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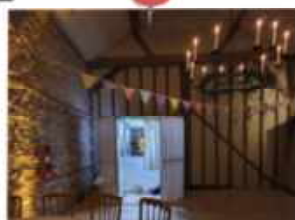
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Music – a gift of God

'The only thing better than singing is more singing.' Ella Fitzgerald

I'm sure I wasn't alone in my excitement at the news that singing is back on the agenda once more! Yes, we may have warbled in the shower but singing together is something many of us have missed during recent months. Musicians have been holding their breath – only too literally – as they have awaited the outcome of two significant studies into the possible risks of singing or playing wind instruments in time of coronavirus. Thankfully it seems that the risks are small when the number of singers is also limited.

We look forward to the possibilities now that indoor concerts are permitted and our church choir able to sing once more, though sadly it is currently still deemed too risky for us to sing hymns in church. As our recent churchyard concert here in Amberley demonstrated so vividly, it is wonderful to hear live music again.

Music can lift the soul or resonate with our anguish, soothe our anxious minds or set us dancing, such is its power. We are stunned by the virtuoso, but can all make music of some sort, with the simplest melody or rhythm. Singing is a very special form of music making, something we carry with us from infancy, and we have loved hearing our baby granddaughter already trying out the sounds she can make.

I was delighted to come across this list of reasons why we should learn to sing, from the great composer William Byrd's *Psalmes, Sonets, & songs of sadnes and pietie* (1588).

1. First, it is a knowledge easily taught, and quickly learned, where there is a good master, and an apt scholar.
2. The exercise of singing is delightful to Nature, and good to preserve the health of Man.
3. It does strengthen all parts of the breast, and does open the pipes.
4. It is a singularly good remedy for stuttering and stammering in the speech.



The Revd Gerry Burgess

5. It is the best means to procure perfect pronunciation, and to make a good orator.

6. It is the only way to know where Nature has bestowed the benefit of a good voice; which gift is so rare, as there is not one among a thousand that has it; and, in many, that excellent gift is lost, because they want Art to express Nature.

7. There is not any Music of instruments whatsoever, comparable to that which is made of the voices of Men, where the voices are good, and the same well sorted and ordered.

8. The better the voice is, the meetier it is to honour and serve God therewith; and the voice of man is chiefly to be employed to that end. Omnis spiritus laudet Dominum.

He concludes: Since singing is so good a thing, I wish all men would learn to sing.

Music, I have no doubt, is a gift of God and singing is one of the treasures of the Christian tradition, from the biblical psalms to Wesleyan hymns and modern worship songs. Whether singing in the choir (new members always welcome!) or in the bath, whether we sound like crows or nightingales, may we discover the joys of singing and, we pray, be able to do so more in coming months.

'How good to sing praises to our God! How delightful and how fitting!' Psalm 147 verse 1

Gerry

The Revd Gerry Burgess
Priest-in-Charge

This month's front cover

Sunset mission: an RAF Chinook helicopter flying over the Wildbrooks. Picture by David Frohock





CALENDAR OF SERVICES – SEPTEMBER

Services at Amberley mainly use Common Worship, whilst the Book of Common Prayer is normally used at the other churches.

NEW TIMES FOR THE 2ND SUNDAY each month:
Worship for All at Amberley now at 10am.
Services at Greatham move to 9am on 2nd and 4th Sundays. (No 8am Communion)

Bible Readings

Sunday, 6th September

Romans 13:8-14; Matthew 18:15-20; Psalm 119:33-40

Sunday, 13th September

Romans 14:1-12; Matthew 18:21-35; Psalm 103: 8-13

Sunday, 20th September

Philippians 1:21-30; Matthew 20:1-16; Psalm 145:1-8

Sunday, 27th September

Philippians 2:1-13; Matthew 21:23-32; Psalm 25:1-9

Sunday, 4th October (Harvest)

Deuteronomy 8:7-18; Luke 12:16-30; Psalm 65



Sunday, 6th September	Trinity 13	Green Array
9.15am	Holy Communion	Parham
11.00am	Holy Communion	Amberley
6.00pm	Evening Prayer	Wiggonholt

Sunday, 13th September	Trinity 14	Green Array
9.00am	Holy Communion	Greatham
10.00am	Worship for all	Amberley

Sunday, 20th September	Trinity 15	Green Array
9.15am	Holy Communion	Wiggonholt
11.00am	BCP Communion	Amberley
6.00pm	Evening Prayer	Parham

Sunday, 27th September	Trinity 16	Green Array
9.00am	Matins	Greatham
11.00am	Holy Communion	Amberley

Sunday, 4th October	Harvest Festival	Green Array
9.15am	Holy Communion	Parham
11.00am	Holy Communion	Amberley
6.00pm	Evening Prayer	Wiggonholt

From the Parish Registers

Marriage

James Charlesworth and **Elizabeth Kerslake**
(8th August at Parham)

Burial of Ashes

Brian Vincent (aged 85)
(5th August at Wiggonholt)

Peter Shearburn
(28th August at Parham)

Funerals

Robert Nigel Hayes (aged 65)
(12th August at Wiggonholt)

Honor Miranda Uloth (aged 19)
(26th August at Parham)

Church services – indoors or out?

Over the summer we have been thankful for plenty of fine weather which has enabled us to hold most of the services at our smaller churches out in the churchyards. This has helped us to keep a safe distance and feel more confident about meeting together.

As autumn approaches, please come prepared! We shall meet outdoors in good weather so bring a coat, but please come with face covering and prepared to be inside when necessary, seated as directed by the churchwardens for best distancing. Weekday Morning Prayer will revert to Wednesdays only, normally at Amberley, from September.

Harvest Festival

‘Come ye thankful people, come,
Sing the song of harvest home!’

Our Harvest Festival services will be on Sunday, October 4, at Parham, Amberley and Wiggonholt. They are opportunities to thank God for the abundance of his gifts to us, especially the flowers, fruit and crops we are blessed with locally. Everyone is welcome, and we shall find a way (outside if necessary) to sing our favourite Harvest hymns.



CHURCH NEWS



Following the lifting of lockdown restrictions on church services by the diocese in July, the Wildbrooks parishes have been taking advantage of the fine weather by holding outdoor services. Wiggonholt was the first live service (top left), on July 5, and there have been others at Amberley (above), Greatham (top right) and Parham. There was also a pet blessing service on the Millennium Green (right) on August 9.

Annual Parochial Church Meetings

Our APCMs are normally held in the spring but were delayed by lockdown. At these meetings of the church community we review the past year and look ahead to future plans and possibilities.

In order to vote you need to be on the electoral roll of the church parish where you live or worship: if you'd like to be added to that roll please contact your churchwarden, who will ensure you receive an application form.

Now that it is possible to meet we have arranged the following dates:

- Amberley: Saturday, September 26, 10am in the Church Hall
- Parham: Monday, October 12, 7pm. Venue tbc
- Greatham: Sunday, September 27, 9.30am in church after a shortened morning service.
- Wiggonholt's APCM has already taken place.

Our churches depend on volunteers in all areas of our activities, and we are hugely grateful to all who play a part, especially the churchwardens and treasurers. If you have skills or expertise, in finance or other areas, or you have the energy for occasional practical tasks we should be delighted to hear from you. Please do get in touch.

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Churchyard concert raises close on £1,000

It was the perfect summer's evening for a fundraising picnic and concert in the idyllic surroundings of the churchyard at St Michael's, Amberley.

Attended by an estimated 80 socially-distanced parishioners from the Wildbrooks churches, the evening featured three talented young musicians – Amy Gilbert (violin), daughter of Amberley Primary School's former head teacher, Jon Gilbert; Andy Martin (flute), originally from Chichester; and Don Plant (bassoon). None had played together before but came together in perfect harmony, entertaining an appreciative audience with a varied programme.

Despite the earlier heatwave conditions – Wiggonholt was officially the hottest place in the country – the evening temperature on Saturday, August 8, was near-perfect as people sat among the gravestones enjoying their picnics and the music.

Playing in the open air is an unnerving experience for musicians. Unlike the sound reflected when indoors, the music seems to disappear into the ether, never to return. Added to the temperature and humidity, which on the whole instruments do not take kindly to, never mind the challenges of slippery stops and finger boards, our three musicians produced a performance remarkable on many levels.

They offered no less than 18 compositions split into three sets of six pieces each. You would never have guessed that they had not played together until the day of concert, Lock-down being what it is.

Arranged by Andy we were treated to several old favourites such as Mozart's *Eine kleine Nachtmusik*, Bach's *Air on a G string*, Dvorak's *Humoresque* and Gluck's aria *Che faro senza Eurydice* – "what is life without Eurydice", in which the flute and violin duetted above the bass line provided by the bassoon.

There is, however, a surprising amount written for the flute/bassoon combination with contributions from Mozart, Beethoven and Max Bruch among others. We were treated to all three movements from Joseph Fiala's *Duo Concertante*. Joseph Fiala is not well known. He was a virtuoso viola da gamba player, who also played the oboe and cello. He got



around, did Fiala. Armed with a recommendation from Mozart he was taken on by the court orchestra of the Elector Maximilian Joseph. When the Elector died he moved via Vienna to St Petersburg where he played for Catherine the Great.

Each of our players had solo spots. Dan gave us a taste of Vivaldi's bassoon *Concerto* and Emily gave us the 2nd and 3rd movements of Mendelssohn's violin *Concerto* with a recorded orchestral backing. It is not easy for a soloist to play along with an orchestra rather than the other way round. It is not easy to master the Mendelssohn while you are still at college. It represents thousands of hours of focussed practice. Somebody once said "90 per cent perspiration and 10 per cent inspiration". The latter cannot be taught, which in Amy's case is not a problem.

Finally, Andy gave us two treats. The first was CPE Bach's unaccompanied flute *Sonata*, much of it reminiscent of his father's unaccompanied sonatas. CPE Bach was the foremost clavier player of his day, gaining service at the court of Prince Frederick of Prussia – the future Frederick the Great. Frederick was no mean flautist and consequently a lot of flute music got written by Bach and others. Frederick did not allow any flute music written for him to be published in his lifetime but this piece is an exception. Debate has raged as to whether

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Amy Gilbert (violin), the Revd Gerry Burgess, churchwarden Melanie Edge, Andy Martin (flute) and Don Plant (bassoon)

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it was written for someone else (unlikely) or whether it was published without his knowledge (risky). Contributions to the debate to the Editor please. Andy's other solo offering was Bozza's *Image*. Eugene Bozza deserves to be better known. His father was a violinist who played in the casinos in the South of France. Eugene started the instrument at the age of five (late by today's standards) and in due course studied at the Paris Conservatoire where he successively gained the Premier Prix for violin, then conducting and finally composing – something of a record. *Image* is a showcase of flute technique, using the full range, different timbres and flutter tonguing which Andy made sound easy.



Commented the Revd Gerry Burgess, priest-in-charge: "It was a wonderful evening and our thanks to everyone who supported the event, and to all those who helped set-up and prepare the churchyard. We were treated to music of the highest quality played by our delightful young student and professional musicians, as we relaxed and enjoyed the warm evening and glorious sunset sky."

"Many gave generously, including a kind sponsor of our musicians, and others who were deterred from coming by the exceptional heat also contributed."

As a result, it was possible to fulfil one of the principal aims of supporting live music with a £250 donation the Help Musicians, on top of paying the performers' fees, as well as raising more than £500 for St Michael's Church.

"We were so pleased to be able to arrange something that people could enjoy safely and hope that we shall be able to invite the musicians back to perform again in more normal times," added Gerry.

● Report by Mike Toynbee, musical notes by Richard Robinson and photography by Mike Beck





LETTERS TO THE EDITOR & LISTSERVE POSTINGS

Thoughtless parking

On the evening of Saturday, July 18, a fire engine attempting to attend an emergency in the village was unable to pass through East Street.

I realise there are bigger issues in the world right now, but lives are at stake when blue-lighted emergency vehicles can't respond quickly to call-outs. Minutes matter in these instances.

Poor parking like this is common place along East Street. I understand this has been raised before on Listserve and what's been talked about as an inconvenience (our driveway is routinely blocked at the weekend leaving us unable to depart or enter our house) has now been highlighted as a wider health and safety issue.

I understand it's on the agenda of the parish council and a car park is planned but this is another example of why we really need to sort a solution ASAP and perhaps consider parking restrictions in the most narrow parts of the road. The potential consequences surely outweigh what's been perceived as unsightly cones, lines or signage?

Alex Garrity

East Street, Amberley

I think it needs to be made clear that Emergency vehicles can, and will, just push vehicles out of their way if they are attending an emergency, and if idiots park like the driver of the car in your photo. In some ways, it is a pity that they executed such care in getting through, rather than molesting the BMW!

Geoff Uren

East Street, Amberley

Survival seen through the eyes of a small boy

You recently asked your readers to tell you about their experiences in the War and their memories of VE Day. You were kind enough to publish my submission. May I, however, point out that in telling you about my flying bomb I did not write that I doubted that I would have survived. Those words were your inclusion, probably for dramatic effect.

I was five years old when war was declared and eleven on VE day. I was a little boy and saw the world accordingly, small boys don't know the weight of drama and see survivorship as their natural right. True our house had no windows or roof and the front door was the wrong way round but no one was dead, no one seriously injured. It was exciting.

My friends came to see my bomb. All the village voluntary groups had a field day. At last something real to deal with.



Tight squeeze: a fire engine, answering a call in Hurst Cottages, had difficult in passing parked cars in East Street

My mother had her cut dressed and redressed by first aiders who wanted to make sure it had been done properly. My parents had a look into the future. I was not yet a teenager but my bedroom had been hit by a bomb.

John Kemp Swallow

Barn, The Square, Amberley

Hats off to The Sportsman

Malc and I want to thank Sophie and Lee for making our return to the (well patronised) Sportsman Inn for lunch such a relaxed and enjoyable experience. The screens which have been installed are well designed and look as though they have always been part of the furniture and the service was both 'safe' and extremely friendly. Needless to say, the food was excellent.

We are looking forward to going again soon.

Sue and Malcolm Pheasey

Downsland, Turnpike Road, Amberley

Beware of yet more scams

I have just received and deleted an e-mail allegedly from gov.uk telling me that because of Brexit I must confirm my identity within three days. Has anyone else received it?

Anne Rezin

Mill Lane, Amberley

I had a really bizarre one the other day. It said I had to pay tax on the money I had received as a PPI claim, and the taxman was proceeding to sue me for the money! I have never made a PPI claim.

Patricia Chapman

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CORONAVIRUS COVID-19 EMERGENCY NEWS



Keeping others safe

Self-isolating on return to England. Minimising potential impacts on Amberley residents

1. Background and Gov.uk guidance

The Government has made further changes to the list of those countries and territories from which travellers to England must self-isolate for 14 days. For the full list of countries, see the notices on amberleyhelpline.co.uk/international-travel.

It is reasonable to expect that if increases in Covid-19 infections occur in other countries the Government will add more to the list.

The further advice on which countries are exempt and guidance on what you should do if you are required to self-isolate can also be found in the international-travel section of the amberleyhelpline as above.

2. Minimising local impacts and help for those self-isolating

We have had no reported cases of Covid-19 in Amberley since late March. All suspected cases appear to have been contracted by people who were infected outside the Wildbrooks parishes. Those who knew, or suspected, they had been infected were helpful to the Amberley Covid-19 Help Hub by volunteering their information to the Hub on a confidential basis. They and their households rigorously observed self-isolation restrictions.

Residents' willingness to follow government guidelines, as they have developed over the past five months, combined with the massive range of volunteer support, has undoubtedly contributed significantly to Amberley remaining Covid-19 free.

Despite the relatively low incidence of Covid-19 infection over the past month in the Arun, Adur, Horsham and Mid Sussex areas the risk of infection, imported or otherwise, has risen nationally during August.

To keep Amberley Covid-19 free we all need to be fully aware of our individual responsibilities to observe government guidelines – and use our common sense.

If for any reason those returning from abroad who need to quarantine require support, the volunteer organisation remains in place. **David Lyon, Catherine Cunningham, Jeff Feakins, Richard Robinson**

Amberley Covid-19 Help Hub

If you think you have symptoms, call this number: 07484 157 156

A dedicated local phone line has been set up for people who have symptoms which they believe match infection by the Covid-19 corona-virus. The idea is that it provides support for those who are potentially infected.

They are asked to ring in once a day. As a fall-back if they do not call and cannot be contacted, someone will come to the house. This phone line is manned by three people in turn: Richard Robinson, Jeff Feakins and David Lyon.

If you believe you have become infected and wish to use this facility, the number to ring is 07484 157 156. It is available 24/7.

The information is obviously confidential although we intend to publicise the overall numbers of those infected.

Help Hub and prescription collections

When Covid-19 cases increased earlier in the year and lockdown occurred, one of the services put under extreme pressure was the pharmacy service.



To enable parishioners to continue to receive their prescriptions, the help hub volunteers initiated a collection service for prescriptions. At its peak, the team were receiving and delivering prescriptions for 30-40 people each week. This service has continued through June, July and August.

However, all pharmacies are now offering a normal prescription service and all now have free delivery services directly to home addresses as an option.

The Hub team will, therefore, discontinue its collection service as at the end of August.

Special thanks to Catherine Cunningham who has been coordinating this service with the pharmacies –if anyone currently utilising the collection service has any queries about pharmacy deliveries should contact Catherine directly on (07887) 796212.

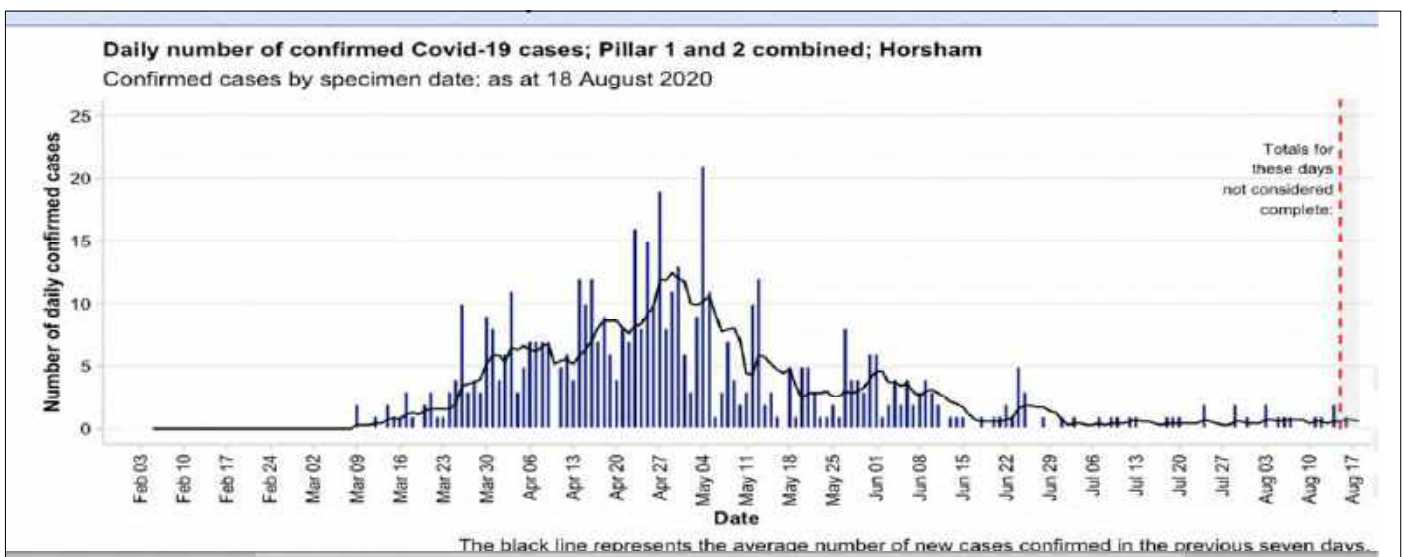
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THE GOVERNMENT PHASE 3 STEPS

BUSINESS		& PEOPLE RULES AS OF JULY 31	
<p>ANY BUSINESS PREMISE OPENING SUBJECT TO ABILITY TO MEET COVID-19 SECURE GUIDELINES FOR STAFF & CUSTOMERS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> These guidelines include social distance (2m or 1m Plus) And include: Hospitality – indoors (1 other household) – outdoors (max of 6 persons). Avoid food sharing. No music/loud noise May include – limiting customer numbers, one way systems, queue mgt, hand sanitising, staggered times/bookings 		<p>RULES FOR ALL</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Socially distance (2m or 1m Plus) anyone not in your household or support bubble Employers have discretion on how they ensure employees can work safely – working from home is one way to do this – employees to be consulted Try to limit no. of people you see Care home limited visits, subject to individual home guidance Consider transport options, Avoid shared private transport Wear a mask in enclosed public spaces (mandatory for hospitals, public transport, shops). As of 8/8 also mandatory for most indoor areas except schools and some workplaces Can meet within groups of 6 from different households outside or groups of two households to a limit of 30 people Can stay overnight away from home with support bubble or members of one household in any authorised setting or second home (avoid food sharing) It is against the law for gatherings of more than 30 people to take place in private homes/gardens or in a public outdoors place, unless planned by an organisation in compliance with Covid-19 secure guidance (this guidance can include wedding/funeral services (no more than 30), sporting activity, community activities and support groups and is subject to safety guidance – see govt lists) NB wedding receptions only allowed for 5 people or 2 households (up to 30) 	
<p>Open</p> <p>STEP 3 SECTORS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Clothing Electronics Hairdressers Restaurants/cafes Pubs/Hotels/B & B Outdoor Leisure Campsites Caravan parks Libraries/Youth/Community centres Places of worship Cinemas/Bingo Theatres/concert halls - but not live performance Adventure parks/theme parks Outdoor gyms/play areas Museums/galleries Social clubs Indoor animal exhibits Indoor visitor attractions 	<p>Opened in July</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Outdoor swimming pools/waterparks Spas/nail bars/beauty salon Tanning salons Massage/tattoo/piercing <p>Open July 25</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Indoor gyms and sports Fitness/dance Indoor swimming pools Indoor water parks <p>Possibly August 15th</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Bowling/Indoor skating Casinos 	<p>Closed</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Indoor performances Indoor play areas Night clubs/Discotheques Exhibitions/stadiums/business events 	
		<p>Clinically Extremely vulnerable</p> <p>As for all</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Can go to work (if Covid-19 secure) if home work not feasible, but should work from home wherever possible Children can return to education Can go outside as much as you like, but keep overall social interactions low 	

Help Hub Survey

Thankfully, following the national rise in Covid-19 cases in March and April, West Sussex has been fortunate in having a very low incidence of Covid-19 since mid-June, which the chart (below), produced by West Sussex County Council for the Horsham district and referenced on the amberleyhelpline website, demonstrates.



The Help Hub team will be in place and the dedicated phone line will remain until the pandemic is over, but with the very low rate of infection locally, it may now be a reasonable step for the team to reduce its regular level of activity. However before doing so, we wished to seek the views of parishioners to help inform us on what would best serve the future needs of the community regarding Covid-19 related activities and we will be publishing an online survey during early September to seek your views. We would very much appreciate as many responses as possible.



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PEOPLE & EVENTS

Welcome...

To **Sarah Weatherstone** and **Nick Hamson**, who are the new owners of Stream House in School Road. Also to **Susan Watson**, who has moved into Horseshoe Cottage at Drewitts Farm; and to **Keith Hutchinson** who is the new owner of 14 Rackham Street, formerly the home of the late John Davison. We wish them all every happiness in their new homes.

Farewell...

To Anne Foxell, who is moving this month from Kennards, the family home for almost 70 years, to Chichester. Her mother, Diana Chauvin de Precourt, moved to Amberley in 1952. Anne will be missed by her many friends.

Our condolences...

To the parents, wife and children of thatcher Mark Croucher, who has died of injuries following a fall. Mark was well known in the Wildbrooks parishes, having rethatched many properties. He began work as an apprentice to a Master Thatcher working in and around the New Forest before moving back to his native West Sussex where his business was based.

The Revd Canon Brian Cook

The Revd Canon Brian, who died on August 3, was a great friend of St Mary the Virgin, North Stoke.

As chairman of RADIUS, the Religious Drama Society of Great Britain, initially he offered some of its resources to the Friends of North Stoke and, later, his troupe, Actors Emeritus, who brought distinction to everything they performed at the church.

It ranged from his first production of *Murder in the Cathedral* in 2010 to his last, the Resurrection play *The Davidson Affair* on Palm Sunday last year.

This year a production was planned to celebrate the Year of Pilgrimage, with St Mary's a pilgrim place on the newly-discovered Old Way from Southampton to Canterbury. Because of the pandemic this could not take place, although in earlier years Brian had contrived at least one production a year at the church. This brought St Mary's and the Churches Conservation Trust lasting benefit. We remain in Brian's debt, and that of Yvette, his wife and fellow actor.

Brian was remembered at the church's Patronal Festival (at which he so often presided) on August 15. The Revd Gerry Burgess, priest-in-charge of Amberley-with-North Stoke, conducted the service in the churchyard and afterwards there was a well-spaced picnic lunch. **Janet Aidin**



New style shopping at Amberley Village Stores

Amberley Village Stores will be reopening its doors for walk-in business on August 31. And a new click-and-collect service is being launched on August 25.

Despite the lockdown, the shop has continued to trade, with a team of volunteers delivering food and groceries to more than 250 households in the area.

"The last few months have shown us how important a dependable delivery service is to our community," says proprietor Colin Woods. "To ensure we can continue this service, whatever the future holds, we have converted storage space into a dedicated click-and-collect and delivery service, with its own team."

There will be a charge of £1 to use the click-and-collect service, and £3 to have orders delivered to the door. Alternatively, for £5 a month members of the newly established AVS Club will be entitled to unlimited click-and-collects and/or home deliveries.

"The village store has always been in the heart of the community and we need your continued support to keep this service going," says Colin.

The reopening of the shop will be in line with the Government's prevailing guidelines, which currently mean the wearing of face masks and social distancing.

The new opening hours will be 9am to 2pm (Monday-Saturday) and 11am to 3pm (Sunday).

Church Hall reopens

It is now possible to book St Michael's Church Hall again, subject to Coronavirus restrictions and requirements. Requests will be reviewed on a case-by-case basis. Contact Adrienne Greenwood on (07746) 488615 or e-mail ad.greenwood@btinternet.com

Pilates classes resume in the hall on September 9.

Melanie Edge

Museum reopens

After a closure of almost five months, Amberley Museum reopened during the weekend of July 25-26 for members and from July 29 for the public at large. As before, it is open Wednesdays to Sundays, from 10am to 4.30pm.

All of the exhibition areas are open with the larger ones having one-way systems, the smaller buildings being 'one family-at-a-time' and face coverings in buildings are the order of the day in line with Government guidance, including in the shop and café, which is operating a takeaway service.



Back in business: the museum's Welcome Team greet returning visitors

Volunteers are running a daily train service with compartments created in the carriages using Perspex, but the bus service is only operating on Sundays in a socially distanced way using our 112-year-old Tilling Stevens, where the driver sits outside. As an open-top bus, this is subject to weather.

We have received the Visit Britain 'Good to Go' accreditation, which means that we are complying with industry standards.

While we were closed we launched our new website (www.amberleymuseum.co.uk) and pre-booking online means we can control numbers and stagger arrival times in three slots: 10am-11.30am, 11.30am-1pm and 1pm-2.30pm, with visitors being able to stay until we close. Once on site there are, of course, 36 acres in which people can spread out, so social distancing can be maintained.

The Sculpture Trail that opened just a few days before lockdown has now been extended until the end of October, with the exhibits providing an interesting contrast to their industrial backdrop. Over 30 works by 10 sculptors are on display and there is a Mindfulness Trail for adults and children to accompany them.

Numbers of returning visitors have so far been promising, although below the levels that we would normally see at this time of year due to having to control numbers. We were delighted to hear in mid-August that the museum had been awarded a Heritage Emergency Grant from the National Lottery Heritage Fund of £50,000 towards essential salaries and expenses from August to November, which was a huge boost. Although this doesn't quite fill the funding gap required to get through the winter, we are now in a much stronger position and able to plan for the future.

Finally, we are recruiting for volunteers for our Welcome Team, who meet and greet visitors, answer their questions and offer guidance. This is a new initiative as the museum can be quite daunting for visitors as there are so many different aspects to it.

If anyone in the local area would be interested in having a go, please contact our Volunteer Co-ordinator, Hannah Miller (volunteer@amberleymuseum.co.uk). She would be delighted to hear from you and can provide more information.

If you already have knowledge of the museum and the collections it will be very useful, but a warm smile and helpful attitude are the most important requirements. **Valerie Mills**
Director

New concert season

Since presenting its first season in 2006, Chichester Chamber Concerts has been bringing some wonderful artists and ensembles to the Assembly Room in the Chichester Council House for the pleasure of the music-lovers in the area.

Every month from October to March local audiences can hear musicians who travel the world playing in great concert halls in Vienna, New York, Paris and London.

This year the season starts next month with the young Dudok Quartet of Amsterdam, winners of a prestigious Borletti-Buitoni Award in 2018. Their programme is built around the Hungarian dance – the *Czardas* – with music by Brahms, Bartók, Ligeti and others.

This is followed in November by the Sitkovetsky Trio (violin, cello and piano) playing music by Schumann, Beethoven and Arensky. In December, the highly praised young Hungarian pianist Zoltán Fejérvári presents a programme of Tchaikovsky's *The Seasons* and Mussorgsky's *Picture at an Exhibition*. In the Spring the acclaimed Baroque ensemble, The Bach Players, will entertain with works by J S Bach and Goldberg, including the *Brandenburg Concerto No 3*.

In February the young German string quartet – the Armida – will be playing quartets by Mozart, Janáček and Beethoven. The final concert in March will bring together the formidable talents of the Arcadia Quartet and pianist Katya Apekisheva, playing Bartók's *Quartet No 1*, Janáček's *Piano Sonata* and Elgar's *Piano Quintet*.

Tickets cost £18, and season tickets for four or six concerts are available, offering considerable savings. Bookings can be made at the Chichester Festival Theatre box office, by calling (01243) 781312, or online at: www.cft.org.uk/whats-on/chichesterchamberconcerts or via its own website: www.chichesterchamberconcerts.com



School Report

As with all schools across the UK, Amberley Primary experienced a strange academic year in 2019/20. All was progressing well until the arrival of Covid-19.

The school year started brilliantly with the introduction of our outdoor classroom – The Nature Space – which was formally opened at the end of November by Lady Emma Barnard, of Parham House. The project was the culmination of months of hard work by the school community, spearheaded by the governors. The transformation was made possible thanks to funding from the South Downs National Park's Sustainable Communities Fund, which contributed £7,500, together with £2,000 from Tesco Bags of Help, over £5,000 from the Friends of Amberley School, and donations from several local companies and residents.

Autumn term was the first that Amberley Primary has been part of the Arun Villages Federation along with St James' Primary, Coldwaltham. Working together for the benefit of all children in our area has proved to be a great success with the teaching staff from both schools joining together to share best practice and plan lessons.

The Spring term started with huge optimism and confidence; then Covid-19 struck. Teachers rapidly developed online learning, became experts in the use of Zoom and kept the children busy but it was all very, very odd.

After what seemed like a lifetime, the school opened fully again in June and we were delighted that we were one of the very few schools in the area to have done so.

The year ended with the normal leavers' service held in the beautiful surroundings of St Michael's Church. Alex Dunn was the recipient of the Walton Prize for the pupil who made the biggest contribution to school life during 2019/20.

In September we will begin the 2019/20 year with a determination to demonstrate yet again that rural schools provide an excellent education, in a warm and caring environment, with individual attention for each and every child.

Ray Jackson Chair of Governors, The Arun Villages Federation

Curtain up for filmgoers

Chichester's New Park cinema is to reopen on Friday, October 16.

"We will ensure that the cinema is as safe as possible for patrons, volunteers and staff," it says in a statement. "This will be done by following the Government and UK Cinema Association guidelines, and working together with the New Park Community and Arts Association, who have worked tirelessly over the last months to ensure a safe and Covid-19 prepared New Park Centre.

The New Park has been closed since March 20.



Ray Jackson with Alex Dunn, this year's recipient of the Walton Prize

Life peerage for former MP

Nick Herbert, the Member of Parliament for Arundel and South Downs for 14 years before stepping down last year, has been made a life peer.

He was one of 36 new peers appointed to the Lords by Prime Minister Boris Johnson. Elected as Conservative MP for the constituency in 2005, he supported many events in Amberley, including regular attendances of the Village Breakfast.

During his time in the Commons, he served as shadow secretary of state for the environment, food and rural affairs and later served as minister of state for the police and criminal justice.

He resigned his seat in the Commons prior to the last General Election in December to take up the role of chairman of the Countryside Alliance, of which he was a founder in 1997. The organisation, which aims to give rural Britain a voice, has more than 100,000 members.

Heathrow rail link?

Travellers from Amberley could soon have more convenient access to Heathrow. The long discussed link from London Waterloo to the airport could become a reality.

Heathrow Southern Railway Ltd (HSRL), a private sector venture set up to transform the rail network serving Britain's busiest airport, says the Government's recently launched 'Acceleration Unit' should make resolving the issue of a new public transport route to Heathrow from the south a top priority.

Rail travellers from Amberley would be able to pick up the service at Clapham Junction. The link would be via Putney, Hounslow, Twickenham, Richmond, Staines and other intermediate stations.

CAMEO**Teatime teaser**

What is the difference between a Devon cream tea and a Cornish cream tea? And no, it is not which county you are in, but where you put the cream! A Devon cream tea is a scone then cream with the jam on top – and a Cornish Cream tea is a scone with the cream on top of the jam!

Cornwall won on August 4 at CAMEO's Tea Party on Millennium Green! This was the first time we had met since February and it was so good to come out on a glorious sunny day sitting under the shade of the trees and actually talk to each other. We may even have accidentally started a new project – 'Who lived in your house?' – so watch this space for further enlightenment. .

We are hoping to have a September meeting – hopefully on the Millennium Green again – on Tuesday, September 8, weather permitting. There may be a quiz, or even outdoor bingo – but one thing certain is there will be tea and there will be cake and this time it might well be the turn of Devon.

If you are interested in joining the CAMEO (Come and Meet Each Other) meetings, call Hazel on (01798) 831159. We look forward to hearing from you.

Hazel Allinson

Hamlet makes the hotlist

It is not often that Wiggonholt hits the headlines. Not altogether surprising bearing in mind it has a total population of 45, no shop, pub or school. Yet its claim to fame on Saturday, August 8, was that it was the hottest place in the UK.

Furthermore, with a recorded temperature of 34.5C, it was even hotter than Rome, Tenerife and even New Delhi.

The reason Wiggonholt is identified is because the RSPB Nature Reserve has a weather station there and the figures are reported to the Met Office.

According the Janet Aidin, who lives at the Old Rectory, the record temperature is not Wiggonholt's only claim to fame. The Office of National Statistics has listed the hamlet as having had 10 deaths from Covid-19 – eight in April and two in May. The equivalent of 20 per cent of the population.

"It is utter nonsense, of course," says Janet. The have put together the figures for the central area of Storrington, Amberley and Pulborough.

"It looks like Wiggonholt has been hit hard by the pandemic but it's not true," she told the *West Sussex County Times*. "We've had no signs of it at all – it's bizarre."

**Join us once again for coffee and cakes**

One of the popular social gatherings at the end of September is the annual Macmillan Coffee Morning.



Unlike many events this year, it is going ahead – on Friday, September 25 – but inevitably in a slightly different format to conform with any prevailing Covid regulations.

It won't be taking place in St Michael's Church Hall but coffee and cakes can be purchased from a counter outside on a take-away basis. Depending on the weather, there will be socially distanced seating provided in the adjacent churchyard where people can get-together for a chat. Alternatively, purchases can be enjoyed with friends at home. Doorstep deliveries will also be possible in return for a donation but advance booking is essential for this option.

There will also usual raffle with some fantastic prizes – but again with a difference. There will be no display of prizes this year and tickets will be sold by telephone, with collection points for payment. The winning tickets will be drawn later in the day and winners notified over the following weekend, with prizes collected directly from the donors.

As always, donations of cakes (preferably without soft icing on this occasion), help on the day and raffle prizes will be gratefully received. Please contact Sandie Conlon (01798 839 320, sandie.conlon@btinternet.com) for cakes and offers of help; Hazel Allinson (01798 831 159, hazel.allinson@btinternet.com) for raffle ticket and delivery purchase; and Jenny Toynbee (01798 831 114, jenny@brooklandsamberley.com) with offers of raffle prizes.

While it is unlikely last year's magnificent result of £1,617 for Macmillan will be matched, the need to raise funds at a time when cancer support is likely to be greater than ever, the organising team are going all out to raise as much as possible. Please do support the event in whatever way you can.

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Let's face it. Tying knots can be a challenge if you failed to acquire the relevant badge as a Boy Scout or Girl Guide. Many gardeners struggle with string and end up tying 'granny' or 'grief' knots.

Members of SAGE – the Society of Amberley Garden Enthusiasts – are forever having to tie knots in the garden. Ones that work and do not come undone or slip at the first hint of pressure.

Come to the rescue, the multi-talented Grahame Joseph, a man who knows how to tie a proper, no-nonsense knot.

In his magnificent garden at Wisteria Cottage, in early August, Grahame demonstrated simple and quick methods to tie three of the most common knots used by gardeners: the reef knot, bowline and clove hitch.

"After some practice you should be able to tie them without thinking and with your eyes shut," he told eager-to-learn participants during three separate sessions – small groups to conform with social distancing.

There was also an open discussion on ways to support plants and tie them in and possibly avoid tying at all.

Grahame went on to give a practical demonstration of the safe use of a various ladders, emphasising the important safety measures which should be followed when carrying out garden tasks. The main reason for ladder accidents is the ladder slipping, generally due to users overreaching or because the ladder is not properly secured. The use of ladders is by far and away the largest single cause of accidents both in the workplace and at home. Remember, ladders really are the most dangerous tool in the shed.



Top: Grahame demonstrates a bowline

Above (left to right): Sarah and Pam Ffoulkes Roberts, Grahame, Lynne Nye and Jane Arkwright;

Far left: ladder safety demonstration

Left: how to tie a clove hitch

Below: Lynn (left) and Jane with their successful reef knots





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Ton-up for Turners

Turners Garage, at Bury Common, is celebrating its centenary this year. Allan Turner, grandson of the founder and the third generation running the business, tells Mike Toynbee about its modest beginnings and arrival at this milestone

With motoring still very much in its infancy – in 1920 there were many more bicycles on the road than cars – garages were largely repair shops. The roads were poor, punctures and breakdowns common and filling stations were virtually non-existent.

Fred Turner, who was born in 1890 at Duncton Mill and came from farming stock, attended the Grammar School at Midhurst before heading off to Brighton to learn about motor engineering. At Moores, who were Ford agents, he got to know all about the Model T, or Tin Lizzie as it was popularly known.

He then set sail to Canada to seek work but the First World War intervened and he joined the Canadian Army and served in France. At the end of the war, he returned to England, married Ethel Bishop from Brighton, and in 1920 the couple moved to Bury with their newborn son, Donald.

Fred's original plan was to set up his garage at Pratten-dens Farm but there was a problem with the well – there was a dead cow in it! So, instead, he purchased Fogdens, a little further along The Street, establishing his workshop in the barn. As well as repairing cars, cycles and station-ary engines, he ran a local taxi service.



Turners today: the garage, which has a small shop, has occupied the site at Bury Common on the A29 since the 1930s

Petrol in those days was sold in two-gallon cans which were stored in a pit in the garden and were delivered by horse and cart. Later a tank was installed with a petrol pump painted red – often mistaken for a letter box. Any mail found was taken down the road to the real letter box in The Square.

Fred recalled many adventures from those days, such as epic drives in deep snow to meet customers off the train at Fittleworth station. On another occasion, while ferrying a bride to her wedding at Bury church, his car broke down in The Square. He managed to get some lads to push it into Church Lane and coasted down the hill to the church, where he was able to rectify the problem while the ceremony took place. He was then able to drive the happy couple back up the lane.



Far left: Fred Turner's original garage, opened in 1920 at Fogdens, in The Street, Bury. The single petrol pump, installed later, was painted red and often mistaken for a letterbox

Three generations of Turners. Fred (left), son Don (right) and grandson Allan, aged nine, pictured here some time after the business had moved from the centre of the village to the main A29 at Bury Common



Above: The garage in the 1950s, when it sold Shell, BP, National Benzole and Power petrol. Right: When winters really were winters



Grandson Allan Turner, who has run the business since 1975

In the 1930s he bought some land at Bury Common and built the present garage and his house adjacent to the A29 – a popular route from London to the coast. Don followed in his father's footsteps and attended Midhurst Grammar School, cycling to Fittleworth station to catch a train, with a long walk from the station at Midhurst to the school. A keen sportsman, he won a national cricket prize for batting while at school and was a useful goalkeeper, playing for Bury and later Arundel FC.

On the outbreak of the Second World War he joined the Royal Army Service Corps and trained as a mechanic, leaving Fred to run the garage. He subsequently served with the Royal Artillery with the Eighth Army in Egypt and Italy, returning after the war to Bury to work in the garage with his father.

He married Judy, from Petworth, and Allan was born in 1949 when they moved into the newly-built bungalow be-

hind the garage. Later, father and son swapped houses, with Fred and Ethel moving into the bungalow.

In those days, the garage sold Shell, BP, National Benzole and Power petrol, with a diesel pump added later. Eventually, it was just Shell, which continued until 1994 when a change was made to Murco, and the forecourt was improved with a canopy over the pumps.

With the introduction of the MoT in 1960, Turners was appointed as a testing station. A new purpose-built test bay was added in 1976 to comply with the latest regulations.

Fred died in 1968 and Don, sadly, died suddenly in 1975. Since then Allan has run the garage with his mother and wife Brenda. After Shoreham Grammar School he attended Chichester College of Further Education to study engineering and motor engineering to gain qualifications while working in the garage learning the practical side from father and grandfather.

Experience was gained working on diverse things such as concrete mixers, tractors, lorries and ambulances in addition to cars and vans. Keen on amateur motor sport, he competed regularly in rallies and classic car trials. Motor oil, so to speak, is in the blood.

In 2016, Turners embarked on a new venture when it purchased a Land-Rover parts business and became Britpart agents.

Now, a hundred years on since its modest beginnings in a barn in the heart of Bury village, the popular garage had to endure a partial shutdown for several weeks for the first time in its history because of the Coronavirus pandemic. However, it is now business as usual for Turners, continuing to serve the local community as it has done for a century.



Team Turner (left to right): Charlie Croft, Iain Clarke, Pete Pierce and Steve Thomas

BOOK REVIEW**The Well Gardened Mind**

Like many people in Amberley I have spent a lot of time this summer reading, gardening and walking, and I have lost count of the number of times we have said to each other and neighbours, 'how lucky we are to live here and to have a garden'. It has been a source of physical and mental wellbeing for us and others we have talked to.

One of the books I received for my birthday is called *The Well Gardened Mind*, by Sue Stuart-Smith, a psychiatrist and psychotherapist and keen gardener married to Tom Stuart-Smith, the celebrated garden designer. Together they have created the Barn Garden in Hertfordshire and Sue explains what is going on when we experience these beneficial effects.

The book is a combination of science, insight and anecdote in which the author investigates the remarkable effects of nature and gardening on our health and wellbeing. Using case studies from a wide variety of situations such as shell shock, stress, depression, trauma, addiction and custodial sentence she demonstrates the actual physical effects on the brain and life changes that connecting with the natural world can bring.



Every one of the 13 chapters is packed with fascinating stories and insights and it is hard to pick out examples but I have chosen two. The first is an observation by Frederick Law Olmstead who was a landscape designer and creator of New York's Central Park. "When we overuse our conscious cognitive processing skills," he said, "we are susceptible to 'attention fatigue' and the brain becomes less able to inhibit distracting stimuli." There are many studies that demonstrate this effect. One, for example found that students who walked 45 minutes in an arboretum performed 20% better in subsequent tests than a similar group who walked along busy urban streets.

As Olmstead described, contact with nature can have the effect of simultaneously calming and enlivening us."

My second quote is: "The sociability effect of green vegetation on people has been demonstrated in laboratory research. For example, one study found that being in the presence of indoor plants or looking at scenes of nature, as opposed to urban scenes, prompted people to make decisions that showed higher levels of generosity and trust." We have to remember to water the indoor plants!

It is a very readable serious book, which I thoroughly recommend.

Cyndy Kennett

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**AMBERLEY PARISH COUNCIL**

What your councillors discussed

Highlights of the meeting held on July 9, 2020, via Zoom video-conferencing



Present: Geoff Uren (chairman), Peter Cozens, Hazel Alinson, Leigh Cresswell, Tim Simpson, Jason Charman, Alex Beveridge and Laura Rawnsley. Also in attendance: Diana van der Klugt and Paul Clarke (Horsham District councillors), Vicky Spiers (parish clerk), and three members of the public.

Councillors discussed a recent communication from Julianne Evans, site manager for the RSPB at Wiggonholt, who wrote to the parish council saying that nesting birds had been scared by dogs, and cattle had escaped because walkers had left gates open on RSPB land. She asked that people could stick to the two Public Rights of Way over the Wildbrooks and not walk over the Reserve's land – part of which is also within the parish of Parham. When Covid rules allow, Jason Charman and the clerk, representing both Amberley and Parham, would meet with Julianne to discuss the issue in more detail and report back with any new suggestions.

Diana van der Klugt reported that the South Down National Park Authority (SDNPA) had celebrated its ten-year anniversary in March. The SDNPA had a new chair, Ian Phillips, and deputy chair, Vanessa Rowlands. Five new Secretary of State appointees would be that will be starting soon.

Diana also advised that the applications for Community Infrastructure Levy funding would be reviewed in September.

Councillor Paul Clarke reported that Horsham District Council was currently losing £800,000 revenue a month from car parking and commercial rent, equating to an annual loss of £9.6m a year. Furthermore, up to £30 million had been paid to local businesses by way of grants. Despite a £1.4 million award by central Government, the district council was looking at other possible income streams.

Andrew Griffith MP had written to the council asking it to nominate local Covid-19 Champions. Geoff suggested the Amberley Infection Hub as a candidate and asked councillors to e-mail him with their suggestions which he would then pass on to Andrew directly.

Hazel Alinson reported that Watersfield Football Club had requested the long term use of the football field for their 3rd team, and she also said that both playgrounds were now open, with user Guidance posted on ListServe as well as the entrances to the recreation ground play park and Hurst Close playground.

The much-anticipated Amberley Neighbourhood Plan funding application (for £75,000) for the proposed car park at the corner of School Road and the B2139 had been submitted to the Government's Rural Development Programme (RDPE).

Councillors were pursuing unallocated funds and the possibility of other funds for car park lighting.

Amberley had contributed to the South East Climate Alliance's (SECA) feedback on West Sussex County Council's Draft Climate Strategy (Carbon Zero by 2030). Sue Belgrave had noted that Covid's increase of single use plastic like gloves and masks meant Amberley's Climate Network would make it a focus, and feed back to relevant bodies.

Laura Rawnsley confirmed that the Community Speedwatch group had 10 volunteers and earmarked two possible sites for the monitoring, pending permission. Laura also reported that the WSCC traffic engineer, Rob Torrance, had said the weight limit Traffic Regulation Order (TRO) which had been discussed for the B2139 would not be pursued, focusing instead on enforcing the current height restrictions – the means of which would be decided, along with the suggested pedestrian route from Houghton to the railway station, which had previously been discussed.

Parishioners Kate McGuire and Ian Galbraith had begun an initiative to investigate the options for various grants and funds to improve broadband service in Crossgates, and down to Arun Close, as well as for the parish's other homes and businesses suffering poor connectivity. There were various possibilities and they would take the matter as far as possible.

Date of the next meeting: September 10 at 7pm, via Zoom.

Parham Parish Council

Highlights of the meeting on Tuesday, July 14, 2020, via Zoom video-conferencing

Present: Tim Hayward (chair), Heather Cartwright, Catherine Dugdale, Claudia Fisher and Nigel Dean. Also in attendance: Vicky Spiers (parish clerk)

In response to an enquiry by a Parham parishioner, councillors discussed whether the local Community Speedwatch that has been set up by Amberley Parish Council and the Houghton Meeting could be used to monitor traffic at the junction of Rackham Street and the B2139.

The clerk confirmed that the resident had been contacted and advised that the criteria around CSW groups meant that it could only be used on roads with a 20mph, 30mph or 40mph speed limit and there had to be a safe place for volunteers to stand at least 2.5 metres from the road. Councillors all agreed that the turning in and out of Rackham Street on to the B2139 was hazardous, but unfortunately the solution was not within the council's remit.

A complaint had been received from Julianne Evans regarding walkers not sticking to the Wey South path and the Public Right of Way that cross the Wildbrooks, and that gates had been left open resulting in cattle escaping and dogs (not on leads) frightening nesting birds. This had also been discussed at Amberley PC's meeting the previous week, when councillors agreed that a meeting with Julianne should be arranged.

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Councillors agreed that the clerk would represent both councils at the meeting to try and obtain a resolution.

The clerk confirmed there had been a meeting with a contractor (David Healey) to discuss the proposed improvement to the footpath from Wiggonholt to Greatham Lane, but a further two quotes were required. Before going further, she said they would wait for Mr Healey's estimate for the cost to see whether the work would be affordable with the funds available.

It was agreed that Heather Cartwright and Claudia Fisher would work together to produce an information sheet on climate change.

Among the planning applications, the council had raised no objection to the RSPB's retention of its welfare unit for a further temporary period and it had been approved by Horsham District Council. There was a pending decision with HDC for the erection of single storey extensions and an extension to the stable block at Fairfield Barn in Greatham Road, Greatham, and an application for the installation of a first floor



Safety first: as well as an existing speed limit of up to 40mph, there has to be somewhere for volunteers to stand 2.5 metres from the road

double window at 6 Rackham Street, Rackham, was in progress.

There were three requests for donations carried over from the March meeting: Air Ambulance (£250), Age UK Horsham District (£100) and Citizen's Advice Bureau (for a grant). The clerk advised that the 2020/21 donation budget was £150 and following discussion councillors agreed a payment of £50 to each charity.

Date of the next meeting: Tuesday, September 8, at 6.30pm

Petition to curb noisy motorcycles

Are you affected by the noise nuisance from motorcycles along the B2139 (and elsewhere)? If so, there is a petition for parliament to take action on this, which you can find at: <https://petition.parliament.uk/petitions/321103>

The legal noise limit for motorcycles is between 73 and 77 decibels but several bikes exceed this by a large margin. The Department for Transport is currently deciding where to trial roadside acoustic technology, which it said would "lead the way to providing the peace and quiet local people deserve".

Geoff Uren, Chairman, Amberley Parish Council

Amberley Parish Council

PARISH COUNCILLOR VACANCY

There is a councillor vacancy on Amberley Parish Council, to be filled by co-option (ballot by existing members) at the Council's next meeting, on Thursday 10th September 2020.

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Your Parish Council is involved in planning, highways, transport, traffic, housing, playing fields, playgrounds, litter, public seats, bus shelters, a winter plan and rights of way. The Government is encouraging local councils to deliver more services and to play a greater part in their communities. Amberley Parish Council are also in the process of delivering objectives in our Neighbourhood Plan which will shape the development and conservation of the Parish for the next 15 to 20 years.

All who wish to be considered as candidates are invited to apply by email to the Clerk. You need to be on the Register of Electors and over 18.

If you would like to know more about being a member of Amberley Parish Council before applying, please call me on 01903 208943 or email clerk@amberley-pc.org.uk. Any council member will also be happy to talk to you about being a councillor.

Please note, applications must be received by 5pm on Tuesday 8th September 2020.

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AMBERLEY CLIMATE NETWORK

A 'Tiny Forest' for Amberley?

In 1949, five years after the detonation of the first nuclear bomb over Hiroshima, a young Japanese botanist Akira Miyawaki visited the site of the explosion and was moved to see green shoots at the base of a charred tree trunk. Despite the magnitude and scale of the destruction the tree had survived. This set Akira Miyawaki on a life-long journey learning about trees; a journey which has resulted in him planting more 40 million in 1,000 forests around the world.

Dr. Akira Miyawaki, now aged 93, has perfected an approach to forest creation which uses a rich mix of indigenous trees, dense planting and heavy mulching to create forests in a very short space of time.

A mix (30 or more species) of indigenous trees because, based on Dr. Miyawaki's studies of shrines and sacred forests around Japan, indigenous trees create the most biodiversity.

Dense planting (about 600 trees in 200sq metres or the equivalent of a tennis court) makes the forests easy to manage.

Heavy mulching with natural mulch from coconut husks, straw or other locally available materials creates the best growing medium for the trees. The result is an eco-system which stores carbon (40 times more carbon than single

to 'green' can actually provide a range of other community benefits."

Earlier this year, before we had the pandemic to preoccupy us all, there were high levels of interest in tree planting in Amberley and while Tiny Forests are particularly well suited to urban or semi-urban areas, there would be no reason why we could not create our own Tiny Forest. We would need to identify a 'tennis court of land', then mulch it, procure a variety of indigenous trees to plant there, plant them and watch over them closely for the next three years or so after which time, if all goes well, the forest will become self-managing. If we were able to persuade other local communities to do the same, we could be a part of a system of wildlife corridors, ribbons of mini forests stretching across the south of England.



Planting an idea: Dr Akira Miyawaki

You can learn more about the remarkable and inspirational story of Dr Miyawaki on this YouTube clip – it does start in a rather incomprehensible way with a helicopter flight but do not be deterred. It is well worth watching.

www.youtube.com/watch?v=cfZTzsQ4gEs

Sue Belgrave

Could it be that the earth's increase in temperature and natural disasters are communicating something to all living things, which includes the human race

Akira Miyawaki

species forests), improves air quality, cuts noise pollution and increases biodiversity much faster than nature can do it alone.

The approach has become known as 'Tiny Forests' and the last ten years has seen them being planted across Europe, in India, Thailand, Brazil and China. Most Tiny Forests are planted by the communities who then look after them, creating a further benefit.

In the Netherlands there are now more than 100 tiny forests and the first trees have just been planted to create the first one in the UK, 12 miles west of Oxford at Witney, where the council is working with Earthwatch and the local community on a site adjacent to a large housing development.

Witney town councillor Vicky Gwatkin says: "The global environmental crisis focuses the mind but also provides a tremendous opportunity to think outside the box, giving us the confidence to experiment and try new things. Tiny Forests demonstrate that, far from being a sacrifice, the shift

Previous Amberley Climate Network articles

Cars: the benefits of going electric (Sue Belgrave, *July/August 2020*)

Climate change, and change from climate (Fraser Wheeler, *June 2020*)

Installing an air-source heating system and the impact of Covid-19 on the wider issue of climate change (Fraser Wheeler, *May 2020*)

How we can all do our bit to tackle climate change (Geoff Uren, *April 2020*)

Materials Recycling Facility, Ford, (Richard Robinson, *March 2020*)

Single use plastic recycling comes to Amberley (Hazel Allinson, *February 2020*)

Recycling plastic and advice on general recycling (Sue Belgrave, *December/January 2019/2020*)

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Motoring Memories

Roger Agate's Mini 1275 GT – a familiar sight around Amberley – reflects a lifetime love affair with the iconic Sixties marque

Having been talked out of owning a motorbike by his parents and declining the offer of his grandfather's Triumph 1500 as 'lacking street cred', when Roger turned 17 he settled for a Mini.

He went on to own two or three before his tastes and budget grew and he took a rest from the little car for a number of years, returning to Minis as a hobby when the children were little. Young George and Olivia Agate were brought up on summer holidays in France with a group of Roger and Judy's Mini-owning friends, and picnicked at the many summer Mini shows the family attended. Both had one to experience for themselves as their first car.

Roger's first Mini was a 1969 Morris 850 saloon in Trafalgar blue. "Some in the know may well be thinking 'he's got that wrong as that was never a Mini colour'," he says. "I stumbled across the explanation a few years ago when a friend was recalling his days as a BMC apprentice. He mentioned how one of his jobs was to fit the disability controls to Trafalgar blue Minis that were a special order by the Ministry of Defence for injured ex-service personnel. This would also explain the MoD green fire extinguisher fitted in the car."

His second car was a Mini 1275 GT, which he had resprayed by the late John Philby, then living at 2 Crossgates. "After this I strayed to an Austin Healey Sprite, but not being one for keeping cars, this in turn was sold on to James Steele Sargent, an old school friend. James kept the car a little longer than Roger and still has it up at North Stoke – it can often be seen around Amberley.

"I have owned the British Leyland-built orange 1275 GT for around 11 years, the longest I have kept a car. The model was launched in late 1969, and this one emerged from the Longbridge factory in Birmingham in May 1970 – around the 750th of the model to be made.

Being so early in the production run there are many small features on this car that were dropped or changed only a few weeks later. Together with the Clubman, the 1275 GT was the brainchild of ex-Ford designers Roy Haynes and Paul Hughes and is a hybrid of the original Issigonis-designed Mini with Ford ergonomics.

From its launch British Leyland marketed the 1275 GT as the replacement for the soon-to-be discontinued Mini Cooper S. "Not even the best marketeers could quite pull that one off!" says Roger.

Dealers had three tuning kits to offer the would-be 1275 GT owner. "My car was fitted with the larger of the three, while the lower two enabled owner to retain their year's warranty. The unimaginatively named Kit C reduced the warranty to a mere three months!" It included a gas-flowed head, twin SU carburettors, a sports exhaust and a large red 'S' badge to



Mini magic: Roger's 1275 GT with the rest of the stable

fit on the boot lid, borrowed from the Austin 1800S of the day. This car also has the optional second fuel tank.

"The Cooper S, also tucked in my garage, is unquestionably a prettier car. That said the 1275 GT epitomises the ingenuity of the BL designers to produce new models on absurdly small budgets, for a company that, by this time, was in poor financial shape for all the reasons we remember the 1970s!

"My car has had only four owners from new. I purchased it in 2008 from a friend in order to enter a four-day winter navigational rally in France. It's an event he has attended every year since, although sadly not this year because of Covid-19.

"The car is no stranger to having snow chains fitted, or being lost up a mountain in the dark. It has also been with me to the International Mini Meeting I attend each year, hosted by different countries. We've been to Ireland twice, Germany, Lithuania, Switzerland, Holland, Hungary, Belgium and Portugal to name but a few and more trips to France than I can recall.

"The car was in a very original state when I first acquired it and three years ago I completed a full nuts-and-bolts restoration, starting at my former home in Pulborough and completing it here in Amberley after we moved to Smoke Tree Cottage. This added another challenge to the project – keeping tabs on all the boxes of parts during the move, with a short spell in a rented garage in Hurst Cottages in between.

Fast Facts

Introduced as the Mini Morris Minor (and Austin Seven) in 1959 by the British Motor Corporation, the two-door Mini became an icon of the 1960s. Its space-saving front-wheel-drive layout (which allowed 80 per cent of the area of the car's floorplan to be used for passengers and luggage) influenced a generation of car-makers. Its original price was £497. Subsequent variations included an estate car (the Mini Traveller), a pick-up truck, a van and the Mini Moke. The Mini Cooper and Mini Cooper S were sportier versions that were successfully rallied, winning the Monte Carlo Rally four times from 1964 through to 1967. Between 1959 and 2000 more than 5.3 million classic Minis were built.



South Downs skyscrapers

While so many are feeling boxed-in by buildings and overwhelmed by architecture, I've found the perfect escape route. Head up on to the South Downs and let the developed world be stripped away with every step. Yet here, in this ancient landscape, towering above the thyme and trefoils in the turf, you'll find some of the most impressive structures in Sussex.

Ant hills are mini miracles of design and construction; the visible tip of the ant's underground empire. Soil is mined and carried, grain by grain, to the surface to construct this metropolis of mounds – some of which can be centuries old. Every ant hill represents a separate colony of Yellow Meadow ants – respected as the finest architects among Britain's 42 ant species.

Ant hills are high-rise heat-traps built to harvest the sun's warmth. This soil solarium houses a series of chambers; the colony's nursery. Here, worker ants tenderly tend to eggs, pupae and larvae – moving them around within the ant hill to keep them always on the sunny side.

With a strong division of labour, each colony is a 'super-organism' made up of thousands of hard-working individuals serving a common cause – their colony and queen.

But life is far from peaceful. Every ant hill is a miniature kingdom at war with its neighbouring ant hills. Epic battles are fought daily on these Downs, and every summer squadrons of winged ants take to the skies in an attempt to establish new colonies. It's a perilous mission – certain death awaits them if they land in occupied territory.

Down under the ant hill, other ants work on the aphid farm. Root-feeding aphids are herded and 'milked' for their honeydew – a high-energy drink which helps fuel the colony. Ants also obtain a similar sugary syrup from the caterpillars of Chalk Hill Blue butterflies. When these caterpillars are ready to pupate they are carried underground and adopted by the ant colony. Upon emergence, the subterranean homesick blue butterflies scramble back to the surface and escape to the summer skies.

Ant hills don't just benefit ants; their angles and aspects create a unique micro-habitat on chalk downland. Their sun-baked slopes are great for basking butterflies, grasshoppers and lizards and their soft, sifted soil is loved by mosses, grasses and flowers. This softness is also their vulnerability. Every ant lives in fear of the great winged terror from the sky – the green woodpecker. Its brutal bill and sticky harpoon tongue can cause carnage in a colony.

Winged monsters, kingdoms at war – it's a veritable Game of Thrones out there on the South Downs in September.

Michael Blencowe

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Picture: Paul Richards

Architectural genius: the Yellow Meadow ant

RECIPE

Soila's meat loaf

This recipe, provided by Stella Kemp, was one of her step-mother's, who was born in St Petersburg at the start of the last century. Named Soila, she was the daughter of Swedish/Finnish parents. Her father, until their return to Finland, was the stationmaster at St Petersburg, hence the Russian influence in this recipe.

Ingredients

550g ground or minced beef

200g minced pork

450ml creamy, plain yoghurt

One bag of Knorr French onion soup (the best for this)

Breadcrumbs

A little butter

Method

Mix all the ingredients together apart from the butter and breadcrumbs. Make into a loaf and put into a flat, slightly buttered dish. Spread breadcrumbs over and dot with butter.

Bake in oven at 175C-200C for 45 minutes. Can be eaten hot or cold and freezes well.



Summer rainfall

Up until mid-August, the summer had been relatively dry. Although there were 11 damp or wet days in June, the rainfall was minimal – a mere 21.8mm (7/8 in) compared with 82.8mm (3 1/4 in) during the corresponding month in 2019. In July, it was a similar pattern, with 15 damp or wet days but only 25.1mm (1 in) of rain in total, against 43.7mm (1 3/4 in) the previous year.

Total rainfall for the first seven months of 2020 was 423.5mm (16 3/4 in), compared with 501.5mm (19 3/4 in) up until the end of July last year.

Figures compiled by Peter Daughtrey

Paws for thought

Dear Grace: I have been going through a run of unlucky accidents. You know the sort of thing: the sweep of a Labrador tail knocking precious things off a table; careering through the house, demolishing everything in my path.

I really need someone else to blame. My master unwittingly provided the solution: a doppelganger. After all those cameras and cars, those clever Germans have now invented another persona for anyone who needs one. An alto ego, a double.

Great! All I have to do is find my doppelganger. Perhaps I could have one as a birthday present. It will be magic to be able to blame it for any small accident that I have caused.

But what to call it? My mistress has come up with a very suitable name – slightly formal, but there is nothing wrong with having the correct moniker.

So in future, I shall be able to point out that any accidents are solely the responsibility of another lady dog called.... 'Miss Hap'.

See you soon! Lots of love

Poppy

Dear Poppy: Forgive me for any delay in writing to you but I have been off colour for a few days and my mistress, not unnaturally, thought that I was suffering from the heat. But when she saw that I was off my fodder she got worried and took me to my vet. As a result, I am now on all sorts of potions and pills, after having two injections at the surgery, no doubt having cost a fortune (vets certainly know how to charge!).

It was all very odd in there because everyone was wearing masks, including my mistress who seemed to be having trouble with her sunglasses steaming up!



Top Dog

Tilly, James and Marj Tolson's three-year-old springer spaniel, is our Dog of the Month. She is pictured here taking a break during a recent walk on the National Trust's Slindon Estate. Send us a picture of your dog (or cat) for inclusion. E-mail mike@brooklandsamberley.com

Enough about my ailments. I will now tell you about my continuing confusion, because they keep banging on about people being in the same 'bubble', something I simply cannot get my head around. How can they all be in the same bubble? I mean how can anybody live in a bubble? All I know about bubbles are the colourful ones young Bobby and Rex blow from pipes dipped in soapy water, and which are tiny and then burst. All very strange – little wonder I'm confused!

Well, I hope you managed to keep cool in that heatwave – wow, wasn't that hot. I'm told that on one day it was 34.5C just down the road at Wiggonholt, wherever that is. Someone said that if a dog owner cannot place their hand on a hot road or pavement surface for seven seconds, then it is too hot for our paws. Seems reasonable.

Our mistress thoughtfully got a fan for us which helped, although she seemed to take it in her stride having lived in the bush in Africa. As mentioned in my last missive, that too is another matter of confusion so far as I am concerned. Who on earth lives in a bush? Take care and keep cool. Love from us girls.

Grace

Times past...

Basket making in Amberley by Jack Stemp, a First World War veteran. First a postman, called up in 1914 and wounded by a shell at Ypres, leaving him buried for two days. Later sent to Gallipoli and Egypt, only to be invalided home for good. He was then trained as a basket maker by the Ministry of Pensions. All the osiers (withies) were grown locally and were stripped by the family at Stemp's Cottage and then soaked in a long concrete trough at the back of the house (now known as High Orchard) in Rackham Road. I am indebted to Jennifer Jeffery (nee Stemp), who grew up in Stemp's Cottage and emigrated to Canada, for the information and sketch.

Coincidentally, our first house in Amberley was High Orchard.

Mike Toynbee

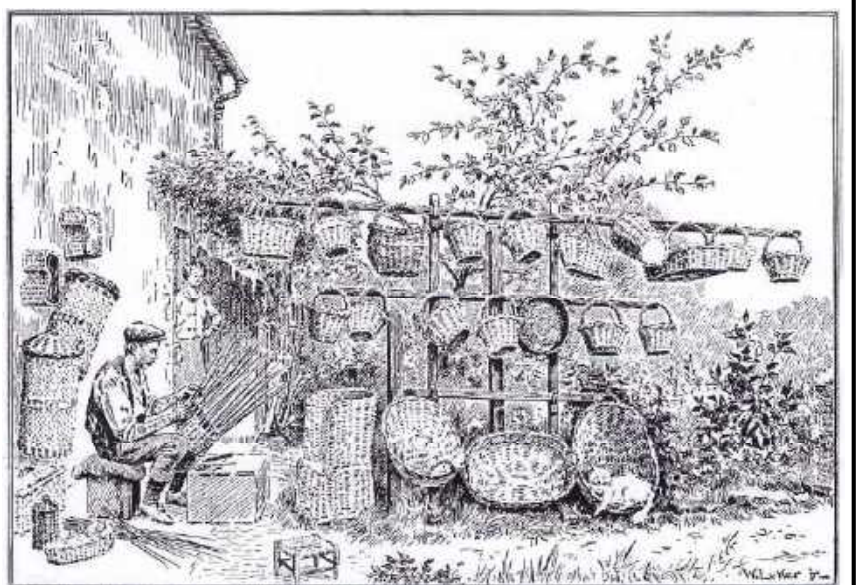


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EDITORIAL

The new 'normal'

After one of the strangest summer's in living memory, life is getting back to some sort of normality. The ability to meet family and friends, albeit under controlled conditions, or to go shopping or to the pub. But with face masks the order of the day, and social distancing still a requirement for the foreseeable future, one wonders if life will ever be quite the same again.

Two-metre queues, one-way systems, the use of personal protective equipment (PPE) as well as plastic screens at tills to ensure there is no physical contact between staff and customers, is what we are all now having to get used to.

And although the churches have reopened, many of the services in recent weeks have been conducted outside, thanks largely to the weather.

Here in the Wildbrooks parishes, we have been incredibly lucky thanks to the strict observance of the lockdown regulations and the vigilance and advice by the Helpline Hub team, who have worked so hard to keep us safe and well.

However, since mid-March, when the lockdown was introduced, there has been a heavy toll on businesses trying to stay afloat, visitor attractions, such as Amberley Museum and Parham House and Gardens, and popular events including Glorious Goodwood, the Festival of Speed and the Goodwood Revival, all of which are big revenue earners for the area, and were all cancelled.

Charities, dependent to a large extent on fundraising events, have taken a real hit. Amberley's biennial Gardens Open, which raises thousands of pounds for Action Medical Research (a charity, incidentally, founded by an Amberley resident) was one of many casualties although the local committee have been busy with plant sales. Even the popular Rackham Fete and Flower Show, which would have taken place on August Bank Holiday Monday as it has done for the last 74 years, had to be shelved this year.

Churches, too, have been suffering. St Michael's, Amberley, came up with an innovative fundraiser in the shape of a churchyard picnic and concert which not only proved to be an immensely enjoyable evening but also a financial success, raising around £1,000, including £250 for a musicians' charity.

The annual Macmillan Coffee Morning on September 25 is (at the time of writing) going ahead on a take-away basis rather than the usual convivial get-together in the Church Hall. Given the weather, it is hoped people will have an opportunity to sit and chat in the churchyard or take coffee and cakes away to enjoy with friends at home.

The new 'normal' is something we are going to have to live with for some time to come. We had better get used to it.

Mike Toynbee



Rackham Village Fete

Rackham woods near Wiggonholt are a child's paradise.

The Old School is now a hall for shows and whist nights,

The backdrop of sandstone mountain stands proud,

A super place for kids to ascend and climb.

Once reaching the top, a playground wood is found!

Camps, swings and climbing frames abound.

August now brings end of summer as Bank Holiday arrives,

A splendid old wooden slide is built, mats for a ride,

Hoopla, bingo, bowl for a pig, coconut shies.

Guess the weight of that cake, and tombolas to try!

Large tent at the side for cuppa, scones and cake ,

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Jessica Jacob

● This year's annual Fete & Flower Show was cancelled for the first time ever, because of the Coronavirus pandemic

Church Raffle winners

Raffle No.1: Tina Bishop, of Hurst Cottages, won the hamper; and Glenys Rowe, of the High Street was the winner of the fish and chip supper donated by The Sportsman. Raffle No.2: Sue and Jim Endacott, of Rackham Road, won the picnic hamper; and Guy and Mary Leonard, of Drewitts Farm, won the magnificent cake baked and decorated by Pat O'Beirne.

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Both local libraries – Storrington and Pulborough – have reopened, but with limited hours.

The aim is to gradually increase the opening hours, but for the time being they remains limited due to the additional capacity needed to manage the new safety measures required for both customers and staff. This enables everyone in the library to move around safely and for new procedures to be implemented to ensure returned stock can be quarantined for 72 hours.

Browsing for books is now possible, although customers are encouraged to use the online catalogue to reserve choices or ask staff to make a selection. Once the items are available the library will contact you by phone or e-mail to enable you to collect your items during the limited opening hours.

Remember, libraries also have an extensive choice of audiobooks and DVDs, as well as offering free wi-fi, photocopying and scanning facilities. There is also study space for those who need it.

Storrington Library's new opening hours are 2pm-5.30pm (Monday-Wednesday); 9.30am-1pm (Thursday and Friday); and 10am-1pm (Saturday). Tel: (01903) 839050; e-mail: storrington.library@westsussex.gov.uk

Pulborough Library: 2pm-5pm (Wednesday); 10am-1pm (Friday and Saturday). Closed Monday, Tuesday and Thursday. Tel: (01798 872891); e-mail: pulborough.library@west-sussex.gov.uk

Phone renewals (not 24 hours): (01243 642110).



Property Watch

Homes for sale locally

List compiled from Rightmove

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Church Street 4-bedroom Grade 2-listed cottage
(Fowlers, Storrington) **£935,000**

East Street 4-bedroom detached house
(GL&Co, Storrington) **£1,150,000**

Adjacent to Amberley Castle Grade 2-listed, 6-bedroom barn conversion
(Jackson-Stops, Chichester) **£2,400,000**

Houghton

South Lane 2-bedroom house
(GL&Co, Storrington) **£375,000**

Houghton Bridge

North Stoke Lane 4-bedroom detached bungalow
(GL&Co) **£675,000**

3-bedroom detached house (formerly The Boathouse)
(Sims Williams, Arundel) **£780,000**

Amazon installs self-service lockers at Amberley Station

Online retailer Amazon has installed a self-service collection locker at Amberley station as an alternative delivery option for customers to pick-up and return packages. There is a total of 42 lockers designed to accommodate packages of different sizes.

There is a similar facility at Pulborough station. Apart from serving commuters, who may not be at home to sign for packages during the day, the lockers will also help to reduce the number of delivery vans travelling through the villages.

When ordering customers quote the locker as their delivery address and are then sent unique six-digit code once the parcel has been delivered. Using a touch-screen, recipients then enter the code and retrieve their goods. They have up to three days before the package is returned.

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SEPTEMBER DIVERSIONS

1. Desdemona is the wife of which Shakespeare character?
2. What score constitutes a double bagel in tennis?
3. Maker of arrows for archers' bows?
4. Which famous Russian has a mausoleum on Red Square in Moscow?
5. Which spirit is used in the making of Bailey's Irish Cream?
6. James Lillywhite was the first captain of England in which sport in 1877?
7. In Morse Code, which letter is represented by a single dash?
8. Which country has the largest prison population in the world?
9. What is the name of Europe's highest mountain, located in Russia?
10. London home of the Archbishop of Canterbury?
11. The Manchester location of the 1819 massacre of demonstrators?
12. Texan town associated with a Tony Christie song?
13. Footless heraldic bird on the badge of the Sussex County Cricket Club?
14. In Greek mythology what type of animal's head does a chimera have?
15. Which British military medal was first awarded in 1857?
16. Eldest son of Jacob and Leah in the bible?
17. Sportswear company founded in 1964 as Blue Ribbon Sports?
18. Alan Rickman plays the terrorist leader Hans Gruber in which film?
19. By what name is the evergreen tree *Araucaria Araucana* better known?
20. How many shillings was a florin worth?
21. Utah Jazz is a team that plays which sport in the USA?
22. A Shropshire World heritage site designated as such by UNESCO in 1986?
23. What is the US Solitaire card game more commonly known as in the UK?
24. What was Ed White the first American to do, on June 3, 1965?
25. Which two islands are separated by the Denmark Strait?
26. At the age of 85, which actress became the oldest cover girl on British *Vogue* magazine?
27. What is the name of the tower housing the Big Ben clock?
28. What is the longest river in the World to flow entirely in one country?
29. Traditional gift for a 55th wedding anniversary?
30. In which country do British swallows spend the winter?

Quiz compiled by Tony Baldwin

Answers: see page 45

QUICK CROSSWORD

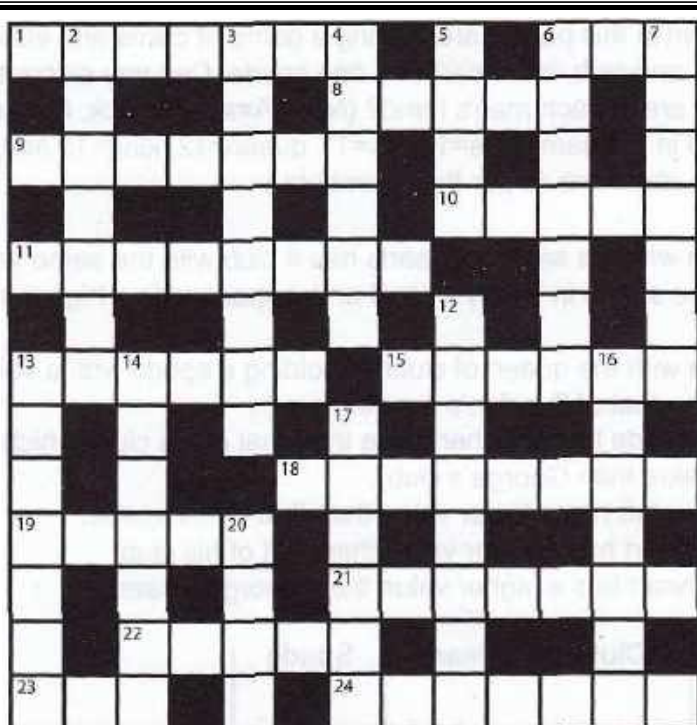
Across

1. Greatest amount possible under given circumstances (7)
6. Of a thing (3)
8. Due (5)
9. Hypothetical remedy for all ills or diseases (7)
10. Rest on bended legs (5)
11. Wind instrument (8)
13. Part of the neck (6)
15. Person authorised to conduct religious worship (6)
18. Unrestrained expression of emotion (8)
19. Submerge (5)
21. Perfumed (7)
22. Stop (5)
23. Be prostrate (3)
24. Compared (7)

Down

2. Ancient Egyptian king (7)
3. One of the North American Great Lakes (8)
4. Grumbled (6)
5. Light shade of red (4)
6. Pyrogenic (7)
7. Large, ocean-dwelling mammal (3,4)
12. Dawn (8)
13. Clinging part of a plant (7)
14. Jubilate (7)
16. Lewd (7)
17. Black marine mollusc (6)
20. Low tide (4)

Solution: p45



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LOCAL INFORMATION



Southern Trains Timetable

MONDAY-FRIDAY AND SATURDAY

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Typical journey time to London Victoria 1hr 27mins

From Pulborough to London Victoria: 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 21.05, then 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, 22.51(P&S), 23.21C, 23.53C.

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

SUNDAY

From Amberley to London Victoria: 07.53, 09.01 and then at 01 minutes past the hour until 22.01.

From Pulborough: 6 minutes later

Typical journey time to London Victoria 1hr 23mins

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): 09.02B, 10.00PH, 10.58PH, 11.55 and then 55 minutes past the hour until 21.55, then 22.55B and 23.55B.

B – Bognor Regis; PH – Portsmouth Harbour.

Compiled by Malcolm Pheasey

Refuse & Recycling Calendar

Household refuse collections (Amberley/Crossgates/Rackham, Mill Lane, High Titten, New Barn Road and Houghton Bridge) for non-recyclable waste will be on **Tuesdays, September 1, 15 and 29**; mixed dry recyclable waste (blue top bins) and garden waste (brown top bins for registered users only) will be collected on **Tuesdays, September 8 and 22**. For Church Street and Hog Lane, collections for dry recyclable waste will be on **Wednesdays, September 2, 16 and 30**. Garden waste (brown top bins for registered users only) will be collected on **Mondays, September 7 and 21**; while collections for non-recyclable waste will be on **Wednesdays, September 9 and 23**.

Opening hours for amenity tips

Summer opening hours (until October 31) are **Billingshurst** 9am-6pm (closed Thursday and Friday); **Bognor Regis** 8.30am-6pm Monday-Wednesday and 9am-6pm Saturday and Sunday (closed Thursday and Friday) **Chichester (West-hampnett)** 9am-6pm daily; **Littlehampton** 8.30am-6pm Tuesday, Thursday and Friday; 9am-6pm Saturday and Sunday (closed Tuesday and Wednesday). Note that trailers are not admitted to the Bognor or Littlehampton sites.



Local Farmers' Markets

Storrington Country Market

Village Hall, West Street

Fridays (10am-11.15am)

Chichester

East and North Streets

First and third Fridays (9am-2pm)

Ford

Ford Airfield

First Saturday (7.30am-2pm)

Steyning

High Street Car Park

First Saturday (9am-1pm)

Arundel

Town Centre

Third Saturday (9am-1pm)

Slindon

Coronation Hall

Fourth Thursday (8.45am-12.30pm)

Pulborough

Village Hall

Fourth or last Saturday (9am-12 noon)

Petworth

Leconfield Hall and Square

Fourth Saturday (9am-1pm)



MONTHLY CALENDAR OF EVENTS – SEPTEMBER

3rd Thursday

School term begins

5th Saturday

Farmers' Market: Steyning, 9am-1pm

8th Tuesday

Parham Parish Council meeting

(via Zoom), 6.30pm

9th Wednesday

Pilates, St Michael's Church Hall, 10am

10th Thursday

Amberley Parish Council meeting

(via Zoom), 7pm

12th Saturday

Amberley Revival Classic Car tour,
9am start from The Square

16th Wednesday

Pilates, St Michael's Church Hall, 10am

19th Saturday

Farmers' Market: Arundel Town Centre,
9am-1pm

23rd Wednesday

Pilates, St Michael's Church Hall, 10am

24th Thursday

Farmers' Market: Coronation Hall, Slindon,
8.45am-12.30pm

25th Friday

Macmillan Coffee Morning, counter outside
St Michael's Church Hall, 10.30am-12 noon

26th Saturday

Farmers' Market: Pulborough Village Hall,
9am-12 noon

26th Saturday

Farmers' Market: Leconfield Hall and
Square, Petworth, 9am-1pm

30th Wednesday

Pilates, St Michael's Church Hall, 10am

Littlehampton Tide Timetable – September

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 st	2 nd	3 rd	4 th	5 th
		Low 05.23 High 11.57 Low 17.41	High 00.12 Low 06.01 High 12.37 Low 18.19	High 00.50 Low 06.37 High 13.13 Low 18.55	High 01.25 Low 07.12 High 13.45 Low 19.28	High 01.55 Low 07.44 High 14.13 Low 20.00
6 th	7 th	8 th	9 th	10 th	11 th	12 th
High 02.19 Low 08.16 High 14.34 Low 20.32	High 02.42 Low 08.47 High 14.57 Low 21.02	High 03.09 Low 09.16 High 15.25 Low 21.33	High 03.41 Low 09.48 High 16.00 Low 22.10	High 04.22 Low 10.32 High 16.47 Low 23.04	High 05.19 Low 11.35 High 17.56	Low 00.22 High 07.12 Low 13.08 High 19.49
13 th	14 th	15 th	16 th	17 th	18 th	19 st
Low 01.57 High 08.33 Low 14.40 High 21.00	Low 03.17 High 09.34 Low 15.45 High 21.56	Low 04.10 High 10.27 Low 16.32 High 22.44	Low 04.53 High 11.13 Low 17.15 High 23.30	Low 05.35 High 11.59 Low 17.56	High 00.15 Low 06.17 High 12.44 Low 18.39	High 01.00 Low 07.00 High 13.28 Low 19.23
20 th	21 st	22 nd	23 rd	24 th	25 th	26 th
High 01.44 Low 07.45 High 14.10 Low 20.09	High 02.27 Low 08.30 High 14.53 Low 20.54	High 03.11 Low 09.16 High 15.36 Low 21.41	High 03.57 Low 10.03 High 16.25 Low 22.33	High 04.53 Low 11.00 High 17.24 Low 23.39	High 06.04 Low 12.19 High 18.39	Low 01.11 High 07.35 Low 13.53 High 20.17
27 th	28 th	29 th	30 th			
Low 02.32 High 09.09 Low 15.05 High 21.37	Low 03.34 High 10.09 Low 16.00 High 22.29	Low 04.22 High 10.54 Low 16.43 High 23.11	Low 05.02 High 11.33 Low 17.20 High 23.50			

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Compiled by Hazel Allinson

Diversions answers (see p40)

1. Othello 2. 6-0, 6-0 3. A fletcher 4. Vladimir Lenin 5. Irish whiskey 6. Cricket 7. T
8. USA 9. Mount Elbrus 10. Lambeth Palace 11. Peterloo (now St Peter's Square)
12. Amarillo 13. Martlet 14. Lion 15. Victoria Cross 16. Reuben 17. Nike 18. Die Hard
19. Monkey puzzle tree 20. Two 21. Basketball 22. Ironbridge Gorge 23. Patience
24. Walk in space 25. Greenland and Iceland 26. Dame Judi Dench 27. Elizabeth Tower
28. Yangtze 29. Emerald 30. South Africa

Crossword solution

Across: 1. Optimum 6. Its 8. Owing
9. Panacea 10. Kneel 11. Bagpipes
13. Throat 15. Parson 18. Outburst
19. Drown 21. Scented 22. Cease
23. Lie 24. Likened

Down: 2. Pharaoh 3. Michigan
4. Moaned 5. Pink 6. Igneous
7. Sealion 12. Daybreak 13. Tendril
14. Rejoice 16. Obscene 17. Mussel
20. Neap

Tiny Diamond solution

Across: 2. Sin 5. Woe 6. Vivid
9. Pity 10. Avow 12. In-law 14. One
15. Gag

Down: 1. Kiwi 3. Nodal 4. Zit 6. Vim
7. Vying 8. Mow 11. Vat 13. Near

Codeword solution (see p 41)

M	A	M	M	A	L	J	U	G	G	L	I	N	G
E	E	T	B	N	R	O							
C	O	R	A	L	O	L	A	C	R	I	D		
H	C	A	I	R	L	I	F	T	S				
A	B	Y	S	S	A	K	E	T	H	I	C		
N	W	E	X	C	E	S	S	E					
I	D	L	E	R	R	T	P	U	R	E			
C	P	E	R	P	E	T	U	A	L	X			
S	P	I	T	O	D	D	A	B	E	T			
A	D	R	O	O	P	Y	Z	R					
E	N	E	M	A	R	I	R	A	T	I	O		
T	M	A	C	A	Q	U	E	R	V				
S	H	O	E	S	H	U	B	R	A	V	E		
E	E	I	E	E	Y	R							
P	R	E	C	L	U	D	E	C	L	O	S	E	T

Sudoku solution (see p41)

M	A	M	M	A	L	J	U	G	G	L	I	N	G
E	E	T	B	N	R	O							
C	O	R	A	L	O	L	A	C	R	I	D		
H	C	A	I	R	L	I	F	T	S				
A	B	Y	S	S	A	K	E	T	H	I	C		
N	W	E	X	C	E	S	S	E					
I	D	L	E	R	R	T	P	U	R	E			
C	P	E	R	P	E	T	U	A	L	X			
S	P	I	T	O	D	D	A	B	E	T			
A	D	R	O	O	P	Y	Z	R					
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T	M	A	C	A	Q	U	E	R	V				
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