	Roz Langendoen T: 0208 393 6077 E: rozz.langendoen@btinternet.com
Box Hill Knitters	3 <sup>rd</sup> Friday 9am to 1pm	Debbie Gullick T: 0208 660 2252 E: debbie.gullick@hotmail.co.uk
Creative Fibres	See above for detailed 2017 programme	Rachel Glasgow T: 01737 642621 or 0775 901 4521 E: secretary@creativefibres.org
Box Hill Craft Club	4 <sup>th</sup> Wednesday 2pm to 4.30pm	June Parrett T: 01737 842455

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# TRAVEL BLOG

Cuba, a country that steals your soul by *Lucia Raffaini*

Last September our family took a fascinating trip to a country steeped in history and somewhat stuck in a time warp, the Caribbean island of Cuba.

Cuba is in fact an archipelago with the principle island being about two-thirds the size of Florida. Then there is the Isla de Juventud (Isle of Youth) and about 4,195 cayos (keys) and islets - this cluster of islands make up Cuba.

We began our trip with a three night stay in Varadero, Cuba's only real beach resort. Here we relaxed, became acclimatised to the hot humid weather, and sipped many a Mojito and Cuba Libre. From here we were transferred to Havana, to begin a tour of this wonderful country.



Havana, Cuba's capital city is vibrant, exciting and chaotic. We spent two nights right in the centre, in one of the city's oldest colonial hotels. On arrival we were immediately drawn to a salsa/jazz group of beautiful women, entertaining the hotel guests at the lobby bar. Fantastic! This theme of live music was with us throughout our stay in Cuba. In fact everywhere we went, every lunch and dinner, there was a mariachi band to entertain us. The music was so good, and the performers all so charming, we came back with quite a few CD's!

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## TRAVEL BLOG – A trip to Cuba (Continuation)

Havana is a cultural melting pot, fascinating in its colonial grandeur, beautiful architecture and in the diversity of its citizen. Every street seems to have a story to tell and of course there are those gorgeous cars of the 40's, 50's and 60's. Rows of parked Cadillacs, Chevrolets and other models, for hire as taxis, create a rainbow of colour at street level, a sight that any lover of classic cars will not forget.

Our tour guide was extremely knowledgeable and so we were educated in the country's history throughout our trip. Watching cigars being made at a cigar factory was an eye opener, and we ate some wonderful food. The lobster was especially delicious eaten in one of Cuba's private house restaurants and we even had a cocktail-making event in one of Havana's oldest bars.

Trinidad, our next stopover, is a beautiful colonial town steeped in grandeur, with many of its buildings adorned with French chandeliers and Italian frescoes. We



stayed in a beautifully restored colonial palace, situated on the Plaza Major and from our balcony we had clear view over the square and Cuban life being played out there. We took a drive in a 1957 Fairlane Convertible to a public beach not far from Trinidad and enjoyed the best Mojito whilst strolling along this lovely stretch of soft sand.

The port city of Cienfuegos was next for one night. Having been occupied by French immigrants from Bordeaux and Louisiana, it felt more 'French' than 'Spanish' with its sprawling boulevards. But once again there is beautiful architecture to behold. We especially loved the Tomas Terry Theatre National Monument right in the centre of the city.

Our final stop was in Viñales, to the far west of Cuba. Viñales, a traditional Cuban town has a warm and friendly vibe about it, staying in a Casa Particular (Cuba's equivalent to a B & B) we felt totally at home. From here we visited the Indian caves, a wonderful large network of caves, with great stalagmites and stalactites, and an Indian Village. Sad to be leaving we spent our last evening in a small bar across the street from our residence. With its exposed dance floor in the centre, this bar produced the most potent Mojitos, and wonderful entertainment. We listened to some amazing live music, watched some beautiful dancers and when invited to join them, I was in Salsa heaven!

Cuba is an intoxicating place, just can't wait to go back again!



## DOG GROOMING DAYS

by *Maureen Le Broq*

A massive thank you for the donations you gave for *The Greyhound Trust*. We receive a lot of gents' ties; we have washing up liquid, tins of pilchards in tomatoes sauce, bin bags, bonios and used postage stamps. Please keep the donations coming as most of these items are used on a daily basis. Also another massive thank you for the items new and/or unused

for the tombola/s we hope to attend this year in aid of *The Greyhound Trust*.

Well 9th January of this year saw me reach 40 years in dog grooming. I look back and think where "have those years gone"? It doesn't seem five minutes ago that I was walking to school with my mates.

So where did the idea of me dog grooming spring from?

Our first dog was a German Shepherd, followed by a Toy Poodle 'Kim' who went every 6 - 8 weeks to the grooming parlour in the next town Baldock for his lamb cut. I remember one of my late uncles saying "and what do you want to do when you grow up"? Without any hesitation I replied "I'm going to clip Poodles". I was five years old and had no idea that other dogs frequented the dog grooming parlour.

At school with this still in my mind, I chose to do a Business Studies Course, so that one day if I did run my own business, I would have some knowledge of the business side of things. Then I left school and went to work as secretary/receptionist to an optician in my home town of Letchworth Garden City. I know that seems an odd thing to do, but I had no knowledge of dealing with customers and I also wanted to put what I had learnt in school into practice.

I never lost my goal and after five years, I decided to get a move on and achieve my dream. This was difficult as most dog groomers worked from home and did not want assistants. The only way I could learn was to go to a boarding kennels and cattery where they included a dog grooming business. I was advised at the time to buy a dog paper *Our Dogs* or *Dog World*, as they had adverts in the back that may be of help to me. I wrote to three. Only one got back to me and that was a Surrey based kennels and cattery. I was interviewed and got the job. This required me to live in, so at the grand old age of 21 years I left home. Working in an establishment such as this is so different to what it is now. As I had full board and lodging that was considered part of my salary, so what I actually earned was £10 a week. Quite a come down in salary from the opticians.

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## **DOG GROOMING DAYS** (Continuation)

I was there for a month's trial. All my work was outside whatever the weather and this just involved cleaning, I had nothing to do with the animals. After one month, my bosses decided what I had done was good and I went on to do a further two months making it a three month trial. This involved inside work as well as outside. I still had nothing to do with the animals. What followed was a further three months trial making the whole trial six months and in the final three months I got to deal with dogs only. I also got a pay rise to £65 a month. After a year I was allowed to bath and groom the dogs. In my third year, I got to clip. Hooray!

I had always thought that I would learn my trade and go back to Letchworth Garden City and open up a business there, as at the time there was still no dog grooming shops, but I loved what I was doing where I was. I was at the kennels 26 years, 18 years as Manageress. We were one of the best kennels in the country. People travelled from all over the country just to board with us. We had the reputation of sending out pets better than they had come in, and on the whole most dogs pulled their owners to come into us. The kennel owners encouraged us to climb a ladder of education. I did a Small Animal Care Course, Canine/Human Interface, followed by more Animal Care Courses and finally the Kennel Management Diploma. We had to work all hours, and all the busy times, so when pet owners went away all bank holidays, this included Christmas and New Year, plus the summer months - we had to work. Many a time it was a 15 hour day, but I loved it.

Before I came Manageress, the head dog groomer who herself later became Manageress before me - Janet, taught me to clip. I owe her a great deal as she was just brilliant at dog grooming. I worked for four different kennel bosses, taking over the dog grooming in the 1990's as my own business. When my fourth boss chose to retire, I decided to call it a day as well and concentrate purely on dog grooming. I moved my business to where it is now, where I have been since 2002.

Over the years, many of my customers have become friends that I socialize with and those that no longer have dogs still keep in touch with me which is so nice. I am grateful that I have good staff around me, including a young girl who worked for me in my early days who I will never forget, gave up so much of her time including Sundays to help with the backlog of dogs when I had to close for two weeks when my Father died. As I have said I have been so lucky, customers have been loyal, but most of all I would like to say something about all the dogs that have come to me past and present. I have gained much respect for you, have learnt a great deal and for that, I thank you.

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# Computer User's Corner

## Good to Know – Keeping your Data Safe

We are often surprised that in particular months of the year we see an increased frequency in particular products failing - for example in January, February and March we see an increase in hard drives failing; in April / May it's monitors and displays; in June and July it's networking and routers; in October to November it's printers. Obviously a product can fail at any time, but we have often seen this trend repeating. With this in mind we are often surprised by the number of people who have the only copy of their cherished photos or significant information on a single external hard drive, which you've guessed ..... fails.

The recovery of data can be an uncertain, protracted and sometimes very costly exercise, and this is entirely avoidable.

The two most popular backup routes to prevent this from happening are:

- 1) Backup to the Cloud\*\* - This can be automatic and very low cost, we have a few options which are simple to install and require no intervention or user involvement, or
- 2) A local backup to a NAS device with multiple hard drives- A NAS or Network Attached Storage drive, is a small box with, usually, four hard drives installed. The NAS divides your data across all four drives, meaning that should one hard drive fail in the NAS your data will still be available to use and access. By replacing the failed hard drive in the NAS, your data will be rebuilt by the NAS with no loss. A 4-drive NAS device with 4x 1Tb hard drives can cost as little as £500, making this a very cost effective solution.



## Microsoft Update Problem

Late last year there was a Microsoft update which disabled all the networking on a machine. The fix is quite simple if you can follow 4 or 5 steps. For your convenience we have detailed these steps on the 'downloads' page on our website [www.tecres.co.uk](http://www.tecres.co.uk).

Should you like us to carry out these steps for you we are quite happy to do so, but we will need your machine in store

**Author: Les Beer, Director at TECRES (Technical Resources – Computers & Technology)**  
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\*\* Cloud backup, also known as online backup, is a strategy for backing up data that involves sending a copy of the data over a proprietary or public network to an off-site server.



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# DORKING MUSEUM – Medieval Betchworth

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Email: [admin@dorkingmuseum.org.uk](mailto:admin@dorkingmuseum.org.uk)

[www.dorkingmuseum.org.uk](http://www.dorkingmuseum.org.uk) Tel: 01306 876591  
Open: Thursday, Friday & Saturday, 10am to 4pm

**Our current exhibition:** Dorking Museum’s spring exhibition opened at the end of January and focuses on ‘**Medieval Betchworth**’. The exhibition was prepared in association with the Betchworth Village Archives team and gives a flavour of everyday life in a small medieval village in the 13<sup>th</sup> to 15<sup>th</sup> centuries. It tells of the lords of the manor, working on the land, growing wheat and keeping sheep, and the role of the church in the community. Bread was a staple of the villagers’ diet, so the water mill on the River Mole was particularly important to mill the grain. In 1300, a new mill-stone was required and had to be transported from London – the exhibition tells of the cost and effort this required to enable vital milling to be resumed.



Watermill from Luttrell Psalter: British Library

But it also gives a more surprising view of this neglected period. It explores the experience of the 14<sup>th</sup> century Black Death, which took the lives of half of the villagers, and the impact that this had on the community. It tells of Royal visits to the village (Henry III, Edward I, and, notably, the French Crown Prince Louis, from whom The Dolphin may take its name) and follows the story of Thomas Morsted of More House, Betchworth, who was Henry V’s chief surgeon at the Battle of Agincourt in 1415.



Image: Royston Williamson

**The Year of the Rooster:** The end of January also saw us enter the Chinese Year of the Rooster – in fact, this year, the Fire Rooster or Red Fire Chicken. Surely this has to signify a special year for the Dorking area, with its famous Dorking Cockerel.

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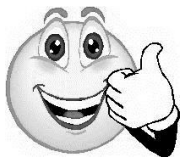
## DORKING MUSEUM – What's On (Continuation)

**(The Year of the Rooster):** Visitors to the Museum are often intrigued by the magnificent Dorking specimens displayed and the fascinating history of this renowned breed, dating back to Roman times and much favoured over the years by poulterers, breeders and exhibitors – and Queen Victoria. See more in the Museum (and our popular little book on The Dorking Cockerel, available in the Museum, online and at local outlets, £2.50).

**Exploring Dorking:** A good way to explore, enjoy and find out more about this beautiful area, Dorking Museum's walks team runs guided walks for groups and individuals. Town walks include highlights of historic Dorking, the town's literary and musical heritage or a children's walk. Walks on the magnificent and recently renovated Deepdene Trail take in the grotto, woodland walks, parterre and temples, spectacular views across the Weald and access to the grade II\* listed Hope family mausoleum. Walks take 90 minutes. Or go underground: Our popular 45-minute tours of Dorking's famous South Street Caves will resume in March for group bookings.

Group walks and Cave tours are by appointment on a date to suit you, and we have special dates for individual bookings: book ahead for walks or cave tours on open days during English Tourism Week at the beginning of April. Group Museum visits and private viewings are also available. Details, prices and bookings are available through the website.

[www.dorkingmuseum.org.uk](http://www.dorkingmuseum.org.uk) Email: [admin@dorkingmuseum.org.uk](mailto:admin@dorkingmuseum.org.uk) or phone 01306 876591



### The Car Keys

They weren't in my pockets. Suddenly I realised I must have left them in the car. Frantically, I headed for the car park. My husband has scolded me many times for leaving my keys in the car's ignition. He's afraid that the car could be stolen. As I looked around the car park, I realised he was right. The car park was empty. I immediately called the police. I gave them my location, confessed that I had left my keys in the car, and that it had been stolen.

Then I made the most difficult call of all - to my husband: "I left my keys in the car and it's been stolen."

There was a moment of silence. I thought the call had been disconnected, but then I heard his voice. "**Are you kidding me?**" he barked, "**I dropped you off!**"

Now it was my turn to be silent. Embarrassed, I said, "Well, come and get me."

He retorted, "I will, as soon as I convince this cop that I didn't steal your damn car!"

# MUSIC IN & AROUND DORKING – FEBRUARY 2017

Compiled by Ian Codd

2nd at 7.00, screening of Amadeus at Dorking Halls, £17.50, 01306 881717  
4th at 12.00, lunchtime recital at St Martin's, free, 01306 884229  
4th at 5.00, Dorking Chamber Orch at St Nicolas, Great Bookham, £14, 01306 877176  
5th at 3.00, ballet screening at Dorking Halls, £17.50, 01306 881717  
7th 14th 21st 28th at 8.30, Watermill Jazz at Betchworth Park golf club, 07415 815784  
8th at 7.15, ballet screening at Dorking Halls, £17.50, 01306 881717  
12th at 3.00, Piatti string quartet at Dorking Halls, £20, 01306 740619  
15th-18th at 7.45, Oliver! at Dorking Halls, £12, 01306 881717  
21st at 7.30, Dorking Choral Society & Quartonal at St Martin's, £15, 07847 477052  
28th at 7.00, ballet screening at Dorking Halls, £17.50, 01306 881717



February sees an imaginative concert arranged by the **Dorking Choral Society** when they join forces with Quartonal (left), a quartet of German singers, for a joint performance. Quartonal, who have established a very high reputation in Germany, will be making a tour of the UK, and this concert has been specially organised as part of the tour. Both groups will perform some separate items, and

the choir and quartet will also join together to sing some music arranged specifically for the occasion. The programme will include music by Mendelssohn and Vaughan Williams, as well as items by Richard Wilberforce, the choir's conductor. The combination of choir and quartet should make for a most enjoyable concert.



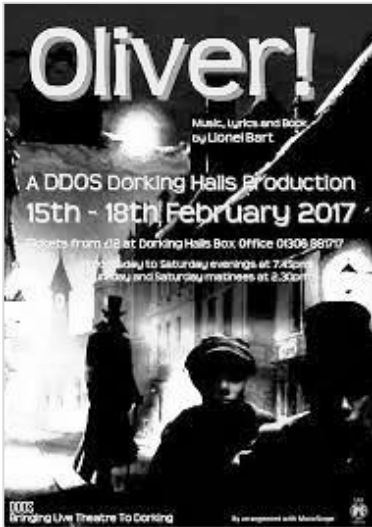
**The Dorking Concertgoers** present the first of three concerts by the Piatti string quartet (left). This is one of Britain's leading young quartets, who have played many concerts and been heard on Radio 3. The focus of their series will be the three string quartets by Brahms - each one quite different and each one a masterpiece. They begin with his first quartet in this concert, alongside Mozart's deliciously beautiful clarinet quintet and Haydn's impressive *Emperor*

*Quartet*. Two further concerts will follow in March.

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# MUSIC IN & AROUND DORKING – FEBRUARY 2017

(Continuation)



**The Dorking Chamber Orchestra**, playing in Great Bookham, has another concert in its 'Brandenburg' series. This time the orchestra will play Bach's second and third Brandenburg concertos, along with music by Haydn and Boccherini.

**Dorking Dramatic and Operatic Society** presents its major show for the year, a production of the musical *Oliver!* Based on Charles Dickens' *Oliver Twist*, this is a highly popular musical which all the family will enjoy. As well as the four evening performances there are also matinees on Thursday and Saturday at 2.30.

February's lunchtime recital at **St Martin's church** will be given by Fumi Otsuki (violin) and Petra Hajduchova (piano). Their programme will include music by Bach, Dvořák, Elgar, Respighi and others.

**Watermill Jazz** meets each Tuesday evening as usual. This month's performers are: (7<sup>th</sup>) the Barry Green New York trio, (14<sup>th</sup>) *See below*, (21<sup>st</sup>) the Steve Waterman quartet, and (28<sup>th</sup>) John Etheridge & Vimala Rowe.

(14<sup>th</sup>) Neale meets Steele: American-born altoist Allison Neale (left) embodies the West Coast style, evoking the spirit of Paul Desmond and Art Pepper. She has performed with international artists such as Adelaide Hall, Bud Shank and Scott Hamilton, as well as featuring in the Alec & John Dankworth Generation Big Band. Tonight she is joined by vibraphonist Nathaniel Steele, a musician in the American bop tradition influenced heavily by -Milt Jackson.



**Dorking Halls** offers a number of screenings this month. Live from the National Theatre is a

production of Peter Schaffer's play *Amadeus*. Set in Vienna, this tells the story of court composer Antonio Salieri, who is intensely jealous of the young prodigy Wolfgang Mozart with his God-given gift, and who sets out to destroy his rival. Live from the Royal Ballet is Tchaikovsky's *Sleeping Beauty* (28th), as well as *Woolf Works* (8th) - a triptych based on the work of Virginia Woolf. There is also a recording of Tchaikovsky's *Swan Lake* from Russia's Bolshoi ballet.

# WHAT'S ON - February 2017

## **DENBIES WINE ESTATE, London Road, Dorking (01306 876616)**

(Selection only – Go to [www.denbies.co.uk](http://www.denbies.co.uk) or pick up a leaflet at reception for full programme)

**Valentines Tea Dance, Sun 12 Feb, 3.30pm:** Traditional tea dance with afternoon high tea & sparkling rosé wine. £17.25pp / Loyalty Club £14.95

**Valentines Masquerade Ball, Sat 18 Feb, 7.30pm:** Sparkling canape reception followed by a 3 course meal with wine. Live music and dancing provided by the popular 15-piece band, Perfidia. £55.00pp / Loyalty Club £49.50pp

## **EPSOM PLAYHOUSE (01372 742555)**

(Selection only – go to [www.epsomplayhouse.co.uk](http://www.epsomplayhouse.co.uk) for full programme)

**The Old Hat Jazz Band, Mon 13 Feb, 8pm:** A young band with a hot swinging approach to the favourite tunes of the 20's & 30's. Prices from £9 (tickets cannot be exchanged or refunded)

## **DORKING FOLK CLUB, Dorking Golf Club, Deepdene Av (07754 853171)**

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

**GREG HARPER, Wed 8 Feb, 8.30pm:** Greg Harper is an English singer-songwriter. He was a finalist in the UK Songwriting Competition of 2008 and has an ability to combine evocative melodies with thought-provoking lyrics. Some of his songs raise awareness to a variety of different issues such as the loss of ancient woodland or the campaign group Roadpeace; others draw on historical truths such as the Battle of Britain or the Coventry Blitz and there are also his songs of childhood days, the environment, love. £9 pp  
[www.gregharpermusic.com](http://www.gregharpermusic.com)

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**Brewery Tours, Sat 25 Feb & Sat 18 Mar:** Led by the expert brewing team, enjoy a behind-the-scenes glimpse at how Surrey Hills Brewery creates their award winning ales. There is an option of a 50 or 90 minute tour that includes the opportunity to taste each of the draught beers currently available. Brewery Tours take place at 11am, 1pm and 3pm and cost £8.50 (50 minute Tour) and £12.00 (90 minute tour)

## **SPAGHETTI TREE, 1 Walton Street, Walton-on-the-Hill (01737 819919)**

**Fri 10 Feb, “A Night with the Divas”** with Emily Reed

**Tue 14 Feb, “Mellow Love Songs for Valentine’s Day”** with Emily Reed

**Fri 17 Feb, “Michael Buble vs Olly Murs”** with Lewis Dixon

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# WHAT'S ON - February 2017 (continuation)

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www. [www.rhs.org.uk/Gardens/Wisley](http://www.rhs.org.uk/Gardens/Wisley)



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**February half term fun, 11 – 19 February:** will be packed with free family events on the theme of *Whatever the Weather for Butterflies*.

**Flights of Fancy, to 6 March:** Round off your viewing of the butterflies with our tasty teatime treats. Inspired by these winged beauties, *Taste of Wisley* bakers are making butterfly-decorated cookies and cupcakes.

**Untutored butterfly photography mornings, 24 February:** A chance to visit the Butterflies in the Glasshouse before opening hours to capture their beauty. You will have a base in the Clore Learning Centre where refreshments will be served and are free to visit and photograph the glasshouse and butterflies as you please. 8am – 10.15am. Members £23, non-members £37 (includes tea/coffee). Book on 020 3176 5830 (lines open Mon - Fri, 9am - 5pm)

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# National Trust at Polesden Lacey

## Untold servants' stories explored

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**New opening arrangements:** Until now the house has been closed on winter weekdays to allow the rooms to rest. Now for the first time, this flagship National Trust property will be open every day as different rooms are revealed. For the first time visitors will be able to access backstairs areas like the servants hall and the attic bedrooms where the male servants slept.

**Work-life balance:** Over the years, the house team have made contact with various surviving members of staff or their relatives in order to collect reminiscences about the time they spent in service. These accounts reveal that Polesden's servants were a tightknit community who worked, lived and played together. Some even found love with a little help from Mrs Greville, a notorious matchmaker.



Mrs Greville encouraged a strong community amongst her staff including an annual servants' ball and a thriving social club. Servants from across the property would meet here to enjoy a drink, play darts and billiards, or peruse the reading library, which was generously stocked by Mrs Greville.

The use of the 18-hole golf course, tennis courts and a competitive cricket team, well placed in the local leagues, all reveal the thriving social scene Polesden Lacey staff enjoyed in their hard earned leisure time.

**Admission is free to all National Trust members. For more information visit [www.nationaltrust.org.uk/polesdenlacey](http://www.nationaltrust.org.uk/polesdenlacey) or telephone 01372 452048**



## GATTON COMMUNITY THEATRE

Gatton Community Theatre specialises in innovative theatre arts. It offers the opportunity for Surrey audiences to experience highly original productions in exciting or unexpected venues.

GCT's high standards of excellence and policy of inclusiveness gives amateur performers, regardless of age, experience or background, the opportunity to produce outstanding theatre events which involve, engage and inspire as many participants from the local community as possible. Young people continue to play a vital part in GCT productions.

### Come and Take Part in our Next Production



Would you like to take part in a new piece of community theatre? Gatton Community Theatre is inviting adults and children (aged 8+) to be involved either as actors or backstage helpers in their next summer production at Gatton Park. To express and interest or to find out more you are invited to come along to drama workshops being held at Gatton Park, Rocky Lane, Reigate, on

Sunday 26th February 2.30-4.30pm and/or Saturday 4th March 2.30-4.30pm.  
(Meeting in the Royal Alexandra & Albert School Chapel)

The production itself will be a newly commissioned piece of theatre, *If a Sparrow Should Fall*, and will take the form of an open air promenade theatre production within the beautiful grounds of Gatton Park, Reigate, with eight performances taking place over two weeks in July 2017. Rehearsals will start after Easter. The production will be directed by Libby Egwuba.

The play will follow Legion, a homeless ex-serviceman, his dog and a sparrow on a journey of self-discovery. During his search for an acceptance of who he is and a cure for his sickness, Legion meets a number of animals who tell him stories of a miracle healer - the sparrow, a cat, a magpie, a mouse, and others, and so he begins his search until finally he encounters The Lamb. Familiar stories from the bible are the inspiration for the animal's own original stories; at times funny and at others poignant it will be the story of a journey of discovery, friendship and love and suitable for all ages of audience, both adults and children aged 8+

We are hoping that once again we will have a large cast of people of all ages and from all walks of life who would like to be involved. We welcome anyone of any age, experience or ability who wishes to take part, as either actors or backstage help, and the production will appeal to audiences of all ages. There are no membership fees.



# Church Services

**FEBRUARY 2017**

Sunday	5 <sup>th</sup>	12 <sup>th</sup>	19 <sup>th</sup>	26 <sup>th</sup>	
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## St Andrew's Church, Box Hill

Sundays:	10.30am	1st Sunday: Songs of Praise
	10.30am	3rd Sunday: Service of Holy Communion
	10.30am	4th Sunday: Morning Praise

## St Mary's Church, Headley

Sundays:	8.00am	Prayer Book Communion
	10.30am	1st, 3 <sup>rd</sup> and 4 <sup>th</sup> Sundays: Parish Communion
	10.30am	2 <sup>nd</sup> and 5 <sup>th</sup> Sundays: Joint Parish Communion
Wednesdays:	10.00am	Prayers for Healing

**Also:** Bible Study on Thursday evenings, 6.30pm for 6.45pm at St Andrew's

Please check the Diary page on [www.headleyboxhillchurches.org.uk](http://www.headleyboxhillchurches.org.uk) or the notice boards in the two churches for any later information.

## Parish Church Council News Update

### Replacement for Rev. Linda Harknett

It seems a long time since Linda announced her retirement but finally we have some definite news.

The interview dates for the appointment of the priest for the proposed United Benefice have been set by the Bishop for 22nd – 23rd March. The post will be advertised in The Church Times on 3rd and 10th of February with a closing date for applications on 2nd March. Shortlisting will take place on 9th March.

Our representatives, Alan Jobber and Jan Curtis, will be involved in drafting the advertisement, the shortlisting meeting and the interviews.

Our Churchwardens and members of the PCC appreciate your continued support at our regular church services as well as the other activities they have worked so hard to maintain during this time of vacancy.

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# Other Church Events & Activities

## New 5-session Course for Lent 2017

**Receiving Christ in Five Different Ways:** an ecumenical course in five sessions

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Contact Jan Curtis (01372 383100)

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## Lent 2017 Lunches

**Wednesday 8th March**, St. Andrew's Church, 12.30pm to 2.00pm

(Raising funds for St Peter's Lifeline)

**Friday 7th April**, Headley Village Hall, 12.30 pm to 2.00pm

(Raising funds for Princess Alice Hospital)

For more information about either of these lunch dates, please contact Jan Curtis on 01372 383100

## Messy Easter

**Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> April**, St Andrew's Church at 3pm

Craft Activities, a short Family Service and a Meal to follow

If you would like to come or have any questions, please telephone:

Jan Curtis 01372 383100 or

Michelle 01737 842407

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Thanks to all those who submitted answers for Word Game 60. There were 32 entries of which 13 contained all correct answers. One or two of the clue lines proved quite tricky – when you see the answers you’ll probably say “Oh! Yes, of course!” We hope you enjoyed the game, but if you didn’t quite get them all correct we hope you’ll try again with Word Game 61. Don’t forget – you have to be “in it to win it”.

**Game 60 answers:** FANCY (**DRESS**) CODE, ELECTRIC (**FIRE**) STATION, TADPOLE (**FISHING**) NET, NURSING (**HOME**) HELP, CAST (**IRON**) FOUNDRY, FOOD (**MARKET**) GARDEN, BOXING (**RING**) FENCED, SILVER (**SCREEN**) PRINT, GRAIN (**STORE**) CUPBOARD, SILICONE (**WAX**) POLISH

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## Word Game No. 61 – Good Luck Everyone!

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**IMPORTANT:** Please enter full contact details and submit your entries to the Editor at the address shown on page 1. Thank you.

**HOW IT WORKS:** For those who haven’t had a go before, it’s quite simple; all you have to do is find the word in the middle column that links the word in the left column with the one in the right column. So, if the left column has FIELD and the right column has TRAP, the answer I’m looking for is MOUSE i.e. Field Mouse, Mouse Trap. We even give you a little clue by telling you the number of letters in the missing word – so (5) for MOUSE. All correct entries are folded and put into a “hat”. After a good shake to make sure there’s no chance of knowing who the entries are from, the winning entry is drawn. The Editor’s decision is final.

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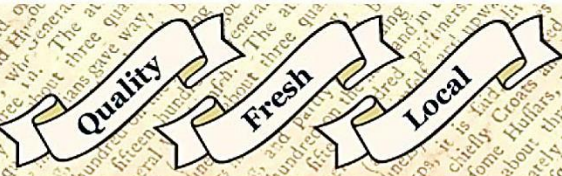


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