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Seeking your views

How does being a space tourist appeal to you? I must admit I'm with Prince William, who has said recently that he believes we should be doing all we can in 'trying to repair this planet, not trying to find the next place to go and live'. Whether our interest is in space travel or our spiritual hope in heaven, that is no excuse for neglecting the world in which we live now.

Prince William is clearly committed to care for the environment, as are so many of us. There was plenty of interest in the recent Eco Fair, but it's tempting to feel we'll never make that much difference to the major problems our planet faces. After a quick burst of enthusiasm we so easily slip back into thinking it's too much effort or assuming our voices won't really be heard.

Elaine Corbett, our new lay reader, made a powerful point in a recent sermon at St Michael's: the opposite of love is not hate, but rather apathy and indifference. That relates to our concern for the planet but also to care for people and relationships.

It's often said that Amberley is a wonderful community. But it's also a place where many of us are very busy with our own activities, families and commitments. I wonder if these can sometimes get in the way of our doing all we can as a caring community.

Of course there is AGNES, coordinating transport or other needs, and the Welfare Trust can help specifically with matters related to health and welfare. During the Covid lockdowns some great neighbourly caring went on, and now seems to be the time to take this further.

We don't know how the health situation will go in coming months. What we do know is that winter is ahead just as heating bills and other costs are rising fast. This will be a tough time financially for many people wherever they live. Let's be clear: beautiful views and village life do nothing to



The Revd Gerry Burgess

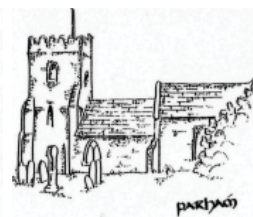
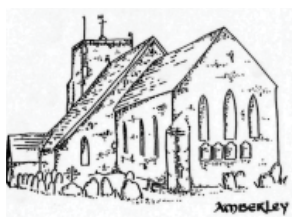
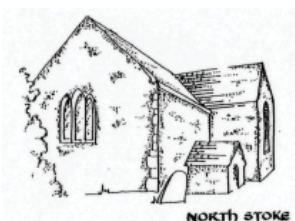
eliminate the anxiety and pressure which money worries can bring, and a sudden expense can cause a real crisis.

There are moves afoot to set up a mutual support fund which is local and can respond quickly to financial needs. The Parish Council, Welfare Trust and St Michael's Church are working together to get this underway as a whole village initiative. That means the fund will be there for all residents of Amberley parish, whatever your age and wherever you live (including Houghton Bridge and North Stoke). It will, of course, operate with utmost discretion and care for confidentiality. Details are yet to be worked out but will soon be posted on Listserve and delivered by hand to all homes in Amberley parish.

Any of us may need support at times, yet at other times be able to contribute. We older folk may receive winter fuel payments which we could spare and share with others who are really stretched. There are many ideas. What we can all do at this stage, and what we invite you to do, is to get in touch with your views and suggestions, so that together we work out the best way forward. We want this to be something appropriate and local which we can do as a practical way of loving and supporting our neighbours.

Please do call me on (01798) 831 600 or send an e-mail to revgerryburgess@gmail.com with your ideas or comments.

**The Revd Gerry Burgess
Priest-in-Charge**



NOVEMBER SERVICES & BIBLE READINGS

We ask that you continue to wear face covering in church if possible and to respect social distancing. Some services may continue to be held outdoors in fine weather. Please come prepared for all options!

We are likely to resume some online services for the winter, both live streamed and by Zoom.

The best way to keep up to date is by asking to be added to the church weekly e-mail list: please contact Revd Gerry.

SUNDAY, 7th NOVEMBER 3 BEFORE ADVENT GREEN ARRAY

9.15am	Holy Communion	Parham
11.00am	Holy Communion	Amberley
3.00pm	Evensong	Wiggonholt

THURSDAY, 11th NOVEMBER

10.45am	School Act of Remembrance at the War Memorial	Amberley
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SUNDAY, 14th NOVEMBER REMEMBRANCE RED ARRAY

9.00am	Holy Communion with Act of Remembrance	Greatham
10.45am	Remembrance Service at the War Memorial	Amberley

SUNDAY, 21st NOVEMBER CHRIST THE KING WHITE ARRAY

9.15am	Holy Communion	Wiggonholt
11.00am	Holy Communion	Amberley
3.00pm	Evensong	Parham

SUNDAY, 28th NOVEMBER ADVENT 1 PURPLE ARRAY

9.00am	Matins	Greatham
11.00am	Holy Communion	Amberley

SUNDAY, 5th DECEMBER ADVENT 2 PURPLE ARRAY

9.15am	Holy Communion	Parham
11.00am	Holy Communion	Amberley
3.00pm	Advent Service	Wiggonholt

Wednesday mornings at 9.30am: A quiet time of prayer using a variety of styles

FIRST Wednesday each month: Holy Communion at Amberley, followed by coffee.

LAST Wednesday each month: 9.30am Morning Prayer at Wiggonholt. All other weeks: 9.30am Morning Prayer at Amberley

BIBLE READINGS

Sunday, 7th November

*Psalm 62.5-12; Hebrews 9.24-28;
Mark 1.14-20*

Sunday, 14th November Readings tbc

Sunday, 21st November

Psalm 93; Daniel 7.9-10, 13-14; John 18.33-37

Sunday, 28th November

Psalm 25.1-10; Jeremiah 33.14-16; Luke 21.25-36

Sunday, 5th December

Psalm 80.1-7; Malachi 3.1-4; Luke 3.1-6



Baptisms, Weddings, Funerals

Baptisms, weddings and funerals can all be held in our churches and Revd Gerry Burgess welcomes your enquiries. Please get in touch (01798 831600) with your requests and to check the current situation regarding any restrictions.

Baptisms

Babies or children of any age may be baptised after a preparatory meeting with the parents. Baptisms may be held during a regular service at any of our churches, or at a separate time by arrangement.



Weddings



To marry in church you need a connection to the parish, through family, by living in the parish, or by attending church here for six months. Weddings can be on Saturdays or other days by arrangement. Please get in touch well in advance to discuss the legal requirements and to arrange a date.

Funerals

Funerals usually arise with little warning, but Revd Gerry Burgess will do all possible to support you at this difficult time with arrangements for a service at church or crematorium, burial in the churchyard or burial of ashes at a later date. Anyone who lives in a parish has the right to burial there, and this is often possible for others with strong local connections.



CHURCH NEWS

**REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY: 14th November**

All are welcome to join in the services that day, coming prepared for the weather (or if in church, wearing face covering).

9.00am Greatham: Act of Remembrance will be during the Communion service in church.

10.45am Amberley: Remembrance service will be held at the War Memorial in St Michael's churchyard. All are welcome to this short outdoor ceremony.

There will also be a short Act of Remembrance at **11am on Thursday 11th November** at the War Memorial for Amberley School children. Others are welcome to attend.

From the Parish Registers

Baptism

Rollo Patrick Linden Sheridan, son of Charlotte (nee Bradley) and Lanto Sheriden, and great grandson of Margot Edgcumbe, at Amberley (9th October)

100 years of red poppies

Amid the mud, blood and carnage of trench warfare in World War 1, tens of thousands of bright red poppies grew, marking the graves of the fallen. This led John McCrae, a Canadian army physician who had lost a colleague, to write *In Flanders Fields*:

In Flanders fields, the poppies blow

Between the crosses, row on row

That mark our place, and in the sky

The larks, still bravely singing, fly.

This image inspired the adoption of a red poppy as the symbol of all soldiers who had died in conflict. Exactly 100 years ago, on the 11th Nov 1921, poppies of remembrance were sold for the first time in British and Commonwealth countries. Hostilities had actually ceased three years earlier at the 11th hour of the 11th day of the 11th month.

This year, on the 14th November, which is the nearest Sunday, a two-minutes silence will be kept at war memorials throughout the country, and at the national ceremony at the Cenotaph in London's Whitehall.

Around 30 million poppies are sold each year in the UK by the Royal British Legion. All the proceeds are used to provide serving and ex-service personnel with financial support, advice, employment, mobility, housing and mental health facilities.

Today we are more aware than ever that battles are fought mainly by young people, and many of those who survive bear scars for life. The act of 'remembering' will not only look back to mark their sacrifice, but also yearn to learn lessons for the future.



Harvest gifts were distributed to those in the community who are on their own or find it hard to get out.

Eco Fair success

On the eve of the Earthshot Prize announcement and with the UN Climate Change conference (COP26) about to take place in Glasgow, it seems everyone's mind is turning to Green matters. And so it was in Amberley on Saturday, October 16, as St Michael's Church hosted the first Amberley Eco-Fair.

But we chose this moment to hold our Fair not because of events on the world stage but to celebrate the imminent confirmation of our Bronze Eco Church award from A Rocha UK, whose Eco Church project helps churches develop their care for God's earth in all aspects of church life. Having submitted a wide-ranging questionnaire covering buildings and land use, worship and teaching, lifestyle and community commitment for A Rocha's scrutiny, we are delighted to have scored highly enough to earn a Bronze award at the first attempt. For more information about A Rocha UK, go to www.ecochurch.arochoa.org.uk.

The Eco Fair was an opportunity to showcase and celebrate the eco-friendly initiatives going on in our village as well as to invite some green organisations from a little further afield to share their ideas with us. Fair Trade refreshments from Traidcraft were on offer, along with a display of their ethical products available online.

Just about everyone we asked was keen to be involved. Ron from Sussex Green Living came along to explain all things 'recycling', alongside our own Amberley Recycling Team (ART) of Hazel Allinson, Sue Haynes and Cathy Briggs who demonstrated all that they have to do with the items we put in their bins and boxes on Recycling Fridays. It involves a lot of folding, flattening, cleaning and sorting.

Leigh Cresswell and son Ellis came, suitably kitted out in sting-proof bee suits, to talk about bee-keeping and offering delicious tasters of the honey they harvest from their hives. Our resident Tree and Pond Warden, Pam Keeble, described her role by way of posters and some beautiful photographs she



Above: environmentalist Paul Hannam pictured with Mel Edge (left) and Ros Simpson. Left: Lee Stace from Amberley Village Stores. Below: Leigh Cresswell and son Ellis



took at a recent pond maintenance session on what looked like a glorious autumn afternoon. She, like her neighbour at the fair, Richard Robinson, who'd come to showcase St Michael's wonderful wildflower churchyard, were keen to sign up volunteers to help when it's time to roll the sleeves up for some serious maintenance work. Sarah Wheeler provided information about energy use and greener heating options.

Glenys Rowe, with occasional support from some young helpers, displayed a whole host of photographs showing off the wonderful outdoor Nature Space at Amberley Primary School, opened in November 2019 by Parham's Lady Emma Barnard. Glenys has pioneered this project which comprises a raised bed for each class, in which the pupils can decide what to grow, be it organic vegetables, herbs or other plants relating to their current studies. Children also applied themselves to the problem of what to do with our churchyard tree stump, producing some interesting ideas and sketches for a seat, some planting and a place for quiet reflection.

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Lee Stace, familiar to all who shop at Amberley Stores, displayed a stunning array of local produce along with carefully calculated statistics showing the relative carbon footprint of buying close to home. You could potentially, he says, save 450kg of greenhouse gas emissions just by buying your milk, bread, cheese, eggs and beer from Amberley Stores rather than a supermarket.

From beyond our village came Huw Morgan from the Sussex Wildlife Trust, with news of their wonderful Nature Reserves and all their amazing education and community proj-



Recycling advice on Sussex Green Living's stand



Above (left): Huw Morgan, of Sussex Wildlife Trust, with Mel Edge. Above (right): Paul Hannam pictured with Viv Doussy

ects that reach out on behalf of Nature to all age groups across Sussex.

Perhaps the icing on our eco cake was a visit from the renowned author, speaker and environmentalist Paul Hannam who, with colleague Viv Doussy, came to talk about 'Your Better Nature', their UN affiliated discussion programme tackling the behavioural change that needs to take place to prevent climate breakdown and environmental collapse. Important stuff – go to www.your-betternature.com to learn more.

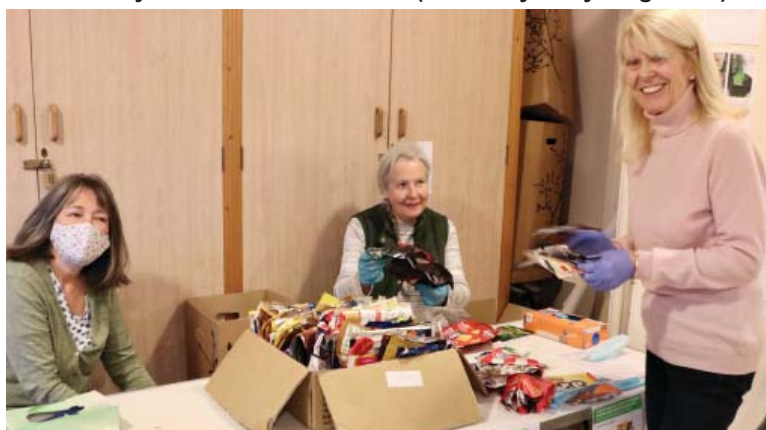
And the people came. Despite the rain, there was a steady buzz of animated conversation throughout the whole morning. The Eco Fair gave visitors plenty to think about. As our Priest-in-Charge Gerry Burgess put it: "It was exciting to see so much that is already going on. I hope we are going away inspired with clearer ideas about which steps, large or small, we can take in order that working together we can make Amberley greener." She added: "May we as village and church communities play a part ever more effectively in looking after our planet, its people and all its species which God has given us responsibility to care for."

The Amberley Eco Fair was conceived, planned and organised by St Michael's Church and PEG (Parish Engagement Group) of St Michael's PCC.

Ros Simpson



Above: the Peddar family. Below (from left to right): Cathy Briggs, Sue Haynes and Hazel Allinson (Amberley Recycling Team)



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PEOPLE & EVENTS

Our congratulations...



To **Lee Stace** and **Caroline Jones** (pictured above, left) who were married at Edes House in Chichester in the summer. Both Lee and Caroline work at Amberley Village Stores. And to **Lee Forbes** and **Sophie Cooper** (pictured above, right), who were married at St Michael's Church, Amberley, in September. Lee and Sophie run The Sportsman Inn at Crossgates, where the reception was held. We wish both couples every happiness.

Our best wishes...

To **Colin Woods**, maestro of Amberley Village Stores, whose long-awaited hip replacement operation is now scheduled for November 5. We wish him a speedy recovery and look forward to seeing him back in harness before too long. And to **Peggy Dalmon**, former owner of the village shop, who is currently in St Richard's Hospital. We are looking forward to welcoming her home soon.

Our condolences...

To **Kate Losty** and daughters **Elle** and **Cat** on the loss of **Jerry**, who died suddenly last month. There will be a service of Thanksgiving at St Michael's Church sometime during November. Details to be announced on Listserve.

Coffee morning total tops £2,000

The annual Macmillan Coffee Morning held at the end of September in the courtyard of Oak Tree House raised a record £2,035.50.

Congratulations to all concerned – and heartfelt thanks to all those who supported this year's event.

Bonfire night fundraiser

We know this is a difficult time and bonfire night is not for everyone. However, with scaffolding wrapping Parham's St Peter's Church tower in order to repair crumbling stonework, and Horsham stone tiles slipping off the roof, we want to try to have some fun with a raffle, barbecue, lots of veggie quiches and hot veggie soups in our barn at the Old Rectory, Rackham, on Friday, November 5, at around 6pm.

Any donations will be welcome and we hope you will join us. It is liable to be wet and muddy outside – do bring chairs and we will be well away from the bonfire as that has been growing in the field behind a large gate and fence.

EA and Nigel Draffan

Concert in aid of St Michael's

The first concert in St Michael's Church for almost two years is scheduled to take place on Saturday, November 27 at 7.30pm, with the welcome return of the Singing Salon.

The varied programme includes works by Verdi, Mozart, Purcell, Straus, Gilbert and Sullivan and Bernstein.

Tickets cost £15 and include a glass of Prosecco and smoked salmon sandwiches in the interval. They are on sale at Amberley Village Stores and are also available from Melanie Edge, Hazel Allinson and Ros Simpson. The concert is in aid of St Michael's Church.

Curry nights resume at the G&D

The George and Dragon at Houghton is re-introducing its popular weekly curry nights, starting on Friday, November 5. Their delicious home-made curries – a choice of chicken tikka masala or cauliflower dopiazo – are served with basmati rice, naan bread, onion bhaji, poppadum and mango chutney.

Come and Meet Each Other

This month's meeting of CAMEO (Come and Meet Each Other) is on Tuesday, November 9, in St Michael's Church Hall. All welcome – if you would like to attend RSVP Hazel on (01798) 831 159 or e-mail hazel.allinson@btinternet.com

Sharp rise in Covid cases

There has been a surge in Covid-19 infections across Amberley, Storrington and Pulborough. In September numbers soared to more than 700 per 100,000 population, almost double last winter's peak and exceeded only by Billingshurst with around 1,100 cases per 100,000.

Residents are urged to book their Covid-19 vaccinations and booster jabs.



Open Door Advent Calendar

Last month when it was actually a bit too early, I wrote an invitation to the people of Amberley to open their doors in December, as they had in previous years, to create a living Advent Calendar. As December approaches I do hope you have had a chance to think about this and come up with some good ideas!

So far we have the following events and dates:

Friday, December 3: at 6.30 you are invited to Cava, canapés and chat by candlelight at Downsland, Turnpike Road – hosts Malcolm and Sue Pheasey

Monday, December 6: the Amberley Poetry Group invites people to High View at 4pm to bring and share Christmas and other festive poems. Children are welcome to bring poems they have written or chosen themselves and all will enjoy seasonal refreshments – hosts Cyndy and Steve Kennett

Monday, December 14: Jacqui Feakins invites you to the church hall in the morning to learn how to make Christmas wreaths if you are new to this, or to rediscover the skills you acquired in earlier years. There will be a cost for the materials at this event.

Sunday, December 19: 4pm the annual Carol Service will be held in the church in the afternoon

Friday, December 24: the procession through the village to the Crib.

Also promised is a display of vintage cars; details in due course.

Further information regarding any contribution for materials or limitation on numbers, as well as addresses and telephone numbers, will be shared when the calendar is complete.

As you see there are many days left if you would like to open your door. I look forward to hearing from you soon so that all details may be published in the December issue of the *Wildbrooks Parish Magazine*. I will be coordinating the events to ensure no clashes – just contact me at suepheasey6@gmail.com or call (01798) 839046.

Last year it was not possible to open our doors but many people decorated their windows to maintain the community spirit of Christmas. This was a delightful way of celebrating and should you be reluctant to visit or be visited perhaps you would like to create a window this year. Again, I will publicise your contribution.

Alternatively, if you would rather visit, then look out for details of the calendar which will be in the parish magazine, distributed by Listserve and displayed on village noticeboards

Please contact me as above with your ideas for your open door and with up to a possible three dates so that the best combination of activities can be arranged. If this is the first



time you are opening your door here are a few tips on planning: state if you need a contribution towards materials eg for crafting; if you need to limit numbers due to space restrictions and/or if you are planning to offer food and drink do ask people to let you know they are coming.

I look forward to hearing from you.
Downsland, Turnpike Road

Sue Pheasey

Send season's greetings via The Wildbrooks Magazine

You know it makes sense. Instead of traipsing round the streets delivering Christmas cards to friends and neighbours, why not save time and money by taking advantage of the *The Wildbrooks Magazine's* popular 'Season's Greetings' section? Since its introduction eight years ago, it has proved a real success. It not only cuts down on the cost of cards, but also time and shoe leather!

Most households in the four parishes read the magazine, so your message will be seen by friends and most of your neighbours. For a minimum donation of £10 (you can, of course, be more generous) to any of the Wildbrooks Churches (specify which one you wish to support), you can display your Christmas and New Year greetings in a personalised message panel, with up to 35-40 words.



To reserve space, send your Christmas message to mike@brooklandsamberley.com or mail/deliver it to Brooklands, East Street, BN18 9NN.

The deadline for inclusion in the December issue is November 15. This is also an opportunity to make a modest donation to one of the Wildbrooks Churches during the season of goodwill.

*To mark the return of events to St Michael's
Gala Concert by*

Singing Salon

*Saturday 27th November, 7.30 pm
St Michael's Church, Amberley*



Glorious music by Verdi, Mozart, Purcell, J. Strauss, G&S and Bernstein. 'Singing Salon', has been a regular feature at The Royal Pavilion, Brighton for the last five years and will be performing there again in May 2022.

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School report

The Arun Villages Federation, which includes Amberley CE Primary School and St James' CE Primary School, Coldwaltham, continues to develop and grow. At the start of the autumn term, more children were attending the two schools across our federation than ever before in the long history of the two schools.

Both schools are rated good by Ofsted and we continue to work hard to become even better and to deliver an inspirational education to our children in a safe and very welcoming environment.

The wonderful Friends of Amberley School (FASA) have funded the installation of a fantastic outdoor learning space, which adds to our beautiful Nature Space to give the school the very best outdoor learning facility in Sussex.

At St James', Coldwaltham, the school received an incredibly generous donation in the will of a former resident of the village, which will fund a new detached classroom to accommodate the growing number of pupils there.

Both schools had an excellent start to the autumn term and after the disruptions of the past 18 months, a reasonable normality has been established. Our new executive head teacher, Mrs Lizzie Martin, has established an experienced and energetic leadership team and the staff are all working together effectively across the two schools.

A new set of values has been agreed for the federation and the children have been brilliant in their understanding and commitment to:

Respect - Kindness - Honesty - Positivity - Teamwork

We are now seeing clearly the benefits of federation with skilled staff working across the two schools and joint staff development and training. The schools are managed well and very good use is made of our funding.

The Arun Villages Federation has a bright future.

Ray Jackson

Chair of Governors, The Arun Villages Federation

Time to apply for school places

Parents and carers of children starting school in September 2022 can now apply. Applications for primary and infant school places are now open and close on January 15, 2022. Children born between September 1, 2017 and August 31, 2018, are eligible to start school next September. County council staff are available to help parents and carers through the admissions process. Telephone 033 301 42903 or e-mail the south admissions team: admissions.south@westsussex.gov.uk



Amberley Primary School's latest addition to its outdoor learning facilities

Project funded by FASA

Despite all the Covid restrictions during the last 18 months, the Friends of Amberley School Association (FASA) raised over £4,000 to support outdoor learning at Amberley.

The latest venture was the creation of the Two Circles Natural Structure project by acclaimed artists Mark and Rebecca Ford, who live at Slindon. Two Circles work in education and art settings to create beautiful, sculptural structures from natural materials.

Towards the end of the summer term, each class took part in a creative workshop with Mark and Rebecca to generate design ideas based on natural forms.

The School Eco Council brought these ideas together into a final design, which Two Circles built during the summer holiday.

The finished structure is available for the children to explore every play time for years to come, and is big enough for teachers to lead group learning sessions inside.

Rebecca Beveridge, who recently stood down as FASA's chairperson, expressed her thanks to everyone involved, and those who supported its fundraising efforts, which enabled FASA to fund this latest project in its entirety.



Concern about the discharge of raw sewage into the sea

You may have heard an item on Radio 4's *Today* programme recently about the widespread dumping of sewage into rivers and the sea. It is especially serious in the South East of England, where Southern Water has been serial offender, and was recently fined £90 million for these untreated sewage discharges. Southend beach was closed due to contamination with sewage, and the problem apparently stretches from the Thames Estuary as far as Lyme Regis.

A friend who was swimming recently off the Witterings saw faecal matter and toilet paper in the sea where she was swimming, and she was ill for days afterwards. The tidal part of the River Arun is also likely to be affected, as this sewage washes in and out on the tide, so those who enjoy wild swimming should be very cautious.

When we were in the EU, these sewage discharges were prohibited except in an emergency, but they are now commonplace. Our government seems to be failing in enforcing the standards that were previously enforced by the EU, and the recent vote in Parliament to reject a Lords Amendment which would have prohibited water companies from discharging untreated sewage into the sea and rivers was defeated.

I intend to write to our MP, Andrew Griffith, to ask him why this situation is being tolerated, and why he voted against the amendment. This country used to be known as the "dirty man of Europe", and it must not slide back into that situation again.

If you are concerned about these discharges of raw sewage, I suggest that you also write to our MP. I will be doing so as a concerned resident and constituent, not as a representative of the Parish Council.

Geoff Uren

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Village pond benefits from a little TLC

The village pond was definitely in need of some TLC prompting eleven volunteers last month to converge for action.

It was apparent that we had to cut down the vegetation before we could begin to remove the roots of the plants that had encroached towards the middle of the pond. Richard Robinson was a dab hand at scything with his old-fashioned long scythe, while others used the smaller, modern ones as well as normal shears. Once that was accomplished it was a question of digging and pulling.

All the debris was deposited at the end of the pond to allow insects and other creatures to make their way back to the water. Three of us subsequently removed all of this. A third working party of four people, some days later, tidied up and removed some very large clumps of *Carex pendula*, a type of sedge.

It was the general consensus that the pond had badly silted up and needed dredging, so I enlisted the help of Olly Marchant-Lane, a new arrival in Amberley, who has a ground works business at Hardham. He kindly donated his time and machinery for the project. His men, Simon and son Tom, arrived



a few days later working both digger and dumper truck, and the results are fantastic. By next spring, when plants reawaken, it will look extremely good and, more importantly, the pond has been prevented from silting up.

I would like to thank everyone so much for giving up their precious time to help, as well as to those who donated funds. A very satisfying job done.

Pam Keeble

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Museum celebrates 007 filming

Amberley Museum's recent James Bond weekend to celebrate its starring role in the 1985 film *A View to a Kill* proved a great success. The film, the last to star Roger Moore as 007, was partly shot at the museum.

The scenes leading to the blowing up of May Day, played by Grace Jones, were filmed at the entrance of a quarry tunnel near the museum's 'Brockham Station', which appeared as 'Main Strike Mine' in the film. The original Zorin Industries' locomotive and trucks (pictured above) that featured in *A View to a Kill* ran in and out of the 'mine' entrance during the weekend.

There were also appearances by stuntman and actor Derek Lyons, a display of Aston Martins, a children's code-breaking trail, films and music. Excerpts from the film were shown as well as archive footage of the filming at Amberley and a BBC interview with Roger Moore on the set at the museum in 1985.

The weekend was timed perfectly just prior to the release of *No Time to Die*, the latest Bond film.

● Amberley Museum's popular Father Christmas visits are already sold-out but people can still visit during the first three weekends in December for Christmas activities and crafts. In November, January and February it will be open on Wednesdays, Saturdays and Sundays (re-opening on January 12 after the Christmas closure).

September rainfall

Despite a downpour or two at the end of the month, September's rainfall was almost exactly the same as that in August – 49.2mm as opposed to 49.4mm (a fraction under 2in). There were 13 wet or damp days, and 17 dry. Last year's figure was slightly less at 30.9mm (1¼in).

Figures compiled by Peter Daughtrey

AMBERLEY PARISH TRUST

ANNUAL REPORT 2020/21

1. The Trust exists to enable the provision of a village shop and post office. We do this through the vehicle of Amberley Shop Properties Ltd, a company wholly-owned by the Trust, which has a 999-year lease of the shop premises. These are in turn leased to Mr Colin Woods who runs the shop and Post Office as an independent business.

2. Trust income comprises rental from the shop and returns from an investment fund, the latter established through the generosity of local donors and a significant bequest from the late Bill Smith, a life-long resident. In the year ending 31st March 2021 Amberley Shop Properties Ltd, made an overall loss before tax of £12,711 (Compared to a £3,758 profit in 2019/20). This loss reflects the package of support the Trust has given the shop, ensuring its continued operation and survival through the pandemic. These measures during the reported period, amounted to a Pandemic response grant of £13,000, 12 months suspension of rent payments costing £2,883, and an ongoing Post office subsidy of £2,640.

3. On the 31st March 2021 shareholder's funds (ie funds owned by the Trust), amounted to £511,919 compared to £415,26 the previous year, the increase being due to rises in the value of the investment portfolio. This figure includes cash and investments (at then current valuation) totalling £410,238 (£313,594 in 2019/20, £356,518 in 2018/19). We are very fortunate to have this substantial reserve to continually support our task, especially so in the extraordinary circumstances forced upon the shop by the COVID19 pandemic.

4. It is vital that the Shop and Post office remain commercially viable. This can only be achieved if we as a community support them, by whenever possible, using them. We wish to thank Colin Woods and his team for all their efforts in providing such excellent service to the Village, especially during such challenging times.

5. The Trust wishes to record its appreciation for the contribution made by Roger Townsend, who stepped down in October 2020, having chaired the Trust for the last 14 years. He must take much of the credit for the strong financial position that the Trust now enjoys. At the 31st March 2021, the trustees were Mr T Ashby, Mrs A Garrity, Mr P Greenwood, Mr S Hoy, Mrs M Tolson and Mr D Vokins. Mrs S Conlon was secretary to both the company and the Trust. All are unpaid volunteers.

6. Retailing has many challenges but real opportunities as well, and the Trust sees its role to encourage wherever possible the enhancement and development of the shop as an asset to the Village.

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Motoring Memories

David Stedman's fascination for "good lookers" over the years directly led to his acquisition from Amberley's Geoff Uren of the Triumph TR3A (pictured), described by his family as a "mid-life crisis"

At my age, hopefully not !” Lockdown madness? Possibly... Love at first sight (though for a second time). Certainly!

If only, he says, he'd been able to hold on to each of his chosen beauties instead of having to trade each in for the next ! Ah, well....

My car addiction started, I guess, when I and my passenger climbed out through the empty sunshine roof space of my 1939 Vauxhall 12, on its side and facing south in the northbound carriageway of the A20 near Ashford. It was late at night and I was heading back to Folkestone from London and due on parade (National Service) at 9am the next morning. My dazed passenger, a friendly passing motorist facing something larger than the traditional hedgehog or badger, and I managed to set it back on to its wheels, and I drove back to base under the impression that cars and I were meant for each other !

Having survived that, I edged towards convertibles, and in Slinfold village, where I was then living, I was offered an MG TD which took me round all the local villages for cricket matches where I was regularly accompanied by the team's scorer who adored the car almost as much as me, and who abandoned her husband (the team's star off-spin bowler) to find his own way to most away matches, just for the delight of the wind in her hair!

An Austin A30 van, with all-round windows briefly followed, allowing me to move all of my sister's wedding presents from Slinfold to her new home in Warwickshire, before a Triumph TR2 caught my eye at a garage in Ashington, and thereafter I thought that its lines were those of the most perfect sports car imaginable.

Which led me to my first TR3A, in British racing green, and bought in 1963 only three years after the manufacture of my second "perfect" sports car, the current scarlet wonder pictured.

Between these two milestones in my motoring life (and largely because of the hugely attractive deal that my firm had with HMRC over the Partners' motoring expenses), I changed my cars regularly opting for vehicles whose immediate looks and lines appealed to me more than the intricate and complex machinery under the bonnet. So, every few years I made changes where the looks were crucial.

A Sunbeam Rapier with its pillarless windows was, I



David at the wheel of the TR3A acquired from Geoff Uren

thought then, about the 'coolest' sports saloon on the market; a metallic blue MGB that was to take us 1,300 miles to the Costa Blanca only for its pre-trip garage servicer to forget to replace any oil, the engine blowing up, and literally at the last minute all the travelling arrangements having to substitute a Fiat 500 Estate (a somewhat different concept). This was followed by a 1250cc Mini Cooper with an Austin badge on its radiator and a Morris badge on its boot; and then by two Volvo P1800 coupes (I was a fan of 'The Saint'); an Alfa Romeo 2000 GTV Coupe, leading to an urge for something a bit bigger which introduced me to the Jensen Interceptor of which I had three in a row.

The Chrysler 7250cc engines were absurdly fast, and the cars were ridiculously heavy, but that was a bonus when I'd stopped to help a Mini in trouble, parked on the roadside near Newpound, and watched a Ford Granada hit the back of my Jensen, turn over and write itself off, only denting the rear of my car and breaking a rear light.

A brief and unhappy interlude with a BMW 633 ended when I set fire to my home at Crossgates some 37 years ago, partially melting bits of the car (I'm not sure if any current residents will remember this rather dramatic incident) with another Interceptor as a replacement. The TV programme, *The Persuaders* attracted me to an Aston Martin DBS (same colour as Roger Moore's) before I was drawn to the Audi group with a Quattro Turbo that spoke to me and told me if I hadn't put the brake on, or if the lights were still on, and which was the fastest car that I've ever driven on a UK road – I daren't disclose the speed!

Next came a fun-filled Ford XRI Turbo and then another Jensen Interceptor, but this time a convertible, and which I think was probably the second most beautiful looking sports car, before I returned to a second Audi Quattro Turbo, that was incredibly adhesive on icy roads and hills. A short time in the quiet and sensible Daimler Jaguar saloon led to another Jensen Interceptor convertible, marking my sixth in all but this time the last.

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Miniaturised historic record: the model car collection, mostly in the correct livery, of the real thing owned by David over the years

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I succumbed somewhat turning to a Porsche 928S and which took me with the family to Spain where the ability to operate from a distance and anonymously the door unlocking key that also raised the flip-up headlights brought gasps from the watching Spanish children.

From there I moved to perhaps the third most beautiful car that I've owned, a BMW 635 CSI, a car loved by all the family.

Because our HMRC motoring expenses deal had ended by this time, I was forced to become more sensible, but still managed to acquire my first Mercedes, a 560SE, a lovely, extremely powerful pillarless window sports saloon (shades of the Sunbeam Rapier) with extending arms that picked up your seat belts and brought them out to you to fasten them, and finally a Mini One, a Mini Cooper, a Mercedes E280 saloon, a Nissan Bluebird 1800 GTS saloon, and my current three, another Mini One, a Rover 75 Connoisseur SE V6, and the star of the show, my scarlet TR3A beauty! When Geoff decide to pass this on, what chance did I have!

Fast Facts

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Beware: foxes about

Alex Dunlop, of North Street Farmhouse had a shock when she got home to find a fox had killed two of six of her hens in broad daylight. Much of the action seems to have happened inside the house in Hog Lane – hens were able to use the cat flap and probably ran inside for safety. However, there was a greater shock in store: she found the fox (pictured above) comfortably ensconced on her bed upstairs. According to a local vet daytime fox sightings are not that uncommon saying that foxes in London have had no natural predators for so long, they have no reason to avoid daylight, whereas rural foxes run the risk of being shot. Furthermore, these city foxes are being caught and released into the countryside and he thought this was possibly one such fox.

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Once upon a time we were terrified of tawny owls. They were a portent of evil in fairy tales, folklore and just about every scary story, film or poem that needed a creepy cliché. But in today's crowded marketplace of global pandemics, climate change and toilet roll shortages the owl's powers to scare us are fading.

Recently, it appears, this spokesman of the supernatural has got itself a new publicist. Its modern image is one of a cuddly pin-up, more Harry Potter than Hammer Horror.

But stand in the woods on a moonlit November night and listen for an unseen owl's ethereal call. It's an ancient, unnerving sound that still speaks to something buried deep within us and ignites a primeval fear.

The tawny owl is the largest and commonest of our island's five owl species typically nesting in holes in old trees in our remaining woodlands. But what is it about this bird that has given us the willies throughout history?

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Of course tawny owls really couldn't give two hoots about scaring us but throughout history these spectral calls have provided a soundtrack to our deepest fears. In a society which is becoming increasingly detached from nature it's time to get out into the woods this Halloween and allow ourselves to be unsettled once again by these mystical birds.

Michael Blencowe
Head of Community Action for Communities and Wildlife, Sussex Wildlife Trust

RECIPE

Pumpkin pie with nut topping

You need

12 oz pumpkin flesh
1 block of short crust pastry
3 oz golden caster sugar
3 oz maple syrup
10 fl oz double cream
1 tsp cinnamon
1 tsp vanilla essence
3 large eggs

Topping

2 oz butter
3½ oz light brown sugar
4 oz walnuts
1 tbsp maple syrup

Method

Cut pumpkin into quarters, remove pips and bake in oven for 45 minutes until soft. Roll out pastry and line in a 9-inch flan dish, bake until golden. Put pumpkin and other ingredients in blender or processor and whiz until well mixed; pour into flan dish and bake for 40 minutes until set.

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When pie is cooked, remove from oven, spread over nut mixture and bake for a further 10 minutes. **Valerie Myers**



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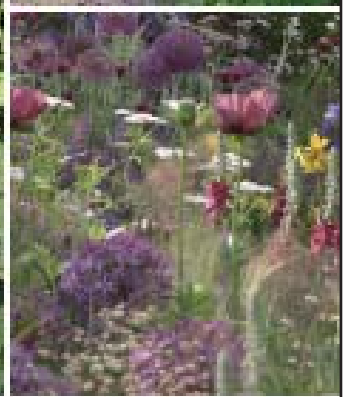
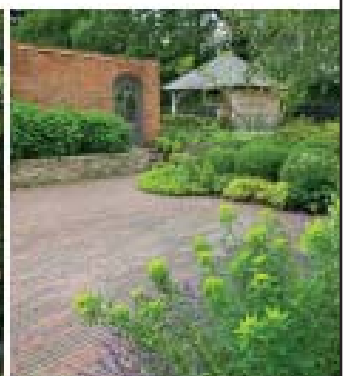
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EDITORIAL

In praise of our village shop

One of our biggest assets is our village shop and Post Office. Few communities can boast a better operation than that run by the duo of Colin Woods and Lee Stace, postmistress Tina Bishop, and their team. It is not only well stocked – the range of products caters for all needs and tastes, from newspapers to noodles, local vegetables and fruit to wine and beer, and stationery to bird seed – and just about everything else you are ever likely to need on a day-to-day basis, but it is also a life-line for many residents.

During national lockdowns in the last 18 months, many of us were totally dependent on Amberley Village Stores, which rose to the challenge and organised home deliveries for not only the vulnerable, shielding and elderly, but for all those residents who were unable to visit supermarkets or secure delivery slots. A team of 25 volunteers delivered over 8,000 bags of shopping to 240 homes during the initial 12-week lockdown. Even after the restrictions were lifted the store continued to deliver over 500 bags of shopping every week, as well as introducing an innovative click-and-collect service.

For the benefit of those who do not know the background, the shop was saved from closure in 1998 when the barn building was put up for sale. It was bought by a local couple who then generously offered the village an opportunity to buy a 999-year lease of the ground floor to keep the shop going. A group of residents then formed Amberley Shop Properties Ltd and raised £65,000 from people living locally for the purchase, in the form of outright gifts and interest-free loans. The company is wholly-owned by Amberley Parish Trust, whose principal objective is to ensure there continues to be a village shop in Amberley.

At a time when we are becoming more and more conscious of global warming, the fact the shop is on our doorstep, and sources many of its fruit, vegetables, meat and dairy products locally, it makes sense to get in the car and drive somewhere to buy the same thing. Admittedly, some items may be a little more expensive (but not all), but with petrol and diesel now at an all-time high, think of the cost – and time – of driving to a Storrington supermarket, let alone Chichester.

With the approach of Christmas, think in terms of your local shop, which can provide most things you might need, from turkeys to Christmas trees.

And during the afternoon of Monday, November 29, why not enjoy some festive fare, free tastings and an opportunity to stock up early. You know it makes sense.

Mike Toynbee

The thief of time

Procrastination is damnation

Tomorrow isn't here!

Why is it I hesitate,

Tell me what's my fear?

Like a dog upon a lead, Life can be a bore!

So why is it, I wait and wait;

What am I waiting for?

If I did everything I should,

Before the day's gone by;

Soon there'd be no need for me,

My usefulness gone dry!

I hang around for someone else,

To call and say their mind;

Oh dear, there is no cure for this;

My uselessness defined!

Do it now, I often say,

But then when things go wrong;

It must be my impulsiveness,

I'll sing a different song?

Ena Richardson (1925-2020)

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For Church Street and Hog Lane, collections for garden waste (brown top bins for registered users only) will be on **Mondays, November 1, 15 and 29**; non-recyclable waste will be collected on **Wednesdays, November 3 and 17**; and collections for mixed dry recyclable waste (blue top bins) will be on **Wednesdays, November 10 and 24**.

Opening hours for amenity tips

Billingshurst: 9am-4pm (closed Thursday and Friday); **Bognor:** 9am-4pm closed Thursday and Friday); **Chichester (Westhampnett)** 9am-4pm (closed Tuesday); **Littlehampton** 9am-4pm (closed Tuesday and Wednesday). **Note:** Advance booking necessary at Bognor and Littlehampton and proof of West Sussex residency is required at all sites.

Monday Village Bus service to Storrington and Pulborough

Following the discontinuation of the Compass Bus service, the Village Bus has resumed its Monday morning service to Storrington and Pulborough.

Amberley Square (depart)	10.15
Hurst Cottages	10.18
The Sportsman	10.20
Rackham Street	10.23
Storrington (arrive)	10.35
Pulborough (arrive)	11.00
Pulborough Sainsbury's (depart)	12.03
Pulborough Tesco	12.05
Storrington bus station	12.25
Rackham Street	12.35
The Sportsman	12.38
Hurst Cottages	12.40
Amberley Square (arrive)	12.41

Village Bus



On Monday, Wednesday and Thursday every week (plus the first Tuesday each month), the Amberley and Slindon Community Bus can take you to various destinations thanks to our team of volunteer drivers. We routinely stop at a range of places in Amberley, but as this is a 'hail-and-ride' service the driver will pick up and set down at your door on request (especially useful when you are returning home with shopping), or anywhere else en route. The fare is a flat-rate £3 per return journey, and Sussex County Card Holders and children under 14 travel free. Wheelchair users are welcome, but always ring ahead. To arrange a pick-up from your home, or to discuss becoming a volunteer driver, please call Philip Greenwood on (01798) 831 803. The full bus timetable can be found on the Amberley Parish Council website: www.amberley-pc.org.uk/

DAY	DESTINATION	DEPARTS AMBERLEY	TIME FOR SHOPPING / APPOINTMENTS	ARRIVES BACK IN AMBERLEY
Mon	Bognor For details of the Storrington & Pulborough service, see panel above	Rackham St 12.35pm Hurst Cott 12.40pm Square 12.41pm Bridge Inn 12.44pm	1.25pm to 3.30pm	4.12pm approx
First Tues only	Worthing via Storrington (with around three-and-a-half hours before the return journey)	Bridge Inn 9.37am Square 9.40am Hurst Cott 9.43am Sportsman 9.45am Rackham St 9.48am	10.15am to 1.05pm	1.40pm approx
Wed	Littlehampton & Rustington	Rackham St 9.32am Hurst Cott 9.35am Square 9.37am Bridge Inn 9.39am	10.05am to 12.31pm (Arundel) 10.15am to 12.20pm (Littlehampton) 10.25am to 12.10pm (Rustington)	1pm approx
Thurs	Chichester	Rackham St 9.32am Hurst Cott 9.36am Square 9.37am Bridge Inn	10.25am (Market) 10.30am (South Street/ West Street) to 1.30pm (Cathedral)	2.16pm approx



LOCAL INFORMATION



Southern Trains Timetable

(from February 22, 2021)

MONDAY-FRIDAY

From Amberley to London (Victoria except here shown): 05.54, 06.18*, 06.44, 07.47, 08.17, 08.50, 09.17 and then at 17 minutes past the hour until 21.17 then 23.03 (change at Gatwick Airport).

Typical journey time to London Victoria 1hr 27mins.

* London Bridge

From Pulborough to London (Victoria except where shown): 06.01, 06.24*, 06.50, 07.26, 07.54, 08.23, 08.56, 09.24, 09.55 and then 24 and 55 minutes past the hour until 21.55 then 23.09 (change at Gatwick Airport).

Typical journey time 1hr 19 mins.

* London Bridge

From London Victoria to Amberley: 05:54, 06.36, 07.06 and then at 35 minutes past the hour until 15.35, 16.05, 16.35, 17.35, 18.35, and then 05 and 35 minutes past each hour until then 21.05, 21.35P&S, 22.05C, 22.35C.

Typical journey time from London Victoria 1hr 22mins.

From London Victoria to Pulborough: 05.54, 06.36, 07.06, 07.36, 08.35 and then at 05 and 35 minutes past the hour until 16.35, 17.35 and then 05 and 35 minutes past the hour until 21.05, then 21.35P&S, 22.05C, 22.35C. Additional train from London Bridge at 17.02.

Typical journey time from London Victoria 1hr 15mins.

From Amberley to Arundel and beyond (all Bognor Regis except as shown): 06.40SC, 07.15SC, 07.55, 08.23, 08.57, 09.27, 09.57 and then 57 minutes past the hour until 16.57, then 17.27, 17.57, 18.57, then 27 and 57 minutes past the hour until 22.27 then 22.51P&S, 23.21C, 23.52C.

P&S – Portsmouth & Southsea; C – Chichester; SC – Southampton Central

SATURDAY

From Amberley to London: 06.26, 07.17 and then at 17 minutes past the hour until 21.17 then 23.03 (change at Gatwick Airport). Additional train at 16.50.

Typical journey time to London Victoria 1hr 27mins.

From Pulborough to London: 06.32, 06.55 and then 24 and 55 minutes past the hour until 21.55 then 23.09 (change at Gatwick Airport).

Typical journey time 1hr 19 mins.

From London Victoria to Amberley: 06.35, and then at 35 minutes past the hour until 20.35 then 21.05, 21.35P&S, 22.05C, 22.35C.

Typical journey time from London Victoria 1hr 22mins

From London Victoria to Pulborough: 06.05, 06.35, and then at 05 and 35 minutes past the hour until 20.35 then 21.05, 21.35P&S, 22.05C, 22.35C.

Typical journey time from London Victoria 1hr 15mins

From Amberley to Arundel and beyond (all Bognor Regis except as shown): 06.41SC, 07.57 and then 57 minutes past the hour (to Bognor) until 21.57, then 22.21, 22.51P&S, 23.21C, 23.53C.

P&S – Portsmouth & Southsea; C – Chichester; SC – Southampton Central.

SUNDAY

From Amberley to London Victoria: 07.53, 08.58 and then at 58 minutes past the hour until 21.58. From Pulborough: 6 minutes later

Typical journey time to London Victoria 1hr 21mins

From London Victoria to Amberley and Pulborough: 07.32, 08.32, 09.35 and then at 35 minutes past the hour until 22.35.

Typical journey time from London Victoria 1hr 20mins

From Amberley to Arundel and beyond (all Bognor Regis and Portsmouth Harbour (divides at Barnham) except as shown): 09.01B, 09.58PH, 10.58PH, 11.55 and then 55 minutes past the hour until 21.55, then 22.56B and 23.55B.

B – Bognor Regis; PH – Portsmouth Harbour.

Compiled by Malcolm Pheasey

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Storrington Community Market

Village Hall, West Street **Fridays (9.45am-11.15am)**

Chichester

East and North Streets **First and third Fridays (9am-2pm)**

Ford

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1. How many *Pomp and Circumstance Marches* did Elgar compose?
2. What was Elvis Presley's first No.1 hit?
3. Who was the hero of *King Solomon's Mines*?
4. In which county is Glyndebourne?
5. Miranda and Prospero are both characters from which Shakespeare play?
6. Name three of the of the former US presidents depicted on Mount Rushmore
7. In which Australian state is the capital Canberra located?
8. What are the eight Test cricket playing nations?
9. Why is the 'anvil chorus' in Verdi's *Il Trovatore* so called?
10. In Cockney rhyming slang, what is a Ruby Murray?
11. Who was the first professional footballer to be knighted?
12. What was the house number in Baker Street where Sherlock Holmes resided?
13. Richard of York gave battle in vain. This is a mnemonic for what?
14. What football team is known as The Hatters?
15. What do registered, practising doctors, dentists, nurses, midwives, vets and pharmacists have in common when it comes to the law?
16. What was Louis Armstrong's nick-name?
17. What is a candela?
18. Which snake-sounding sports-car was manufactured in the Surrey village of Thames Ditton?
19. If jack is a male donkey, what is the female called?
20. What is the collective noun for owls?
21. Name the seven dwarfs from *Snow White*.
22. What is the fifth of the *Ten Commandments*?
23. What is the smallest country in the world?
24. Where would you find the Mare Imbrium?
25. What is K in the phonetic alphabet?
26. What was New York's JFK Airport previously known as?
27. Who is the current Poet Laureate?
28. What does OECD stand for?
29. Who did Queen Victoria succeed in 1837?
30. Who wrote *Fahrenheit 451*?

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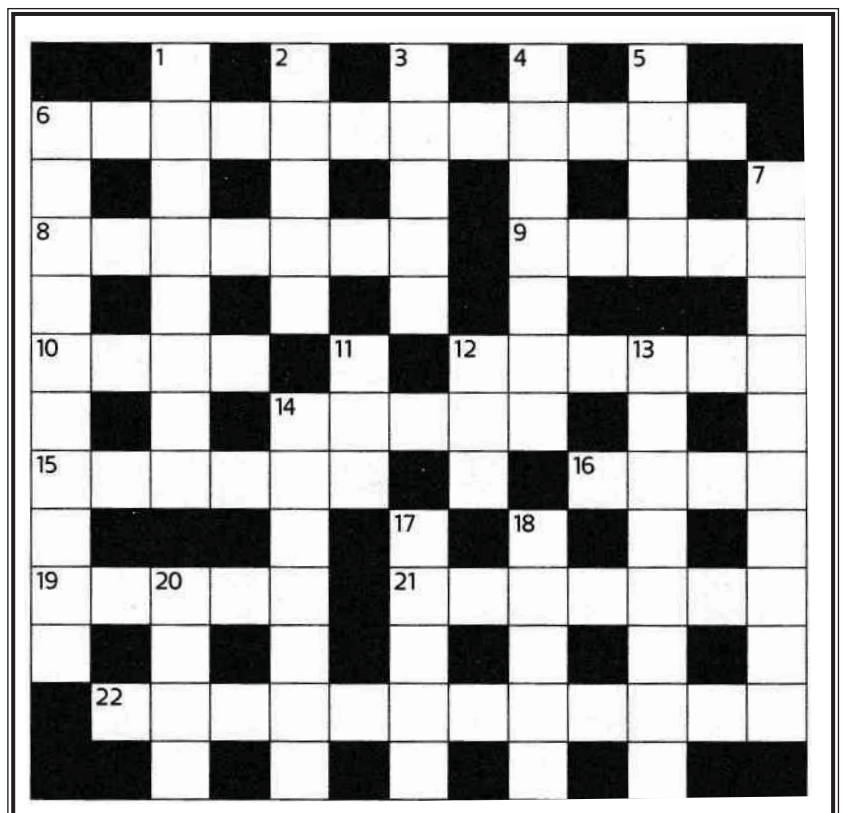
ACROSS

6. Stupendous (12)
8. TV puppet, ___ Scarlet (7)
9. Aromatic herb (5)
10. Merriment (4)
12. Prosper (6)
14. Team race (5)
15. Early smooth-bore gun (6)
16. Martial arts centre (4)
19. Possessor (5)
21. Author of The Satanic Verses (7)
22. Restraining garment (12)

DOWN

1. Powerless (8)
2. Wander (5)
3. Make up for (5)
4. Vague (7)
5. Just (4)
6. Board game (10)
7. Kind (10)
11. Encountered (3)
12. Soft cap (3).
13. Duke of Wellington's nickname (4,4)
14. Give ground (7)
17. Stew(S)
18. Customary (5)
20. After deductions (4)

Solution on page 41





CALENDAR OF EVENTS/TIDE TIMETABLE - NOVEMBER

1st MONDAY

Bell ringing practice, St Michael's Church, 7.30pm

2nd TUESDAY

Talk: *Damien Hirst and Contemporary Art*, The Arts Society West Sussex, Fittleworth Village Hall, 2pm

4th THURSDAY

Concert: Northern Chords Ensemble (Chichester Chamber Concerts), Assembly Room, Chichester, 7.30pm

5th FRIDAY

Bonfire Night party, The Old Rectory barn, Rackham Road, Rackham, from 6pm (in aid of St Peter's, Parham)

8th MONDAY

Bell ringing practice, St Michael's Church, 7.30m

9th TUESDAY

CAMEO, St Michael's Church Hall, 2.30pm

10th WEDNESDAY

Film: *The Good Liar*, Storrington & District Rotary Club, Sullington Hall, 7.30pm

Concert: Martino Tirimo & Atsuko Kawakami (Chichester Music Society), Chichester University Chapel, 7.30pm

15th MONDAY

Bell ringing practice, St Michael's Church, 7.30m

22nd MONDAY

Bell ringing practice, St Michael's Church, 7.30m

27th SATURDAY

Concert: **Singing Salon**, St Michael's Church, Amberley, 7.30pm

29th MONDAY

Christmas Fayre, Amberley Village Stores, 1pm-4pm

Bell ringing practice, St Michael's Church, 7.30m

Sign in a vet's waiting room

"Be back in five minutes. Sit! Stay!"



Littlehampton Tide Timetable November



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 st Low 01.55 High 08.13 Low 14.21 High 20.34	2 nd Low 02.42 High 09.01 Low 15.05 High 21.19	3 rd Low 03.24 High 09.42 Low 15.45 High 22.01	4 th Low 04.04 High 10.24 Low 16.26 High 22.45	5 th Low 04.44 High 11.06 Low 17.07 High 23.29	6 th Low 05.28 High 11.49 Low 17.52
7 th High 00.12 Low 06.13 High 12.32 Low 18.38	8 th High 00.58 Low 07.00 High 13.17 Low 19.27	9 th High 01.46 Low 07.50 High 14.06 Low 20.19	10 th High 02.40 Low 08.45 High 15.03 Low 21.17	11 th High 03.46 Low 09.51 High 16.13 Low 22.30	12 th High 05.03 Low 11.15 High 17.38 Low 23.56	13 th High 06.27 Low 12.37 High 19.03
14 th Low 01.08 High 07.40 Low 13.41 High 20.08	15 th Low 02.06 High 08.35 Low 14.32 High 20.59	16 th Low 02.53 High 09.20 Low 15.16 High 21.41	17 th Low 03.33 High 10.00 Low 15.54 High 22.21	18 th Low 04.10 High 10.36 Low 16.30 High 22.58	19 th Low 04.45 High 11.11 Low 17.04 High 23.31	20 th Low 05.19 High 11.40 Low 17.37
21 st High 00.00 Low 05.52 High 12.06 Low 18.09	22 nd High 00.28 Low 06.25 High 12.33 Low 18.42	23 rd High 00.58 Low 06.57 High 13.03 Low 19.14	24 th High 01.28 Low 07.30 High 13.36 Low 19.48	25 th High 02.03 Low 08.08 High 14.14 Low 20.29	26 th High 02.47 Low 08.55 High 15.03 Low 21.20	27 th High 03.46 Low 09.58 High 16.09 Low 22.28
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Diversions answers (see page 39)

1. Five 2. *All Shook Up*, in 1957. 3. Allan Quatermain 4. East Sussex 5. *The Tempest*
6. George Washington, Thomas Jefferson, Abraham Lincoln, Theodore Roosevelt 7.
Australia Capital Territory 8. Australia, England, South Africa, West Indies, New Zealand,
India, Pakistan and Sri Lanka 9. Because anvils are struck rhythmically on stage while
it is sung 10. A curry 11. Stanley Matthews 12. 221B 13. The spectrum: red, orange,
yellow, green, blue, indigo, violet 14. Luton (a town once famous for its hat-making)
15. They are all excused jury service 16. Satchmo 17. A unit of luminous intensity
18. AC Cobra 19. Jenny (or Jennet) 20. A Parliament 21. Bashful, Doc, Dopey, Grumpy,
Happy, Sleepy, Sneezy 22. Honour thy Father and Mother 23. Vatican City, with a
landmass of just 49 hectares (121 acres) and a population of 825 (2019) 24. On the Moon
25. Kilo 26. Idlewild, after the Idlewild Beach Golf Course it displaced. 27. Simon Armitage
28. Organisation for Economic Cooperation and Development 29. William IV 30. Ray
Bradbury

Crossword solution

Across: 6. Breathtaking 8. Captain
9. Thyme 10. Glee 12. Thrive
14. Relay 15. Musket 16. Dojo
19. Owner 21. Rushdie 22. Strait-
jacket

Down: 1. Helpless 2. Stray 3. Atone
4. Sketchy 5. Only 6. Backgammon
7. Benevolent 11. Met 12. Tam
13. Iron Duke 14. Retreat 17. Broth
18. Usual 20. Nett



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