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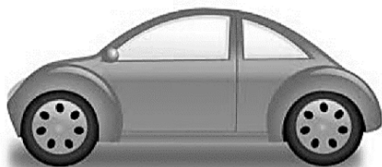


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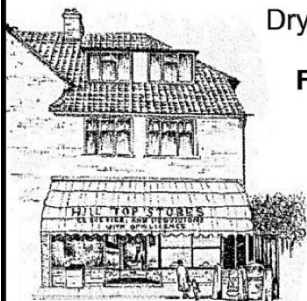
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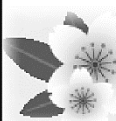
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BHNC EVENTS & MEETINGS FOR 2017

Date	Day	Event
05-Mar	Monday	BHNC Public Meeting, 8.00pm Village Hall
04-Jun	Monday	BHNC AGM, 8.00pm Village Hall
TBA	Saturday	Barn Dance
01-Oct	Monday	BHNC Public Meeting, 8.00pm Village Hall

BOX HILL SANTA PARADE AND SING ALONG – SUNDAY 17th DECEMBER

Thank you to everyone who came along. It was great to people braving the wet weather. We hope all 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. Thank you for supporting the raffle and we hope all the winners are enjoying their prizes. Without your support it would not be possible to run these events.

HIGHWAYS

The BHNC does monitor any issues and reports them to Surrey CC Highways. If residents have any concerns they should report them to Malcolm Ladell.

NEW GATES

We hope everyone has noticed the new white gates as you enter the village. A big thank you to Kevin Bowler who sourced them, painted them and installed them! He gave his time free of charge and we are very grateful.

MOLE VALLEY 'WALK FOR HEALTH'

The Walk for Health scheme is a programme of fun, free and accessible volunteer-led walks, bringing people together to socialise and motivate one another. The walks last between 30 - 90 minutes, ideal for anyone who would like to start becoming more active or keep fit and healthy. Walking can help us to feel happier and healthier, reducing the risk of heart disease and conditions such as breast cancer and dementia.

http://www.molevalley.gov.uk/walkforhealth?utm_source=Facebook&utm_medium=social&utm_campaign=SocialSignIn

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CYCLING EVENTS

Date	Day	Name of Event	Participants
24 Mar	Saturday	Maison du Velo (Bike Demo) Operating from the NT members car park	Unknown
29 Apr	Sunday	Headley Heath Orienteering	500
20 May	Sunday	Dorking TT cycling	60
09 Jun	Saturday	Beyond Events Start/finish at Polesden Lacey	250
10 Jun	Sunday	Evan Cycles Just passing through during the morning	1,200
14 Jun	Thursday	Zeus Events Just passing through	600
01 Jul	Sunday	Midsummer Monro (Runners) Start/finish NT Box Hill Fort – by noon	250
29 Jul	Sunday	RideLondon Road Closed most of day	28,000
14 Aug	Tuesday	Epsom Cycling Club 7pm to 8pm	60
3 Nov	Saturday	Ballbuster Start and Finish at Box Hill. Car park will be clogged. No access to shepherd's hut until 1pm	500
17 Nov	Saturday	Tough Ten (Runners) Parking off site – little impact	500

CONTACT THE ELDERLY

It is a great charity which operates all over the UK. **How it works:** One Sunday afternoon a month, their volunteer drivers enjoy taking their older guests to a volunteer host's home where they join a small group for tea, talk and companionship. The group is warmly welcomed by a different host each month, but the drivers remain the same and the groups are kept small so that everyone can join in easily and get to know each other properly. It's a simple idea, but one that can make a big difference. Their friendship groups represent the perfect opportunity to get out of the house, make new friends within the local community, and generally brighten up a weekend.

There's a group in Dorking. Guests are not expected to host any of the tea parties and the service is free.

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CYCLING EVENTS (Continuation)

For more information on how to sign up to attend a group or volunteer to host a party please look at their web site. If you want to host a party, you only need to commit to doing it twice a year.

Please share with anybody you feel might benefit from attending the parties

<http://www.contact-the-elderly.org.uk/be-our-guest/how-it-works>

ACTION FRAUD ALERTS

Dog-on-dog attack: If this has occurred or you are concerned by a dog's behaviour in Mole Valley, advice may be sought from MVDC's animal warden on 01306 885001

<http://www.molevalley.gov.uk/index.cfm?articleid=17767>

Doorstep Callers: They are doorstep callers who target areas offering small household products for sale. Sometimes called 'Nottingham Knockers' these callers may claim to be ex-convicts attempting to mend their ways, however Nottingham Knockers are not part of any recognised rehabilitation scheme.

Please warn your neighbours, particularly elderly or vulnerable neighbours, not to open the door to strangers or buy or sell on the doorstep. Some doorstep callers may offer poor quality goods at inflated prices and if a caller is not genuine, they may be gathering information for future crime.

<https://surrey.police.uk/.../protect-yourself.../doorstep-crime/>

CCTV: Many people are installing CCTV in their properties as a home security measure as it has proved to be an effective tool in fighting crime. Where CCTV is in operation and it only captures your home and garden then it will not be covered by the Data Protection Act 1998. However, if it captures any images outside the confines of your household, such as the street or other houses, then the images will be subject to the Data Protection Act 1998. Steps should be taken to ensure the CCTV is positioned correctly to avoid complaints or in some cases, accusations of violation of privacy or harassment. Additionally, there should clear notices to explain that the camera is in use.

In the first instance, it would be advisable to speak to your neighbour to see if it is possible to move the camera so that it does not point at your property. If this is not possible and you want to take further action you would need to seek legal advice from a solicitor.

Further advice - **<https://ico.org.uk/for-the-public/cctv>**

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MOLE VALLEY ALERTS

Stay up to date with what's going on in your local area with regular emails from My Alerts. Alerts include local planning applications, roadworks, events, council services and more. Just search online for Mole Valley Alerts and you can easily register.
<https://maps.molevalley.gov.uk/molevalley.aspx>

FEEDBACK

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



FUNDRAISING EVENT UPDATE

Annual Christmas Celebration in aid of Eden Farm Charity

We held our annual Christmas Celebration on the 9th December when the New Life Choir from Croydon, consisting of thirty members, gave us another delightful evening of music and singing. After the entertainment, around sixty people sat

down to enjoy refreshments prepared and served by our kind volunteers.

Donations were given to support the charity work of Eden Farm Children's Village in Zambia, and we were able to forward £150 to the organisation. So, thank you everyone once again. *Fred and Glenys Williams* (Box Hill Christian Fellowship)

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Box Hill Break-Ins

A resident of Headley Heath Approach contacted Box Hill News to say that just before Christmas their garage was broken into and tools taken. Both next door neighbours were broken into as well. The perpetrators drilled out locks and used bolt cutters to break off heavy chains. Police were informed but took no further action. Box Hill residents are advised to check the security of their garages and sheds and take appropriate action.



Dennis Hook's 90th Birthday Bash

A great big 'Thank You' to everyone who came along to help me celebrate my 90th Birthday. Thank you for all the cards and presents, and the laughs and happy faces.

We will do it all again in ten years' time!!

Love, Dennis



Box Hill Scrabble Group

New Date & Time from 14th March 2018
2pm-5pm, 2nd Wednesday each month

For several years, this small but friendly group have been meeting one evening a month in the home of Uta and Colin Nash on Boxhill Road. We now feel that changing to an afternoon once a month might encourage a few more people to join us. We usually get in two games of scrabble and a chat over a cup of tea and biscuits.

If you would enjoy a game of scrabble, do come a long and join us. Our new time of 2pm will begin on Wednesday 14th March, and thereafter the second Wednesday of each month. Enquiries: please phone **Uta Nash** on **01737 841606**

Box Hill Over 50s Club

The Over 50s Club is opening its doors to all adults (over 18) who would be interested in a weekly social get-together. We meet every Tuesday afternoon, 2pm to 4pm, in the Box Hill Village Hall.

If you're new to the area or haven't given it a try, why not pop along on a Tuesday afternoon and see what you think – it may be just what you need to brighten your week! All enquiries to **Brian Hobbs** (Secretary) on **01737 844647**



Update: Malcolm Ladell

Mole Valley District Councillor for Box Hill & Headley

Future Mole Valley: creation of more homes

This is probably the most important item that will affect the whole of Mole Valley including Box Hill and Headley and other communities within or adjacent to the Green Belt, Areas of Outstanding Natural Beauty or Special Scientific Interest and/or of Great Landscape Value.

As many of you will already be aware the results of the first public consultation for Mole Valley on the government-led review of housing needs were published in October 2017. I think most, if not all, residents of Mole Valley are already aware of the need for more housing, particularly affordable housing. The shortage of housing in London and the commutable South East is pushing up prices making it impossible for many young first-time buyers and forcing them to buy or rent their own home elsewhere. Whilst a logical solution would be to encourage people to move to northern England this has been tried in the past and failed. The fact is many people wish to live close to vibrant London and quick access to the Eurotunnel, Heathrow and Gatwick airports with flights to other parts of the World.



One of the major problems for building more homes is the shortage of land. This is because a very large proportion (over 70%) of Mole Valley is in the Green Belt which remains protected by the Government, and some of it (over 20%) is an Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty including highly protected areas of Special Scientific Interest. My view, and I believe that of many residents, is that these designated areas should not be changed as these are the reasons why many of us chose to live in Mole Valley and why many residents of the Greater London area visit Box Hill and other parts of Mole Valley to enjoy the openness of the land, imbibe fresh air and the chance of seeing wildlife.

The leaders of the local authorities, including Mole Valley, have formally requested that the formula set by the Government for calculating the number of homes to be built be revised to take account of the Greenbelt constraints. Nevertheless, there is a need for more housing particularly 'Affordable Housing' for young first-time buyers.

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Update: Malcolm Ladell

Mole Valley District Councillor for Box Hill & Headley

Future Mole Valley: creation of more homes (Continuation)

The results of the public consultation published in October indicated preferences as follows:

Existing developed land (Brownfield Sites):

Mixed Use Redevelopment (e.g. shops, offices, car parks with flats above)	89% in favour
Reallocate Commercial & Retail Land to Housing	70% in favour
Increase Densities within existing Suburban Built-up areas	53% in favour
Redevelopment of Town Centres	51% against
Redevelopment of Rural Employment Sites	60% against
Reallocate Recreation Land to Housing	83% against

Although the number of responses represented a very small proportion of the total number of residents they nevertheless give a clear indication of the two that are preferred and the two that are not acceptable, with two borderline at almost 50/50.

Development on undeveloped existing Greenfield (not Greenbelt) Sites:

Modest Expansion (infilling) of Rural Villages	70% in favour
Extending (enlarging) Urban Areas	56% in favour
Create a New Settlement	58% against
Expansion (enlarging) Rural Villages	60% against

If you are a Box Hill or Headley resident, I would much appreciate your comments on the above - preferably by email or letter.

Things for me to do and follow up in 2018

1. Contact C.O. and Chairman of Trustees of Headley Court regarding the timing of the transfer of DMRC to DNRC Stanford Manor and progress on the sale of property.
2. Chase up Thames Water on investigating the need for a tall fume outlet pipe to remove obnoxious fumes from the sewer under Boxhill Road in the dip adjacent to the access to Chestnut Lodge.
3. Chase up Surrey Highways on clearing the blockages in the drains and drainpipes that cause overflows and flooding along Tot Hill and also on Boxhill Road adjacent to Fort Road.

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Update: Malcolm Ladell

Mole Valley District Councillor for Box Hill & Headley

Things for me to do and follow up in 2018 (Continuation)

4. Contact Surrey Highways and our Surrey County Councillors to start discussing the long overdue improvement of the dangerous junctions of Headley Common Road with Dorking Road and Pebble Hill as there are frequent near misses and, so far, non-fatal accidents almost every day.
5. Continued problem of parked vans preventing cleaning the road along Boxhill Road between Woodlands Park and Headley Heath Approach.
6. Progress on the funding of a ramp for disabled access to the Headley Village Shop.
7. Progress on funding for anticipated renewal Box Hill Village Hall roof.
8. Other items not listed and to be brought to my attention by residents including BHNC and/or Headley PC.

In conclusion

Imponderable thought for 2018 and future years Whilst I feel that, as we cannot retrospectively change past events there is little to be gained in dwelling too much on what did or did not happen in 2017, I do think it worthwhile mentioning that mankind has progressed rapidly in recent years.

Cures for many life-threatening illnesses and diseases have been discovered along with rapid advances in technology that eliminate tedious monotonous, arduous and dangerous tasks but which sadly also includes the ability to instantly destroy mankind and the world itself.

Ideally what we and other better-off countries need to do is continue to improve life for ourselves and somehow also for the rest of the poorer world to help avoid future unwinnable destructive confrontation. Maybe an impossibility????

Thank you for reading my update and I await to hear your comments on any of the above or other issues that you may have. Please do not hesitate to email or phone or knock on my front door to discuss any concerns you have.

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Box Hill Evening WI

Christmas/New Year Update by *Celia Toms*

Our members enjoyed a very enjoyable Christmas Party before Christmas, and were entertained by Alan Fisher, a local singer. All the songs were known to the audience and everyone joined in with the singing. Members had provided a wonderful spread of refreshments and everyone had a lovely evening.

For our meeting in January we had not booked a speaker in case they or we had to cancel at short notice due to bad weather. However, we entertained ourselves with quizzes.

This year the Surrey Federation of the WI is celebrating its Centenary and various events are being organised throughout the county. Information was given to members about a Vintage Tea being organised for W.I. Groups in our area on 20th June.

Our January meal get-together took the form of a sandwich lunch at a member's home, with everyone who attended taking a plate of sandwiches. Cakes and soft drinks also available.

At our meeting on Thursday 8th February our speaker will be Paul Whittle, talking about The Hill Stations of the Raj. We have had Paul talk to us before, when he gave a very interesting talk about Florence Nightingale. He is a very accomplished speaker.

We meet at 7.30 p.m. on the second Thursday of the month in Box Hill Village Hall. New ladies are given a very warm welcome, so do join us on the 8th February.



SPEAKER PROFILE: Paul Whittle (8th February)

Paul's professional career was spent mainly in the City of London as a senior Human Resources Manager with a leading British bank. In 1999 he was granted his 'Freedom' and appointed a Freeman of the City of London.

For a similar period of 34 years Paul served in the Royal Corps of Signals, Territorial Army. He participated in many overseas exercises with NATO and attended the TA Command and Staff Course at the Staff College Camberley.

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Box Hill Evening WI (Continuation)

For his long and effective service, he was awarded the Territorial Decoration with three subsequent bars to that decoration. As a retired officer he continues as Regimental Historian of his former Regiment whose history he has researched, written and published.

Paul has been a travel lecturer for 10 years. He gives over 130 talks each year, raising funds for his chosen charities in Myanmar (Burma) and India.

His interests are many and varied. He is a keen military historian, having visited the battlefields of the Crimean War and the American Civil War. He is a member of the American Civil War Round Table UK.

Reflecting his interest in heritage transport Paul is Vice-Chairman of the Darjeeling Himalayan Railway Society. He is a frequent visitor to India and is the Society's principal link with Indian Railways. In the UK he is a member of several steam heritage railways and also the Wey and Arun Canal Trust. His charitable activities include being President of a community club for the blind and partially sighted. He has visited over 50 countries including relatively unknown ones such as Eritrea and Armenia. He has also crossed the Sahara.

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DOG GROOMING DAYS

Hello and all the best to you all for a happy and healthy 2018.

December at the Parlour was as expected extremely busy. Only one customer didn't turn up. Annoying for me because in December we confirm all appointments, as Becky says we all have our Christmas hats on and appointments can easily be forgotten. With this particular customer I had to leave a message and they did not get back to me, but then not all customers did, even though we asked them to. Also, it was an 8am appointment, so I came in early for nothing. Even more annoying, I had customers on my waiting list who could have had the appointment. Never mind, these things happen.

A huge thank you for the cards and gifts we received over the festive period and a massive thank you for the donations given for Greyhound Lifeline. We do not just collect at Christmas, but all through the year. Always needed are unused bin bags, pilchards in tomato sauce, washing up liquid and used postage stamps. SOMETIMES needed are old duvets, blankets and towels, but for these latter three items please check first as I know storage is a problem and they can only take these items when they have the space.

If you are planning on going away at Easter and need to board your pets, either with a sitter, home boarder or kennels/cattery, now is the time to think about it. The best places get booked up well in advance and these are the places to take your pet/s. People who come to your home also get booked up. For any kind of private boarding, they must be insured and in their own home. Make sure their home and garden are secure (and police checked if staying in your home). Usually, for all bank holidays and summer months you need to plan well ahead. Please do not leave it until the last minute and ring round going to the first place out of desperation that can take you. All pet owners should make sure you have found the best care for your pet, while YOU are away enjoying yourself. If your pet is on any medication or special food, always make sure you supply your pet's carer with more than is needed, just in case you get any delays in coming back.

January and February are usually the quietest months in a dog Parlour year. Having said that it does depend on the weather and if the past couple of years are anything to go by we were quite busy, but the bulk of customers wanting appointments really starts in March. Then we usually enter the 3-week plus wait.

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DOG GROOMING DAYS (Continuation)

It has been brought to my attention about stolen dogs. Most appear to be taken from their own garden, some out on walks, from being left in cars and tied up outside shops. I gather it has been brought to the attention of the police that some thieves target your home by marking your home to let others in the gang know there is a dog worth stealing. A yellow mark (could be a cross) means a small dog. Keep an eye out for any marks put on your home, as different marks mean different size dogs and the police have said let them know by ringing 101 and remove the mark soon as you can.

Until next time, **Maureen** - member of the Dog Groomers Association

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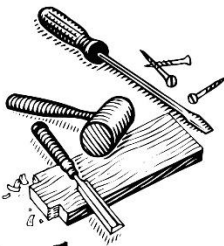
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Firewood Feature

by *Furlonger Tree Services*

It's getting cold so there's nothing better than sitting snugly in front of an open fire or wood burning stove when it's blowing a blizzard outside. With that in mind, here's the Furlonger Tree Services guide to Firewood:

Q. Why does firewood need to be seasoned?

A. In short, fire doesn't like water! Trees, just like us, are mostly water. Freshly cut trees will typically contain 60% - 70% moisture content, even more

with some species such as Willow or Poplar especially when cut in Spring/Summer. Good firewood should be less than 25% and really the drier the better to avoid inefficient heating.

Q. What does 'seasoned' mean, how should I season my firewood and when do I know if it is ready for burning?



A. Seasoned firewood means that the logs have been split and stored under cover until the moisture content has dropped sufficiently. It's more about the species of the tree, good storage raised off wet ground with good airflow, density of wood and moisture content rather than length of time - a good rule of thumb is at least a year, ideally split and undercover. A

moisture meter can be bought for as little as £10 and is a much better indicator of whether your logs are ready for burning.

Q. 'Softwood' or 'Hardwood' logs?

A. Softwood logs are a bit like teenagers in that they often get a bad reputation for smoking and spitting! They also get blamed for tarring up the chimney (logs not teenagers!). If you buy kiln dried logs or have the best way to season firewood in a dry and airy store and can dry to a moisture content below 25%, then you will not have any of the above problems. These only arise when the wood is not sufficiently dry. Softwood (Spruce, Pine, Larch, Douglas Fir etc) will have the same energy content per kilogram as hardwoods (Oak, Ash, Beech, Alder, etc), however being far less dense, you will need up to twice as many logs (or volume) to achieve the same heat output. If you have a wood burning stove as opposed to an open fire, there's nothing wrong with burning softwood.

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Firewood Feature by Furlonger Tree Services (Continuation)

Q. What’s the best firewood?

A. Well...it depends. I guess the answer would have to be SEASONED! Softwood will generally be available cheaper but will burn faster so you need more. Ash is often reputed to be the best firewood, but that is generally because of its’ initial low moisture content and how easy it is to split. You judge firewood on three things: How much moisture it has, hot it burns and how long it burns. Our firewood chart below should help, and a more detailed one can be found on our website soon!

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TRAVEL BLOG – USA Family Road Trip

Thinking of taking your children on a USA road trip? You can't get much better than this Texan Adventure.



Driving through Texas



River Walk, San Antonio



Cowboy Country

The adventure starts off in Houston which has emerged as one of the great cities of the 21st century. Head to Bayou Place for great food and entertainment and definitely visit NASA – a must do whilst in Houston. NASA's Johnson Space Centre houses the historical Mission Control Centre and the International Space Station mock-up facility where Astronauts receive their training. A three-day duration is ideal for Houston and allows you to also take in Houston Zoo, the Houston Museum of Natural Science and to witness the incredible emergence of 250,000 bats at dusk under the Waugh Bridge. The Aquarium, Hermann Park and the Children's Museum of Houston are also worth a visit.

From Houston head to San Antonio. From the Missions to the Hill Country, San Antonio offers so many things for visitors to see and do, ranging from major theme parks to the River Walk lined with restaurants, patios, galleries and shops.

Next stop Bandera. Known as the 'Cowboy Capital of the World' this small town in Texas Hill country is the perfect place to stay and get a real taste of ranch life. Take up horse riding at a nearby dude ranch and if you travel there in May, you could experience a real-life Rodeo.

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TRAVEL BLOG – USA Family Road Trip (Continuation)



Duck Tour Amphibious Bus in Austin



Wild Bill's Western Store in Dallas

Continue to Austin which is a must on your trip and the state capital of Texas. A bustling university town known for its thriving music scene, Austin is often voted the best musical city in the States. Three days here is enough to experience the weird, wild and wacky in this great town. There is so much to see from the Cathedral of Junk to an Austin Duck Tour and you can't leave Austin without experiencing one of their fabulous BBQ joints. Kayaking, cycling and horse riding are all great experiences in Austin.

Dallas is a vibrant and sophisticated city and a necessary inclusion on any itinerary. With more restaurants per capita than

New York this city is a culinary treat too. If you are looking for an all-American experience grab some tickets for a Rangers game and head to Wild Bills Western Store for a seriously Texan shopping experience.

Huntsville is worthy of a visit and is a beautiful and diverse area rich in history, culture and outdoorsy fun. With a historic downtown square full of unique eateries and boutique shopping – it's an easy-going place to explore. Visit the Texas prison museum, the Sam Houston Memorial Museum and Huntsville State Park.

Galveston is the perfect place to relax and to round off your Texan adventure – but with loads to do if you're not the relaxing type! With many museums, art galleries, historic homes and beaches, there is something here for the whole family.

We work closely with our specialist USA partners to tailor-make your perfect itinerary. Do give us a call in Kingswood on 01737 362626 or Fetcham on 01372 375361 to discuss your next adventure.



National Trust Box Hill

Retail & Catering Update – January 2018

There has been some challenging weather at the top of the hill this month but there have also been some lovely sunny crisp days. What better way to keep up those New Year resolutions than to climb, cycle and run the hill and burn some calories.

Carlo and Heidi, our Chefs have been working on some beautiful, warming soups for when you reach the top. Full of goodness their Tuscan Bean has a lovely mixture of beans, cauliflower, carrot and more and the Curried Leek and Sweet Potato has a gentle spiciness that will keep you warm all the way down again. There are lots of homemade cakes, bakes and savoury dishes also available, all of which are made on the premises. Just to encourage you we are offering a 20% discount on any meals over £12.00. Just bring in the voucher below and use it as many times as you like during February and March (half term excluded).

February is nearly with us and we couldn't let it go by without remembering Valentine's Day. The chefs will be creating some heart shaped cookies which will be paired for you to share with your loved one.

During half term the lovely people at the Shepherds Hut will be giving out the 50 Things Booklet to inspire your children to explore the great outdoors. There will be a special trail and the Café is offering a free tea or regular coffee to the accompanying adult (just hand in the voucher)

We have so many early morning walkers and cyclists we thought they should be rewarded with some tasty breakfast items. We have bacon and sausage baps available and for those with a lighter appetite we have brought back toasted teacakes or have our lovely toasted granary bread and jam.

We look forward to seeing our local friends and if anyone is interested in working up here, go to www.nationaltrustjobs.org.uk to see when jobs become available.

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From Punk to Yoga Teacher

As a 22-year old photographer in the early 1980s, Anita Corbin was driven to ensure that a generation of young women were represented in a photographic genre that was almost entirely dominated by men.

Moderators, punks, skinheads, rastafarians, young lesbians, rockers – young women everywhere were defying the mainstream, flying the flag of their individuality in clearly defined tribes characterised by music, fashion, geography and sexual orientation.

Corbin wanted to capture the spirit of these women and the significance of their unity in a portrait series depicting pairs of friends, sisters and lovers in subcultures.



Shelley and Di in the toilets at the White Swan, Crystal Palace, in November 1980

The **Visible Girls** images toured the country to great acclaim in the 1980s and beyond, making a notable re-appearance on the social website buzzfeed.com in the summer of 2014 when Corbin herself had reached her mid-fifties. She had found herself wondering what had happened to those girls – who would also now be in their fifties – and their dreams, hopes and aspirations.

Suddenly, after a 33-year hiatus, the women started reappearing and contacting Anita, reclaiming their Visible Girls status'. As a result, **Visible Girls Revisited** was born, a growing collection of double portraits of the same girls – now women – 36 years later. This compelling photographic exhibition comprises both the 'then' and 'now' portraits and will travel the UK for the next three years.

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From Punk to Yoga Teacher (Continuation)

Di Sage and Shelley Spencer had met at school and used to go out three or four nights a week. They were photographed by Anita Corbin as part of her Visible Girls project during one of those nights out. The friends lost touch when Shelley went travelling but 14 years later they reconnected and have been in touch ever since, although Shelley has now settled in France.

Meanwhile, Di Sage has settled in Box Hill and is well known in the village for her Yoga classes in the Village Hall. When asked about her memory of 36 years ago, she said “When I was 17, I had a lot of fire in me. I’d do leaflet drops for the ‘British Union for the Abolition of Animal Vivisection’. As part of a ‘Stop the City’ protest, us punks would go to phone boxes and all call a number in the City at nine on a Monday morning, so the switchboards were jammed.

Being a punk provided a sense of belonging and of being different. It was fresh, exciting, fiery – and loud. Live music was a huge part of it.



Shelley and Di in Angoulême, France, May 2017

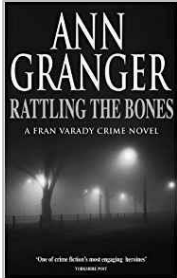
I remember standing at a bus stop with my mother, and people would call me names across the street and she would get upset. People saw punk as aggressive, but I was just expressing myself. I was shy, but I liked to shock.

You’d not be seen dead with your hair flat. You’d do your

best, even if it was raining, with a tin of hairspray and an umbrella. I still like to be different. I live in a mobile home, I don’t have a telly, I avoid supermarkets. I am not materialistic. I teach yoga now, and my students can’t believe I used to smoke and take recreational drugs. Yoga is my community and family; like punk, it’s about expressing yourself from the inside.”

Sources: www.visiblegirls.com/exhibition/
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BOOKWORM compiled by Ann Marshall



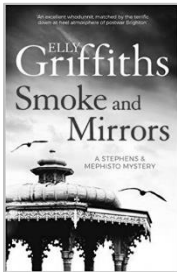
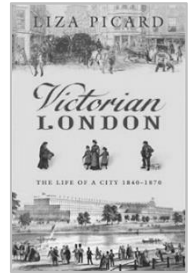
Rattling the Bones by Ann Granger

This is another good tale set in London and featuring Fran Varady. Why is Edna the bag lady roaming the streets and who is it who frightens her in the crowd?

Victorian London.

The Life of a City 1846 - 1870 by Liza Picard

The book covers every aspect of life and death from smells to transport, the upper class to royalty, clothes to health, amusements, education, women, religion and death. Indeed all human life is here. A most interesting read especially if you have London ancestors.



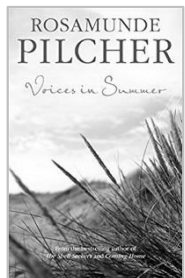
Smoke and Mirrors.

A Stephens & Mephisto Mystery by Elly Griffiths

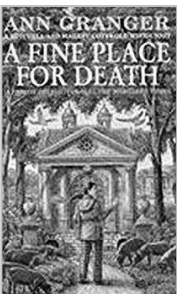
Brighton – Pantomime season is in full swing on the pier with Max Mephisto starring in Aladin. But Max's headlines have been stolen by the disappearance of two local children. When they are found dead in the snow, surrounded by sweets, it's not long before the press nickname them "Hanzel and Greta". D.I. Edgar Stephens has plenty of leads to investigate. The girl, Annie, used to write gruesome plays based on the Grimm's fairy tales. Does the clue lie in Annie's unfinished and rather disturbing last script? Or might it lie with the eccentric theatricals who have assembled for the pantomime? Another good read from this excellent author.

Voices in Summer by Rosamunde Pilcher

Laura, newly married and ever conscious she may be living in the shadow of her husband's first wife, decides to take a holiday with his family in Cornwall. She is slowly charmed by the beautiful old house and the people she learns to know and trust. But is this new-



found tranquillity too good to be true? For with the arrival of an anonymous letter, one accusing her of having an affair, Laura's world is thrown into turmoil.



A Fine Place for Death by Ann Granger

This is another tale in the Mitchell and Markby mysteries set in the Cotswolds. A teenage girl is found murdered and village life will never be quite the same again. What are the secrets in the Devaux family mausoleum?



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Frith Park: Discover a place like no other



An aerial view of the Frith Park estate

A collection of 37 new homes in a gated country estate in Walton-on-the-Hill is launching this year.

Accessed via private gates and a sweeping tree-lined driveway, Frith Park is a breathtaking collection of 26 new, two- and three-bedroom mews-style country cottages and four-bedroom villas arranged in a courtyard setting together with 11 two- and three-bedroom apartments behind the

retained façade of the locally listed Mansion House. The development is set amongst seven acres of idyllic parkland, formal gardens and ancient woods.

Located within the Greenbelt and an Area of Great Landscape Value, Frith Park is an exciting regeneration project by Urban Green Developments and Reside Developments that includes extensive tree management, the planting of 960 trees and bio-diversity programme.

The development will be launching in four phases: The Mansion House, Redwood Terrace, Stable Mews and Walled Gardens, from early 2018.

The exteriors of the homes at Frith Park have been designed to resemble the Mansion House in a traditional finish with cream rendered walls, grey slate roofs and sash windows. Inside, however, the homes couldn't be more contemporary in layout, design and specification. Rooms are light and airy with the convenience of plenty of storage areas and there's the added advantage of being low-maintenance.

The properties will be energy efficient, leading to reduced running costs. They will each feature zoned underfloor heating and a mechanical ventilation and heat recovery system, which provides fresh, cleaner air throughout the home.

The development also benefits from superfast broadband and various storage facilities from sheds to cycle stores, as well as an electric car charging point.

Prices start from £399,950. For more information, register at frithpark.co.uk or contact selling agents Savills on 01483 796810.

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Frith Park: Discover a place like no other (Continuation)



New Mansion designed to resemble the old

History

The earliest occupants of the estate at Frith Park can be traced back to the 17th century, while the Italianate mansion house was first constructed c.1857-9 along with the entrance carriageway, avenues and lodges. Over the years, this originally impressive building was extended, although 90% of the original 1850s fabric was removed largely in a major remodelling of 1927.

During both world wars, Frith Park provided a useful base for the military and was used as a hospital in the Great War. During the Second World War, Frith Park was used as the HQ of the Canadian Infantry Brigade, part of the Canadian 1st Division whose wartime base was at nearby Headley Court.

After the de-requisitioning by the military, Frith Park changed to industrial use with the Mansion House occupied by the South Wales Chemical Company from the 1950s. This company, owned by Samuel Kahn, was previously established in South Wales, after he and his family fled Frankfurt and Nazi persecution.

The company became more involved in the printing industry and moved to Frith Park under the direction of Samuel's son Bernard. As the company grew, it extended the buildings with the erection of several large warehouses. With the downturn in the printing industry, part of Frith Park was sold for redevelopment and work began at the end of 2016.



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Computer User's Corner

Spectre and Meltdown - what's the fuss?

This is a rapidly emerging matter and at the time of writing – 12th January 2018, this is the current situation. Due to the nature of this issue the advice may change.

There have been two different security exploits (or weaknesses) discovered which are affecting most processors used for PC's, Laptops, Macs, Smartphones, tablets, iPads and iPhones manufactured since 1995 to now.

The processor is the very heart of your device, it controls almost every function on the device. It has been found that the microcode that manages the processor has vulnerabilities, meaning there is a possibility that an unknown party could access your computer without your knowledge. There is no evidence that this has ever happened, but the fact this exists is concerning enough.

Because the processor and its microcode are a sealed unit the manufacturers cannot reengineer the processor, so the resolution is to update the device operating software to ensure protection.

It is important to ensure your device has the latest operating system patches installed.

- Windows 10 has already had the patches applied so if you have automatic updates enabled you are protected; Windows 7 and 8 updates are due by the end of January 2018.
- Apple Computers require MacOS 10.13.2 or above, Apple phones and tablets require iOS 11.2 or above and Apple TVOS 11.2 are all patched, you may need to manually apply these updates.
- Android devices were patched in December 17 and January 18, so should be protected if kept up to date

If you have a reputable Internet Security program this has probably already been patched to secure your device.

Because your device is now doing a bit more “processing” or work, it may not respond as quickly as it once did, but this performance drop is said to be between 2-9%, as most devices have this capacity spare- this shouldn't really be noticeable. If you are concerned that your device's performance has declined too much, please get in contact with us as there is a good chance we can offer a resolution to the problem.

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Computer User's Corner (Continuation)

We have experienced some updates and patches causing a significant performance drop, but these patches have been redrawn and reissued.

This is a developing matter, and as we find out more we are very happy to share it with you. If you would like to be kept up to date, please email us at sales@tecres.co.uk requesting to be updated.

This information is for your guidance and is not intended to panic you. There is minimal likelihood you are at risk. I am sure the telephone scammers will be calling soon about this matter, please do not fall foul. Our best advice is to tell the scammers you do not have broadband or a computer.

Author: Les Beer, Director at TECRES (Technical Resources – Computers & Technology)
Retail Shop: 14 North Street, Leatherhead, KT22 7AW **Tel: 01372 370 300**

FUNDRAISING EVENT UPDATE

Many of you will know that on 7 December last, a Gala Dinner and Online Auction was held to raise funds for the St Peter's Life-Line charity - St Andrew's Box Hill's chosen overseas mission for the support of the impoverished children and young women of Kajuki in Eastern Kenya.

Due to the enormous good will behind so many free "experience" donations from the Surrey area, and the even more generous support from many at St Andrew's, other local churches and beyond, the events raised nearly £10,000!

David Baldwin and the event organisers wish to thank every single person who contributed in any way, to what was such an important collection for the projects that need to be secured there in Kajuki - from seminars to help nearly 2000 young teenage women say no to FGM, to the provision of life-giving irrigation to offer to the sparse fields for the local farmers and water for the townsfolk of Kajuki, through to the provision of an education and regular hot lunch nutrition to the many poor and starving children of the district.



HAVE A LITTLE CHUCKLE

Husband sends a text message to his wife: Honey, I got hit by a car outside the office. Paula brought me to the Hospital. Doctors presently doing tests and taking X-rays. Severe blow to my head but not likely to have any lasting effects. Wound required 19 stitches. I have three broken ribs, a broken arm and compound fracture in the left leg. Amputation of the right foot is a possibility. Love you xx

Wife's text in response: *Who's Paula ???*

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St Martins Church, Dorking. Image: Jayne Kemp LRPS

Our new exhibition opened in the Museum at the end of January and offers something a little different. **‘A New View of Dorking’** consists of a selection of images created by members of Capel Camera Club, featuring beautiful landscapes and iconic images of our stunning market town and the surrounding villages and countryside. Images are presented by a group of both amateur and professional photographers who have come together to create this joint project.

The idea for the exhibition came about after Club member Jayne Kemp, a former professional photographer and Licentiate of the Royal Photographic Society, became a volunteer at the Museum. Jayne, who has been a Dorking resident all her life, thought it would be interesting to create some new images of the local area as a record of our town, and other members of the camera club were keen to be involved. The idea evolved from

there when the Museum offered to display the collected work.

The photographers were given freedom to express themselves and compose their pictures according to whatever inspired them in Dorking and the surrounding areas. Jayne herself selected a striking image of St Martin's Church spire sunlit against a bright blue sky, while Leslie Bliss's image shows the iconic Dorking Cockerel standing silver against a darkened background. But these contrast with closer-up shots like Liz Lamb's of a squirrel in St Martin's churchyard and Angela Rixon's of an exquisitely carved regal head on the Mickleham Church lych-gates.

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DORKING MUSEUM – what's On (Continuation)



*Frederick Pethick-Lawrence, Flora Drumond, Jennie Baines
and Emmeline Pethick-Lawrence*

A notable centenary: February 6th marks the centenary of the Representation of the People Act that first gave (some) women the vote. To mark the occasion, the Museum is showing a new short film about the extraordinary local suffrage campaigners, Emmeline and Frederick Pethick-Lawrence. The Pethick-Lawrences were once as well known as the Pankhursts, and the film hopes to give them back some recognition. Made in conjunction with Royal Holloway (University of London) and the

Citizens 800 lottery project, filming took place on location at the couple's former home, The Dutch House in South Holmwood, at Dorking Museum and on Leith Hill. The film can be viewed at the Museum during opening hours or on our website (www.dorkingmuseum.org.uk/emmeline-pethick-lawrence-citizens-800-project/).

The Museum will be marking the occasion by installing a commemorative plaque on the Dutch House in South Holmwood, with costs raised by public appeal. This fascinating episode of history is also explored in Kathy Atherton's new book, "Suffragettes, Suffragists and Antis – the Fight for the Vote in the Surrey Hills", published by The Cockerel Press and available at £10 from Dorking Museum, local bookshops and online at www.holmwoodhistory.com.

Group events: The days of winter can still provide wonderful opportunities to take in the sights, and both groups and individuals have been enjoying the Museum's guided walks on the magnificent Deepdene Trail and on our themed walks in the historic town (including historic Dorking, Words and Music, and pub walks). The next open day for the Dorking pubs walk is Saturday 24th February, 6pm – see website for details and booking.

The Museum also offers group bookings (or private viewings) when the Museum is closed to the public – during the day on Monday-Wednesday or any evening (by appointment). Our volunteers will be happy to help you make the most of your visit.

Finally, at the beginning of March, the Museum will be holding an **Archive Sale** of maps, pictures, postcards and books surplus to archive requirements (11am-2pm on 3rd March in the Christian Centre small hall).



NT Polesden Lacey

Beyond the Dragon Exhibition

From 2nd February to 3rd May 2018

When Margaret Greville passed away in 1942, she left not only Polesden Lacey to the National Trust, but also her London home as well as their contents. A collection of over 9,000 items is now housed at Polesden Lacey. This new exhibition will throw a spotlight on twenty-five of the vivid Asian pieces in the collection, from books to ceramics to furniture.

Experiences and Conservation Manager Jonathan Marsh chose the pieces in conjunction with the National Trust's ceramic advisor and Polesden Lacey's curator. "We were very spoilt for choice, as there are 180 pieces of Asian art in our collection," says Jonathan. "We chose the pieces that are being featured as they show a range of materials and designs, as well as the wonderfully vibrant colours associated with this incredible continent."

The following is a preview of some of the pieces that will feature in this vivid exhibition.

Dogs of Fo (above right)

These 'dogs' are actually Chinese dragons, said to guard against evil spirits and demons. *Dogs of Fo* are popular in Chinese and Buddhist art, and this particular dog is only one of the eighteen in Polesden Lacey's collection.



Japanese art books (left)

These books are somewhat mysterious, as not much is yet known about them, apart from the fact that they probably date from the nineteenth century. They are incredibly delicate and feature stunning and rich prints on linen pages. The exhibition marks the very first time these books will be on display to the public.

Porcelain cricket cage incense burner

This unusual ornament was made in Hizen, Japan and features gourds hanging on a beehive shaped arbour. It was given to Maggie by Queen Mary as a Christmas gift in 1920, along with a note that said, "this may amuse you!"

Above two illustrations: NT Images Eddie Hyde

LOCAL MUSIC EVENTS – February 2018

Compiled by Ian Codd

3rd at 12.00, lunchtime recital at St Martin's church, free, 01306 884229
4th at 3.00, Sacconi string quartet, £20, 01306 740619
6th 13th 20th 27th at 8.30, Watermill Jazz, Betchworth Pk Golf Club, 07415 815784
7th at 7.15, opera screening at Dorking Halls, £18, 01306 881717
8th at 7.30, ballet screening at Dorking Halls, £17.50, 01306 881717
10th at 5.00, Dorking Chamber Orchestra at St Nicolas' church, Gt Bookham, £15
10th at 5.00, opera screening at Dorking Halls, £18.50, 01306 881717
11th at 2.00, opera screening at Dorking Halls, £18, 01306 881717
24th at 5.30, opera screening at Dorking Halls, £18.50, 01306 881717
24th at 7.30, Surrey Phil. Orch. at St John's School, Leatherhead, £14, 01372 275907
25th at 3.00, Sacconi string quartet, £20, 01306 740619
28th at 7.15, ballet screening at Dorking Halls, £18, 01306 881717

February sees two concerts given in Dorking by the excellent Sacconi string quartet. Their two programmes will cover a wide range of music for string quartet, from Mozart and Beethoven to a short minimalist piece by the American Philip Glass. They will also play Debussy's lovely atmospheric quartet and Dvořák's *quartet in G*, one of his finest chamber pieces, characteristically tuneful, inventive and exuberant. This series of quartet concerts is presented by the Dorking Concertgoers and the third concert will follow in March.

The Dorking Chamber Orchestra, playing in Great Bookham under their conductor Andrew Morley, has a programme featuring Bach, Vivaldi and Haydn. They will play Bach's first suite and his *Brandenburg concerto no.6*, together with *Winter* from Vivaldi's *Four Seasons*. They will also be joined by Joseph Pritchard to play Haydn's *cello concerto in C*.

The Surrey Philharmonic Orchestra, playing in Leatherhead, has a programme focussing on Beethoven. The orchestra will play his first symphony and will be joined by Ursula Perks as the soloist in his fourth piano concerto. The programme will be completed by George Butterworth's short rhapsody '*The banks of green willow*'.

There are several screenings of opera and ballet at the Dorking Halls this month. *Tosca*, a highly dramatic story of love and passion, with some of Puccini's most powerful music, can be seen live from the Royal Opera (7th) and repeated in a recording (11th). There are two live broadcasts from the Met in New York: Donizetti's delightful comic opera *The Elixir of Love* (10th) and Puccini's ever-popular *La Bohème* (24th). From the Royal Ballet you can see *The Lady of the Camellias*, with music by Chopin (8th), and *The Winter's Tale*, based on Shakespeare and with music by Joby Talbot (28th).

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LOCAL MUSIC EVENTS – February 2018 (Continuation)



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6th February, Yazz Ahmed's Hafila Band

Trumpeter Yazz Ahmed's music blurs the lines between jazz, electronic sound design and the music of her Bahraini heritage. It has been described as 'psychedelic Arabic jazz, intoxicating and compelling'. yazzahmed.com

13th February, Art Themen's New Directions Quintet

Award winning Art Themen (right), who toured the world fronting Stan Tracey's quartet for 20 years, formed this new band to showcase some of jazz's lesser known pieces of music from composers such as Monk, Mingus and Dexter Gordon, bringing musicality to material that you wouldn't normally hear.



20th February, Clark Tracey Big Band

Stan Tracey CBE, who passed away at the end of 2013, would have been 90 last December and to celebrate, his son Clark (left) has been touring with three of Stan's groups featuring many of the original members. Clark himself is celebrating his 40th year in jazz in 2018 and has just released a

biography on his father entitled 'The Godfather of British Jazz'.
www.clarktracey.com

27th February, Geoff Simkins, Nikki Iles, Dave Green

Sax player Geoff Simkins has always enjoyed making music as part of a small, acoustic group, and once said that he regards a sextet as a dangerously large crowd! This trio, with the creative and inspirational players – Nikki Iles and Dave Green - is a perfect setting for exciting, informal and improvised interplay.



WHAT'S ON – February 2018

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4 th Feb	Parish Communion	9.30am	St Mary's
11 th Feb	BCP Communion	8.00am	St Mary's
11 th Feb	Joint Family Communion	9.30am	St Mary's
14th Feb	United Benefice Communion (Ash Wednesday) *10am for 10.30am	10.30am*	St Andrew's
18 th Feb	BCP Communion	8.00am	St Peter's
18th Feb	Informal Family Communion	9.30am	St Andrew's
18 th Feb	Parish Communion	9.30am	St Mary's
25 th Feb	BCP Communion	8.00am	St Mary's
25th Feb	Morning Praise	9.30am	St Andrew's
25 th Feb	Family Communion	9.30am	St Mary's
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4th Mar	Contemporary Worship	9.30am	St Andrew's
4 th Mar	Parish Communion	9.30am	St Mary's
11 th Mar	BCP Communion	8.00am	St Mary's
11 th Mar	Mothering Sunday Communion	9.30am	St Mary's
18 th Mar	BCP Communion	8.00am	St Peter's
18th Mar	Informal Family Communion	9.30am	St Andrew's
18 th Mar	Parish Communion	9.30am	St Mary's
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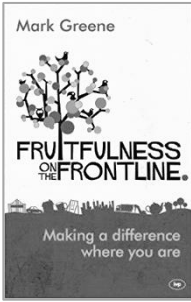
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or the notice boards in the two churches for any later information.



Fruitfulness

Submitted by **Charlie Holme**

This is the third in a series of six real life stories from the book called ***Fruitfulness on the Frontline*** by Mark Greene. The subtitle explains Frontline – ‘*Making a difference where you are.*’ The words in these articles are mostly the author’s.

This is my Father’s glory, that you bear much fruit, showing yourselves to be my disciples. John 15.8

Truth and Justice

(This is a true story of Matt, a Christian, Jane and a Senior Lecturer)

It is an ordinary day at the college. Matt is sitting in one of the regular seminars. Seminars are different from lectures. In seminars students discuss their ideas with the Senior Lecturer, in this case about democracy. There are 12 others including Jane. The Senior Lecturer starts the discussion and invites students to present their preparation on democracy. When Jane starts to present her ideas, the Senior Lecturer cuts her off - abruptly. She is annoyed and a bit confused. The Senior Lecturer talks a bit and the seminar continues, with other students coming in with their thoughts. Jane is silent during this time. Towards the end, the Senior Lecturer publicly reprimands Jane for not being prepared. Whereas in fact he had not given her the chance to speak. Jane is embarrassed, very upset and keeps silent. Matt notices all this.

After the seminar, Matt sympathises with Jane and says he will speak to the Senior Lecturer. But on reflection Matt realises he does not know what to say. He knows the Senior Lecturer is very clever with words, forceful and eloquent, who has amply demonstrated how he likes the sound of his own voice during the seminar. And to make things worse, this Senior Lecturer will mark Matts exam papers for his qualification.

Matt prayed and went to see the Senior Lecturer. He told him what had happened and the effect he had had on Jane. To Matts surprise the Senior Lecturer said he had not realised and he would write to Jane and apologise, which he did.

I would like to say that when she got the letter, Jane in gratitude ran through the corridors of the college, flung her arms around Matt, offered him wealth, romance and undying love, married him in the spring and they lived happily ever after! But that did not happen.

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Fruitfulness: Truth and Justice (Continuation)

Let me summarise this story:

However difficult, Matt spoke out even though he was speaking to someone in authority who was in a position of power. He spoke out about the truth of what had happened. He spoke out for justice and fairness. He used his blessings to help someone else who was being victimised. He brought Godliness into his frontline, at the College.



Letter from the Rector

Theologians talk about the General Revelation where we see God's fingerprints in this amazing world. So, when your breath is taken away by an amazing view, or a piece of music pierces your soul, or you are overwhelmed with love for another, or justice is achieved after a long struggle... then we feel like Creatures made in the image of the Creator.

But there is also Special Revelation in which God shows himself to us in astonishing vulnerability and invites us to connect with Him personally. If you were to tell me you were looking for God, I would say to you "Well have you looked at Jesus?" You see there is no one like Him. If you really want to know what God is like – just look at Jesus.

In him we see God Almighty coming down to our level, the Creator entering his Creation. Martin Luther called it accommodation – like an adult getting down to the level of a tiny child and speaking in a way they can understand. This is Special Revelation.

In 2018 my prayer is that living as we do in an Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty we would enjoy lots of General Revelation and give thanks to our Creator for it, but also that we would turn our hearts and minds to Jesus, perhaps read one of the Gospels afresh, make some time to pray... and see what happens!

Very best wishes and blessings,

Revd Harry Latham

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PRIZE WORD GAME – 2 x £10 Prizes to be won!!

Thanks to all those who submitted answers for Word Game 70. There were 35 entries of which 22 contained all correct answers. Good to see so many entrants, but some of the answers proved a little tricky. If you didn't get the answers we were looking for, maybe next time. Don't forget, you need to be "in it to win it".

Game 70 answers: TRUMP (**CARD**) GAMES, ART (**DECO**) ORNAMENTS, DUCK (**EGG**) MAYONNAISE, ARTIFICIAL (**FUR**) COAT, CHICKEN (**LIVER**) PATE, TABLE (**MOUNTAIN**) RANGE, WOODEN (**SPOON**) FED, CASTER (**SUGAR**) ICING, STICKY (**TOFFEE**) PUDDING, BROKEN (**TOOTH**) FAIRY

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Correct answers were also received from: Val Brayer, Elizabeth Brodie, Judie Brookes, Alison Brown, Monica Carter, Wendy Clarke, Pat Edgar, Shelley Good, Carole Harradence, Brian Jones, Tony Kennard, Iris MacLennan, Ann Marshall, Mavis Mawdsley, Wendy Morgan, June Quinlan, Sheila Read and Heather White. **Well done everyone!** Sorry you aren't winners this time around – but please do keep trying!

Word Game No. 71 – 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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