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PARISH PEOPLE

Frank Hastilow

MASTER SADDLER



When so much of what we use today is mass produced it is timely to realise that some things are still made by hand and, to a very great extent, to a design, using skills and materials that have changed little in the past two centuries.

Frank Hastilow who has lived for many years in Haslemere and, for the last sixteen years, in Tower Road, Liphook is a Fellow of the Society of Master Saddlers. Born in the East Midlands in 1933, he began his lifelong involvement in saddlery by assisting his

father, who was the Animal Welfare Officer at a local colliery. He would help his father in the repair of head collars used by the pit ponies. While still a teenager he repaired cricket balls and the straps on the equipment of his cricket team Aldridge Cricket Club. A life long cricketer, he had trials for Warwickshire and latterly was Captain of Haslemere Seconds.

On leaving school in 1948 he was apprenticed to Walsall Saddlery and in 1954 was called up to do his National Service. He was drafted into the Royal Army Veterinary Corps at Melton Mowbray and was soon fully occupied in the repair of military saddles and trained in the care and feeding of horses.

It was around this time that Frank married his first wife and they were to have two sons, Ian and Andrew, both of who followed their father into the trade and are now both Master Saddlers in their own right. Frank's wife Sheila passed away in 1974.



Frank has made saddles for the British Army both the Kings Troop and the Blues and Royals. He has also made saddles for the mounted section of several police forces.

Each saddle is individually measured to the horse using a 'tree' which is incorporated into the saddle when it is made. Although horses vary in size and girth their bone structure is rarely out of the ordinary. However Frank recalls once making a saddle for a performing horse in the Moscow State Circus that had one shoulder more developed than the other as a consequence of continuously cantering anti clockwise around the circus ring. Frank likens the making of a saddle for a horse and rider akin to tailoring a bespoke suit.



Frank eventually joined both of his sons in a saddlery outlet store called B & H Saddlery in West Street, Haslemere but the rapid growth in the business dictated that they needed larger premises which they found in Lickfold, West Sussex. Hastilow Competition Saddles became the largest family owned saddle making business in the South of England. It was in 1986 that he met his second wife

Liz, who had been for many years the Matron at Highfield School. They were married that same year when Frank, unbeknown to everyone, including Liz, swept her off to Gretna Green and was married at the anvil with a piper in attendance!

Dressage saddles became a speciality and the greater part of their work is exported all over the world including Australia, Hong Kong, Finland, Canada, America and Dubai.

Frank's son Ian was made a Freeman of the Worshipful Company of Saddlers and was given the Freedom of the City of London. His other son Andrew is now an Apprentice Master and one of his sons, James, like his father and grandfather before him, is likely to become the third generation of saddlers.

In February of this year Frank was accorded the unique honour of being given a Lifetime Achievement Award by the Society of Master Saddlers. Both of Frank's sons were there to witness this honour. Although now officially retired he occasionally visits the workshop to oversee an apprentice whilst listening to his beloved classical music.

Paul Robinson

Front cover picture of Bramshott War Memorial.

What's on in Liphook

8th September - Disco & Karaoke

Liphook Social Club.

8th September - Liphook Heritage Centre

(All our History in one place) - Millennium Centre.

15th September - Mike Twiddy

(Solo Artist) - Liphook Social Club.

16th September - Murder Mystery

(By the MAD group) - Millennium Centre.

21st September - Peter, Paul & Mary

Village Hall.

22nd September - Carnival Quiz night

Church Centre.

25th September - Legends

(Tribute Band) - Liphook Social Club.

13th October - Liphook Heritage Centre

(All our History in one place) - Millennium Centre.

20th October - Race Night

(In conjunction with the Peak Centre) - Liphook Social Club.

27th October - Liphook Carnival

24th November - Liphook Heritage Centre

(All our History in one place) - Millennium Centre.

8th December - Liphook Heritage Centre

(All our History in one place) - Millennium Centre.

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at 14.30 hours**

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The Liphook Millennium Centre,
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welcome to attend.

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NOTICE BOARD

Liphook Carnival Quiz Night

Saturday 22nd September
7.00pm – 11.00pm

Venue: Church Centre, Liphook.

Quizmaster: The talented Rob Miller.

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A Date for your Diaries!

Saturday 22nd September

Peter, Paul and Mary's brother, with special guest Steve Donnelly, at Liphook Village Hall.

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CARNIVAL ROUTE 2018



The History of Liphook

LIPHOOK – The Coaching Stop that Grew

Liphook began to appear as a place name on maps at the beginning of C17th. The centre of gravity of the village for centuries had been Bramshott where the church and the manor court were located. The area around the Square was relatively undeveloped. In 1405 six men and one woman were brewing ale in Chiltley, the Domesday Manor incorporating the modern village centre. The Hart Inn (now gone from the Square) was sold in 1522 to the Bishop of Chichester. Other inns and hostelries were trading in The Square before the beginning of C17th, though the current architecture is mostly later: the George and Dragon (now the Green Dragon); The Blue Anchor (now the Royal Anchor) and Crown Inn (previously the Ship Inn and now Lloyds Bank). Development of The Square intensified after John Hooke bought the Chiltley Manor estate in 1590. In 1601 he sold a 2000 year lease to one, John Waterman, on a parcel of land, identified as 22 The Square, where we now see a dental practice.

The main road from London to the navy's base at Portsmouth ran from London Road through the Square to Portsmouth Road; travellers became familiar with Lippoke as a staging post on the journey. The Blue Anchor was the busiest coaching inn, with competition from The Crown and the Wheatsheaf (now the Links) where lighter post-chaises changed horses. One source has Edward II staying at the Blue Anchor c1320 when he brought his own cook. The current building, medieval in origin and rebuilt in the reign of Queen Anne (1704 – 1713) - has a metal fireback dated 1588 and a carved date 1629 in the staircase from earlier buildings. Many illustrious visitors have stayed at the Blue Anchor over the years including Admiral Nelson,

George III (who granted the title the Royal Anchor), the Duke of Wellington and Queen Victoria. Less illustrious visitors were convicts on their way to transportation from Portsmouth to Botany Bay who were quartered overnight in the cellars of the Blue Anchor. In 1668 Samuel Pepys and his wife arrived at Lippock 'with great fear of being out of our way, it being ten at night' finding lodging at the Crown. Business from coaches and travellers fuelled the growth of Liphook around the Square including a smithy for shoeing horses, which operated from the Square into the C20th.

At the height of coach travel in the early C19th, one coach an hour passed through Liphook. The fare from London to Portsmouth, a journey of almost 8 hours, was £1 and from London to Liphook 13s/6d. The price, if not the duration of the journey, should be enviable to modern commuters. Progress was impeded by Tollpikes along the route which charged for passing. Northwards, the last toll before Liphook was in Hindhead; entry to Liphook was charged at The Old Toll House on London Road; southwards, coaches encountered the next toll at Rake.

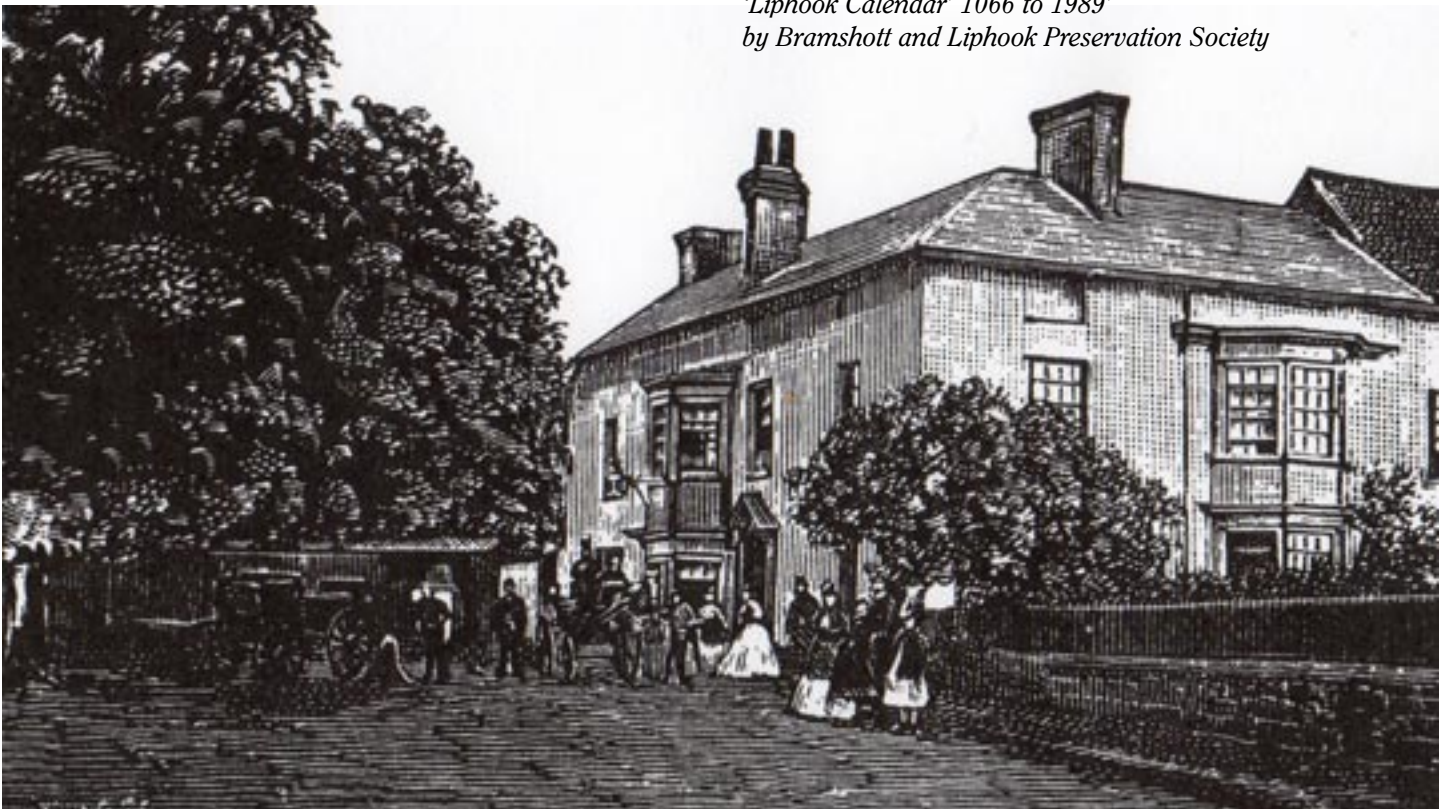
The development of railways brought about the end of coach travel. The railway station at Liphook opened in 1859, the current building being substantially unchanged from the original. It stimulated development around Station Road and Newtown. However, Liphook was now irrevocably the centre of gravity of the parish and well on the way to being the village we live in today.

Sources:

'A Hampshire Parish: Bramshott and Liphook' by Roger Chatterton Newman

'Liphook Calendar' 1066 to 1989'

by Bramshott and Liphook Preservation Society



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We Will Remember Them

Once more the War Memorial in the churchyard of St Mary the Virgin in Church Road Bramshott will be the focus of attention on Remembrance Sunday, but this year will be very special because for the first time in many years it coincides with Armistice Day as the Sunday falls on the 11th November.

It was exactly one hundred years ago at the eleventh hour, on the eleventh day of the eleventh month in 1918, a formal agreement signed by the Allies of World War I and Germany at Compiègne, France, delivered the cessation of hostilities on the Western Front.

Bramshott War Memorial, designed by Harry Inigo Trigg and built by Mssrs Moon of Haslemere and Caesar of Liphook, was commissioned and funded by subscription of the parish, and dedicated in March 1920 to the men of the parish who fell in the First World War. A cross designed by the architect Reginald Bloomfield was subsequently added to remember those who lost their lives in the Second World War and subsequent conflicts.

The memorial is cared for by the Bramshott Memorial Trust, a small but dedicated group of trustees set up in 2006 by its then Chairman Malcolm Meech, who brought its deteriorating condition to the attention of the Parish and English Heritage who had given it a Grade II listing in 1986. Since then it has been regularly cleaned and minor repairs carried out, but more substantial restoration work will be necessary in the near future. The trustees, Andrew Meech (son of the founder), Kay Murray and Bob Hall will be actively campaigning for financial support to ensure that the memorial is fully restored for its second century.

The Memorial lists the names of seventy one young men who made the final sacrifice, but recent research indicates that there were forty others whose names are not recorded on the base of the cross. Andrew Lucas, better known to most of us as a

member of our team of Retained Firemen and as a Community First Responder, providing emergency medical care, has for many years been researching the casualty lists of regimental records and has discovered that, for whatever reason, their names have not been recorded.

In order to redress this The Bramshott Memorial Trust in Partnership with Bramshott & Liphook British Legion Sub Branch, have commissioned a specially bound Remembrance Book with the names of all one hundred and eleven servicemen, their regiment, rank, serial number and date of death. This book bound by the Winchester Bindery, who were responsible for the Book of Remembrance in Salisbury Cathedral, will be housed in a purpose built oak lectern commissioned from White Joinery and designed and constructed by Howard Dennis. It will be located in a special area within the church. The cost of this book, printing and binding and the lectern has been made possible with a donation from East Hants District Council, Bramshott & Liphook Parish Council and private donations.

The Book of Remembrance will be dedicated by the Reverend Valentine Inglis-Jones during the service of remembrance and a two minute silence will be observed at 11.00 am.

Bramshott Ringers will traditionally ring a 'half muffled' peal prior to the service and wreaths will be laid on the memorial whilst standards are lowered at the conclusion of the service.

As part of a national and international event, the Bramshott Ringers will join more than 1000 churches and cathedrals all over the land who will at 7.05 pm 'Ring Out For Peace'. The last time this was achieved was on Armistice Day 1918 and in doing so they will remember over 1400 bell ringers who perished in the Great War.

Paul Robinson



World War Two Troops.



2018 - 2019

Poppy Appeal

This coming year 2018-2019, the Appeal will begin on 27th October and continue until 10th November - the day before Remembrance Sunday, the 100th Anniversary of Armistice Day, the day on which the guns fell silent and our men were able to relax. Donations will be accepted gratefully at any time, as our "Year" runs from 1st October until 30th September following. Our Charity Number is 219279.

This current year, 2017-18, the total donated in our Parish of Bramshott and Liphook was to date £12,774.55p and more to come we hope. Please accept our most grateful thanks.

Our Forces have now withdrawn from Afghanistan, but the disabled Service and Ex-Service Personnel, and bereaved families of the Dead, particularly young Widows with young Children, also those apparently suffering from Post Traumatic Stress Disorder still need your help; you may have read of those who have taken to drugs to relieve their

suffering and as a result have been discharged from HM Service!

Volunteers will be collecting on behalf of the Appeal, at our Stall in Sainsbury's, on 27th October

and 2nd, 3rd, 9th and 10th November. Notably, the first will be Damian Hinds, M.P., who will formally open our Appeal by accepting the first donation, from Mrs Angela Glass, our District Councillor. Please come along and add your donations to that of Mrs Glass - thus helping to achieve a higher total than last year!

There will be Collecting Boxes in shops, pubs and schools, and also there will be House-to-House collection.

If you would like to collect on behalf of the Appeal please contact:

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Poppy Appeal Organiser SBB15
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LIPHOOK LIBRARY

"Share a book at Bedtime"

The Summer Reading Challenge at Liphook Library got off to a good start again this year, assisted by 8 enthusiastic volunteers. It started on 14th July and 137 children had already started the challenge by the time this article went to press on 28th July, which is already 29 more than at this time last year.



Elliot.

The challenge is designed for children between 4 and 11 but of course it's never too early to start enjoying books. My grandson Elliot, now aged 14 months, loves picking up board books and turning the pages; his current favourite is "That's Not my Fox", one of an award-winning series of brightly illustrated books with touchy-feely textures to explore and a simple, repetitive storyline.

Bedtime is a special time for children, and a book can be the perfect way to wind down and relax for both the child and the adult reading to them. Don't worry if you aren't around at bedtime or if that doesn't fit in with the rest of the family's routine. See if you can find another time in the day to share a book - that will become just as special.

Many children have books at bedtime before they start school, but this tails off as they start to read for themselves. Whatever age your child is, they will still appreciate a story at the end of the day.

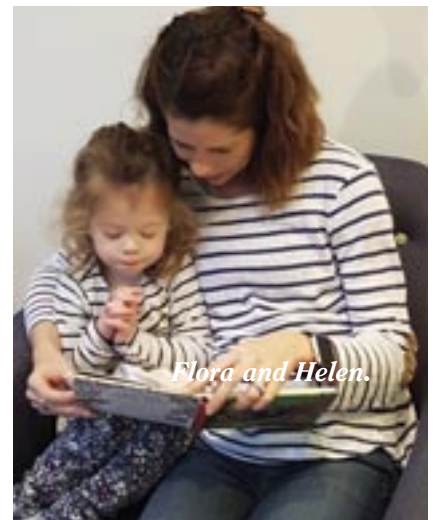
Young children like to be all cosy as they look at the pictures when you turn the pages of a book (better still, let them turn the pages themselves).

What if your child prefers playing on your tablet to reading? There are some fantastic educational games that children love to play but at bedtime books are better than digital activity. Evidence suggests that books (and being read to by a grown-up) have a calming effect on our brains, whereas lit screens and digital activity can create excitement and wake us up. There's no app to replace your lap!

Sharing a book with your child is a magical experience. It's also one of the most important activities you can do with them. Children get so much out of listening to you read: their vocabulary expands, their imagination develops, they feel more confident and build real self-esteem as they learn so much about the world around them.

If you run out of ideas, head to Liphook Library where there are lots of books to choose from, or visit the Book Trust website: booktrust.org.uk/bookfinder where there are lots of recommendations by age, subject and theme. Book Trust is the UK's largest children's charity, working to inspire a love of reading because they know that reading can transform lives.

Rod Sharp



Flora and Helen.

Liphook Carnival News

Liphook Fun Day

To kick off the carnival fundraising this year we hosted a Liphook family fun day on **Saturday 7th July** at the Liphook Church Centre. The event was well attended and our first for many years. Now we have more volunteers on the Carnival Committee, we decided to re-introduce this family focused event.

We selected our very first Carnival Prince, Camaron Wilson, who's family have been involved in the annual carnival for many years. Cassandra Harris-Dibben, was selected as our new Princess and Amy Wright and Rose Salmon as our Carnival Attendants. This was the Carnivals first Fun Day for many years. We had a great turnout from Liphook and surrounding areas. The new Carnival Princess, our first ever Prince and the attendants were nominated. All will join us for this years Carnival in October.



The Carnival Prince/Princess and attendants. From left to right: Carnival Princess Cassandra Harris-Dibben, Attendant Rose Salmon, Carnival Prince Cameron Wilson and Attendant Amy Wright.

We had an amazing afternoon, Owton's burgers, Dylan's ice creams and a fantastic jazz singer, Debbie C who was sponsored by The Links.

The Bouncy Castle from Hokey Cokey was very popular as were the many games we had on offer including a netball post, which arrived with Emma Thorne from Mum and Me Netball. Emma was responsible for putting any willing netballers through a series of challenges and awarded medals to those successful recipients.

We welcomed stall holders selling local produce, toys, gifts, cakes, local honey, jams and chutneys, t-shirts, forever living, tropic skincare and handmade cards. Lovely to see the community supporting the Carnival.

The Carnival committee members turned out in full force and we had a large number of very happy children who just happened to bring their families along! All culminated in a very successful fun day 2018. We look forward to planning more in the future and welcome any ideas or offers of help. A big thank you to all who turned out!

Liphook Carnival Fund Raising Walk

The next event is the very popular Liphook Carnival Fund raising Walk on **Sunday 16th September**.

As always this event is kindly hosted by Debbie from The Deers Hut, who generously donates the winning prize for the highest sponsorship achieved. **Entry is £7 per adult, £3.50 for under 16's and free if under 6 years old** or if completing sponsorship forms, providing the amount raised exceeds the entry fee. **Sponsorship forms can be**

found on the website: www.liphookcarnival.org.uk or from Debbie in The Deers Hut.

This year we are offering a choice of three walks, one short, approx. 3 miles, one medium, approx. 6 miles and one long for those hugely motivated amongst us, approx. 10 miles. Also this year we are keen to offer another for the very young enthusiast, a sponsored field walk, based on the amount of laps able to undertake. The Walk will depart from The Deers Hut, Longmoor Road, Griggs Green at 9.45am, registration opens at 9am in the pavilion pub garden.

The Deers Hut offers bacon butties, tea, coffee and water in exchange for a donation, all proceeds going to Liphook Carnival. Water, soft drinks and biscuits will be provided throughout the walk. The Deers Hut will be taking bookings for lunch, but please book early to avoid any disappointment.

Last year we raised in excess of £1100 so with a fair wind behind us lets see if we can beat last years success. Don't forget, Dogs are very welcome and they get to join in for free!

Liphook Carnival 2018

This years Carnival is on **Saturday 27th October**, the night the clocks go back! It promises to be a spectacular event for not just the families of Liphook, but the surrounding areas.

We have had a big increase in float enquiries and expect the procession to be even bigger than last year! After the popularity of the steel band, Pan Nation we have got them back this year, what amazing music! We will have the Harley Davidson Chapter joining us for all those motorbike enthusiast and we are waiting on a special guest to crown this years Carnival Queen, Megan Shepherd. Also our very first Prince, Camaron Wilson will be joined by Cassandra Harris-Dibben and attendants Amy Wright and Rose Salmon.

It starts at 11.00am with the Children's fancy dress at Liphook Junior School, the children are entered in age categories and winning outfits will be announced at 11.45. **The floats start assembling at 5.30pm on the Longmoor Road**, where they are joined by the push & pull vehicles and the adult fancy dress categories, yes even for grown ups! 5.45pm sees the cups being awarded. **The entertainment starts at 6.15pm**, followed by the **Crowning of our Queen at 6.45pm**. **The procession pulls off at 7.00pm, returning through the Square at 8.30pm** where we host an amazing Bonfire and Firework display in Radford Park. Eddie Davis holds his fun fair on the green, open from Friday 26th September.

The Carnival Committee are made up of volunteers, we welcome any new additions and are always keen to add to our friends of the Carnival list if anyone has any spare time, ideas or offers of help. We raise money all year to be in a position to fund the Carnival and we rely on Sponsorship from local businesses, support from our local council in the form of grants and the generosity of local residents. All money raised during the year funds the running costs of the Carnival and one hundred percent of all monies raised on the evening go towards local groups, charities and Organizations from the very young to the young at heart! A copy of last years worthy recipients can be found on our website along with contact details. Thank you for your continued support and look forward to seeing you all at this years Carnival. Sally Cameron Chairperson, Liphook Carnival and Bonfire Committee.

Sally Cameron – Chairperson

Details of the popular Carnival Quiz Night and the Carnival Route can be found on the Notice Board on page 2.

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Our monthly meetings at the Millennium Hall are also very popular and we enjoy some very interesting speakers covering many topics of general interest.

If any reader would like to find out more or join, contact Paul Reynolds, Chairman, on 01420 768385 (E-Mail: chairman1@liphooku3a.org.uk) or membership1@liphooku3a.org.uk

There is lots of information on our website
www.liphooku3a.org.uk

What Does W.E.A. Mean?

I am often asked this question. WEA stands for Workers' Education Association.

The association was founded by Albert and Frances Mansbridge in 1903 with the objective of providing education to the labouring classes, in order that they may raise their quality of life. It enabled people who had left school at an early age, the opportunity to further their education after working hours. By 1905 the charitable association had a thousand members, a hundred affiliated bodies and eight branches

In 1967 WEA volunteers held evening classes for the first time in Liphook. They were well attended and covered Local History, Natural History, Science, and critical discussions on the Arts, Politics, and Social Problems of the day. Christopher Leggett was Chairman.

With the growth of the population in the village by 1973, the WEA was flourishing. Daphne Stafford was branch secretary and she started morning as well as evening sessions. By 1975-6, 10-week courses were costing £4 offering courses in Current Affairs, Antiques, Byzantium Art & Architecture and Natural History. Sometimes there were special lectures on a Friday evening at the Church Centre.

In November 1997 Daphne Stafford resigned as Chairman, after serving thirty-five years with the Liphook Branch ably assisted by Alan and Margaret Wilson. It was due to their hard work and with financial support from the Winchester Branch, that the Liphook branch survived. The Southern District administration office of the WEA were having staffing and financial difficulties, causing many branches in the Hampshire area to close such as Petersfield (now reinstated) and Haslemere. In 1997 Joyce Mounsey became Chairman, Margaret Wilson Secretary and Alan Wilson Treasurer, with newly retired people also helping on the Committee. There were now three excellent tutors offering WEA courses affiliated to Southampton University in Literature, Art and Music, so the branch was able to survive these turbulent years. As a result, the number of students attending courses rose significantly which kept the branch financially solvent. This was important as the branch had to regulate the course fees to cover payment to the WEA district offices, as well as pay accommodation, publicity, and administration costs. After eight years of unstinting efforts on behalf of the branch, Joyce Mounsey unfortunately had to retire due to ill health. For an interim period, Margaret Wilson became Chairman.

The WEA nationally and regionally had to reorganise. Administrative changes caused centralization and loss of freedom of action for branches. Course fees were set centrally with a minimum number of twelve students per class, which caused less flexibility for the branch in introducing new courses. Although the branch was financially sound two tutors (Music and Art) had resigned. Fortunately, Angela Saunders a concert pianist accepted the role of music tutor and Jennifer Goldsmith began her long-time association with the branch with Local History courses.

At the 2007 AGM Margaret and Alan Wilson resigned as Chairman and Secretary respectively after serving for eighteen years for Margaret, and Alan for thirty four years. They had given outstanding service to the branch and the community. Fortunately, Ronald Michaux accepted the chair. He organised a student trip to Vienna with the help of Angela Saunders, as the Music students had been studying Viennese composers. There were many changes to the organisation of the branch, Day



7th October 1993, Daphne Stafford with Celia Gordon Clarke, the Music tutor who for many years gave opera classes.

Courses once or twice a year were started; publicity improved to reach a wider public. During his term of office, student numbers increased, and the branch was economically sound.

Now, Judith Harris is Chairman having joined the committee in 2009. She works hard to find suitable courses that would interest people in Liphook, Haslemere, Liss and surrounding areas. They are ten – week courses held in the Millennium centre in the Autumn and Spring academic terms. Jennifer Goldsmith with her excellent knowledge of History provides courses that are relevant to the History of the local area. John Haynes in Literature is providing students with stimulating discussions on the novels, poetry and other works of their chosen authors. Mr Colin Parrish offers in-depth courses on Royal History. The branch ran a successful course this Spring term on An Introduction to Archaeology which helped students to start the study of the subject and perhaps continue in greater depth. The branch runs a Study Day twice a year on a Saturday in the Village Hall, giving the opportunity to people who are working during the week to attend. Our next one is in November when we shall be hearing about aspects of the South Downs in Poetry and Art.

The tradition of the WEA serving the community in liberal studies continues. We give a warm welcome to new students as well as encouraging current and past students to continue. For information about our programme please see the WEA advert in this magazine or email liphookwea@gmail.com We would be delighted if some of our students were willing to serve on the Committee to help with the organisation, if you would like to find out more about this please email as above or Telephone Judith Harris on **01428 609996**.

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Visit to Canada House

Liphook's relationship with Canada dates back to 1915 when Canadian soldiers set up camp on Bramshott Common. Tin Town, as it was affectionately called, was one of the largest camps in England. The soldiers were welcomed by the locals who helped to lessen their homesickness. Many marriages resulted, further cementing the ongoing link through succeeding generations. Not all soldiers made it home after the war. In the cemetery of our parish church in Bramshott, St. Mary's, 318 were laid to rest in a serene area beautifully maintained by the Commonwealth Graves Commission. The hugely informative booklet, Liphook, Bramshott and the Canadians, documents this period and is available from the Heritage Centre.

Liphook Junior School celebrates this relationship annually with a special project. The Year 4 pupils visit the graves of the Canadian soldiers in Bramshott where each one chooses a soldier to research on a Canadian website, subsequently producing a piece of creative writing about him. The children also participate in the Canada Day service at the church and – with the talent and dedication of Junior School teachers – perform at the school for the lucky invitees who are both entertained and emotionally moved.

Under the direction of Year 4 Leader Jenny Brown and supported by class teachers, Danni Gibbon, Charlotte Bardsley and Racheal Alcock, this year's presentation conveyed in words and music the story of A.E. (Archie) Ford, a simple farming lad from Saskatchewan who enlisted to fight in World War I and is buried in Bramshott. The play that the children performed told us all about Archie – his family, his time at Bramshott Camp, then his going off to fight in Belgium where, sadly, he lost his life. A stunning backdrop to the play were visuals projected via power point to provide a sense of time and place, such as newspaper front pages announcing the war, recruitment posters and the soldiers' trenches. The images of a red poppy and the Canadian maple leaf were also used to great effect.

To me, the most moving segment of the power point was probably when a few of the children, standing in that evocative setting of the cemetery, face the camera and thank the soldiers for fighting for England.

Representatives from Canada House travel down to Liphook each year for the ceremony in the church and the meal afterwards, hosted by Michele Frost, Executive Head Teacher. This year Canada House returned the compliment and invited the Year 4 pupils to their impressive headquarters off Trafalgar Square.

Three coaches set forth from the school's grounds - with the pupils, teachers, parents and other invited guests including parish and district councillors. We were warmly welcomed, given lunch, and then the children did what they do so brilliantly: they performed.



This was in front of Canadian dignitaries as well as members of the Royal Canadian Air Force who were in London as part of a contingent 'mounting the Queen's Guard' for the first time in the history of the RCAF. When the children finished, the audience rose to its feet in applause. To say we were all moved is an understatement. Each year a pupil is singled out as having made a significant contribution to the Canada Day project. This year it was Meryl Caborn who was presented with a Canadian silver five dollar coin by local resident Andy Lucas, whose own children had attended the school.



Meryl Caborn who was awarded the Canadian coin.



Says Michele Frost: *"Their performance was both extraordinarily moving and of the highest quality. Every child put their heart and soul into their learning and their performance. The way they conducted themselves was a credit to their families and the school. The staff really brings out the best in every child. I could not have been more proud."*

The event was hosted by Brigadier General Lowell Thomas, Defence Adviser and Commander of the Canadian Defence Liaison Staff in London, who thanked everyone for their efforts as well as acknowledging his gratitude to our community for its continued remembrance and celebration of Canada's contribution.

Deputy High Commissioner Sarah Fountain-Smith addressed attendees at Liphook's Canada Day celebration. Here are some extracts from her speech: *"Having left their homes to travel thousands of miles to fight alongside the United Kingdom and her allies, some 60,000 Canadians never saw their families again. They lay in graves such as those in St. Mary's Bramshott."* Although Canada celebrated its 151st birthday on 1st July, *"many say it was when Canadians participated in the first World War for the first time as our own country that our identity was forged."* She reminded us that we have so many freedoms and opportunities that we tend to take for granted. *"But these opportunities that we have today have their roots in the sacrifices made by others during the two world wars. This is why we must continue to remember, honour and thank those that died to give us these freedoms . . . Today I want to thank you, on behalf of all Canadians, and especially the families of those Canadians buried at St. Mary's, for continuing to remember and honour them . . . It is a wonderful tribute, and it means a lot to us."*

Mari Wallace



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LIPHOOK IN BLOOM

It Was a Really Busy Summer

The first big project was to build a stone retaining wall for the cyclamen bed at the top of Portsmouth Road. Over the years the weather had caused soil to erode and as a consequence the seeds from the cyclamen were being washed away. The need for such a wall had been felt for some time. The stone was sourced from the wall that surrounded the chestnut tree outside the Royal Anchor. When that was demolished Liphook in Bloom kept the stone which was then cleaned. This, together with some other local stone that had been stored in Passfield was the perfect material. Once permission was received from Hampshire County Council the project was quickly put into action. The Liphook in Bloom volunteers dug a trench in readiness for the concrete foundations thus enabling the stone wall to be built by a specialist stonework company. The construction work took a fortnight to be completed and the next phase was the backfilling behind the wall to allow replanting of the cyclamen. We are all looking forward to a lovely show of cyclamen in the future.



The first weekend in June was earmarked for planting the summer bedding. In fact there was such a good turnout: over thirty members and volunteers turned up on Saturday morning to help, so it did not take long for those designs – planned and plants ordered during the winter – to take shape. This year we commemorated 100 years of Suffrage, 100 years of the RAF and the WW1 Armistice.



The flowerbed outside the sorting office was planted out to recognise the 100 year anniversary of the formation of the RAF. The Roundels were formed from red geranium, white alysum and blue candytuft. Marigolds were planted in the formation of 100. To make the display even more significant three model planes and a helicopter were mounted on sticks and inserted to give the impression of them flying. The models were donated by Mrs

Keemar whose husband Eddie sadly passed away recently. Eddie was a keen model maker and as their son is in the RAF this seemed most apt.



The wildflower bed on the millennium green was designed to include poppies, as a gentle reminder of the fields of Flanders. There will be more poppies to watch out for in the autumn in addition to the usual ones on the lamp posts.



The greatest challenge for Liphook in Bloom this year has been the long spell of hot dry weather. There is a strong team of 'waterers' whose job is to water the hanging baskets. However this year the beds have needed watering as well. When the flowerbeds are planted they are given a good topping of mulch and do not usually need watering. This year however it has been necessary to give them a good soaking once a week. We were very grateful to local businesses who allowed us to use their water supply for our



hoses to irrigate the beds in The Square and outside the Millennium Hall. The other beds throughout the village were watered using our water bowsers with water collected from a local lake with kind permission of the owner.

Barbara Miller



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Christian Aid 2018 Street Collections

This year we raised **£573** at our Christian Aid Coffee morning where we offered home made cakes, plants, Bric-a-Brac, Tombola and books and DVD's. As usual the plant stall and cake stalls excelled themselves and before the end of the morning we had run out of cakes, and most of the plants sold /awaiting collection by the buyers. Surprisingly the book stall and children's stall were undersubscribed...but with Amazon kindle books, second hand/used books, we had stiff opposition. The toys did badly and probably were not bacteria free enough(!), or were scuffed favourites, so readily available... Still £573 was a good amount raised in 2 hours.



The street collections were amazing in that we raised **£1770** over a period of 6 days, distributing approx 2,500 red envelopes to most households in Liphook...and then returning to collect the donations. Firstly a big thanks to the distributors and collectors for their hard work, and to the army of helpers at the Coffee morning.

Many of us remember when there were at least a dozen charities that collected door to door. Today there are 3 charities only – not counting the plastic bags for clothes. It was a social thing. Collectors talked to householders like old friends from year to year. Today there are stickers on most doorways saying “No cold callers” and other conditions ... which puts out a message saying ‘we don’t give to charities’ - but the British psyche is not like that. (Instead, perhaps we have learned how not to trust people/charities).

In future we are looking at alternative ways for you to give - perhaps we can ask you to give on Facebook using ‘Just giving’ or other scheme (Virgin ?) on social media ?

Other sponsored events later this year (and next) will be advertised in the local press.

If you give to a charity. Which ever charity it is - Thank you

Keith Ireland

Christian Aid Village Coordinator

CHURCH OF ENGLAND

Abba

So many people are so unsure about faith for so many different reasons. There are those who struggle because of pain. Life is just so hard for so many of us. Then there's all the intellectual questions which seem to tumble and multiply on and on to eternity and finally all those people who just want to have fun and I do agree sometimes us Christians aren't the best advert for the game! But the most common problem is that people don't know what God is like.

The author and priest Brennan Manning tells an amazing story of a nun who came to see him in the middle of a conference long after everyone else had left. Hers was a story of horrendous abuse at the hands of her father which all her years of study and prayer and reflection had failed to erase. What could he say? He asked her to pray a really simple prayer, and it goes like this “Abba I belong to you”. Abba is the first word of the Lord's prayer and means Daddy and Father all rolled into one. That was it. They

prayed together and she left, but months later wrote a letter to Brennan describing the incredible healing that she had experienced as she had slowly come back in touch with her heavenly Father and been able to start letting go of all her earthly father had done just praying that simple prayer for 5 minutes every day. She had gone from seeking, studying and longing to actually meeting the Great Father of all. She could never be the same again.

Often the God that most people don't believe in, I don't believe in either. He's never distant, he really gets the pain that we bear, you don't have to be stupid to believe in him and the creator of life, laughter, joy, hilarity, sex (which lets face it is pretty funny!) passion, intimacy, extreme sports, animals, the whole universe, and the best fireworks display that just goes on and on exploding into eternity has the “fun” thing taped. He's a Father, the best Father of all. Abba.

Rev. Valentine Inglis-Jones

TRINITY CHURCH

Do not be unequally yoked with . . . ?

The basic premise of this teaching is an agricultural picture of a **'yoke of oxen'** pulling a plough together, harnessed in purpose and working [pulling] together. In short it won't work with one ox and one horse or one ox and a donkey!

The reference used by Paul [2 Corinthians 6:14] relates to **believers** and **unbelievers** and is most commonly applied in relation to marriage but it has a wider remit with regard to business relationships such as 'Partnerships' etc. It's actually basic common sense; if the two parties in any close relationship have different priorities, aims and objectives, it is going to be very difficult for it to work or be productive.

I mention this because I've become increasingly convinced that this is the underlying problem currently in our politics – Our political parties historically have formed around a set of core values and ideas and have established their support base around these. The establishment of UKIP was probably the only 'single issue' party we have had in modern history. However, the issue of 'Europe', in or out, hard or soft BREXIT, deal or no deal has divided not only the main political parties but the nation, right

down to family level – Essentially politicians of every hue and colour find themselves **'unequally yoked'** within their once **'common cause'** parties. They no longer have common aims, principles, objectives, and certainly not purpose. One's position regarding **'BREXIT'** seems to have infected everything and like a virus it is in danger of getting out of control; it seems to 'trump' [forgive the pun] everything.

When it comes to **faith**, I thank God I'm not **'unequally yoked'**, my faith is firmly rooted in Him and not any political party or worldly ideal, but my concern is for a nation I love, a nation I served proudly for most of my life, and its great need for inspiration, integrity and humility in leadership.... And my prayer is that God will grant us that in raising up men and woman that will unite us and not divide us.

Love in Christ - Pastor Jim Downie

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CATHOLIC CHURCH

As I have remarked before, our Catholic congregation gets ethnically more and more diverse and mobile. The efforts people make to attend Mass are deeply admirable, but, it is hard to build up a community of the parish. There are, as always, the "old stagers" who have put down roots here and who are involved in so many ways, in various activities. But a proportion of our Sunday Mass congregation never stay behind to chat and get to know each other. I suspect the language barrier plays its part.

And yet if we are truly to be the Family of God in this place, an effort to reach out to others is called for. One must not denigrate the efforts made to "get to Mass" in our world, where the weekend may be a time of work, or other commitments.

How good it is to feel part of a world-wide Church.

I think of The Day of Pentecost when a community came together from many lands, as so vividly recorded in the Acts of the Apostles. But that community did not go its separate ways on Mondays! I admire our parishioners who try to draw people in by serving coffee etc after Mass. But much more needs to be done. We are together in Christ as we receive out Holy Communion. Somehow, we have to find ways of bringing that communion into our weekday lives.

I grew up in a South London urban parish where the congregation was more static. Now problems require new ways. We must take this in prayer to the Holy Spirit. I say to people who read this: "Over to you!"

Rev Mgr Provost Cyril Murtagh

METHODIST CHURCH

Community?

We all like to feel part of a community. Probably the deepest longing of the human heart is to have significant relationships in which to feel safe and secure, trusted and accountable, honest and open and above all in which to love and be loved.

These are relationships in which no one is superior or arrogant but in which each party has a humble attitude of service to the others. This enables all members to derive life-giving freedom from and give life-giving freedom to each other. In true community each person can use their gifts and talents to the full – they can be fully human. It is the kind of community – the kind of unity – to which the Church aspires. Not surprisingly, because it is the kind of unity we find in God as Trinity in unity.

It is natural for human beings to yearn for community because we were created in the image of God who is himself

community. The problem is that our selfishness and pride cause the breakdown of relationships both with God and one another. We define ourselves and our communities over against others which works to the breakdown of community.

Jesus' cross is the ideal symbol for the healing of relationships both vertically with God and horizontally with one another. The ideal symbol because it is also what makes effective reconciliation possible in both directions.

Humanly speaking there are two things to do:

1. Associate with Jesus' death and resurrection to make the healing of relationships possible;
2. Lose no opportunity for the building of relationships in community, reaching out across divisions.

Reverend David Muskett



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Heritage Centre News

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- Baptism and burial records.
- Every issue of the Liphook Community Magazine since it began in 1972.
- Maps of Liphook and Bramshott, the earliest one dated 1739.
- The Archives of Liphook Golf Club.*
- Bramshott and Liphook Horticultural Society Archive.*
- Liphook in Bloom photograph albums.
- Postcards showing scenes of Liphook and Bramshott through the ages.
- Newspaper cuttings from the Liphook Herald and the Petersfield Post from 1999 to the present day.

**Special permission is required to see these archives.*

To access the comprehensive index to the archive organised by subject, do visit the Heritage Centre's website:

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Further information can be accessed via the HC's computer in the Millennium Centre.

In addition to the opening hours listed below, special appointments can be made for groups to visit the Heritage Centre out of normal hours. Contact the HC via email at :

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Liphook schools and Haslemere's U3A Local History Group as well as the Fernhurst Society have all availed themselves of this facility.

Volunteers from the HC have created an informative lecture with slide show on 'The Birth of the Heritage Centre' which they have presented at the Church Centre and Peak Centre. If you would like them to address your group, contact them as above.

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Mari Wallace

Charity Classic

June 17th saw another huge gathering of some 500 classic vehicles at the Deers Hut, raising thousands of pounds in donations for local charities. Events on this scale take much organising and would not be possible without the unstinting

help of the Scouts, Guides, Fire Service, Carnival Committee, Hollycombe Steam Fair, sponsors Clarke, Gammon & Wellers and General Wine plus of course the pub staff themselves – thanks to them all. **John Anthistle**

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Cunningham 'Le Monstre'

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Vehicles Gathering

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Superb British high-quality sporting car from 1934. Six-cylinder 4.5 litre overhead-valve engine and maximum speed approaching 100mph, very quick for the 1930's. Specially prepared version won the Le Mans 24 hour race in 1935.



Citroen Big 15

British-built 1953 version of the classic French Traction-Avant (Front-Wheel-Drive). Highly advanced when introduced in 1934 with integrated body/chassis and independent front suspension.

Initially unreliable and nearly ruined Citroen but later much improved and produced into the late 1950's.

Opel GT

Lovely - and surprising - sports coupé from General Motors Opel brand. Used the underpinnings of the 1960's Kadett coupé with new French-manufactured body. Most had 1.9 litre engines re-located further back than in the Kadett and novel manually-rotated concealed headlights. Over 100,000 built but left-hand-drive only and very rare in the UK.



BRAMSHOTT, LIPHOOK & DISTRICT *Chairman Lesley, Co*

Despite the difficult weather, Bramshott, Liphook & District Horticultural Society held their Summer Show last Saturday in the Church Centre, Liphook. Show Secretaries Anne and Sally were absolutely delighted with the number and quality of entries in every class. The hall was filled with excellent vegetables and a variety of roses, sweet peas, cut flowers and fuchsias.

The success story of the day went to Lesley Hollands, the Society's chairman, for being the most successful exhibitor winning the Banksian Medal along with the Arthur Liddiard Cup for her soft fruit, the Society's Certificate for best vegetable in the Show, and the Hallahan Best Exhibit Cup for the overall best exhibit.

The Llewellyn Evans Cup was won by Carole West for being the best exhibitor in the rose classes. Betty Holt was delighted to win the Bowlby Cookery Bowl for her cookery exhibits including homemade lemonade, broad bean dip and blueberry loaf. The John Caesar Cup for the best exhibit in the mixed cut flower class was won by Heather Bicknell. Other successful cup winners were John Gilbert, Margaret Ilsley and Frances Town-Jones who won the Fuchsia Cup for the seventh time. Sisters Alice and Olivia Stilwell were surprised and delighted to win the Hugh Coyte Trophy and the Muriel Caesar Cup.

During the afternoon, the many visitors enjoyed excellent refreshments baked by Lesley Hollands.

The next Show is on Saturday 1st September in the Church Centre, Liphook. For further information about the Society, please ring Helen Brown on **01428 722875** or refer to the Society's new website at www.liphookhortsoc.org.uk

Anne Govier



The Flower Entries.



General view.



The Mixed Flowers entries won by Heather Bicknell.



Lovely salad ingredients.



Admiring the exhibits.

HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

mes Up Trumps



John Gilbert's winning collection of vegetables and a flower.



Margaret Ilsley's winning 'Sugar and Spice' entry.



John Gilbert with the Dudley Paul Challenge Cup.



Ann Haussauer with the Halahan Challenge Cup.



Ian Haussauer with the RBL Coronation Cup.



Heather Bicknell with the John Ceaser Challenge Cup for mixed flowers.



Frances Town-Jones with the Fuchsia Cup.



Lesley Hollands with the Halahan Best Exhibit Cup.

RESULTS

- 1 French Beans: 1st Anne Govier, 2nd Lesley Hollands, 3rd Steve Amos
- 2 Broad Beans: 1st Bob Ilsley, 2nd Lesley Hollands, 3rd Ian Haussauer
- 3 Runner Beans: 1st John Gilbert, 2nd Lesley Hollands, 3rd Steve Amos
- 4 Beetroot: 1st John Gilbert, 2nd Ian Haussauer, 3rd Heather Bicknell
- 5 Carrots: 1st John Gilbert, 2nd Steve Amos, 3rd Bob Ilsley
- 6 Cauliflower: 1st Lesley Hollands, 2nd John Gilbert
- 7 Courgettes: 1st Ian Haussauer, 2nd Steve Amos, 3rd John Gilbert
- 8 Cucumbers: 1st John Gilbert, 2nd Peter Windibank, 3rd Jo Bennett
- 9 Lettuce: 2nd Lesley Hollands, 3rd John Gilbert
- 10 Marrows: 2nd Lesley Hollands, 3rd Ian Haussauer
- 11 Onions: 1st Lesley Hollands, 2nd John Gilbert, 3rd Roy West
- 12 Peas: 1st John Gilbert, 3rd Ian Haussauer
- 13 Peas, snap and mangetout: 1st Lesley Hollands
- 14 Potatoes: 1st John Gilbert, 2nd Steve Amos, 3rd Bob Ilsley
- 15 Shallots, Exhibition: 1st Steve Amos, 2nd John Gilbert, 3rd Sally White
- 16 Shallots, Pickling: 1st John Gilbert, 2nd Ian Haussauer, 3rd Steve Amos
- 17 Tomatoes, medium: 1st Peter Windibank, 2nd Ian Paterson, 3rd John Gilbert
- 18 Tomatoes, small: 1st Ian Haussauer, 2nd Lesley Hollands, 3rd Sally White
- 19 Any Other Vegetable: 1st Lesley Hollands, 2nd John Gilbert, 3rd Sally White
- 20 Collection of Culinary Herbs: 1st Ian Haussauer, 2nd Lesley Hollands
- 21 Collection - three types of Vegetables and a vase of Flowers: 1st John Gilbert, 2nd Ian Haussauer
- 22 Raspberries: 1st Lesley Hollands, 2nd Sally White
- 23 Gooseberries: 1st Anne Govier, 2nd Ian Haussauer, 3rd Sally White
- 24 Blackcurrants: 1st Lesley Hollands, 2nd Clare Singleton, 3rd Sally White
- 25 Red or White Currants: 1st Lesley Hollands, 2nd Ian Haussauer, 3rd Sally White
- 26 Blueberries: 1st John Gilbert, 2nd Jo Bennett, 3rd Ian Haussauer
- 27 Any other Fruit: 1st Lesley Hollands, 3rd Sally White
- 28 Pansies: 1st Lesley Hollands, 2nd Frances Town-Jones, 3rd Anne Govier
- 29 Roses, large, one specimen: 1st Cynthia Dawes, 2nd Lesley Hollands, 3rd Ann Haussauer
- 30 Roses, large: 1st Carole West, 2nd Ann Haussauer
- 31 Roses, cluster: 1st Carole West, 2nd Bob Ilsley
- 32 Roses, large, three stages: 1st Carole West, 2nd Ann Haussauer
- 33 Sweet Peas, one cultivar, ten blooms: 1st Ann Haussauer
- 34 Sweet Peas, twenty: 1st Ann Haussauer
- 35 Sweet Peas, three cultivars: 1st Ann Haussauer
- 36 Sweet Peas, mixed, own foliage: 1st Ann Haussauer, 2nd Ian Paterson, 3rd Bob Ilsley
- 37 Sweet Peas, mixed, any foliage: 1st Margaret Ilsley, 2nd Ann Haussauer
- 38 Gladiolus: 1st Anne Govier, 2nd Sally White
- 39 Pinks: 1st Lesley Hollands, 2nd Anne Govier, 3rd Ann Haussauer
- 40 Lily: 1st Lesley Hollands, 2nd Ann Haussauer, 3rd Bob Ilsley
- 41 Phlox: 1st Ann Haussauer, 2nd Frances Town-Jones, 3rd Lesley Hollands
- 42 Dahlias, pompon: 1st Ann Haussauer, 2nd John Gilbert
- 43 Dahlias, cactus: 1st Ann Haussauer
- 44 Dahlias, decorative: 1st Ann Haussauer, 2nd Steve Amos, 3rd Lesley Hollands
- 45 Dahlias, any other type: 1st Steve Amos, 2nd Ann Haussauer
- 46 Annuals, one kind: 1st Steve Amos, 2nd Rosemary Herbert, 3rd Ann Haussauer
- 47 Annuals, mixed: 1st Clare Singleton, 2nd Ann Haussauer
- 48 Cut Flowers, one kind: 1st Ann Haussauer, 2nd Anne Govier, 3rd Margaret Ilsley
- 49 Cut Flowers, mixed: 1st Heather Bicknell, 2nd Ann Haussauer, 3rd Anne Govier
- 50 Hydrangea: 1st Lesley Hollands, 2nd Frances Town-Jones, 3rd Susan Lowe
- 51 Fuchsia, grown from cutting: 1st Frances Town-Jones, 2nd Margaret Ilsley, 3rd Bob Ilsley
- 52 Fuchsia, half standard: 1st Frances Town-Jones
- 53 Fuchsia, other: 1st Margaret Ilsley, 2nd Anne Govier
- 54 Fuchsia florets, mixed: 1st Cynthia Dawes, 2nd Anne Govier, 3rd Frances Town-Jones
- 55 Fuchsia florets, one cultivar: 1st Anne Govier, 2nd Frances Town-Jones, 3rd Margaret Ilsley
- 56 Pot Plant, flowering: 1st Bob Ilsley, 2nd Lesley Hollands, 3rd Cynthia Dawes
- 57 Pot Plant, foliage: 1st Bob Ilsley, 2nd Lesley Hollands
- 58 Cactus: 1st Barbara Bell
- 59 Floating Flowers: 1st Ann Haussauer, 2nd Margaret Ilsley
- 60 Small Arrangement for tea tray (Beginners only): 1st Ann Haussauer, 2nd Sally White, 3rd Bob Ilsley
- 61 Sugar and Spice: 1st Margaret Ilsley
- 62 Bathtime fun: 1st Margaret Ilsley
- 63 Blackcurrant Jam: 1st Frances Town-Jones, 2nd Margaret Ilsley, 3rd Lesley Hollands
- 64 Broad bean dip: 1st Lesley Hollands, 2nd Betty Holt, 3rd Louisa Fletcher
- 65 Homemade Lemonade: 1st Betty Holt, 2nd Frances Town-Jones, 3rd Gill Snedden
- 66 Summer Pudding: 1st Betty Holt, 2nd Gill Snedden, 3rd Margaret Ilsley
- 67 Blueberry Loaf Cake: 1st Betty Holt, 2nd Sally White, 3rd Lesley Hollands
- 68 Bread Pudding (Men only): 1st Bob Ilsley, 2nd Ian Paterson
- 69 A Potato Print Pattern (U8): 1st Archie Gooding, 2nd Alice Stilwell, 3rd Sarah Bicknell
- 70 Lolly Stick Person (U8): 1st Sarah Bicknell, 2nd Alice Stilwell, 3rd Archie Gooding
- 71 Iced digestive biscuit of a face(U8): 1st Alice Stilwell, 2nd Sarah Bicknell, 3rd Archie Gooding
- 72 A Potato Print Pattern (O8): 1st Olivia Stilwell, 2nd Chloe Bicknell
- 73 Lolly Stick Person (O8): 1st Chloe Bicknell, 2nd Olivia Stilwell
- 74 Iced digestive biscuit of a face(O8): 1st Olivia Stilwell, 2nd Chloe Bicknell

Highly Commended : Ian Haussauer for Class 8 Cucumbers
 Best Vegetable : Lesley Hollands for Class 6 Cauliflower
 John Ceaser Challenge Cup for best Mixed Cut Flowers exhibit : Heather Bicknell
 Fuchsia Cup : Frances Town-Jones
 Halahan Best Exhibit Cup : Lesley Hollands for Class 19 Any Other Vegetable (Cabbages)
 Dudley Paul Challenge Cup for vegetables : John Gilbert
 Arthur Liddiard Cup for fruit : Lesley Hollands
 Halahan Challenge Cup for flowers : Ann Haussauer
 Halahan Floral Cup : Margaret Ilsley
 Bowlby Cookery Bowl : Betty Holt
 Hugh Coyte Trophy : Alice Stilwell
 Muriel Ceaser Children's Cup : Olivia Stilwell
 Bowlby Bowl for sweetpeas : Ann Haussauer
 Llewelyn Evans Challenge Cup for roses : Carole West
 RHS Banksian Medal for vegetable, fruit and flower classes : Lesley Hollands
 RBL Coronation Cup : Ian Haussauer

What Harold Did Next

I learned about the fascinating story of Harold Rudgard and his involvement with the critical story of the railways in World War I from his son Tony, local historian and President of the Bramshott & Liphook Preservation Society. Tony assisted me in writing the article "Harold's Railway War" which appeared in our Winter 2014 issue.

After working on the training programme for military recruits on the Longmoor Military Railway, Harold returned to the Western Front in 1916, when he was posted as Superintendent of the Light Railway Section (Narrow gauge) for the 4th army in the Somme sector, where his railway experience was again put to very good use. By 1916, Britain and her allies were on the verge of losing the war. Petrol was in short supply and lorries, horses and mules could not transport the huge amount of supplies needed to sustain the trenches.

Near Feuchy during the Arras offensive of 1917.



Standard gauge railways were less adaptable and less suited to the conditions than narrow gauge, with their ability to rapidly adapt to the changes on the battlefield. From 1916 the army adopted, together with the other combatants, 60cm gauge railways on a massive scale. Harold oversaw use of the light railway system to deliver men and materials to the front line, and to evacuate casualties and organised the frequent track repairs required by shellfire.

1917 - Light railway hauling ammunition behind Canadian lines at Vimy Ridge.



The British light railway operation peaked at over 210,000 tons transported per week, using over 2,000 locomotives, over half of which were internal combustion as opposed to the normally dominant steam locomotives which were an easy target for enemy artillery.

Somewhere in France.



Protected Simplex at Amberley Museum.



By 1918, Harold had been promoted to Lieutenant-Colonel and was in charge of the War Department Light Railways. When the Germans advanced in the Nieppe Forest area in the spring of 1918, he was responsible for organising the total evacuation within three months of the 3,000 men and equipment at the railway workshops at La Lacque, near Bergette, to rebuilt workshops at Bearianville, thirty miles away where he was placed in charge. He later commanded the Carriage and Wagon depot at Aurucq and remained in France until July 1919, keeping supplies flowing after the armistice.

On 17th November 1918, just after the armistice, he wrote to his son:



Harold sitting cross legged, centre front.

"I feel I cannot allow this great and wonderful week to pass without sending you a few words of hearty congratulations about this blessed peace move. What joy it has brought to millions and millions. We who are spared to rejoice must always keep in our hearts a place for those dear sons who nobly and cheerfully died that England may live and for those who joined up for Love of the Cause and are still alive – our colonial brother Allies and particularly the Yanks, without whom we should have eventually been beaten."

In the summer of 1919 he returned home to his wife and family and had an illustrious railway career, becoming Superintendent of Motive Power for British Railways with responsibility for the entire nationalised railway network. During this time he had many requests for passes to ride on the footplate, including the Reverend Awdry, the author of the Thomas the Tank Engine books, who enjoyed himself so much that he came back for more.

He retired in 1950 after 50 years of service on the railways, but his experience of narrow gauge railways meant that he was an invaluable recruit to the revival of the Ffestiniog Railway Society (FRS) which aimed to re-open part of the Ffestiniog Railway, the oldest independent railway company in the world. The FRS was founded by an Act Of Parliament in 1832, as a gravity and horse drawn line, to transport slate from the quarries in the mountains around Blaenau Ffestiniog to the port at Porthmadog. It was closed in 1946 but pioneering railway enthusiasts reopened it from 1954. Harold being the chairman of the FRS from 1954 to 1957, was able to use his connections for the early meetings to take place in the Locomotive Superintendent's office in Euston Station. He was a get-your-hands-dirty chairman, volunteering on the line at weekend working parties. Tony recalls that he joined his father on two happy working trips, mostly spent clearing brambles and other vegetation, and with a certain amount of beer being drunk. Tony's job as Locomotive Shed Master at Grimsby required him to be on-call most weekends so



LMRC Wipers Fish Hook & Menin Light Railway 2.

he was unable to go more often. The Ffestiniog Railway was one of the first railway preservation societies and is today one of Wales's major tourist attractions.

Harold died suddenly at the age of 73 in 1958, and a tribute written by the Chief Mechanical Engineer, British Railways Board said:

"His outstanding characteristic was, I think, unquenchable enthusiasm for everything he did . . . In all he did, Harold Rudgard set for himself a very high standard to which he expected others to conform . . . he was at all times a most stimulating colleague, an outstanding railwayman and a staunch and generous personal friend."

Tony followed his father's footsteps with a career in British Railways and then abroad with the Shell Oil Company, including being involved with a railway in West Sumatra on which Shell's oil was transported. I am grateful to him for his help in compiling this article.

Rod Sharp



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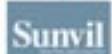
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NEIGHBOURHOOD DEVELOPMENT PLAN

Working Parties Making Progress!

The Bramshott and Liphook Neighbourhood Development Plan (NDP), has set up Working Parties for the seven key themes and areas of interest that were recommended in the independent consultant's Interim Report issued earlier this year.

These Working Parties are currently conducting research and gathering the data evidence base to develop these seven key themes in order to support, amend, and development the draft planning policies. The Atkins Liphook Phase II Transport Feasibility Study report has also been published, and we look forward to using this report in assisting us in formulating the NDP.

Further engagement with the community is key to this process. The research and evidence base are fundamental to the formulation of the NDP in order to form the foundations of the plan.

ACCESS & MOVEMENT POLICIES

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PUBLIC SERVICES POLICIES

EMPLOYMENT POLICIES

The NDP are actively recruiting for more of the community to be involved in the Working Parties. The NDP attended several local events to promote the progress of the NDP and engage with the community, including Dylan's Fun Day, Bramshott Open Gardens and Liphook Charity Bike Ride. We are delighted with the positive responses received, and the number of people who applied to be on Working Parties.

If you have a passion for, or interest in, access around the Parish, diversity in the village centre, employment opportunities, recreational and sports facilities, or bringing out the history of the Parish, please get in touch with the NDP Steering Group on the details below.

The Interim Report and Atkins Report can be found on our website and Facebook page.

If you want to be kept up to date on the NDP progress and future events go to:

- the BLNDP webpage:
www.bramshottandliphookndp.uk
- Facebook: @BramshottandLiphookNDP or
- the NDP notice board in the Liphook Millennium Centre.



AUTUMN 2018

Bramshott & Liphook Parish Council

Radford Bridge update

We have been working closely with Hampshire County Council on the replacement 'pooh sticks' bridge and it has taken rather longer than we had hoped. However, we have now seen some plans and contractors should soon be appointed with the work commencing shortly after. Replacing a bridge in this day and age is a lot more complicated than when this bridge was built many years ago!

Parish Council Grants

We are fast approaching the time of year when the parish council meets to agree grants for local organisations and groups. We give grants every year out of our budget to various local groups ranging from charities, to community groups and sports clubs. We like to support a diverse range of local groups so do please contact us for an application form. We will consider grants in January so please make sure your form is returned by Christmas.

Litter

As I write we are in the middle of the Summer holidays and this inevitably means that our open spaces are used much more often. We hope that litter doesn't become a problem over this period but please do report any instances to our parish office so that our grounds team can deal with it.

Neighbourhood Development Plan

Work continues on our Neighbourhood Development Plan with a number of local people having been appointed to the working

parties who will be carrying out much work over the next few months to feed into the plan. We are still keen to hear from anyone who would like to get involved and you can get in touch by email to admin@bramshottandliphookndp.uk or alternatively pop into the Parish Office with your contact details.

We are particularly keen to hear from residents in the outlying areas of Conford, Passfield and Bramshott who are not currently well represented on the steering group or working parties. If you can spare a little bit of time to give us which could benefit your areas of the parish then we would be delighted to hear from you.

This is your neighbourhood plan so please get involved if you can!

Parish Council Meetings

The Parish Council are always keen to see members of the public at our meetings. A full meeting schedule can be found on our website at www.bramshottandliphook-pc.gov.uk You can also follow us on Facebook @bramshottliphookpc Tel.: 01428 722988. Email: council@bramshottandliphook-pc.gov.uk

If you wish to contact me about any business related to the Parish Council I would be delighted to hear from you.

Cllr. Jane Ives - Chair

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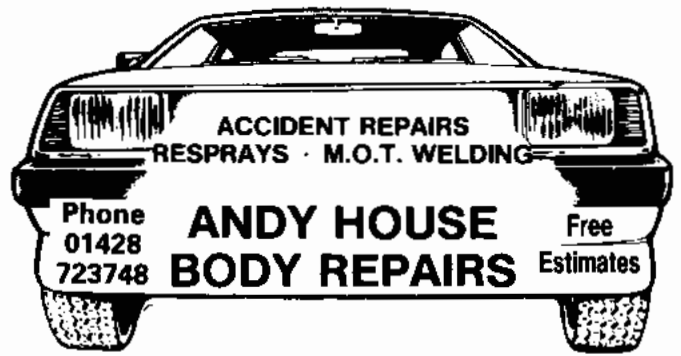
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Churcher's College

PUPILS FUNDRAISE WITH 'QUILT OF DREAMS'

Pupils at Churcher's College Junior School & Nursery have collaborated with children from their chosen charity The Kings Arms to create a calico/drawn patchwork quilt depicting their dreams, with each child drawing their individual dream on a square.

The patches were sewn together and this giant quilt of over 260 squares can be seen in the window of the art shop 'Sew Creative' in Petersfield.



The Kings Arms is a Petersfield charity which runs a range of clubs and activities to help local young people fulfil their potential and realise their own worth.

YEAR 6 PUPILS ENJOY FRENCH TRIP

Year 6 pupils had a fantastic time on their residential trip to France. We visited the Nausicaa aquarium, which has some fascinating marine creatures and some entertaining sea lions!

We visited the primary school that we have been in contact with, where the French children practised their English and Year 6 practised their French skills and showed photos of their pets and families. Next was a visit to the war cemetery at Etaples. After a busy day, the children spent a reflective hour looking at the gravestones and the books of remembrance.

The children had fun sand sailing and despite there not being a lot of wind, they were whizzing around in the buggies, with some children going around cones and others knocking them over!



CHURCHER'S COLLEGE INFANT SUMMER CONCERT

The annual 'Infant Concert' is a highlight for the school's younger pupils in Class 1 and 2.

There was a range of solo performances on piano, cello, violin, ukulele and JSax. Smaller group items included the Class 2 recorder group as well as a new pilot scheme that the music department is running in toots and doods – junior, versions of the flute and clarinet. Both classes showed off their instrumental

skills by performing pieces that they had composed themselves. They successfully combined specific instruments to conjure up exotic landscapes in a pirate treasure hunt, as well as exploring the crater of an exploding volcano. The evening was rounded off with getting all the audience participating in 'Baby Shark', a favourite among the Infants who performed with energy and real enthusiasm.





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Another Crankingly Good Ride!

The Liphook Charity Bike Ride was another huge success. Over 500 riders took part in the 25 mile ride (formally the Lidba Bike Ride) which started and finished at Bohunt School. It has been running for 28 years and has generated well over one million pounds for local charities. The junior ride was also judged a success with over 90 junior riders, from 2 years old to 10, who took to the field watched by many parents and friends cycling many laps of the Bohunt playing fields.

Both rides were started off by Cllr. Rebecca Standish of the EHDC, who provided support. The ride was well marshalled with over 45 volunteers on the road and no incidents reported.

The first rider back was Max Doyle (18) a former Bohunt pupil who completed the 25 mile route in a time of 63 minutes. The first female rider was 47 year old Kay Bush, a member of Liss Cycling Club who completed it in 1 hour 18m mins. The youngest rider was 11 year old Myon Humby. Others did the ride in a variety of fancy dress costumes including a team towing a life size picture of President Trump! Royal Navy veteran and Invictus games bronze medallist Kirk Hughes completed the ride for Help for Heroes with his father Colin and his brother Kevin.

This year the ride was dedicated to the memory of Don Cook the Liphook cobbler who died recently aged 89. Don worked in his Tweenways shop in Liphook for 56 years and retired in December 2016. He was well known and loved in the village by many of the riders who gave a round of applause and rang their bicycle bells in a touching tribute.

The ride also had an RAF theme celebrating 100 years of the RAF and with Petersfield Air Cadets providing an efficient service to car parking. The Liphook Guides once again manned the 3 refreshment stops round the route while many other charities were present with stalls and facilities to add to the festive atmosphere. Owens of Petersfield provided a bike repair service with Owen himself cycling round the route repairing punctures and mechanicals.

Key sponsors were Bramshott Place, Barons BMW, Oak Lodge Dental Practice, Macdonald Oates, Clarke Gammon, and Bohunt School. EHDC also provided support for a new gazebo for registration. Among the stalls was a team from the Liphook Neighbourhood Plan committee.

Ride Chair Alistair Halliday said:

"It really was a stunning ride this year. It is always heartening to see so many riders - young and old- really enjoying themselves on their bikes on this fabulous course, as well as raising money for local charities. We are hugely grateful for the support of all our volunteers and marshals who gave up their time and the charities especially the Liphook Guides and Petersfield Air Cadets who did such a grand job in the 100 anniversary year of the RAF, as well as our sponsors whose support has been amazing. We are also most grateful for the ongoing support of our EHDC councillors. Next year it would be great if we had even more charities, clubs and schools take part. The Liphook Bike Ride is all set up as a great opportunity to raise funds for their causes and increase their profile - as well as being part of a wonderful community day of fun and exercise".

This year's Junior ride was sponsored by Oak Lodge Dental Practice. The ride lasted 100 minutes, with the juniors stopping for the occasional water break. The children were all presented with a certificate after the ride, again sponsored by Oak Lodge Dental Practice. £225 was raised from the £2.50 entry fee which will all be handed over to local charities.

Rob Pretorius, lead for the Junior Ride, said: "As a keen cyclist all my life, it is just great to see young kids enjoying their bikes in a safe environment. Many of the children enter the ride every year and try very hard to beat their lap count from the previous year. Hence we carefully ensure that the track length remains constant from year to year. Hopefully next year we can get more junior and infant schools involved. Camelsdale Primary School entered 16 riders.

The Liphook Crankers took over the responsibility for running the Liphook Charity Bike Ride from LIDBA in October 2015.

Anyone wishing to communicate with the LBR team should email:

info@liphookbikeride.com

or contact Alistair Halliday on:

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Email: alistair.halliday@tigerwhiteuk.co.uk

Telephone: 0778813537

For pictures of the event by Markus Frank-Schultz, go to:

<https://www.flickr.com/photos/149135417@N08/sets/72157696601535215/page1>

Milland Valley Railway Modellers

An afternoon special interest group of Liphook & Midhurst U3A's

Our next meeting is on Wednesday 19th September at Redford Village Hall (GU29 0QF) commencing at 2.00pm.

The exhibition season starts in September, so much work is planned for the British Summer- invariably cold and wet. This year has been very tough on those of us who should be working on the group's layout East Hants Link, with working conditions truly like a "sweat-shop." This layout is scheduled to appear at Liphook & District Model Railways Club 9th Annual Open Day on Sunday 20th October at the Milland Valley Memorial Hall (GU30 7NA). Please come along to see us. If you need an excuse, bring your children or grandchildren!

Details

We meet 9 times a year at Redford Village Hall, on the third Wednesday of each month. There are no meetings in July, August or December.

To join, you must be a member of the U3A. In addition there are group membership subs. to cover the hall hire. We currently have 6 members - more members and visitors are welcome to our meetings. Coffee, tea and chocolate digestives are on going throughout.

Contact Tony Bettger, the group leader on:

model.railways1@liphooku3a.org

Happy Modelling - Tony Bettger

50 YEARS . . . AND COUNTING

Haslemere Performing Arts

Haslemere Performing Arts, fondly known as HPA, started its existence as the Denise School of Dancing in 1968. HPA is celebrating 50 years of providing dance and musical theatre tuition in Haslemere and the surrounding areas. The school offers classes in Ballet, Modern, Tap, Adult Tap and Gymnastics with the option to take part in dance competitions and local productions.



British Arts Medal Winners.

The Principal, Angela Cantan, had been choreographing the Lynchmere Pantomime since the age of fourteen, so in 1968 was persuaded by the local community to start dance classes. She started with a small group of girls at the Hardman-Hoyle Memorial Hall in Hammer whilst also teaching Art at St. Ives School in Haslemere.



Angela continued her Saturday classes whilst training and working in London, eventually returning to Haslemere as a teacher at St. Bartholomew's First School. Angela has taught in nearly every school in the Haslemere area, combining this with afternoon dance classes, and has also found time to perform in many local productions as well as in the West End. She has taught hundreds of children in a variety of forms of dance. A few have performed professionally in the West End and on television and many have achieved successful careers using the confidence they have received from her teaching.



Senior 2 - I Got Rhythm.

The ethos of HPA is to give opportunities in Dance and Drama to local children without charging high fees. The school is fully inclusive and going from strength to strength, supported by an excellent creative team of professionally qualified teachers, student teachers and dedicated parents and is looking forward to the next 50 years!

This year pupils have again performed at Haslemere's Charter Fair in May and will be at the Haslemere Fringe Festival on the 7th July. Previous performances by the pupils from HPA have included dancing at Sadler's Wells and Her Majesty's Theatres in London and in the Fantasia Theatre at Disneyland Paris.

This year pupils are performing their Golden Jubilee Concert at the Prince's Hall Theatre in Aldershot on Sunday 8th July.

Tickets are now on sale and are available from the Theatre Box Office (<https://www.princeshall.com>)

Past pupils are invited to attend a Gala Show and Party in Haslemere Hall on the 16th September.

Barbara of HPA



Liphook Women's Institute

**Come and join us, have some fun,
Whate'er the weather rain or sun.
We do make jam, sing Jerusalem too,
Also try some stuff that's new-
Nordic hiking, mountain biking.
Give us a try-
Could be to your liking!**

This was an ode written by a Liphook WI member which was printed on the Hampshire WI calendar. To be honest, it was a few years ago and there isn't too much Nordic hiking or mountain biking going on at the moment, but there are a lot of activities and meetings which are well supported by our 60 or so members. As always, we're a mixed bunch of women ranging in age from young mothers to some of us who are rather older. There are professional women and homemakers amongst our number, but we all get together and share experiences and fun during the year.

The WI has been a strong presence in the village for almost a hundred years and, while there have been many changes the ethos of the Institute remains the same. Our members meet monthly on the 3rd. Wednesday of the month in the Village Hall when there is often a speaker, occasionally one of the members will give a talk, and sometimes there are activities. We have been known to try out Pilates and an exercise class en masse which was hectic and amusing. Our speakers are chosen by a small committee



We celebrated the recent Royal Wedding with an exhibition of some of our own dresses which reflected the change in styles over the decades. There were lots of stories to share of our own special day, and quite a few giggles.

who find items to educate and entertain us. Recently Ben Govier from Dylan's Ice cream gave us an insight into his flourishing local business. There were delicious samples too which were very well received. In October we have a speaker from Le Salon du Chocolat - but please don't think that we're fixated on our stomachs! However our refreshments are an opportunity to catch up with friends new and old, and while we normally have coffee and biscuits we do occasionally enjoy a glass of bubbly and nibbles (or alcohol free alternatives) when an excuse presents itself.

We're part of the Hampshire Borders Group of WIs. This is formed of several local WIs and we have shared meetings, competitions such as skittles and quizzes and an annual carol service. This group is in turn a part of the Hampshire Federation of WIs which arranges bigger scale activities and two large meetings a year at the Guildhall in Portsmouth and at the Anvil in Basingstoke where well known speakers and large scale entertainment is seen by hundreds of Hampshire members. The headquarters of WIs

nationally is in London where the Annual meeting is probably best known to the general public. This meeting is often held in the Albert Hall, but recently meetings have been held in venues across the country. Liverpool and Cardiff have been destinations and the next one is in Bournemouth. Here, amongst other things WI Resolutions are discussed and voted on and over the years some of these have entered into British law.

So you see, this local group has national links and is outward looking. However, our monthly meetings are the basis of Liphook WI, although we have other activities too which are well supported. There are a couple of craft groups, Scrabble, a Luncheon group and regular coffee mornings. We have a programme of events which can include ambles, theatre visits, day visits further afield for example to London to the Mansion House, The Guildhall, Houses of Parliament among others, as well as trips to the seaside to cite just a few. We have sometimes entered the Carnival- and won! We have entered as Florence Nightingale nurses- complete with wounded soldiers, we "Took an Old Bag Shopping" and we were pearly kings and queens and danced The Lambeth Walk round part of the route.

This is a brief overview of our village's WI and is open to all women from the local area. As the above ode says **"Give us a try - we could be to your liking!"**

3rd Wednesday of the month at Liphook Village Hall at 7.30pm.

Gwenda Pate



The Arts Society Grayshott

The Arts Society, Grayshott, offers you the opportunity to learn more about the decorative and fine arts:

- Attend regular lectures at Grayshott Village Hall on the first Thursday of the month at 2.00 p.m.
- Enjoy stimulating study days and tours.
- Meet new friends with similar interests.
- Take part in a range of volunteer activities.

- Sept. 6** 'A Day at the Opera' - **Janet Canetty-Clarke**
Sept. 13 - 18 Tour to Vienna
Sept. 26 Visit - Hatfield House
Oct. 4 'Impressionists in London' - **John Iddon**
Nov. 1 'Charles Rennie Mackintosh' - **Anthea Streeter**
Nov. 20 Day of Special Interest -
 'The Grand Tour' - **Caroline Knight**
Dec. 6 'Twelve Days of Christmas' - **Peter Medhurst**

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B.L.A.C.S.

The Bramshott and Liphook Arts and Crafts Society now have one hundred and twenty members and are offering some great opportunities for you to connect with your inner artist. For just thirty pounds a year you get the opportunity to attend our demonstration nights which are held ten times a year, and can exhibit your work in our annual exhibition, which attracts over seven hundred people every year. If you would like to meet the members before deciding to join then attend a demonstration night, where we invite renowned artists to demonstrate how they produce their art, you can just pop in. If you are inspired by the demonstration and want to have a try yourself in a warm and welcoming atmosphere, then choose a workshop to attend.

Our monthly evening demonstration meetings are held at The Millennium Hall, Liphook. Starting at 7.30pm and it is free to Members. Visitors are very welcome and a small charge of £5.00 is made towards the cost of hiring the hall. Just come on the night, no need to book a place.

Demonstration evenings are held at the Millennium Centre, Liphook - 7.30pm - 9.30pm.

7th Aug	Capturing Sunlight in Oils	Joel Wareing
4th Sept	Chinese Brush	Maggie Cross
2nd Oct	My life as a Micro Artist	Graham Short
6th Nov	Painting Animals Step by Step	Andrew Forkner
4th Dec	Contemporary Watercolour	Liz Baldwin

Workshops are held at The Triangle Centre, Liss, 10am until 4pm, and are great value. Visitors are very welcome and the charge for the day is £40. If you are interested, please contact the workshop Secretary Lindsay Sword:

lindsay@sword.me.uk

Workshops are held at the Triangle, Liss - 10.00am - 4.00pm.

22nd Sept	Enamelling	Linda Connolly
20th Oct	Capturing Sunlight in Oils	Joel Wareing

You can also buy a BLACS workshop voucher as a gift. The recipient can choose the workshop they attend (subject to availability) and it makes a great present. Cost £40.

Our ongoing exhibition at the Green Dragon Pub has proved very popular, why not pop in to have a look at the artwork? you can have a drink and a lovely Thai dinner too. The artwork is changed regularly so there is always something new to see.

We welcome new members with a membership pack which gives all the information you need about the society and you will be introduced to members and the committee. Please have a look at our website; liphookartsandcrafts.org.uk. Or for membership enquiries contact our membership secretary: **Angie Pawlyszyn**, angie.pawlyszyn@btinternet.com

Barbara Morton

ST MARY THE VIRGIN, BRAMSHOTT

Kneeler Project 1983-1988

It is 37 years since the project to replace the kneelers in St Mary's Church was completed. The necessity to replace them was first recognised in 1983 and the project completed in 1988.

During this period one hundred and seventy six kneelers were constructed. A daunting and courageous task. One hundred people were involved in the manufacture. Jenny Woodall, a member of Bramshott Arts and Crafts, designed most of the kneelers. Steve Newitt stretched, bound and stitched the upholstery. Peter Mathews cut out and shaped each piece of the wood used as a base. And a host of volunteers stitched the covers in the finest needle point.

This year to record and celebrate this wonderful achievement a book entitled 'St Mary the Virgin Bramshott Kneeler Project 1983-1988' has been released. On each page a photograph displays a kneeler and a dedication to those involved in its construction. The designs range from a picture of Fungi to Kodiak Bears and Beavers, the colours of which are as vibrant as on the day the photographs were taken. Ten kneelers were designed to commemorate the link with Canada which began with the burial of many Canadian troops in Bramshott Churchyard in 1918

Copies of the Booklet are available at the back of St Mary's Church, Bramshott. A donation of £5 per copy towards the St Mary's Fabric Fund will help to maintain this wonderful building which will celebrate its 800th anniversary in 2020.

Neil Newitt





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BOXER PRODIGY

JohnHenry Keet



You'd never know from looking at him that JohnHenry packs quite a wallop. But he's a very talented young boxer with quite a future ahead of him.

He started boxing at age six. His dad always liked boxing and his mum did kick boxing, so perhaps it's in the genes. JohnHenry only turned eleven in March but has a number of successes behind him already. At ten he was asked to represent Hampshire in a charity boxing show. He was the youngest contender there – and won.

of highly regarded boxers and coaches." JohnHenry has already had his name engraved twice on the Club's shield for boxer of the week – no mean feat as there are usually 30 to 40 children competing for this each time. He trains three nights a week at Leigh Park, and can be seen jogging around the village as part of his regime. His goal is to participate in the England Boxing Schools Championships which is open to boxers between the ages of twelve and fourteen. They first have to box their way through regional rounds and preliminaries. Peter Vince, JohnHenry's coach at Leigh Park, says that he has the "raw talent to become a talented boxer".

Yet, at school, there is no indication of the natural aggression he shows in the ring. Head Teacher Michele Frost describes him as "a lovely boy. Very kind. You might imagine that as he's a boxer, children would be scared of him but everyone loves JohnHenry."

As Peter Vince put it, "When JohnHenry can compete in the English National Boxing Championships . . . the boxers in the opposite corner had better watch out!"

JohnHenry joined Leigh Park Amateur Boxing Club last year. Established in the early 1970s, this Club has produced "a number

Mari Wallace

CELEBRATING LIPHOOK RESIDENT

Avis Funge's 100th Birthday



Avis Margaret Funge was born on the 1st August 1918, she was the youngest of four children. Her father and mother were active members in the community and were involved in the local football club, the Bonfire Night and carnival and dances on Saturday night. Avis celebrated her 100th birthday in the village hall where her parents used

to host these dances and she recalls being sent to bed in the afternoon so that she too could stay up late on Saturday nights to enjoy the evening.

Avis's ancestors owned the Malthouse Farm, now Malthouse Meadows, and the Green Dragon pub. In 2014 Avis was invited to cut the ribbon to restart the bar service of the newly-refurbished pub. She was asked being a descendant of one of Liphook's 'oldest pub landlord dynasty, the Denyer family'.

At aged 8 Avis had moved into the newly built bungalow at 62 Longmoor Road that was largely financed by income from her mother's local washing service. As a result, the bungalow became known as the 'washtub bungalow'. Avis lived there until she went into service at the age of 14 as a scullery maid - not one of her happier memories. All this changed six years later when she married Arthur Funge in May 1940. and went on to have four children.

Following the death of her mother in 1978 Avis's sister Ann came back to live with them and the bungalow was converted into two one-bedroomed flats. This arrangement worked very well for all concerned and the adjoining door was used to ensure they could check each other was okay and have a coffee together every morning. They were again able to enjoy some good times in the bungalow, but sadly Ann died in November 1991. Over the following years Avis and Arthur continued to live in their flat until he too passed away in December 1995, after 55 years of marriage.

Avis continued to live independently until January 2016 when she had a fall and broke her leg. She had remained active in the village and was a regular at the Peak Centre, Bridge Club, Ramblers and Over 60s where she is the honorary chair. She loved her garden and was runner up for the back garden category of the Liphook in Bloom award in 2008. Avis loved, and still does, being outdoors, taking long walks in the countryside and trips to the seaside.

Avis is Granny to 10 grandchildren and 16 great grandchildren. Her son, Peter, moved to the United States with his wife Mareline and three sons, and returned to England with their partners and children for the birthday celebrations. Her other children, grandchildren and great grandchildren were also there to celebrate this special event.

David Funge

Poets Corner

Champagne Day at Petersfield Lake

Rain-spit wind whips the lake's waves
Silver-sheen of water glitters in shafts of sun
 Fizzing across the surface
Swift-sweeping smoke-grey clouds
 Dark swirls beneath
And sparkling white in higher hollows
Patches of blue framed by white-flecked vapour
Silver-spiked branches glinting
 Against lightened skies
The hills beyond in tapestries of green
 Bright emerald in sunlight
Slate-grey below the clouds
 Hills, valley, lake-water
All aglow with effervescent
 Dancing motes of light.

Ruth Howes

The Azure Sky

Beneath the sparkling azure sky,
The youthful bodies gently lie.
From Liverpool to Capelle field,
The harvest of the war doth yield.

Proud Fusilier, proud mother's son,
Your life cut short, so brief begun.
We stand today and honour you,
The Uncle whom we never knew.

And on that dark October night,
Amid the cries, relief in sight,
The shots rang out from deep abyss,
Just eighteen days from Armistice.

Brave soldier know, though you are gone,
We are close by; your name lives on,
And salty tears do sting the eye,
Beneath this sparkling azure sky.

Angela Glass

*Written when visiting the grave of my husband's Uncle,
Robert William Bimpson, 82241, Private, 23rd Bn.
Royal Fusiliers, who died, aged 19, on the night of the
24th October 1918, during the taking of Capelle, and
who, with 52 others, is buried at Capelle-Beaudignies
Road Cemetery, Capelle, Northern France.*

Old Roses

It is the rose that shines apart
from any other flower
It's petals soft and pure and sweet
after every shower

It's perfume hits the senses
and makes us close our eyes
Transporting us to a sweeter place
where thorns are in disguise

Linda Foster

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A SENIOR VIEW OF FACEBOOK

**For those of my generation
who do not, and cannot,
comprehend why Facebook exists:**

I am trying to make friends outside of
Facebook while applying the same
principles. Therefore, every day I
walk down the street and tell passers-by
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 how I feel at the moment,
 what I have done the night before,
 what I will do later and with whom.
I give them pictures of my family,
 my dog and of me gardening,
taking things apart in the garage,
 watering the lawn,
standing in front of landmarks,
driving around town, having lunch,
and doing what anybody and
everybody does every day.
I also listen to their conversations,
 give them a "thumbs up"
 and tell them I "like" them.

And it works just like Facebook.

I already have four people following me:
two police officers, a private investigator
and a psychiatrist.

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ROTARY CLUB - Haslemere, Debbie Morley, 01428 643416.

ROYAL BRITISH LEGION - Lt. Col. J.M. Jack, 01428 724002.

ROYAL NAVAL ASSOCIATION - Liss & District - 01730 895470.

R.S.P.C.A. - Di Fowler, 0771 303 8429.

SSAFA/FORCES HELP (Soldiers, Sailors & Airmans Families Association) East Hants Branch, Divisional Sec., Patricia Lyons, 01420 561264

SELF SUFFICIENCY GROUP - East Hants, Dru Furneaux, 01730 814193.

STANDFORD, PASSFIELD AND HOLLYWATER COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION - Sue Sergeant, 01428 751326. Hall Bookings, Ron Sergeant, 01428 751326.

TAI-CHI - Diana Forbes, 0777 569 6249.

THE ARK PRE-SCHOOL - Helen Jackson, 0777 539 4230 or 01428 725390.

THREE BORDERS KNITTING CLUB - 01428 606957, 01428 712055.

U3A LIPHOOK - Email: membership1@liphooku3a.org.uk

VILLAGE HALL - Bookings: Mrs M. Madgwick, 01428 729080.

VOLUNTARY CARE GROUP - Bramshott and Liphook Parish, 01428 723972.

WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP - Sue Knight, 01428 723502.

WOOLMER FOREST ARCHAEOLOGICAL and HISTORICAL SOCIETY - 1st Wednesday of month, Colin Brash, 01428 713256.

WOOLMER FOREST LIONS CLUB - Ken Bassett, 01428 713285.

WORKERS EDUCATIONAL ASSOCIATION - Mrs S. Martin, 01428 641907.

CHILDREN'S AND YOUNG PERSONS' CLUBS AND ORGANISATIONS

ARMY CADET FORCE - No. 6 Platoon, 'A' Company, 1st Battalion
Hants & I.O.W. ACF - Detachment Commander: Staff Sergeant
A. Steven, 07796 268095, Parade Night: Tuesday at Wolfe House,
Bordon, 7-9.30 p.m.

BALLET & JAZZ DANCE CLASSES - from 2½ years at Liphook
Church Centre, Hindhead & Haslemere, Angela Canton, 652360.

CHILDREN'S CHILD HEALTH CLUB - Millennium Centre,
9.30-11.00am, 01420 483827.

CHILD MINDER GROUP - Mon. a.m. at The Village Hall,
Jeanett Kirby, 01428 729404.

DANCE & DRAMA CLASSES - Ballet, Tap, Modern Jazz Dance etc., from
2½ years at Headley Village Hall, Grayshott Village Hall and Pinewood
Village Hall, Bordon. Contact Hilary Bishop AISTD on 01428 605290.

FERNHURST CENTRE IT COURSES & INTERNET CAFE -
2, Crossfield, Vann Road, Fernhurst, GU27 3JL. 01428 641931.

HASLEMERE BAND (BRASS) - Graham Ingram, 01252 33828.

INFANT SCHOOL

PTA - Lisfa@Liphook-infants.sch.uk

JUDO CLUB - Mr M. Poke, Bohunt Centre, 01428 724324.

LIPHOOK AND RIPSLEY YOUTH MEMBERSHIP - Steve Saycel,
0777 178 8486 or Lrccyouthcricket@gmail.com

LIPHOOK CRUSADERS GROUP - for 4-14 year olds Friday evenings
Church Centre. Contact Church Centre Office, 01428 725390.

LIPHOOK JUNIOR SCHOOL P.T.A. - foljs@liphook-jun.hants.sch.uk

LIPHOOK PARENT AND TODDLER GROUP - Friday am. - Mrs Janet
Stovold, 01428 722333.

LIPHOOK THEATRE CLUB - For 5 - 11 year olds, 01428 722813.

LIPHOOK UNITED FOOTBALL CLUB - Chairman, Nigel Marr,
01428 727661, Secretary, Martin Feast, 01428 722677.

LIPHOOK YOUTH CLUB - John Tough, 01428 724492.

LITTLE BADGERS PRE-SCHOOL 2-4+ - Sports Pavilion, Headley.
01428 714827.

LITTLE CHERUBS NURSERY - Mrs M. Powers, Liphook. 01428 723438.

LITTLE LAMBS - Tuesday 9.45 - 11.45a.m., Contact Church Centre
Office, 01428 725390.

MADHATTER NURSERY BOHUNT SCHOOL - 01428 727288.

MATRIX MAJORETTES - Mrs Julie East, 01420 487804.

METHODIST YOUTH - Mrs Sharon Tikaram, 01428 723801.

PETERSFIELD YOUNG FARMERS CLUB - 8-10pm
Suzy Goring, 01420 488325.

RED BALLOON NURSERY - Hammer, Mrs Susan Lovelock, Magnolia
House, Churt Road, Hindhead. 01428 607499.

ROCK CHILDREN'S CHARITY - Robin Oliver, 01428 722734.

STAGECOACH THEATRE ART - 4-16 yrs. Drama, Dance & Singing,
0845 055 6376.

ST JOHN AMBULANCE & NURSING CADET DIVISION - Liphook
Member in charge, John Tough, 01428 724492. Millennium Hall
every Wednesday. Cadets 6.30 - 8.00pm. Adults 8.00 - 10.00pm.

SWIMMING CLUB - admin@haslemerswimmingclub.co.uk

THE ROYAL SCHOOL NURSERY - Portsmouth Road, Hindhead.
01428 604096.

TIDDLERS LIPHOOK INFANTS SCHOOL - Community Room,
Mondays 9.30-11.00am, 01428 725746.

TRAINING BAND - Maurice Wright, 01428 723940.

WEYHILL MONTESSORI NURSERY SCHOOL - Scout H.Q. Wey Hill,
Michele Dows-Miller, 01374 936960 or 01420 472282.

GUIDES

To join Girlguiding Liphook as a Volunteer or to register your daughter's
interest, please complete the online form by visiting www.girlguiding.org.uk
and clicking the 'Parents' link or 'Get involved'. You will then be contacted
by a unit leader.

Rainbows 5 - 7 Years: 1st Liphook - Tuesday. 2nd Liphook - Thursday.

Brownies 7 - 10 Years: 2nd Liphook - Monday. 4th Liphook - Thursday.
5th Liphook - Tuesday

Guides 10 - 14 years: 1st Liphook - Wednesday. 2nd Liphook - Monday.

Rangers 14 - 25 years: 1st Liphook - Thursday.

Trefoil Guild - Adults only: 4th Tuesday of each month.

Contact Barbara Ellis via liphook-guides@outlook.com

Girlguiding Liphook District Commissioner: Rachel Topping, to
contact use liphook-guides@outlook.com

SCOUTS

1st LIPHOOK SCOUT GROUP - Scouting offers young people, aged
between 6 and 25, a fantastic range of fun, exciting, challenging and
adventurous activities and in Liphook we have one of the largest and
most active Scout Groups in Hampshire. 1st Liphook Scout Group has
nearly 200 members and runs 2 Beaver Colonies (for those aged 6-8), 3
Cub Packs (8-11), 2 Scout Troops (11-14), an Explorer Scout Unit (14-18)
and has strong links to our District Network Scout Unit (18-25).

If you live in Liphook or the surrounding villages and you would like
your son or daughter to experience the everyday adventure of Scouting,
then please contact our Membership Secretary, Clare Smith, at
membership@liphookscouts.org.uk to find out more about joining.

If you have any other questions about Scouting or our Group, then please
contact:

- Bryan Jackson (Group Scout Leader) on 01428 723248 or by email at
bryan.jackson@btinternet.com for all enquiries about Scouting and our
sections;

- Kevin Stephenson (Group Chairman) on 01428 724186 or by email at
kevin.stephenson@btopenworld.com for all volunteer or fundraising
enquiries;

- Mark Tellyn (Group Secretary) on 01428 741509 or by email at
info@liphookscouts.org.uk for all general or subs enquiries;

- Alison Jackson (Scout Shop) on 01428 723248 or by email at
alisonjackson@btopenworld.com for all uniform or equipment enquiries.

If you are already a member of the Group or the parent of a member,
then if you have a question about your section, then please contact the
relevant Section Leader:

- Willow Beavers Colony (Monday) - Mark Boosey on 07949 408093;
- Ashdown Beavers Colony (Tuesday) - Mark Stocker on 07976 845670;
- Downlands Cub Pack (Tuesday) - Kevin Carrig on 01428 727063;
- Oakhanger Cub Pack (Thursday) - Trevor Holden on 01428 722810;
- Wheatsheaf Cub Pack (Friday) - Jez Turner on 01428 751926;
- Shackleton Scout Troop (Wednesday) - Nigel Woods on 01730 261072;
- Scott Scout Troop (Friday) - Sheila Woods on 01730 261072;
- Stirling Explorer Scout Unit (Monday) - Stuart West on 01420 474573;
- Thesiger Network Scout Unit (Wednesday) - Mark Boosey on 07949 408093.

*Any changes please notify Hazel
Williams on 01428 722084*

District Councillor's Report for The L.C.M.

The new District Council year started with the Annual Full Council meeting at which Cllr. Anthony Williams, one of two District Councillors for Headley, was sworn in as the new Chairman for East Hampshire District Council, succeeding Cllr. Mrs. Lynn Evans. The new Vice Chairman is Cllr. Keith Budden, one of three District Councillors for Liss. The Chairman is the equivalent of a Mayor, and undertakes many official visits at which he represents the District Council. One of the first functions in the new Council year is attendance at the annual Buckingham Palace Garden Party.

The Local Plan

The Call for Sites which I mentioned in my last report, has now closed, and the process of sifting through over 290 sites that came forward, is under way. The first criterion that has to be met is to see if any of the sites meet the criteria which is laid down in the National Planning Policies. There follow further sifts, until a final list of sites to be visited is achieved. Presence on the final list does not mean that a site will come forward for planning, or that if it does come forward, that it would be approved.

A Local Plan Working group, which consists of District Councillors and Officers, is now meeting on a regular basis, to discuss and assess the emerging Local Plan. This offers Councillors the chance to review policies and to offer suggestions and opinions direct to Planning Officers.

Article 4 Direction

EHDC has confirmed an Article 4 Direction, which removes permitted development rights to convert employment premises to residential. 30 premises and business parks across the District, outside of the South Downs National Park, are covered by this, all of which have been notified. The Direction will come into force on the 31st March 2019, and means that any application for change of use, from this date, would have to be made to EHDC. This will help to protect and preserve much needed employment sites.

Income Generation

All areas of the District Council are part of the impetus to hold finances steady, in the face of cut-backs, and as part of this, the Planning Department has successfully helped other local planning Authorities across the country, with a variety of Planning matters. This work, which utilises the expertise of the department, also includes assistance to various LPA's from our Heritage team. We are currently working for Rutland, Rushmoor, Fareham and Poole Councils, with others in the pipeline.

Whitehill and Bordon

The Relief Road (costing £37 million) is slightly behind schedule due to the issues arising from Carillion. Opening is now due to take place at the end of this year.

The New Secondary School (costing £23 million) is on schedule. There will be a "Golden Bolt" Ceremony taking place on the 27th July, with the Secretary of State for Education, The Rt. Hon. Damian Hinds.

The new Leisure Centre (costing £13m) has been given permission and is on schedule.

The new BOSC Pavilion is an impressive building and is well advanced and on schedule. It replaces the old Bordon and Oakhanger Sports Club pavilion, beside the sports pitches.

Major employers continue to be attracted to the town with IBM already secured and another major IT company ready to announce soon.

Portfolio Reports

These reports, compiled by Cabinet members, have been reintroduced as part of the Full Council Agenda papers. They make interesting reading, and give an insight into a wide variety of Council matters. They can be

easily accessed on the EHDC website, www.easthants.gov.uk, as part of the Full Council Agenda, which is published one week before each Full Council takes place.

Finally

And finally, I could not end this article without mentioning the part played by Liphook Junior School Year 4 each year in the annual service to commemorate Canada Day. This service in St. Marys, Bramshott, takes place on the last Wednesday in June, which is the nearest date to Canada Day.

Each successive Year 4 studies the part played by the Canadian soldiers encamped on Bramshott Common in the two World Wars but especially during the First World War. The pupils each adopt a soldier, each of whom lies in the Commonwealth War Graves Commission graveyard at St. Marys.

The pupils research and create a biography of the soldiers, composing prose and poetry which reflects their lives before the War. Some of these are read out by the pupils in the service, which is attended annually by a representative from the Canadian High Commission, and veterans. The contribution of the pupils is always an emotional occasion, and the singing of *O Canada*, in the service of remembrance, and the entertainment following the luncheon provided by the Junior School afterwards, always reduces those present to seek their handkerchiefs. The maturity of the 8 and 9 year olds is astounding.

Last year's performance led to an invitation from the High Commission to take this year's performance to the High Commission in London. Cllr. Bill Mouland and I were very pleased to be invited to join the 90 children, on the 3rd July, together with Lt. Col. and Mrs. James Jack, of the British Legion, a representative of the Parish Council, staff, parents and relatives. Three coaches transported everyone to London, and my coach sang their way through the whole repertoire over the two hours which ensued, culminating in a rousing rendition of *O Canada*, as we reached Trafalgar Square.

After a sandwich lunch, the children performed before members of the High Commission, who were moved by this tribute, and amazed at the sincerity of the pupils and the emotions which were stirred. Presentations were made to the members of staff from Liphook Junior School, and also to Lt. Col. and Mrs. James Jack, and to the pupil from the school who, it was felt, had gone above what was expected of them, to produce their tribute.

Before returning home, tours of the High Commission were offered, and many of us together with the children, climbed to the top of the building, and out onto the roof garden. The view was breath taking, and to be able to look down onto the Square from the second oldest building in it, was an unforgettable experience.

This year was my 12th attendance at the Canada Day Service. Great credit is due to the Headmistress of Liphook Federated Schools, Michele Frost, and to all the staff who organise and help to produce this annual event, and to assist the pupils to research the history of the soldiers, and produce their memorable material.

I know, through the participation of two of my own grandsons, what an impact this research and study has on their own lives. This annual participation ensures that the memory of those who did not return to Canada is not forgotten and does not fade away, even 100 years after the end of the First World War. I also know how much this act of remembrance and historic link with Canada is appreciated by the Canadian High Commissioner and all those from Canada House, The Canadian High Commission.

Thank you, to you all

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Cllr. Rebecca Standish: rebecca.standish@easthants.gov.uk

Cllr. Bill Mouland: bill.mouland@easthants.gov.uk



Liphook/Bordon Air Training Corps 1942. The Liphook members later joined the R.A.F. or F.A.A. They were D. Wheeler, F. Benham, N. Klarry, T. Read, G. Budd, R. Way, L. Owen and E. Clear



Troops assembling at Liphook Station



D-Day Tanks in Hampshire



Dominion Day Sports at Bramshott Camp, July 2nd 1917. Photo taken by Capt. C. Howcroft



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