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PARISH PEOPLE

Esther Porter

I am going to let Esther speak for herself. She is such a good storyteller and I am sure you will enjoy reading the following five tales. She came to live in Liphook when her father, John Budd, came home from the War and the family moved into Lakehouse Farm, where he was born in 1922.



In 'Liphook Remembers' John wrote, 'My wife and I were the last to live there 'because they had to demolish it to widen the road'. It was demolished in 1969 but the road still has not been widened. Esther was educated at Liphook School and St. Margaret's Convent in Midhurst, where she learnt how to type and write short-hand, along with passing her 'O' levels, which enabled her to train as a medical secretary at the Farnham Road Hospital in Guildford. She joined the Liphook Amateur Dramatic Society and met John Porter, later to be her husband. Married at the Liphook Methodist Church, they moved into their home in The Avenue where they brought up their sons Timothy and Julian. Esther still lives there. Through the years they loved their pets. Their last was a standard poodle named Upe (pronounced Upea). A talented needle worker she started making costumes for the Lynchmerians, to dress the characters in the annual pantomimes and nativity plays put on by members of Lynchmere Church. Every month she reads prayers during Sunday services, often writing her own humorous versions. She has an upbeat personality and it is a pleasure to chat to her.

June Wright

Lakehouse Farm

One rainy day at about lunch time a group of teenaged boys knocked on Lakehouse door. They wanted to know if they could shelter in the barn and cook their lunch on their oil stoves. Mum said it would be extremely dangerous because the hay was stored in the wooden barn and there was a fire risk, however if they liked they could use her kitchen. Mum had her oil stove set up in the ingle nook of the old kitchen. She then said that it would be better if they came and sat at the dining table to eat their meal. Mum then went into the little sitting room and left them to enjoy their dinner. The boys were fascinated by Mother's selection of swords and daggers decorating the fireplace walls and were told that the old farmhouse dated back to Elizabethan times, hence the low doorway and beams. There was no electric and water had to be brought from the well using a rotary pump. They sent us a Christmas card and we found that the boys had come from a school in Kent. If they had ever returned, they may be puzzled, wondering if they had dreamt about their visit and imagined it all because Lakehouse was demolished in 1969. I have a picture of that little farmstead in my mind, seeing it nestling in the valley.

Perhaps, like 'Brigadoon' it will appear every hundred years.

Air Raids

When the air raid siren sounded in the night my mother would put me into a home-made sleeping bag and we would sit in the loo under the stairs. A chair was there for Aunty Di and I would be there, on mum's lap until the 'all clear' came. Granny and Grandad sat in the kitchen with a torch or a candle. The stairs in houses were usually still standing after the bomb had dropped, so that is why it was a safe place to be. The loo under the stairs contained bins of chicken feed, so there was a smell of bran and corn. In Winter the chickens ate bran which had been mixed with cooked potatoes. I remember after one air raid I was lifted up to the window to see 'the pretty lights' and heard the grown-ups saying, 'Poor old London's got it tonight'.

The Co-op

The Co-op was where Mum and I would go on our bikes, to do the grocery shopping. I think Mr. Horlock was the man in charge and he worked the bacon slicer and the cheese cutter. Mr. Bridger read Mum's shopping list and collected together the items needed. His daughter Ann was the cashier and worked in an office high up where she whizzed the bills and money in little metal containers, suspended on wires to the appropriate department. The drapery was to one side of the shop and the butcher's shop was next door, the butcher being Mr. Fuller. The Co-op had a cat who was always having kittens and homes were always being needed. We had one which we called 'Tibby.' He was an expert hunter who brought in mice, baby rabbits and once a pine marten, taking them into the house through the cellar window and up-stairs into us in bed. Then Dad would get up and give chase. It was usually the middle of the night and as we had no electricity until 1961, he only had torch light to sort out the problem visitors.

The Boys' Brigade

Dad belonged to the Boys' Brigade and blew his bugle. The group was run by a Methodist minister's daughter, Miss Connie Twistham, who pinched your ear if you misbehaved. One carnival night a pig escaped from the 'Old Macdon-ald's Farm' float. Dad had to stop blowing his bugle to help chase and catch it.

The Railway Bridge

The railway bridge was on a tight bend and many an accident occurred. My parents were always rescuing people who had come to grief on the bend and motor bike riders were predominantly the worst offenders. I think the camber of the road was to blame as well. My mother would tear up sheets to make temporary bandages and slings. She also used to give a tablespoon of brandy, but was later stopped from doing this. The only telephone was at Mr. and Mrs. Dunkley's cottage which was on the other side of the railway bridge, so they, very patiently would call the necessary services. This was usually the local policeman, from the police cottages who came on his bike. During the day, after the accident the driver of the car, or motor bike would appear to ask, 'Did you see anything?' They wanted witnesses. As there was no street lighting and accidents often happened at night, of course we did not see anything and did not offer an opinion as to why they had had a mishap.



What's on in Liphook

6th Sept. - All is True. Film at Millennium Centre.

7th Sept. - Open Morning. 10.00am - 12.00 noon.
Highfield and Brookham Schools.

22nd Sept. - Carnival Walk.

27th Sept. - Free Farm Day. 10.00am - 12.00 noon.
Highfield and Brookham Schools.

27th Sept. - Macmillan Coffee Morning. 10.00am - 1.00pm. Millennium Centre.

2nd Oct. - Defibrillator Awareness Demonstration. 2.00pm. Church Centre.

4th Oct. - Red Joan. Film at Millennium Centre.

26th Oct. - Carnival.

1st Nov. - Vita and Virginia. Film at Millennium Centre.

15th Nov. - Christmas Shopping Event. 5.00pm - 8.00pm. Highfield and Brookham Schools.

22nd Nov. - Fisherman's Friend. Film at Millennium Centre.

6th Dec. - Yesterday. Film at Millennium Centre.

11th Jan. 2020 - Open Morning. 10.00am - 12.00 noon. Highfield and Brookham Schools.

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Will take place on
Tuesday 15th October 2019
at 14.30 hours

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The Liphook Millennium Centre,
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NOTICE BOARD

Royal British Legion QUIZ NIGHT

27TH SEPTEMBER



The Liphook sub-branch of the Royal British Legion (RBL) will be hosting a Quiz Night at the Bramshott and Liphook Social Club on

Friday 27th September, meeting at 7.00pm for a 7.30pm start. Teams will consist of 6 people. Tickets will need to be booked in advance from Liphook Travel, priced at £10 per person, or by email to: info@liphookrbl.org. The ticket price will include entry into the Quiz Night and a 'fish & Chip supper'. The evening will be fundraising for The Royal British Legion.

Everyone is welcome to join us for this fun evening so please organise your team and we shall look forward to welcoming you on 27th September.

Macmillan Coffee Morning

Friday 27th September
10.00am - 1.00pm

Come along for coffee and cake or, Take on a stall £15 per table.

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MILLENNIUM CENTRE FILM NIGHTS

Red Joan (12)
7.30pm, Friday 4th October

Vita & Virginia (12)
7.30pm, Friday 1st November

Fishermans Friend (12)
7.30pm, Friday 22nd November

Yesterday (12)
7.30pm, Friday 6th December

Bramshott & Liphook Parish Council

Council Elections

Although the Parish Council elections were uncontested, in May we welcomed six new local councillors, all resident within the Parish. Our new Council are already hard at work identifying how and where improvements can be made to benefit our Parish. We look forward to updating you with our decisions, progress, and achievements over the coming months.

Parish Projects

We are delighted to report that the WM Recreation Ground play equipment work has now been completed. This includes the replacement of all play surfaces with a rubber wetpour surface in both play park areas, designed for both safety, comfort, and longevity. The finished result has been well received by parents and children, and the play equipment has been in full and active use since its opening.

As part of our commitment to support biodiversity and improve our local landscape, our Council will convert the verges outside the Radford Park London Road entrances into pollinator-friendly wild flower areas. We have been granted a license by Hampshire County Council to plant on the verge outside the park. Planting will begin following this year's Carnival, and preparations to the area will be made in the interim.

The Council are currently reviewing medium to long-term projects to improve the Liphook Millennium Centre, Radford Park, and the buildings located at the WM Recreation Ground. These projects, once agreed, will be included in the Council's Capital Programme. We will inform the community of the progress and delivery of Capital Programme Projects over the coming four-year term.

Parish Council Grants

We are happy to confirm the Council will have new grant funding available for the 2020/21 financial year once the Budget has been agreed. Any local organisation looking for funding support in 2020/21 are encouraged to complete an application form available from the Parish Office. **The deadline for application submissions is the end of November 2019.** Help in applying for and completing grant funding is available - please ask! We look forward to supporting the valued work of our local charities, groups, and organisations.

Information About the Council

Our Full Council meetings are held monthly at the Liphook Millennium Centre. In addition, we have Committees covering Recreation, Planning, Finance & Policy, and an LMC Management Committee. Our Parish Council website lists our meeting dates, agendas, and previous meetings' minutes.

All our Parish Council & Committee meetings are open to the public and there is an opportunity for our Parishioners to ask questions

in the public participation sessions. If you have matters that are important to you, please come and take part.

Our website provides information about our Budget and how the Council spends public money to improve. Attending Parish Meetings will help you see how decisions are reached.

Millennium Centre Cinema

The LMC has a brand-new website www.liphookmc.co.uk We encourage you to take a look and keep up to date with what's happening with our community events and regular activities.

Our popular monthly cinema events are held in the LMC Main Hall with online booking & payment for cinema tickets available via the new website.

Our Film & Food nights are also popular, offering good food and films for a truly social evening out at affordable prices.

Our films cover a wide range of genres and are shown on a large screen. We have comfortable, retractable tiered seating for 126 people, with extra seating at the front for those with additional needs, allowing us to accommodate up to 180 people. Concessions for carers of those with additional needs are available (details on website, or please ask the LMC team).

Refreshment (food, alcohol, hot and cold beverages & ice-cream) are served from our community bar before the film and during the interval which adds to the relaxed atmosphere. Card payments are accepted. We look forward to seeing you at future screenings!

Community Funded Initiatives

CFIs are projects that are no longer funded by Hampshire County Council and examples include minor roadworks such as passing places, more attractive signage, and adaptations for pedestrian traffic.

The Parish Council has agreed to ring fence £5,000 in its annual Budget to help community groups who wish to undertake a project to benefit our community. There is set criterion used to assess any CFI project, and an application form is available from the Parish Office, as well as fuller details of the scheme. Again, as with our grant funding, we welcome the opportunity to support our local organisations, groups, and charities, so please come and see us for guidance and help.

Get in Touch!

We look forward to hearing from our parishioners. You are welcome to reach us by the following methods or come by to our Haskell Centre Parish Office on the Midhurst Road. You are also able to make appointments with Parish Councillors if you have any matters to discuss.

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D-Day and the Canadians



Munitions House on the Midhurst Road.



Visitors to the residential area of Liphook near the Sainsbury's store might wonder why so many street names refer to places in Canada, or the reason for the names of Beaver Industrial Park, Ordnance Business Park, Armoury House and

The clue can be found on this plaque now appropriately located just a short distance away in the foyer of the Millennium Centre adjacent to their Canada Room.

These houses, industrial and business parks, Sainsbury's and the Millennium Centre were all built on 16.33 hectares (40.35 acres) of land which had been part of a former army depot built by the Royal Canadian Engineers (with units of

the Royal Engineers and the Royal Army Service Corps) in preparation for the D-Day landings of 1944.

Before the war, the land formed part of the grounds of Chiltlee Manor, owned by Colonel Chappell, and partly occupied by the village cricket ground. By 1944 vast quantities of engineering stores needed for the invasion of Europe were piling up – mostly in forty scattered and unsuitable civilian depots. The War Office urgently needed a major Engineering Stores Depot, near a railway, near a road, reasonably near the “invasion ports”, where labour, water and sewerage systems were available. Chiltlee Manor was chosen and about 32 hectares (80 acres) were requisitioned.

Amazingly, it only took two months to complete the earth moving and levelling, connection of the site to the railway with five new sidings, the erection of 12 large sheds, and installation of water, sanitation, drainage and a 75 kw power station, turning it into the central engineering stores depot for the invasion to liberate Europe.

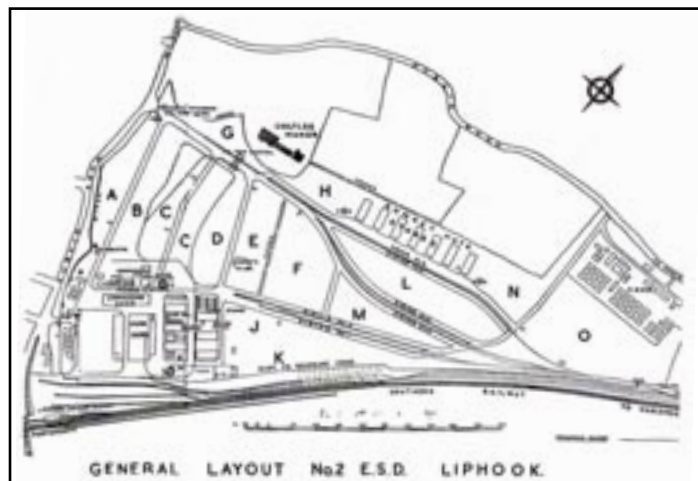
Only a handful of Royal Engineers could be spared for posting to the site. The new depot was given top preference for recruiting civilian labour, the same ranking as an aircraft factory. Seven more prefabricated steel Romney sheds were erected in June 1944 and prisoners of war were brought in to build a hutted camp for the Royal Engineers before the winter; first came Russian labourers liberated from German construction sites overrun in France, then German and Italian POWs.

With the assistance of 9 Ruston Byrus cranes, the depot handled 8 - 9,000 tons a week for months on end. It was the first UK depot to get fork-lift trucks, and a young woman, only 18 when trained, moved 10,000 tons a year with her 16,000 lb Ross fork-lift. On VE Day the staff on their machines staged a grand procession round Liphook.

With the end of hostilities, stores began to flow back from Europe and the Far East, for repair and despatch to other units or other countries or for sale to scrap merchants. These included huge cranes salvaged from ships sunk in the war and rusty generators as big as a house from the nuclear test area on Christmas Island. At this time, upwards of 500 men worked at the site and many women clerical staff in addition to the female fork-lift drivers and six women painters. Two buses brought workers from Superior Camp on Ludshott Common (an ex-Canadian camp which was used as a housing estate for ten years), but the majority came from the Portsmouth area by train, the down platform often being solid with people at going-home time.

The Royal Navy began using the site as well as the Army and in about 1970 the Royal Army Ordnance Corps took over control from the Royal Engineers and the site was renamed the Ordnance Supply Unit, later the Ordnance Support Unit. During the Falklands War of 1982 stores poured into the Depot non-stop and out again.

When Col. Chappell died in 1948 the Ministry bought Chiltlee Manor house, with the land which had been requisitioned in 1944; the house was used as an Officers' Mess by the Royal Engineers and is now an office building with the houses of Chiltlee Manor Estate being built in 1978-80. Chappell Close, Grenville Close and Chiltlee Close were built at various times on land apparently never used by the OSU. East Hampshire District Council bought the eastern end of the depot, where the hutted camp had stood, in the early 1970s and built the Manor Fields estate there. Beaver Industrial Estate was built and named after Canada's national animal.





After being literally at the centre of Liphook for just over fifty years, the OSU closed in 1995. Part of the site was bought by Sainsbury's, the Millennium Centre was built nearby, and the majority of the

remainder became houses. In the Autumn 1995 issue of this magazine, Laurence Giles invited ideas for names for the roads. The choice of Canadian names was an appropriate way to commemorate the immense contribution of the Canadians, not only in the construction of the depot but to the Allied cause during both world wars and their presence during this time in Liphook and Bramshott.

In 2018 the last part of the site was developed as the new business park adjacent to the Midhurst Road and the first businesses moved in with the names of the park and the buildings reflecting the former military use of the site.

Chiltlee Manor in 1086 belonged to William the Conqueror, the Duke of Normandy who invaded England in 1066. How appropriate that 878 years later in 1944, Chiltlee Manor played its part in the invasion of Normandy.



Much of this article has been adapted from The OSU in War and Peace by Ted Brandrick and others in the Spring 1995 issue of the Liphook Community Magazine which is available to read in the Liphook Heritage Centre, whose volunteers have been most helpful in supplying information and images.

Rod Sharp

LIPHOOK 2019

Carnival and Bonfire

The highly anticipated Liphook Carnival is on:

Saturday 26th October 2019

After successful fundraising events throughout the year, we look forward to ending the year with our own Liphook Carnival, Bonfire and Fireworks.

We had a very successful family fun day in July at the Church Centre. This year, for the first time we held the children's fancy dress, normally held on Carnival day and I am pleased to say even the rain didn't keep families away. We will continue to host the fancy dress on our fun day and all those attending will be invited to join the Carnival procession in our previous Queens float, which will be adapted with seat belts for the little ones. We had many games and activities for children and their parents including face painting and stalls selling lovely gifts and local produce.

I am very pleased to report our new Queens float is under construction and good news, The Links came to our rescue and offered to provide space to build and store our super new float.

We hosted our popular quiz night in August at the Church Centre, which included a delicious two course meal, raffle and auction. This year we had Martin Akers as Quizmaster who stood in for Rob Miller, who unfortunately couldn't join us this year. Martin did an excellent job and certainly made the quiz a fabulous evening.

The next event in the calendar is The **Liphook Carnival Fundraising Walk on Sunday 22nd September** leaving from the Deer's Hut, meeting at 9am for registration. The Deer's Hut very kindly offer bacon rolls, tea and coffee. All walkers are invited, different distances to suit all fitness levels, dogs included. Sponsorship forms are available on our website www.liphookcarnival.org.uk for anyone interested in seeking Sponsorship. Rob and Alison Harris-Dibben, long standing committee members, who have been involved in the walk for the past sixteen years will continue organising this event, hopefully for many years to come. Full details on our website, and on page 25.

Onto our main event of the year, the Liphook Carnival and

Bonfire. The aim of the evening is to provide a fantastic nights family entertainment for Liphook and the surrounding towns and villages. All money raised on the evening goes to local good causes, groups and charities. Many local friends, businesses, groups and organisations enter a float, which could be on the back of a trailer or literally a push along wheelbarrow or something similar. The floats assemble at 5.30pm outside Bohunt School where judging commences. At 6.15pm we have entertainment in the Square, 6.45pm we have the crowning of the King or Queen, 7.00pm the procession moves off and completes a circuit of Liphook and finishes at 8.30pm, where we then hold the very popular Bonfire and Firework display at Radford Park.

All the local eateries will be open for business along with Eddie Davis fast food vans, who will once again be setting up his Fun Fair on the Millennium Green.

This year we have a few local businesses staying open for Carnival night including L & S Gift and Coffee House, The Lazy Lizard again offering their very popular Hog Roast and Beer Tent, The Methodist Church offering Soup and I believe very important toilet facilities.

We are looking to host a variety of stalls on Station Road offering local produce and The Liphook Bakery will be offering its own Hog Roast. We will have extra speakers on Station Road to benefit from the commentary provided from the bus in the Square. Anyone interested in obtaining a stall please contact the Committee.

We are always looking for volunteers to join the Carnival Procession, help on the evening; in particular we are looking for help with road marshaling and always looking for new committee members to really get involved in their community. Any one interested please contact me, Sally Cameron, Chairperson, Liphook Carnival and Bonfire Committee, or see details on the website www.liphookcarnival.org.uk

Please turn to the outside back cover of this magazine for information on the Liphook Carnival road closures.

The Millennium Centre

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LIPHOOK Village Market

Come and browse the stalls in a friendly atmosphere from 10am until 1pm, whilst enjoying refreshments and home baking. Stalls will include a selection of quality hand-made crafts, jewellery, cards, home baking, preserves, soaps, soft furnishings, local honey & local free range eggs.

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mess, but Debbie proved just how versatile and easy it can be to use, she then went on to help our members develop their own charcoal skills at our workshop in Liss. Some amazingly detailed pieces were produced and everyone went away feeling more confident with this medium.



dancing displays by the children who had beautiful costumes, and there were gymnastic displays by some very athletic and talented young people. There were cake and burger stalls, teas, coffees and cold drinks on offer and the burgers must have been good because they sold out.



Our June demonstration explored the very different subject of Abstract townscapes with the extremely knowledgeable and talented Ronnie Ireland. He first provided a brief, but detailed history of the Abstract Movement, and then went on to demonstrate just how he produces his work. We followed this with a workshop at the end of June, in which Ronnie tried to help us find our own route into abstraction, which having spent the day struggling with my own work – I have to express my appreciation for abstract artists who do succeed, it's a lot harder than it looks!



After our successful exhibition in April, Bramshott and Liphook Arts and Crafts Society have had a busy few months. In May the wonderful Debbie Hinks demonstrated her skills with Charcoal in figures and portraiture. People are often put off using charcoal because of the

BLACS members were delighted to provide a table of activities for Liphook Primary and Junior School's summer fete on the 19th May. Both children and parents really enjoyed getting sticky and making cards and pictures. The day was well organised with excellent

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George Boyter demonstrated his watercolour skills in July, with a detailed look at producing clouds and reflections in water. Hopefully we can get him back for a workshop next year.

Our evening program continued on the 6th

August with a change to the published demonstrations, when Jim Patterson demonstrated watercolour papermaking. Liz Baldin's acrylic landscape demonstration will be held in November.

Everyone is welcome to our demonstration evenings, with a small fee for non-members.



Demonstration evenings are held at the Millennium Centre, 7.30 - 9.30pm. (Members Free, Visitors £5)

3rd Sept	Portraits in Oil	Christopher Cole
1st Oct	Silk Painting on Scarves	Sharon Hurst
5th Nov	A Demonstration of Impressionist Landscapes in Acrylic	Liz Baldin
3rd Dec	Collage with Recycled Materials	Sonia Bacchus

To reserve your place at our workshops in Liss, please call **07941 157279**.

Workshops are held at the Triangle, Liss 10.00 - 4.00pm (Members £32, Visitors £37)

21st Sept	Portraits in Oil	Christopher Cole
26th Oct	Silk Painting on Scarves	Sharon Hurst
TBA Nov	Multi-Craft Workshop	Details to follow

Why not become a BLACS member?

We're always welcoming new members, so please check our website: <https://www.liphookartsandcrafts.org.uk>

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WE'RE BLOOMING BUSY!

Liphook in Bloom



Another busy summer for the Bloomers! There has been hardly a day this summer when someone from Liphook in Bloom has not been busily involved in some blooming activity.

The herb bed, outside Hiscock's store, which we were working on back in the spring proved to be quite a task. The planting of the new herbs was the easy bit - but digging out old straggly herbs and some persistent weeds proved to be quite a challenge, taking much longer than anticipated.

The summer bedding went in at the beginning of June. It never ceases to surprise me that although most flowers struggle when there is a lack of rain, the weeds rarely do! We had to have extra working days to weed the beds as copious amounts of chickweed were springing up in between all the lovely flowers. It's not easy getting in and around the flowers in the centre of the bed without treading on one or losing one's balance! Extra watering has been essential. However, it has all been worth it - we have received welcome comments from members of the public about the lovely

colourful displays throughout the village.

I mentioned in the last issue that the five main flowerbeds were all themed on children's nursery rhymes - did you manage to guess any?

The planting arrangement and colour scheme in The Square was based on 'The Grand Old Duke of York' - with magenta petunias, yellow African marigolds and cineraria representing 'the hill' ... he marched them up to the top of the hill and he marched them down again.

The orange French marigolds and lemon nicotiana at the sorting office - yes you guessed ... Oranges and Lemons.

The Millennium bed was planted out with white petunias, cineraria and blue bush lobelia for Twinkle Twinkle Little Star, whilst the Millennium Hall beds were Hickory Dickory Dock with white bush lobelia and begonia pink picotee.

Finally, perhaps not a traditional nursery rhyme - but it had to be done Sing a Rainbow! The rainbow planting was in the All Ability beds at Fletchers Field and what a splash of colour they were with red geraniums, yellow African marigolds, orange French marigolds, purple petunias, blue trailing lobelia and lime green ipomoea.

The Liphook in Bloom team had a wonderful surprise gift this year. The local artist Ann Bowen presented us with a painting reflecting the many aspects of Liphook in Bloom out and about in the village. Ann has always been impressed by the brightness and happiness the flowers bring to the village, but was completely overwhelmed by the inspiration and sentiment of the Remembrance display in the Millennium bed last year. She felt she needed to do something to thank us. It will be hung in the Millennium Centre in due course. We are most grateful to Ann for this gift.

Liphook in Bloom is not all hard work. We do take time to socialise and relax. If you are new to the village it is a great way to get to know people. We do need more volunteers ... if gardening is not your thing, perhaps you could help with the watering.

If you would like to know more visit our website: **www.liphookin-bloom.co.uk** or give Joan Holdsworth a call on: **01428 724016**.

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Liphook's Listed Buildings

To say that our parish of Bramshott and Liphook is old is rather an understatement. For example, the building of our parish church, St. Mary's, dates back to c.1220 – which is pretty impressive.

And so it should come as no surprise to learn that our parish is blessed with many Listed Buildings and three Scheduled Monuments.

The Heritage Centre's newest exhibition features many of these buildings and monuments. We pass by many of these every day without realising their history of importance. The exhibition provides all of this information, with photos from the past and photos of what these buildings look like today. It's truly a case of YESTERDAY AND TODAY.

What is a Listed Building?

These comprise three categories. Grade I: Buildings of exceptional interest, of the highest significance. Grade II: Buildings of special interest, warranting every effort to preserve them. Grade II*: Particularly important buildings of more than special interest.

Grade II listings are the most common type. Over 90% of entries on the Statutory List of Buildings of Special Architectural or Historic Interest in England fall into this category. Alexandra Palace is one of these, as is the BT Tower.

Grade II*, on the other hand, account for only 6%, and those with Grade I status comprise just 2.5%.

What is a Scheduled Monument?

It is an historic building or site that is included in the Schedule of Monuments kept by the Secretary of State for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport. There are 19,854 entries (2016) and these include sites such as Roman remains, burial mounds, castles, bridges, earthworks, the remains of deserted villages and industrial sites.

We have five Grade II* buildings, four in Bramshott: Bramshott Manor in Church Road, Bramshott Vale in Tunbridge Lane, St. Mary's Parish Church and the Tudor Gatehouse at Bramshott Place (see photos), plus Passfield House in Headley Lane, Passfield. The first records of the house at Bramshott Manor date back to c.1225. It was originally a small single storeyed hall. A substantial northern addition was completed c.1430, with an eastward wing c. 1500. Inside it has painted roof timbers, a 16thc. oak staircase and a fireplace c.1530. Bramshott Vale is a beautifully symmetrical Georgian building, with characteristic Greek touches such as pilasters, that date back to 1731; a small extension and minor alterations were made in the early 1900s. St. Mary's church has had many exterior and internal alterations over the years; the 20th century additions include the canopied Gothic pulpit and the stall, desk and lectern.



Bramshott Manor



Bramshott Vale

A most unusual Grade II Listed building is the Oasts at Quinces, Tunbridge Lane in Bramshott (see photo). It consists of oasts and barns, now a large house; the earliest part dates back to the late 18th although it's mainly mid-10th century; the house part is 20th c.



Oasts at Quinces

Several commercial buildings in our parish also qualify as Grade II. These include Lloyds Bank (pictured). Originally a pub (the Old Ship Inn), parts of it date back to the early 19thc with additions made in the early 20th c. The Royal Anchor Hotel/pub in The Square is also a Grade II Listed building, as is Hampton's Estate Agents and the Green Dragon Public House in the London Road.



Lloyds Bank

An unusual Grade II Listed item is the Milestone on the west side of the Portsmouth (immediately south of the entrance to Bohunt Manor). It is one of a series of milestones (there is another Listed one on Bramshott Common) along the old A3, which was the route between Portsmouth and London. Dating back to c.1820, the rounded front is inscribed Hyde Park Corner with the number 44 (miles) in a triangular panel. On the eastern lower panel is inscribed 'Petersfield 8 miles'. Also on the Grade II list is the K6 red telephone kiosk, designed by Sir Giles Gilbert Scott, near the Tap House (itself another Listed building, c16th century) in the Square.

The three Scheduled Monuments in our parish are the River Wey aqueduct at Radford Bridge and the Bramshott Court Aqueduct; the third is a group of four bowl-barrows on Weavers Down, which straddle the parish's boundary with Whitehill.

The buildings cited in this article represent the 'tip of the iceberg'. Go along to the exhibition to see so many more such as Little Boarhunt, Chitley Manor, Goldenfields, Covers Farmhouse and Malthouse Farmhouse, to name a few. There are also places in the Conford and Passfield area that qualify. This is an exhibition not to be missed!

The Heritage Centre is located on the first floor of the Millennium Centre. Regular opening hours are Mondays and Fridays 10.00am - noon and Wednesdays 2.00pm - 4.00pm. The HC is also open on the following Saturdays from 10.00am - 1.00pm: 14th September, 12th October, 9th November, 23rd November and 14th December.



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Canada Day 2019

I have been privileged to attend the Canada Day church service and luncheon at the Junior School for a number of years. The Year 4 children's celebration of the Canadian soldiers' contribution and sacrifices is something very special. You would think that by now I would no longer be affected by the proceedings. But each time is like the first time, and I am overwhelmed with emotion. And I know that I am not the only one!



As part of the church service, several of the children read their tribute to the soldier they had chosen to research and to write about. Year 4 teachers also participated, with a shared reading of an inspirational poem. I'm always impressed by the students' exuberant singing of the Canadian national anthem, 'O Canada'. You'd swear they were saluting their own mother country!

The recurrent theme was remembrance. Laurence Binyon's famous poem of World War I, 'For the Fallen', was read by Col. John Boyd. It is surely one of the most evocative poems of that period, especially this indelible stanza:

**They shall not grow old, as we that are left grow old:
Age shall not weary them, nor the years condemn.
At the going down of the sun and in the morning
We will remember them.**

Alan Geddes, Lay Minister of our parish church, told the congregation that it was in fact the Canadians who were the first to volunteer to fight alongside the British in both world wars. The Canadians also sent shiploads of food to a beleaguered Britain.

In recent years we have focused on the centenary of the start and end of the First World War I but I learned that 6000 Canadians lost their lives in the Italian campaign during the Second World War and 659 died during the D-Day landings.



Returning to the school for lunch, we found that the tables were decorated with peace lilies. Each of us had a laminated place mat. On one side was a picture of soldiers' silhouettes and fields of poppies, and on the other was a poem written by a Year 4 student to his or her soldier. We were also given an envelope with a copy of a student's letter imagining their soldier's thoughts when writing a loved one at home.

After lunch, the children performed a play about Archie Ford, a young Canadian farm boy from Saskatchewan who enlisted and ultimately lost his life in Belgium. We were all visibly moved by this enactment. In fact, the man next to me, who shall be nameless, had tears streaming down his cheeks.

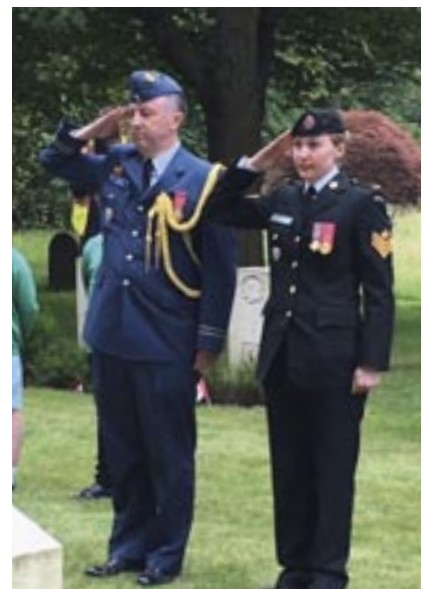
Each year a student who is deemed to have worked particularly hard and shown genuine commitment to the project is awarded with a Canadian 5 dollar coin by Andy Lucas of the Royal British Legion. This year it was Theo, the lad who played the role of Archie in the play with great sensitivity.

The event was, as always, attended by representatives from Canada House as well as the British armed services. Among them, representing the Queen, was the Lord Lieutenant of Hampshire. When Captain Yvan Shank spoke on behalf of Canada House, emotion that he could hardly get his words out! A young woman from the Commonwealth Graves Commission had also been invited; the CGC cares for and maintains the Canadian cemetery where 318 soldiers are buried in the graveyard of St. Mary's.

Another guest was author Michelle Magorian whose celebrated children's novels "Goodnight Mr. Tom" and "Back Home" focus on children who become evacuees, and the effect of evacuation on them and their families.

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We held a coffee morning and managed to raise £600 in two hours. The residents love their gardens and bought many plants. The cake stall did especially well too!

A week later Street Collections started and our merry band of

collectors from Anglican, Methodist and Catholic churches a) distributed donation envelopes to over 2000 homes and b) collected £1420 Door to Door.

In 2018, 12,000 UK churches raised £8.5 million for Christian Aid and in 2019 Liphook raised twice the national average amount - so thank you Volunteers, and thank you residents for your support and generosity.

Next year, as well as Street collecting, we will also be using technology - contactless card donations. This is currently used by most Cathedrals, other sites and other agencies like "Just -Giving" on line, for single donations to make it easier for those who prefer to give digitally.

Thank you for your generosity Liphook !

Keith Ireland

Christian Aid Village Coordinator

CHURCH OF ENGLAND

RESULTS

This year we've had the triple whammy. Not just 2 of our kids taking national exams but 3! Some kids just seem to breeze through. One of my son's friends spent most of his time watching "Rick and Morty", and still managed to get 41 points at IB - enough for Oxbridge! But my kids take a longer route! A route marked with toil and suffering as they lock themselves in their rooms for another hour of brutal revision, hour upon hour, day upon day, seemingly never ending.

When my son did his GCSE's I remember playing that bit in "Rocky III" when "Clubber Lane" or "Mr T" for any of us bought up in the 80's is asked to give his assessment of the fight with Rocky - he scowls into the camera and says one word - "Pain". How true! Pain for everyone, pain for our kids who struggle and toil, pain for our kids when they watch youtube and run away from all responsibility, pain for us parents who see them working too hard or not at all, worrying too much or too little and all in an effort to get those results with their mixture of elation and

disappointment that often accompanies them. Very few of us are A*** or "9" students - most of us land somewhere in the middle - usually having gone through serious pain to get there. I spoke to one teacher recently who said the Maths students who really impressed him weren't the 8 or 9 candidates that just breeze through, but the ones who get 4's having slogged their guts out.

In a world where results are so important, where they make such a difference (although probably less than we realise), just remember as you open that brown envelope, or that e-mail, or get that text message that God loves you. It doesn't sound that helpful, but it really is the most important fact about you in the universe. That's because God doesn't look at your results, he looks at your heart, and history is littered with young men and women who failed at everything but found that God's love and then went on to do great things for him - who in small ways and big ways changed the sorry state of humanity for the better. Good results are great - but God's love is so much better.

Reverend Valentine Inglis-Jones

METHODIST CHURCH

STORIES

Have you ever woken up on holiday in an unfamiliar room and wondered where you are? When you've worked it out, have you ever wondered how you got there? Hopefully you've been able to answer those questions quite quickly.

Suppose you apply those questions to your life in general. Think about where you are in life in terms of geography, relationships, job, occupation, groups or activities that you're interested or involved in.

Then ask, 'how did I get here?'

Some other questions that might help:

Was there a significant moment that led me to a certain person who became a life partner?

Was there an occasion that got me interested in a certain subject?

Was there a significant person who sparked by passion for . . . ?

When you piece those events, occasions and people together you have your story (or stories) that explain aspects of who you are.

And don't think that no one would want to know your story. If you can tell the bare bones of it in less than a minute most people will probably want to know more about some aspects of it. Try it sometime.

And why not listen to other people's stories? It's the best way of finding out why your friends and colleagues do what they do or came to be where they are, or believe what they believe. Christians have been telling stories for 2000 years and they have stories to tell about themselves just like everyone else. Listen to their stories and you might find out what it's really all about.

Rev. David Muskett

TRINITY CHURCH

A Parting Thought, Sufficient Hope . . .

After 14 years penning these missives my moment of departure is fast approaching! So, what do I leave you with? I have appreciated the feedback I've had but must confess these articles are something of a journey into the unknown, we are never sure who, or how many read them . . . So, if you are reading this, thank you!

I recently encountered the question: If you could give a new mum the perfect gift, what would it be? Would it be full night's sleep? Maybe you'd give her a hot meal without interruption or maybe the confidence that she'll be a good mum. Those would be precious gifts to any mum. But what do mums need most? The answer - **Sufficient Hope**, and this struck a chord as I pondered my question: **If you could give your readers the perfect gift, what would it be?**

That we live in **uncertain times**, is an understatement; but they are more than uncertain in terms of events, they are uncertain in terms of values and norms. From politics, to inter-generational issues, to gender and sexuality . . . literally to who I am as a person, everything seems to be **'up for grabs.'**

This begs the question; how do we acquire **'Sufficient Hope'**?

Ultimately, that can only be found in God, and in and through, the work that Jesus has accomplished on our behalf. The Apostle Paul writing to the Ephesians ch2:8-9 For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the **gift** of God, not a result of works, so that no one may boast. A truth I regularly lean on is to understand that real faith is trusting God when nothing makes any sense in worldly terms and I don't know all the answers . . .

I leave you in the capable hands of my successor, Sean Clokey, who is a fellow 'Celt' from a Presbyterian Church in Scotland . . . but a much younger man! Praying that each of you might know **'Sufficient Hope'** in Christ for all that life holds for you and that in such, that you might be better equipped to **'Glorify God and enjoy Him forever'**.

*Love in Christ,
Pastor Jim Downie*

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5 Minutes Chat With...



*This is a new feature for the magazine. Every quarter I will be out and about looking for someone to chat with for 5 minutes, this issue I met: **Sam Bennett**.*

Do you live in or near Liphook?

I've lived here all my life and went to the local schools, but we didn't have Bohunt then so I went to Mill Chase

and caught the bus outside the vets in Headley Road, it was Liphook Electrical back then.

So did your family come from Liphook?

My Grand dad, Peter Oliver, had a Greengrocers in Station Road where the betting shop is now. I remember going out delivering with him when I was about 6 or 7 and when my Mum was a child she lived above the shop. My Great Grandfather and Great Uncle ran

Moss Garage in Portsmouth Road where Moss Court Flats are now.

What memories do you have of your childhood in Liphook?

I remember when Loosley Park was fields and we used to go out playing there and around the local Farm.

One year I was the Carnival Queen and remember being crowned by Jim Fox. My attendants were Karen Spencer and Elaine Hall.

You've mentioned your Mother's family, what about your Dad - was he local?

He came from Birmingham with the army to Longmoor, then he caught my Mother's eye and never left!

Do you think Liphook has changed much since you were a child here?

It still has a village feel and I don't think it's lost that, even though it's grown a lot bigger. I've stayed and my children live locally with my grand children so it must be alright.



2019 - 2020

Poppy Appeal

The 2019-2020 Poppy Appeal will begin on 26th October and will continue until 9th November - the day before Remembrance Sunday. Donations are gratefully accepted throughout the year, as the "year" runs from 1st October - 30th September. During the current Poppy Appeal year 2018-2019, a total of £14,064.72. has been donated within the Parish of Bramshott & Liphook. The Liphook sub-branch of the RBL are most grateful for all of these donations.

Volunteers will be collecting on behalf of the Poppy Appeal at the RBL stall at Liphook Sainsbury's on 26th October, 1st, 2nd, 8th & 9th November. The 2019-2020 Poppy Appeal will be launched at Sainsbury's at 9am. Please do come and visit the RBL stall at Liphook

Sainsbury's during the Poppy Appeal. As well as the traditional paper poppies, there will be plenty of other official Poppy Appeal items available, in return for donations to the Poppy Appeal.

There will also be static collection points in shops, pubs and schools across the parish as well as house to house collections.

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Sunday June 16th did not enjoy the best of weather but despite a very wet morning, a remarkable number of vehicles, owners and admirers turned up to enjoy the day. Thousands of pounds were again raised for local charities and our thanks go to the unstinting help given by, in particular, the Scouts,

Guides, Fire Service and main sponsors Clarke, Gammon & Wellers - plus of course the pub staff themselves. It is great to see such a special event prosper even if the weather does its best to put a 'damper' on the proceedings.

John Anthistle

TVR Griffith 500

In the early 1990's, TVR launched the Griffith as the first of a new line of sports cars. The Supersmooth, sinuous styling was all new but followed the traditional TVR recipe of GRP body over an all-independently-sprung tubular chassis. Power came from TVR-reworked Rover V8 engines which were progressively increased in size and power up-to this 5 litre, 325bhp version. A great success for the Blackpool concern with around 2,500 of all versions built.



Fiat 500L

Minimalist transport, Italian style. Incredibly small and cute, the Nuova 500 first appeared in 1957 - there had been a completely different 500 'Topolino' before it and the current '500' has only styling cues in common. Twin-cylinder, rear-mounted, air-cooled engine of just under 500cc, 'crash' gearbox but all-independently-sprung. A huge sales success with over 3million produced by Fiat and under-licence until the mid-70's.



Bajaj RE

Indian Auto Rickshaw often called a Tuk Tuk in the UK. Sold in millions to many parts of the world and available with various engines – gas, diesel, petrol 2 or 4-stroke – of around 200cc. Bajaj also use it as the basis of 3-wheel pick-up trucks and have now added more refined 4 wheel models to their product range.



Classic Vehicles

Ford GP 'Jeep'

Designed by the US Army and American Bantam Co during the 1930's, further developed by Willys and manufactured in huge number by both Willys and Ford – nearly 650,000 in the war years. With 2.2 Litre, 4 cylinder, side-valve Willys engine and 4-wheel-drive, the 'go-anywhere, do anything' Jeep is recognised everywhere and eventually became a marque in its own right. The name is still very much with us as an important brand within the Fiat/Chrysler group.



SOS 'Brooklands Special'

Very rare 1935 SOS (Super Onslow Special / So Obviously Superior). Built by the company originally established by the remarkable motorcyclist / manufacturer / dealer Len Vale-Onslow, who continued to ride beyond his 100th birthday. The marque was later taken over by renown Trials Rider Tommy Meeten, who continued the brand until 1939.



Rover P4 110

Last of the so-called 'Auntie Rovers' introduced in 1949 and still in production in 1962, by when some 130,000 had been produced. A high-quality 'upper-middle-class' car beloved by Officialdom, Bank Managers, etc. and fitted with a variety of 4 and 6-cylinder engines. The '110' used a 2.6 litre '6' with unusual Inlet-Over-Exhaust-Valve layout and over 120 bhp. Despite the cars size and weight nearly 100mph was possible.

Vauxhall VX220

Unusual sports car from then - GM owned Vauxhall during the early 2000's. Built by Lotus on a modified Elise S2 aluminium chassis with GRP body plus Vauxhall/Opel 2.2 or Turbo 2.0 litre engines. Very light, great handling and 200bhp in turbo form. Also sold as an Opel Speedster with total production of some 7000.

Local Liphook Man in 'Stan...

Many people think that since the end of combat operations in 2014 the UK no longer has any troops in Afghanistan, but there are still approximately one thousand UK military personnel serving in the country. For six months last year, I was one of those personnel, based at Headquarters Resolute Support, in the capital, Kabul.

This was not my first deployment to Afghanistan. In 2013 I was deployed as an air liaison officer in Kandahar and witnessed the brutality of conflict first-hand, albeit via video feed. Whilst incomparable with the reality of war seen by those on the front line the decisions made, and actions taken, in that operations room left me mentally scarred and it is fair to say I was not keen to return.



Picture of Al outside the AMOD fully "tooled up".

number of aircraft available and calculate the number of trips required. In Afghanistan however, nothing is simple. My first meeting as part of the election planning team set the tone for how this task would unfold.

On the day of my 43rd birthday I was asked to attend a meeting at the Independent Electoral Commission (IEC) on the outskirts of Kabul... in the "red zone". Two weeks earlier a couple of Taliban soldiers had infiltrated the IEC and were throwing grenades off the roof. We watched this via a "drone" video feed (or remotely piloted aerial system – RPAS - to use its correct name) and now I had to go there for a meeting. I had never ventured into the red zone. I had walked through the "green zone" on numerous occasions. In the green zone, you have to wear body armour, a helmet, gloves, ear protection and carry an SA-80 rifle and Glock-17 pistol. Both weapons had to be "made ready" meaning there was a round in the chamber ready to be fired and we had to carry spare ammunition for both weapons. The additional equipment weighed over 30Kg.

It is worth noting that I am not an infantry soldier, I am an air traffic controller. This was the first time in 20 years that

I was required to walk through streets "on patrol" and I don't mind telling you I was terrified. During these walks to the AMOD, we would have "guardian angels" (or "GA's") assigned to us. Approximately one infantry soldier per two or three advisors. Every time we walked, we had a safety brief by the GAs on what to do in the event of gunfire or, more likely, an improvised explosive device. Everyone carried first aid equipment including tourniquets and Fentanyl for extreme pain relief. We would walk in a patrol formation, keeping a close eye on any suspicious activity, for just over a mile, often in temperatures exceeding 30 degrees Celsius, past the streetlamp where President Najibullah was hanged by the Taliban in 1996. This was still the "green zone".



View from the back of a Puma flying into Hamid Karzai International Airport.

To be tasked with entering the red zone takes one to a whole new level. No-one is allowed to walk in the red zone, not even the infantry soldiers, it is simply too dangerous. You are only allowed to transit through it in Armoured Personnel Carriers (APC) and are advised not to stop at any cost. This includes approaching one of the busiest roundabouts in Kabul where there appears to be no correct direction of travel nor priorities assigned. Pedestrians jump on the back of vehicles



Picture of Al and the "Liphook" sticker. My left eye is swollen as I suffered from Blepharitis due to the poor air quality.

like they're Marty McFly. After around thirty minutes, we approached the IEC, when something loud hit the side of our APC. The gunner spun the double-barrelled remote-controlled .50cal cannon on the roof around to where the noise came from only to find children playing and throwing rocks "for a laugh". I sat in the back quietly singing "happy birthday" to myself and trying to focus on the imminent meeting.

The meeting went well, the Afghan Air Force had a credible plan and my role shifted towards briefing the coalition on their progress. It was a highly rewarding job as the AAF performed better than anyone expected. During the early planning stages almost every organisation, including my own, were sceptical about how this relatively new air force would fair. They were equipped with either old soviet-era Mi-8 helicopters or brand-new UH-60 Blackhawk helicopters that had only just entered service with only a handful of qualified pilots. The terrain was brutal and there were multiple enemies who wanted the election to fail. The AAF delivered more than they were required to do and did it with a day to spare. It was fantastic to watch.



A picture of an AAF UH-60 Blackhawk being loaded with election material.

The rest of the tour was fortunately quite uneventful. There were a few mortar attacks. One got close enough to hear it fly through the air before exploding just off camp. Another involved a small group of Taliban firing 32 rockets out of a truck before being “neutralised” by a skilled AAF attack helicopter strike – the footage is on You Tube (see <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dfOgLbypuu0>). The AMOD had been struck during this attack in several places where we would normally walk. We spoke with one Afghan soldier – two days after the attack – who was back at work and keen to show us where he had been hit in the arm by shrapnel.

This tour was rewarding in many ways that my previous tour of Afghanistan was not. I spoke with a lot of Afghans who were extremely grateful that we were there and so obviously happy to see us every time we visited them. They genuinely want - what everyone wants - to live in peace and see their country and their families prosper. There are many challenges to overcome and, without our support, it could so easily descend further into chaos, but theirs is a country making progress, albeit slowly. I am extremely lucky to have played a very small part in helping them.

Al Lindsell
Squadron Leader (Royal Air Force)

The Story of Athos

Athos is an Anatolian Shepherd all the way from Afghanistan, she arrived here in Liphook in September 2018.

However, her story starts in 2014 when she was found on the streets only a few months old along with her two siblings. The three puppies were found fending for themselves during a TNVR drive by the Nowzad charity. TNVR, which stands for Trap Neuter Vaccinate Release, is a means of responsible management of feral cats.



As they could not release them back, they found a sanctuary at the Nowzad shelter, and the three were named Porthos, Dogtanian and Athos.

In September 2018 Athos made her journey to the UK, flying from Afghanistan to Dubai and then onto London Airport.

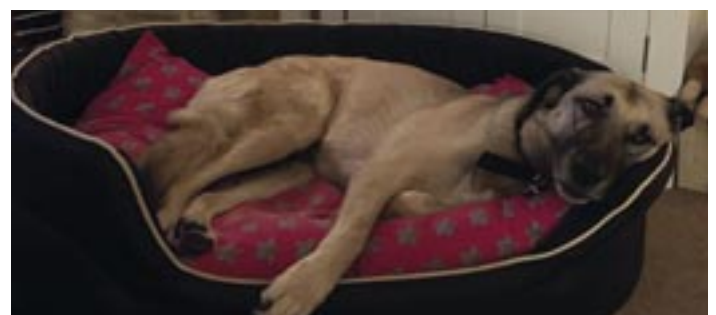
Now Athos has found a home forever in the UK. Athos loves going for walks, especially smelling all the flowers she has never come across before, and when it snowed earlier this year thought it was great fun!

We are very lucky to have found Athos, she is very loving and loyal; if it had not been for Nowzad she would have never come to us and we would have never found her.

The Nowzad charity operates a small animal clinic and dog shelter currently housing over 140 dogs and 40 cats in Kabul, Afghanistan along with the first ever donkey sanctuary, now home to eight donkeys, one horse, a goat called Jaja and Dave the bull!

Nowzad states that “Sadly we see far too many dogs and cats injured from collisions with traffic on Kabul’s congested roads or suffering from diseases like distemper and parvo but our amazing clinic team is always there to be the difference for that animal. Please help us to continue being the voice for those without one by visiting: www.nowzad.com”

Sue and Nick Stead



NEWS FROM THE FEDERATION OF *Liphook Infant & Junior School*

Mental Health and Wellbeing - Trick Box

As a national leading school in mental health and wellbeing, we use the Trick Box programme to help children to build the key personal skills of confidence, calm, communication and creativity.

The children build happy habits by progressively learning a series of twenty four tricks and then practise them throughout their time at primary school. They also learn a self coaching model to aid emotional management and personal development. We were delighted to share this approach with The Education Secretary, Damian Hinds, when he visited the school.



Pirates versus Mermaids

With a similar theme to the Year 6 performance, our Year 2 children rounded off their three years in the infant school with a fantastic final year school musical, 'Pirates versus Mermaids'. The confidence, enthusiasm and sheer joy that was evident in their performances was clear for all to see and we know that all of the children are more than ready for junior school. We look forward to hearing about their successes!



Federation Sports Day

Children and parents from across the Federation enjoyed the annual Sports Day, this term. The morning saw children from Year R and Year 1 engaged in fun, relay race events while Year 2 took part in individual and team races on the school field with the children in the junior school. In the afternoon, the Year 2 children continued to take part in team-based relay races with the junior school while the remaining children in the infant school enjoyed a range of sport-related and physical activities inside. As always, the children displayed excellent sportsmanship, encouraging and cheering for their own teams but recognising and acknowledging the achievements of their friends in other teams at the same time.



Treasure Island

With singing, some fantastic acting, laughter and plenty of 'Aaaars', Year Six's performance of Treasure Island was a great success. We are so proud of our Year Six children and wish them every success at secondary school - we will miss them all so much.



Hampshire and Isle of Wight Air Ambulance Needs You!



Hampshire and Isle of Wight Air Ambulance is the Charity that brings emergency critical care to people who need it most, in their hour of need. It costs £15,000 to keep the Air Ambulance flying and saving lives and last year the Charity's Critical Care Teams were called to 1,429 incidents across Hampshire and the Isle of Wight.

Hampshire and the Isle of Wight Air Ambulance is entirely funded by the generosity of our local community and we rely upon our team of volunteers to support our fundraising efforts.

This is where we need your help! We are urgently looking for new Events Volunteers, Speakers, Van Drivers, Maintenance

Support Volunteers and Collection Pot Agents. We also need volunteers to join our new Event Support Team, who support us on an ad-hoc basis at our mass participation events.

Volunteering for Hampshire and Isle of Wight Air Ambulance is fun and rewarding and you can volunteer as often or as little as you wish. Volunteering can fit around your own life and commitments.

If you have some spare time and would like to donate it to our life-saving cause, please contact our Volunteering Team on volunteers@hiowaa.org or 02380 743516 or visit our website for more details: www.hiowaa.org



THE LIPHOOK CARNIVAL

Fundraising Walk

SUNDAY 22ND SEPTEMBER 2019

Winnie the Pooh famously said "I always get to where I am going by walking away from where I have been." In our case we are walking back to where we are walking away from, so what's the point? Well Winnie the Pooh also said "I must go forward where I have never been instead of backwards where I have." And in a round-about way that is what we are doing by taking you to parts of the local countryside you may never have visited before. There has been a carnival walk for at least 40 years, not quite the 93 years of Winnie the Pooh but long enough to create a loyal following. Every year the routes are different for your enjoyment. This year we have three circular walk routes to choose from. These will be approximately 3, 6 and 12 miles long and they all start and finish at The Deers Hut pub. Stout walking boots are recommended of course to avoid injuries and dogs are very welcome. All walkers do participate at their own risk.

The walk will depart from The Deers Hut, Longmoor Road, Griggs Green, Liphook, Hampshire, GU30 7PD at 9.45am on Sunday 22nd September 2019. Registration opens at 9am in the pavilion at the back of the pub in the garden.

Entry is £7 per adult, £3.50 for under 16's. It will be free if

you are under 6 years old or sponsored for an amount over the entry fee.

There is an added incentive to get sponsorship!!!! We are offering a **prize** for the **highest sponsorship obtained** and this will be announced and presented on the day. Sponsorship forms available on the website www.liphookcarnival.org.uk

The Deers Hut will be catering with bacon butties, tea, coffee etc available before the walk in exchange for a donation, all proceeds going to the Liphook Carnival, and lunches are available afterwards. The pub strongly recommends booking in advance to avoid disappointment if you hope to stay for lunch.

We have changed the name of the walk slightly to the Liphook Carnival Fundraising Walk to help emphasise the purpose. I did announce at the previous walk that it might be our last as we have been doing it since 2003 but kind words of encouragement have persuaded us to carry on. Last year we raised approximately £1200.00 so this year let's have a bigger turn-out and raise funds for our very own Liphook Carnival. In the words of Winnie the Pooh "We need you, we always need you."

Walk organisers: Rob and Alison Harris-Dibben

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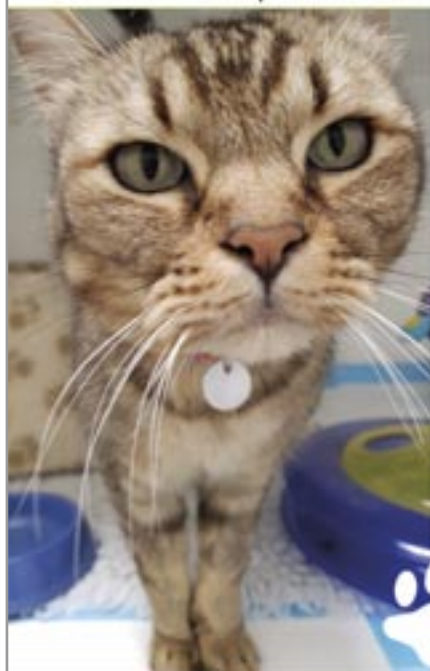
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REPORT ON THE RIVER WEY TRUST

Pimms Party by The River

On the 6th July The River Wey Trust held their annual 'Pimms Party by the River' by kind invitation of Angela and Kevin Moger.

The event was held in the wonderful setting of The Old Forge at Conford with its beautiful gardens sweeping down to the Holly Water which is a tributary of the River Wey.



This much anticipated event was blessed by glorious sunshine and warm weather.

Approximately 100 adults and children attended to enjoy their picnics, the Pimms & soft drinks plus strawberries & cream whilst listening to the always popular Grandpa's Spells Jazz Band.



The highlight of the afternoon was the duck race.

Angela Moger launched the mother duck, swiftly followed by the ducklings who jostled for position in the slow water flow. Water plants and reeds meant that the ducks had a hazardous passage during their travel from the start to the finish. The erratic progress of the ducks caused great excitement in the ranks of the spectators as they passed along the route jockeying for position until finally, with a great roar from the spectators, the winning duck reached the finish line.

The slow water flow meant that all the ducks were easily caught at the finish thus avoiding a trip to the River Thames!!

The River Wey Trust had an exhibition showing their activities and historical information about the water meadows. There was also the opportunity to view the Augmented Reality Sandbox which gives a 'hands on' experience for learning about contours, watersheds, flooding and all things relating to rivers and landscapes.



See further details on:

www.riverweytrust.org.uk/newrwt/resources/sandbox.php

The southern branch of the River Wey rises in the hills that surround Haslemere. For fifteen miles it flows first westwards then north in an arc through Hampshire to re-enter Surrey near Frensham. It is joined by the Alton branch of the Wey at Tilford - the downstream limit of the River Wey Trust's area of interest. From Tilford the Wey goes on via Godalming and Guildford to join the Thames at Weybridge and thence to the sea.

The Trust was set up in a joint initiative by Hampshire County Council, East Hampshire District Council, Headley Parish Council, Bramshott and Liphook Parish Council and Bramshott and Liphook Preservation Society all of whom nominate Trustees.

If you are interested in joining the Trust please contact:

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Further information is available on their web site:

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Paul Robinson

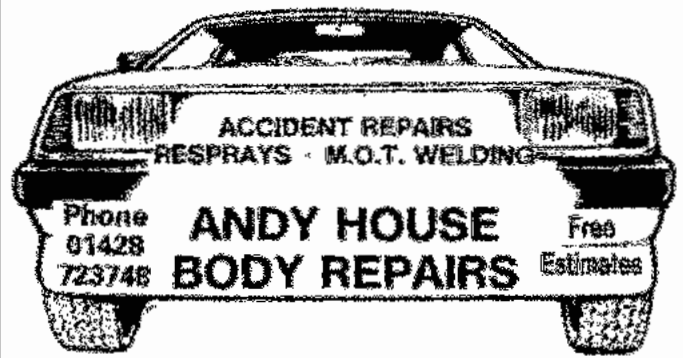
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District Councillor's Report

For various reasons I am late submitting this article, so as I type, I coincide with Boris Johnson's first Prime Minister's Questions, on the 25th July, 2019. The noise in the background is deafening.

District Council Elections, 2nd May 2019

By contrast with PMQ's and the recent hustings for the election of a new Leader for the Conservative Party, the process leading up to the District Council Elections is hard work for all prospective District Councillors and all their respective support teams, but not nearly so noisy.

Election day is always a very long 24 hours and this year was no exception. It follows several weeks of delivering leaflets and knocking on doors, where we meet our residents and they have a chance to question us, chide us or support us, in equal measure.

We, together with volunteers, are on duty at polling stations from 7.00am, rotating around Liphook and Conford until the polling stations close at 10pm. I was able to return home for something to eat before going to the count sometime after Midnight which is held at The Festival Hall in Petersfield. All prospective District Councillors wait anxiously to watch the count for each of their Wards and to hear the results.

The count for Bramshott and Liphook started sometime after 6am and the long night of drinking coffee to stay awake was nearly over. Rebecca Standish, Bill Mouland and I were very pleased to be re-elected and very grateful to all those who supported us and those who voted for us.

I managed to return home soon after 7.00am but it was too late to go to bed.

The District Council has changed following the elections with 43 District Councillors instead of 44 following recent boundary changes. There are now 32 Conservative Councillors, 7 Liberal Democrats, 2 Independents and 2 Labour Councillors.

It is the first time for many years that there has been a sizeable opposition and we look forward to the inevitable challenges that this will bring. It is good to be kept on our toes while we continue to follow our investment strategy coupled with an enhanced emphasis on Welfare and Green issues.

Following the Election, the Leader, Cllr. Richard Millard has to choose his cabinet of 10 Councillors together with some Assistant Portfolio Holders. In addition, all the numerous committees have to be filled and outside appointments made. The officer teams continue with all the everyday business of the Council.

On a personal note, there was something very important that I had to do after I was re-elected.

While canvassing one evening at the new Silent Gardens development, we came across a group of young boys aged about 6 - 8. Their mothers wanted them to stop playing and to go in for their tea. When we walked away, one little boy came rushing after us and asked what an election was and what it meant. We gave him a simple answer and then he asked if he could have my rosette. I explained that I needed it for a few more days but that I would give it to him after the Election.

I was very happy, a couple of days later, to go and find his house and to tell his father the story and to give him the rosette for his bright as a button son.

Climate Emergency

A Motion was brought to the full Council recently seeking that

EHDC should declare a Climate Emergency as other District and County Councils had done. There were many residents in the public gallery. Richard Millard, Leader of EHDC, proposed an amended motion in which he set out all that the District Council undertook to achieve over the coming years and which had to be capable of being delivered. Among the actions which he undertook, was to plant a tree for every resident within the District, amounting to over 120,000 trees.

Details of the proposals will emerge over the coming weeks and the Motion was carried.

EU Elections

While we campaigned, canvassed, delivered and manned the Polling stations for the District Council Elections, we decided that the EU Elections had to fend for themselves.

We voted, and awaited the count on Sunday 26th May and I stayed up to see the first results coming in. There were really no surprises in the result that emerged, confirming the divisions that remain within the country.

A new Prime Minister

We now have Boris Johnson, rather than Theresa May leading the country. The faces in No. 10 and in Cabinet may be new but the same old problems remain to be resolved. There will undoubtedly be considerable debate with the opposition parties across the floor and divisions within parties.

Whether we will leave the EU on the 31st October and how this will take place remains to be seen.

75th Anniversary of D-Day

On 6th June 1944, Operation Overlord took place. We remembered all those who landed on the Normandy beaches at the start of the liberation of France, many of whom were killed before they had gone more than a few yards from their landing craft. Many more were changed forever by what they saw, as were the citizens of the coastal towns and Caen in particular, which suffered intense bombardment.

A dreadful price is paid for peace by civilians and the armed forces of whatever creed, colour or nationality and Winston Churchill was absolutely correct when he said "meeting jaw to jaw is better than war", often misquoted as "jaw, jaw is better than war, war."

Whatever the future may bring, we must keep all our lines of communication well and truly open.

And finally

Thank you again for re-electing us and please do not hesitate to contact each of us about anything that you may want to discuss. We will be holding our District Councillor surgeries again on Monday 30th September, Monday 28th October and Monday 25th November in the Millennium Centre between 6.30 and 7.30pm prior to the Parish council meetings.

Please also remember that we each have a Councillor Grant pot of £4,500 for funding local projects. The application form is on the website at: www.easthants.gov.uk

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BRAMSHOTT, LIPHOOK & DISTRICT HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

Spectacular Summer Show

Bramshott, Liphook & District Horticultural Society members were highly praised by judges Mrs Titcomb and Mrs Rapley for their spectacular summer show, held last Saturday in the Church Centre. The judges commented on the outstanding quality and vibrant colours of the exhibits and the number of entries in several of the classes including the sweet peas, hydrangea, mixed cut flower class and the fuchsia grown from a cutting.

Vice President, Peter Catt, was delighted to win the Halahan Best Exhibit Cup for his impressive cactus dahlias. John Gilbert was another successful exhibitor winning the RHS Banksian Medal, the Arthur Liddiard Cup, and the Society's Best Vegetable certificate for his carrots. The judges also awarded him a Certificate of Merit for his collection of three vegetables and one vase of flowers. The John Caesar Cup for the best exhibit in the mixed cut flower class was won by Marie Claire Keyser who was also awarded the Halahan Floral Cup for her beautiful flower arrangements.

Ian Haussauer, the Society's President, was awarded the Dudley Paul Challenge Cup for being the most successful exhibitor in the vegetable classes along with the Royal British Legion Coronation Cup whilst Ann, his wife, won the Bowlby Bowl Cup, the Llewellyn Evans Challenge Cup and the Halahan Challenge Cup for her magnificent entries in the cut flower classes.

Other cup winners were Bob Ilsley, Lesley Hollands, Archie Gooding and Olivia Stilwell.



Ann Haussauer receiving the Llewellyn Evans Challenge Trophy for roses.

The Society were very pleased with the number of people who came to enjoy the Show. Mouthwatering cakes made by the Society's chair person, Lesley Hollands, were enjoyed by all.

The Autumn Show will be held on Saturday, 7th September in the Church Centre, Liphook at 2.00 p.m. For further information about the Society, please contact Ann Haussauer on **01428 723045**.

Anne Govier



Archie Gooding wins the Hugh Coyte Trophy.



Bob Ilsley with the Fuchsia Cup.



The Mixed Flower class.



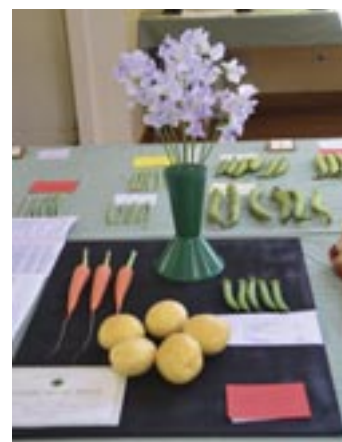
The Rose classes.



Visitors admiring the Lilies.



Olivia Stilwell wins the Murial Ceaser Children's Cup.



John Gilbert's entry in the Collection of Vegetables and Flowers.

Neighbourhood Development Plan

A large step was taken by the Neighbourhood Development Plan (NDP) in April 2019, when we submitted the NDP's request for screening to East Hampshire District Council as the lead planning authority, in consultation with the South Downs National Park Authority.

This is an important statutory requirement for all NDPs in order to assess whether the draft Plan requires a Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA) and a Habitats Regulations Assessment (HRA).

A Strategic Environmental Assessment considers environmental factors such as biodiversity, landscape character, historic environment, air, water and soil quality, and it also socio-economic factors. The process helps avoid and mitigate potential negative effects and helps to identify the land and property opportunities available to an NDP.

A Habitats Regulations Assessment considers whether any plan or proposed development is likely to have a significant effect on the integrity of a 'European site', either alone or in combination with other plans or project. The assessment determines whether the significant effects on a European site can be ruled out on the basis of objective information.

This screening request was carefully timed to be submitted prior to any allocation of sites and properties within the NDP. The timing is important, because if EHDC conclude that the Bramshott and Liphook NDP requires an SEA, this assessment will provide unbiased and legislative assessed evidence on individual sites and property, providing an assessment of their 'sustainability', which the NDP can use to pro-actively assist with

the further development, analysis and allocation of proposed land use to site and properties within the Parish.

In accordance with the legislative requirements, consultation on the draft screening assessment has been carried out with the three statutory consultation bodies: The Environment Agency, Historic England and Natural England; prior to the final decision being issued.

The SEA process is a lengthy process taking a minimum of 11 weeks, usually longer, and the SEA and HRA have scope to be provided for free via Locality's technical assistance schemes.

As part of the SEA process, the NDP will likely need to carry out a Call for Sites for land and property that has not been previously issued to EHDC and SDNPA during their Call for Sites.

The potential requirement for an SEA and HRA is a great opportunity and invaluable to the process as these assessments will provide further supporting evidence which will inform and influence the NDP's development, adding real value to the plan making process, with the aim to maximising the NDP's contribution to sustainable development for the positive benefit of improving the wellbeing of this Parish!

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



Age Concern Hampshire is recruiting volunteer Village Agents and Information Home Visitors in rural areas of Hampshire.

Getting advice and support if you don't live near a town centre is not always easy. Many people need a bit of a helping hand to find the right services that will help them stay living safely and independently in their own home and to get connected to their local community.

If you enjoy meeting people, want to get involved in your local area and see people's lives improve because of your help, one of Age Concern Hampshire's volunteer roles could be right for you.

Village Agents - Village Agents are volunteers who provide information to local people of all ages on topics such as finding help in the home or garden, transport, groups and clubs in the area, preventing falls, finding care providers in the home, day centre or residential care, meals on wheels, personal alarms etc.

Often, just giving information is not enough and Village Agents can also provide the extra help that a person may need to follow up on the information provided, e.g. they may make a phone call on behalf of someone, fill in a form with them, arrange transport or take them to a local group for the first time.

Village Agents make themselves known in their local area by attending events and groups so that people get to know who they are and that they can be approached with queries. They also get to know key people in local agencies including the parish or town council, GP surgery and other voluntary organisations working

in the area. The role is very flexible and usually takes a few hours a week. There are around 50 Village Agents across Hampshire. Training and support is provided.

Information Home Visitors - The Information Service at Age Concern Hampshire (Freephone 0800 328 7154) often receive queries by phone from people who actually find it quite difficult to manage on the phone. We have a team of volunteer Information Home Visitors who can visit those people at home to provide information face to face on local services and social groups or to help people fill in forms.

These volunteers decide what size area they would like to cover - usually several villages - and the Information Team at Age Concern Hampshire contacts them when a home visit is needed locally. Mileage expenses can be reimbursed. The bigger the area covered, the busier the role is likely to be but on average a Home Visitor may be asked to provide one or two visits per month.

What kind of person are we looking for? - Village Agents and Information Home Visitors need to be good listeners and able to communicate clearly and effectively with a range of people and organisations such as older people, carers, relatives and professionals.

Both roles will involve some travel so use of a car is essential. It is helpful if the volunteer is confident to use email, the internet and Microsoft Word. They need to be aged over 18 years and willing to undertake training.

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My Marathon Journey

I started with the NHS “couch to 5k” course almost three years ago, after my eldest son did the Great South Run and inspired me.

I wasn't terribly fit and active back then, preferring a glass of wine and the TV to a pair of trainers and exercise. But I quickly found I enjoyed running and it led onto running seven half marathons as well as 65 parkruns and numerous other races, including the Great South Run.

Ever since I was a little girl I had watched the London Marathon on the tv and I had always wanted to do it. I applied for a ballot place several times, when I wasn't fit and was (fortunately) unlucky. Then came 2018 and the chance to apply again – my 6th consecutive year of trying. There are approximately 40,000 ballot places available of which around half a million people apply for.

I will never forget the morning in October last year when I was at work and saw I had a message from my husband with a picture of the “You're In” magazine. I had done it! I was going to run the London Marathon!

My training began properly in December and fortunately I was already half way there thanks to being “half marathon fit” so my plan was to gently increase the distances. For me, London was never going to be about running it as fast as I could, just about running the whole distance without walking, but most of all to enjoy myself.

What I wasn't prepared for was that marathon training happens in the winter and that some of the training runs were going to mean me being out running for three or more hours. In the rain, in the snow, when the birds have just woken up, and when other people are snuggled up warmly inside eating their breakfast or roast dinners. I am a working mum with three children and barely have much spare time as it is, throwing marathon training into this equation made life very tricky. I lost count of the times I had to apologise for not being an ideal parent, wife, friend or daughter because I had to do a long run / short run / any run just to get the number of miles into my legs that I needed. I am so grateful to my incredibly supportive and understanding family and friends.

Marathon day came around so quickly, the training was done and I knew that whatever happened I had done my absolute best to prepare my body to run 26.2 miles. Waiting for my start time in my zone was exciting, chatting to other runners and watching the huge TV screens. It was soon time to get into position and begin the shuffle towards the line and to the starting strip that would trigger the timing chip on my shoe. I knew lots of friends and family were tracking me and I was so excited. No nerves at all now, just complete exhilaration – **I WAS RUNNING THE LONDON MARATHON!!**

Nothing can prepare you for the sheer amount of support on the course. The streets of London really are lined with people all shouting encouragement, offering sweets, snacks and orange segments. I was wearing a vest with my name on and hearing all the shouts of “Go Kathryn” were just amazing. There were children holding their hands up for high fives and so much clapping and cheering! I knew my family were going to be between kilometre 18 - 19 and as I got to the sign for the 18k point my eyes were peeled. There were so many people and so many runners, I didn't know what side of the road they were going to be on and I was terrified I wouldn't see them. Then suddenly, I rounded a corner and there they were. The look of pride on my husband and children's faces when they saw me was one I will never forget and with ecstatic tears rolling down my face it was a quick hug to them all and off I went again.

I completed the marathon in 5 hours and 19 seconds, running the whole distance with no walking, the only exception being the 15 minutes I spent queuing at mile 14 for a toilet stop and to eat a packet of crisps and a chocolate bar. Coming over the finish and having that medal put over my head was a moment in time that will stay with me forever. I was obviously very focussed on the task in hand as I had no idea of many of the famous London landmarks I had gone past – this includes running over Tower Bridge and past Buckingham Palace – oh, the shame!

It had been a fairly last minute decision for me to decide to try and raise funds for a charity. I had a ballot place so was under no obligation to raise any money and was also concerned that with all the training on top of my everyday life, finding sponsors would be



hard. But I hadn't banked on the people of Liphook. Very quickly word got round that I was running the marathon (I admit, I did tell every patient I saw at work, the people in the petrol station, the postman . . . the list goes on!) and so many offered to sponsor me. I decided that if I was going to collect sponsorship it had to be for a local charity and to me, Liphook Day Centre was the perfect choice. I grew up in Liphook, my children go to school in Liphook, I work in Liphook. My dad, despite being 81 and old enough to attend the day centre himself, does a lot of voluntary work for them and I also knew many of the lovely people that go there or work there. I hoped I could raise £200. To my utter astonishment this figure crept up and up and I managed to collect £900 in total.

I'm just a normal, working mum of three with a busy life and I hope this proves that if you are determined to do something and prepared to put in the work to get there, you will. Its not the happiest of endings – all my pavement pounding unfortunately led to me being diagnosed with a stress fracture in my leg, this happened at some point during my training, fortunately I didn't know about it until early June as



medical advice would have meant no marathon!

Whats next? Well I may have signed up to do a 50km ultra . . .

Kathryn Powell

METHODIST CHURCH Flower Festival

Wonderful displays were created when the Methodist Church held a Flower Festival. This biannual festival is usually held in September, but this year July was chosen. Words were taken from favourite hymns and from this creations were displayed on the window sills and other areas of the church. The contributors were members of the Liphook Floral Decorative Society, other churches, our church and other Liphook Groups. Over the two days of the flower festival refreshments were served. The event was well supported and money was raised for the 'Toilet Twinning' charity which supplies safe sanitation to the world's poorest people.

Sue Knight


















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Richard Gould

"You're still here aren't you,
In fact, You and all the others,
Have never left – Have You"?
Never left me, though, at times
I turned my back and chose
To close my eyes and ears
To the concerns you all held
Held for me and my well-being
And now today I have returned.
I pushed open the rusted gate
That you had left ajar after I left.
Please allow me to walk once more
Among this garden of the heart
Oh let me see those flowers
Oh let me pause by the pool
To see if my reflection
Lacks the strength to be found.
And these luscious lawns
Beneath my weary feet
Seem to caress them as if
Being biblically bathed
Are you intent on bringing
A tide of tears to my eyes.
And as I walk further among
The swaying trees I half expect
To see you waiting with your
Arms outstretched with no
Signs of judgement being
Considered as being required
I am home once more, here
In the garden of the heart.

20th July, 1969

Angela Glass

Through beck, o'er burn we pulled the Sprite,
And close beside the crystal flow,
We lowered the stays for one more night
Beneath the fiery sun's last glow.
Beside the river, sinew snake
Of heather, scrub and golden gorse,
Gave camouflage for grouse and crane,
And slow worm lizards', sandy course.
We hear the sound of families
In preparation, round each pitch,
With laughter borne across the breeze,
As late arrivals park, unhitch.
But on this soft, historic night,
We turn our back on home-cooked fare,
And drive 'till Lockerbie's in sight;
Pre-planned, pre-booked, a meal to share.
Now, in this small and friendly place,
Inside the plain and humble room,
The TV lights each eager face;
Apollo lands upon the moon.
My father stands to raise his glass,
And toasts two guests from o'er the Pond,
We share with them the mammoth task,
That helped create this special bond.

And so, on this momentous night
When man first steps upon the moon,
We watch, in grainy black and white,
No longer strangers in the room.

And I will not forget that scene,
Though life has changed so much, since then,
That tiny, flickering, TV screen,
Those brave, amazing, fearless, men.

The Wind Farm

Fred Werner

With the ever rising energy demands
That available sources could not meet
A solution was found that was really quite sound,
And that kept old chaps, off of the street.
Dormitories full of wrinkly old chaps
Munching their sprouts and wearing cloth caps
Gas lines connected, fermenting the brew
Providing a gas source, for me, and for you.
All was quite calm and very productive
Financial returns were on stream,
A green income produced from chewing a sprout
Selling gas to the grid, like a dream...
Production proceeded and profit prevailed
Then all of a sudden the fan motor failed,
It would not have been a cat-as-trophe
But for the onshore, blown in by the sea...
From the south coast, the gas cloud drifted
It got stuck in London's great smog,
The air, all around, had turned a dark shade of green
A sprout like, vegetarian fog.
There wasn't a major problem
No wild life had even been killed
But the gas cloud just kept on growing
And soon all the suburbs were filled
An unsuspecting smoker
strolled out on to his street
He'd worked a full eight hours shift
And now needed to light up his treat
Lighter found, and cigarette in mouth
Wheel flicked round and round,
Suddenly, the sky went a deep shade red
And there was a dreadful sound.
It started in the suburbs
Street by street it grew
Big Ben was struck, it swayed, took off,
And around the world it flew
Jet fighters they were scrambled
From Scotland and Europe too
The explosion crossed the North Sea
The Atlantic and Pacific too.
Round the world the flames travelled
The old chaps didn't know what to do
All they wanted was to make some cash
From munching a sprout or two.
The moral of the story is
eat sprouts if you really wish
But keep away from naked flames
And eat from a flameproof dish.

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Web: www.thelynchmeresociety.org

THREE BORDERS KNITTING CLUB - 01428 606957, 01428 712055.

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

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 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.

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. In Liphook we have one of the largest and most active Scout
Groups in Hampshire. 1st Liphook Scout Group has over 200 members
and runs 3 Beaver Colonies (for those aged 6-8), 3 Cub Packs (9-11),
2 Scout Groups (11-14) an Explorer Scout Unit (14-18) and has strong
links to our District Scout 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, Vic Pires, to find out more
about joining:

membership@liphookscouts.org.uk

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:
gsl@liphookscouts.org.uk for all enquiries about Scouting and our
sections.

- **Stuart Clark** (Group Chairman) on **07900 463482** or by email:
chair@liphookscouts.org.uk for all volunteer and fundraising
enquiries as well as for general enquiries.

- **Sarah-Jane Anslow** (Treasurer) by email at:
treasurer@liphookscouts.org.uk for subs enquiries.

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

The sections and their leaders are as follows:-

- Willow Beavers – Mark Boosey
- Ashdown Beavers – Mark Stocker
- Maple Beavers – Sheila Woods
- Downlands Cub Pack – Kevin Carrig
- Oakhanger Cub Pack – Trevor Holden
- Wheatsheaf Cub Pack – Jez Turner
- Shackleton Scout Troop – Nigel Woods
- Scott Scout Troop – Neil Caie
- Stirling Explorer Unit – Stuart West

*Any changes please notify Hazel
Williams on 01428 722084*

Carnival Night Road Closures

Saturday 26th October 2019

