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LIPHOOK CARNIVAL

Fundraising Walk

If this magazine drops through your letterbox before the 5th September you will still have time to join this walk - Any questions or for registering please visit the website in the first instance or call **07717 313440**.

Venue: The Links Tavern.

Date: Sunday 5th September.

Long Walk: Approx. 7/8 miles.
Arrive 8.30am for 9.00am start.

Short Walk: Approx. 2/3 miles.
Arrive 9.30am for 10.00am start.

Dog Free Walk: Long or Short available.
Arrive 10.15am for 10.45am start.

Fancy Dress: Optional, prize for best
Child and Adult.

Website: www.liphookcarnival.org.uk

Cost: £7.00 for Adult & £3.00 for child (unless sponsorship achieved, then free entry). This year we have reduced the cost for child entry. The aim of the walk is to raise funds for Liphook Carnival 2022. Anyone able to raise sponsorship for the walk will be able to join us at no extra cost. For those unable to or not wishing to gain sponsorship please join us for a small fee. This can be paid prior to the event online to the Liphook Carnival via bank transfer with all the details are available on the website.

The Links Tavern will be hosting our fundraising walk and providing bacon/veggie rolls with tea and coffee available for a small donation

This year we will be hosting a game for the children's walk, where we will be offering a scavenger hunt where children will need to find pictures of animals and identify the letter associated to make up a final anagram. Dogs are always very welcome, but this year we are hosting a dog free walk for those who choose to walk alone, which will start at the later time of 10.45am once the walkers and their dogs have headed off.

Parking available either at The Links or Station Road Car Park, which provides free parking all day on Sundays.

Sally Cameron, Chairperson Liphook Carnival Committee

CAN YOU HELP THE



The team at the Liphook Food Bank have been bowled over by the generosity of the lovely residents of Liphook during the past year. You have given us food, at the collection points in Sainsbury's and the Co-op, and donations of money too. Many people help us sort our stock and make up food parcels, or deliver supplies to our more vulnerable clients. We can't begin to thank you enough.

But . . . we're back with a plea. As you know, the furlough scheme is coming to an end and also the uplift of £20 a week for those on Universal Credit is being withdrawn. Both of these supports ending at approximately the same time will bring a huge amount of hardship to many people in Liphook and the surrounding villages. We currently shop once a week to top up everyone's kind donations but we anticipate an imminent and very considerable increase in the number of people using the Food Bank in the next few months and we know, at the time of writing in July, that we simply will not be able to store all we will need on a weekly basis.

We have therefore decided to take an enormous leap of faith. We need a larger space and by the time you read this we hope to have built a new wooden cabin on our current site at Liphook Junior School, at a cost of £30,000. Although we have managed to raise

around half this amount we still have a long way to go . . . can you help us?

We need to build the cabin in August, the school summer holidays, and we have made several applications for grants etc. but many of these grant funding bodies cannot give us retrospective funding once we start the build.

Therefore, our question is - would you, or anybody you know, be happy and able to make a donation towards the cost of the cabin? We know the cabin will help us operate more efficiently and be a much pleasanter place for our clients to visit and our volunteers to work in. It will be a real asset to the community for many years to come and will be well used for what we know will be a very busy time as many of our Liphook neighbours fight to get back on their feet.

Please visit our website: www.liphookfoodbank.com to make a donation or to find out more about us. If you reference your donation 'Building' this will allow us to allocate it correctly.

Thank you again for all you have done to support the Liphook Food Bank.

The Liphook Food Bank Trustees



BRAMSHOTT AND LIPHOOK

Parish Council Update

The Parish Office at the Haskell Centre on Midhurst Road is open to visitors between 10am and 1pm weekdays. Face masks and social distancing is still in operation where these measures are possible. All Council meetings are now held face-to-face in the Liphook Millennium Centre. Please read the agendas available on the Council website and noticeboards for information on how to attend these meetings, which start at 7.30pm and are open to the public and press. There is an opportunity to ask questions at any Council or Committee meeting during the Public Participation session.

CURRENT PROJECTS

Community Orchard

We are working with Community Orchard Project Southeast (COPSE) <https://www.copseorchardproject.org/> to carry out a feasibility study on the proposal to create a community orchard. Potential sites within the parish will be assessed and they will consult with the community on a proposal to develop an orchard that will be both for, and sponsored and maintained by, the local community.



New equipment to record speeding traffic.

Speed Watch

The new Council funded, 'hi vis' vests and equipment to capture and record speeding traffic have arrived. Our Speed Watch co-ordinator, Cllr. Eddie Trotter is out with the team monitoring traffic speeds at a number of sites on major routes in and out of the village. For further information and details regarding volunteering contact the Parish Office or see our website.



The new building could look like this.

The Shed Project

Work continues on our plan to replace the old, former Willows building and Beacon tractor shed at the Recreation ground with a new prefabricated building



Collapsible bollards ensure wheelchair and buggy access.

Radford Park Gates

Following two incidents of vandalism earlier this year, we are now replacing the gates to Radford Park. Wheelchair and buggy access from Malthouse Meadows car park is assured by the installation of collapsible bollards rather than a barrier gate. A new heavy duty bar gate will be installed at the London Road entrance.

COMMUNICATING WITH YOU

At the last Finance and Policy Committee meeting, we agreed the Council should improve its communication and how it interacts with the community. This includes updating the website and the use of other social media such as Facebook.

COUNCIL GRANTS

Applications are now welcome for both Council Grants and Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) grants. The Council has an annual budget to provide grants to organisations that benefit residents within the Parish. CIL funds, raised from developer contributions, are targeted at infrastructure projects within the community. Applications for funding awards in fiscal year 2022/23 should be made by the end of November 2021. Application forms and guidance can be obtained from the Parish Office and online at:

Grant-Aid-Policy-21-22.pdf (bramshottandliphook-pc.gov.uk)

<http://bramshottandliphook-pc.gov.uk/wp-content/uploads/2020/10/Grant-Application-Form.docx>

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COUNCIL RESPONSIBILITIES

Working out who to contact can be a challenge with three levels of Local Government.

- Bramshott and Liphook Parish Council (BLPC) maintains the Parish Office, Liphook Millennium Centre, public toilets in Midhurst Road, bus shelters, Radford Park, WM Recreation Ground, Fletchers Field, Millennium Green, playgrounds and the allotments. We act as consultees on planning applications. BLPC is currently custodian trustee for Liphook Village Hall, Conford Village Hall and The Peak Centre. The Parish Office is an information centre providing leaflets on a wide range of activities, public transport details and local services.

- East Hants District Council provide planning services, environmental health, collect our refuse (and Council Tax but not at the same time!) as well as housing services and benefit payments and control parking. More information at www.easthants.gov.uk/

- Hampshire County Council is responsible for education, social care and public health, roads and transportation, environment and countryside, waste management, policing and fire services. More information at www.hants.gov.uk/

The Parish Council consists of 12 councillors. Chair of the Council is Cllr. Jeanette Kirby. We are always happy to hear from anyone with ideas and projects that can improve the life and prospects for those within the parish. Peter Stanley is the Clerk and Executive Officer at the Parish Office. Please contact us by:

Email: Council@bramshottandliphook-pc.gov.uk

Telephone: 01428 722988

Website: www.bramshottandliphook-pc.gov.uk

Next time we look forward to introducing key members of our team and what they do.

Bohunt School at Liphook

At Bohunt School we are proud to offer an extensive range of opportunities within the STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Maths) area. Our students continue to thrive, both with their work at school and by getting involved in community activities and national competitions.

Invention to Help World Food Crisis

As part of Bohunt Education Trust (BET), the school also ran a trust-wide competition in Science and students were asked to design an invention to help the world's ever-worsening food crisis. From the economic fallout of Covid to climate extremes and farmland fragilities - including the threat of famine - Bohunt student Joshua impressed the judges with his 'food drone' design.

Across the Trust students completed projects on several themes such as artificial gravity rings or flooding issues in their local area, and fed back that they enjoyed the independence and creativity of working on their own projects. There was also a range of competitions within some schools such as 'the masked teacher' at The Petersfield School (TPS), and even a science staff quiz night at The Priory School, Southsea!

Students also took part in national competitions such as the BAYLAB lab coat competition. Furthermore, four of our nine schools received a grant from the British Science Association. Bohunt School, SGS (Steining Grammar School) and Bohunt,



Joshua received a £20 voucher for Waterstones, presented to him by Trust Leader and Headteacher of Bohunt School, Neil Strowger and BET's Lead Practitioner for Science, Eleanore Hancock.

Horsham invested their grant funds in themed workshops from Zoolab while CAN put the funds towards materials and awards for their annual science fair which coincided with Science Week.

Eleanore Hancock said: "I would like to take this opportunity to credit all students for their enthusiasm. It has been a really enjoyable process having professional discussions which have resulted in each school's unique Science Week showcasing their individuality."

End of an Era for Shankly's Café

This summer Shankly's Café in Station Road closed its signature red doors for good after serving the community for the last 15 years.

Renowned for its all-day breakfasts seven days a week, Shankly's had a reputation for quality food cooked freshly to order, value for money, great service and for being spotless. The café also brought trade to other shops in Station Road. Service started at

7.30am and finished at 2pm with reduced hours on Sundays. During lockdown Shankly's served take-away breakfasts to its loyal customers and offered outdoor seating once the rules relaxed again.

The only criticism the café ever attracted was over the lack of more tables inside and out due to its popularity.



Its closure on 1st August attracted an outpouring of support on social media for the team of five women who have run the business over the last 15 years, and regret over the closure of this much-loved Liphook landmark. The girls made this announcement: "It's with the heaviest of hearts that after 15 years, Shankly's will be closing its doors for good. It's not a decision that has been taken lightly but the time has come to say goodbye. We would like to thank our customers for your continuous support and loyalty over the years and all that is left to say is we're going to miss you all."

The café first opened in the mid 90s as The Coffee Shop, then changed its name to Cockles, before being renamed Shankly's Café in honour of Bill Shankly, manager of Liverpool FC.

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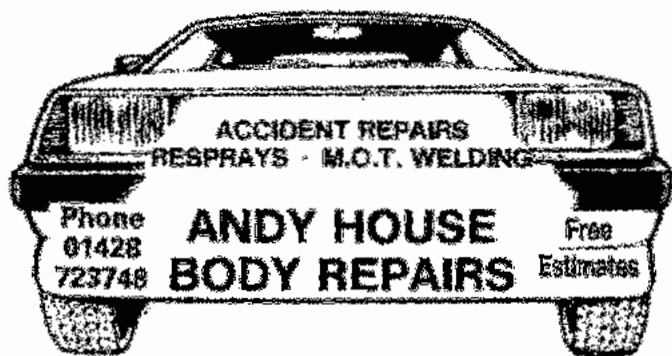
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Liphook u3a has around 40 Groups covering subjects such as history, computing, crafts, photography, walking, trips out to places of interest and theatres, plus many more.

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

If any reader would like to find out more or join, contact Carolyn Williamson, Chairman, on 01428 722730.

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Liphook Day Centre

As I write this I am pleased to report that after three agonising periods of lockdown, that I know has affected all of us all to a greater or lesser degree, is behind us . . . for the time being and, if I didn't have to type this, my fingers would be very firmly crossed!

Clients of the Day Centre, being of advanced age and on the advice from central government, immediately went into shielding in their homes and, despite voluntary weekly visits to the doorsteps from our managers to check on them, deliver groceries and prescriptions, they suffered real loneliness. Meanwhile the Day Centre struggled to continue paying the rent and utilities whilst income from the clients and lettings fell away to nothing.



In the early weeks of the first lock down when several essential items disappeared from our supermarket shelves, the Day Centre ratcheted up their weekly egg order and were selling over a hundred and forty dozen a week. On the back of this the Managers organised a 'pop-up' shop from the front door selling cakes and biscuits, jams, pickles and chutneys and hand made bird houses and feeders all made and donated by our friends and volunteers.

In time the tables outside the building were soon groaning with jars of local honey and world renowned Tunworth and Winslade cheeses as well as books, plants, face masks and other gifts and it was really encouraging that members of the public continued to support this enterprise all through the bitter winter months. As a bookseller myself I appreciated the loss that many readers felt with the closure of bookshops, libraries and charity shops. Many of our customers fell upon the trays of books and in time started to bring us bags of books for others to buy.

During this time, just before Christmas, the Day Centre suffered some serious damage when vandals climbed into our garden, made themselves comfortable using our garden seats while drinking copious amounts of booze and finished off their carousing by smashing all the seats leaving the broken plastic all over the paths and the car park.

This was a dispiriting blow at a time when it seemed we had little or no money to keep going let alone replace our garden furniture. However we reckoned without the positive public response from our many friends in the community. On hearing about this, several small grants were made from East Hants District Councillors which went a good way towards the cost of a shed which we erected in order to store our replacement garden furniture. Our friends at Liphook and District Businessman's Association (LIDBA) stepped up to the plate with a cheque.



During the Tuesday 'pop-up' shop trading several customers and, in some cases, complete strangers quietly passed us anonymous envelopes containing anything from £5.00 to £50.00 as a contribution to our running costs, this was both generous and very humbling.

Other gifts were to come on a regular basis, such as a very sweet lady who still regularly brings in a carrier bag full of bags of chocolate tiffin studded with delicious fruit and nuts . . . irresistible!

So, on to the present. We are currently welcoming fifteen socially distanced clients on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays, and when conditions allow we hope to be able to increase this to eighteen a day in the autumn. The managers and volunteers are also planning some day trips including the popular coach trips to the seaside for a fish and chips lunch, a walk on the 'prom' and a cream tea.

It is hoped that as part of Highfield School's Highreach programme we will again welcome their students back with their interactive games and quizzes in September.

If you would like more information regarding our service please ring **01428 724941** or e-mail: **info@liphookdaycentre.co.uk**

So the Liphook Day Centre has survived the past eighteen months. It still provides a vital service in the present uncertain times and, thanks to the support of its many volunteers and supporters it has a future, and for that we offer our sincere thanks.

Paul Robinson

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



Our two schools work as one Primary School providing enormous opportunities and experiences. We have developed our very own 'Federation Promise' where we provide exciting experiences for the children over the 7 years they are with us. Over the course of the year you will be able to see a flavour of some of things a child will explore and learn whilst they are with us. If you have a pre-school child then please call **01428 722036** and join us on one of our open mornings and see for yourself what happy and gorgeous children we have here.



Despite the Covid restrictions, we have continued to offer the children a wide range of opportunities and experiences. Children in the infant school have been on school trips to Birdworld and Marwell Zoo. We have had educators from Windsor Castle visit us, allowing the children to explore the artefacts and items that

they would see if they were to have been able to visit the castle as they would do usually in Year 2. We look forward to being able to continue to offer everything that we would do usually over the next academic year.



Representatives from Mubarak Mosque (Tilford) came to talk to the children about Islam. They also painted beautiful henna patterns on the children's hands.

Huge congratulations to our Year 6 team who won the Oakmoor Maths Challenge.



Year 4 and 5 remembered the World War I Canadian soldiers buried at Bramshott in a poignant Covid safe outdoor ceremony.

We are so proud of our amazing children, they have worked incredibly hard and have shown great resilience and adaptability during the Coronavirus pandemic. Covid restrictions meant that

Year 6 pupils were unable to go on a residential trip to Calshot, so we had an activities week at school.



The children enjoyed taking part in sports day, there was a lovely atmosphere with everyone cheering each other on!



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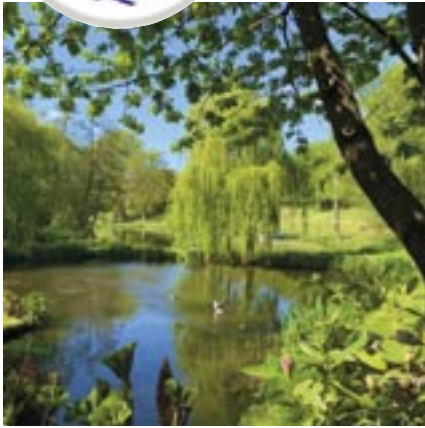
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The River Wey Trust



As the restrictions on our movements begin to ease, we settle into a lifestyle which perhaps requires less hectic socialising, and more emphasis on a more careful approach to gatherings.

Some have found the level of separation over the last 12 months encouraged seeking out new things or

expanded activities, others have found it very stressful. In both cases it seems commonly recognised that being aware of, and taking an interest in, our countryside and the welfare of our environment helps enormously.

Being by water is known to be soothing and lifts the 'spirit' as the babbling waters and constantly changing light on the surface or the glimpses of wildlife in all forms catches our attention.

The river has of course carried on, ignoring the plight and problems of mankind, but we are increasingly seeing general reports of the problems we are causing waterways throughout the country as we understand more clearly the impact of our lifestyle on the countryside - be that housing or industrial development, or simply the handling of our waste and discarded items.

Our river is not immune. Environment Agency results show that the river is 'poor' in water quality terms between Haslemere and Passfield, and fails chemical pollution checks.

Did you know that those paddling in the river at Radford or by the ford at Passfield are at risk?

In 2020 the sewer storm overflow upstream at Shottermill spilled into the river 58 times for a total of 996 hours.

Not all development is bad of course, but it is an important part of the River Wey Trust's work to ensure that attention is paid to the impact of these developments to keep some sort of balance with nature and not lose what we have.

The Trust's work in monitoring water quality, ecology testing and maintaining the sites that we own by Allees' Meadow and Griggs Green does take some work, and we encourage volunteers to help us – and get some fresh air and exercise! Information on our programme of events and work parties are on the Trust website at:

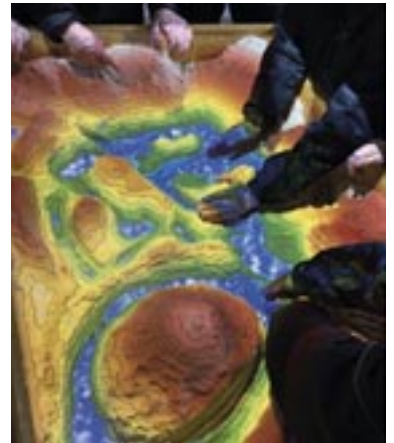
riverweytrust.org.uk/volunteer

The planned release of beavers on land in the headwaters of the Wey took place at the end of March. For us this is an exciting project to see the impact of these industrious vegetarians on water management and quality as they return after a 450 year absence. There are two Eurasian beavers, separately caught in Scotland, one male and one female. The site of the release is not being publicised, to allow these animals to settle into their new home undisturbed, but we will be sharing news as we have it from the project team.

As restrictions and risk decrease, the Trust is increasingly

encouraging use of our resources. As well as organising walks and outings, outdoor learning is recognised as a very positive way to engage with students (at any age!).

We will be talking to schools about projects and programmes of visits and events both as field trips and classroom visits. The Trust's Augmented Reality Sandbox is a boon to geography and STEM studies, and visits and events with that are already running since lockdown eased. Teachers are encouraged to get in touch to see what can be organised for their classes.



As with all the work we undertake, any volunteers to help with these activities are very welcome. All details of membership and how to volunteer are on the website.

Alistair Young - River Wey Trust Trustee

REFERENCES:

<https://environment.data.gov.uk/catchment-planning/>
<https://www.therivertrust.org.uk/what-we-do/sewage-in-rivers/>
<https://ar-sandbox.co.uk>
<https://riverweytrust.org.uk>

BRAMSHOTT OPEN GARDENS

Plant Sale Success

In the absence, for the second year, of an actual Bramshott Open Gardens weekend, a popular plant sale was held in June at St Mary's Church, attracting many visitors.

Fiona Grist, chair of the BOG committee, said: "This year we added a cake sale, booked Chrissy and her Ground Cafe van, as well as an Ice Cream van. "Thanks to the brilliant organisation of Kath and Phil Simmons, ably supported by the many Bramshott Open Gardens volunteers, it was a huge success.

"We were fortunate to have far more donations this year and even made a few 'after hours' sales bringing the grand total to a whopping £1,480 - smashing last year's total of £930. "We are hugely indebted to the villagers who donated their plants, preserves, cakes, and their time so willingly, to make this event so enjoyable and productive."

The money will be donated to local good causes. Last year BOG was able to support local youth and sports, with donations to Liphook Scouts, Girl Guides, Liphook Football Club, Liphook Food Bank, St Mary's Church, St Mary's War Memorial, and the Day Centre for the elderly.

Bramshott Open Gardens weekend is scheduled to go ahead next year on June 11th and 12th. If you are interested in opening your garden contact Ann Wright at: **anne.m.wright@btinternet.com**

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Liphook in Bloom



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Throughout the pandemic a dedicated core of Liphook in Bloom members worked hard to keep Liphook blooming despite all the restrictions. Social distancing meant that members had to pre-arrange which flowerbeds needed some attention and then work on them two metres apart.



At last, with the easing of lockdown we are able to welcome new volunteers. The weekend of 19th and 20th June saw us meeting in the Midhurst Road car park and welcoming new faces. We then dispersed around the village to plant the summer bedding. Marigolds, petunias and begonias amongst others were planted in the beds and containers around the village – in all about seven thousand plants, not to mention the hanging baskets which were put up during the following week. Once the huge planting task was completed another group of volunteers were getting ready to commence the twice a week watering. Liphook has looked fabulous this summer!

Liphook in Bloom was started in 1997 by a small group of friends after the A3 bypass was opened and flowerbeds were constructed as part of The Square enhancement. Today we have flowerbeds, planters and hanging baskets throughout the village. This is all thanks to sponsorship, help and goodwill. Liphook in Bloom is run



entirely by volunteers of all ages and from all walks of life. As with all organisations people move on, some move away but several of our members now need to sit back and enjoy a well deserved retirement whilst younger members of the community take a more active part.

As the seasons change, so the tasks change from bulb planting, weeding, deadheading to bulb lifting, rotavating, wild flower seed scattering, mulching, then bedding planting, watering and so forth. There is very little down time – even at Christmas Liphook in Bloom ensure that Liphook is lit up!

If you are one of those people who discovered a love of gardening or outdoor activities during lockdown, why not come and help Liphook in Bloom? It is not all work – we always break for a coffee and chat and usually have a couple of social events during the year.

Perhaps you would like to help us but cannot spare the time, then you might like to consider sponsoring a hanging basket. These can

be sponsored not only by businesses, but also by families and individuals. In return for sponsorship of £60 a named plaque is fixed to the supporting lamp post. Sometimes people like to sponsor a basket in memory of a loved one in which case the plaque would be suitably worded.

If you are interested in helping us we would love to hear from you. You can contact us via our website: **www.liphookinbloom.co.uk** Our Facebook page or call Joan Holdsworth on **01428 724016**.

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Goodbye Little Cherubs



Little Cherubs preschool and nursery closed its doors at the end of the summer term, when owner Maureen Powers decided to retire. For more than two decades, the nursery has played a major part in the community.



After taking it over in the 1990's, Maureen changed the name from Playland to Little Cherubs. Starting with just a few toys and a limited amount of equipment, the nursery grew with increased demand in the village for places, offering care and education to children from two to five years.

Located at the Methodist Church Hall in London Road,

Little Cherubs prided itself in creating a personal and homely environment for children and their families. Both morning and afternoon sessions quickly filled up to full capacity.

Children and staff were keen to be involved with the local community and paid regular visits to the Day Centre for the elderly. Both clients at the centre and Little Cherubs children looked forward to these visits which brightened up everyone's day.

Over the years, Little Cherubs has provided personal, social and emotional development for children as well as important numbers, letters and artistic skills. Maureen, who has lived in

Liphook all her life, said: "It was very sad to have to close the nursery. I loved running it – it's been my life!"

Children had a lot of fun in a stimulating, caring and safe environment, giving them the best start in life and making them feel included and supported. Maureen added: "Over the years, hundreds of children have gone through the nursery doors and many of them are parents themselves now. I am proud that the staff and I have helped make their early years happy and enjoyable. That means we have done a good job."



Gabrielle Pike

Photos by G. Pike and Unsplash

Bramshott Pays Tribute to Adrian Bird

A new arrival has been gracing the Bramshott Triangle near St Mary's Church. After a long wait, the oak tree, which fell during a storm in 2018, has returned in the form of a specially commissioned bench to a spot very near to where it stood for over 350 years.

Thanks to the generosity of Kevin Ryall and Conquip Engineering Group, it was collected from Jona Cleaver's yard near Alton, transported to Bramshott and lowered into its final resting place on April 9 this year.

The date for the installation marks the first anniversary since Bramshott lost one of its most active and dedicated residents, Adrian Bird. He was an inspiration and a tireless driving force behind so many organisations including Bramshott Open Gardens, the Sunken Lanes project, the River Wey Trust, Liphook in Bloom, the Heritage Centre, the parish council, the Liphook Carnival committee and Liphook's Preservation Society.

The bench was carved from a four tonne section of the oak trunk and the finished weight is estimated to be just under two tonnes. On the back of the bench is an interesting display of carvings, including Adrian's walking stick and hat, a compass, as well as a simple map of Liphook village centre, with main roads and landmarks defined, including the River Wey, and of course a couple



of Bramshott's reputed smugglers' tunnels. Also shown are some of the more well-known ghosts and apparitions that haunt the village, a simple riddle, and the lifeline dates of the oak tree itself.

Next time you're in Bramshott, why not stop off at the Triangle and take a rest on the oak bench in honour of Adrian Bird.

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countries suffering from climate extremes. As we approach Harvest time, please be generous to any and all charities, and we would be especially grateful for contributions to Christian Aid via our website [Christianaid.org.uk/donate](https://www.Christianaid.org.uk/donate) Thank you.

Keith Ireland
Christian Aid Liphook coordinator.

METHODIST CHURCH



Jesus said to them: "come away by yourselves and rest a while" (Mark 6:31).

It had been a particularly busy time. Mark tells us that the 12 disciples had returned from a trip around local towns and villages preaching and healing. No doubt

they were exhausted, and there was no respite when they got back.

It is possible that you know how this feels. Maybe you get home from a busy day at work, and there are still jobs to be done. Maybe a busy week and the weekend is filled with visits to friends and family or people visiting, and you have to clean, tidy, shop and cook . . .

The past 18 months have not only been busy for some, but they have also been very different and that can make life even more tiring. We have had new situations to get used to with social distancing, mask wearing, continual hand washing and meeting on Zoom rather than in person.

Time to Refresh

Sometimes we get refreshment by going on holiday or simply a day out by ourselves. But notice that Jesus did not say go away and get a break. He said come away. It is explicit that for our complete refreshment – physical, mental, spiritual – we need Him to be with us. The regular pattern of the week includes the Sabbath, restful time away with God. Not one day in every seven in Church, but taking time and space to allow God into your life to refresh you for what He asks you to do among your families, friends, colleagues and communities.

I pray that we have all had the opportunity to have some time away with Jesus to refresh, and have had a restful summer.

Reverend David Muskett

TRINITY CHURCH

"What's next?" is the question famously used by President Josiah Bartlett in the popular TV show The West Wing. He says this once a solution has been found to a problem, and let's now move onto the next challenge. Maybe some of us are wondering about what's next? after the past 18 months. Many of us will have put plans on hold, and will be looking forward to taking these up again (if not already). Many of us will have been so focused on getting through this difficult period, that we might genuinely find it hard to imagine what could be next. Let me gently encourage you that a great answer to your what's next? is to consider the claims of Jesus Christ.

It is impossible for us living in the 21st Century to imagine a world not shaped by Jesus, his life and teaching. Indeed the writer, Tom Holland, argues in his recent book Dominion that the Western mind (and no doubt culture) was formed and shaped by Jesus and the Christian faith. Jesus is clearly worthy of our study and reflection.

The Trilemma of CS Lewis

If you do decide to consider Jesus and his claims, what are the options? The author and academic CS Lewis discussed these in his famous Trilemma.

"A man who was merely a man and said the sort of things Jesus said would not be a great moral teacher. He would either be a lunatic — on the level with the man who says he is a poached egg — or else he would be the Devil of Hell. Either this man was, and is, the Son of God, or else a madman or something worse."

That is who Jesus could be: liar, lunatic or the Lord of all things. Let me encourage you then to consider Jesus as your what's next? so you can decide who Jesus is for yourself.



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CHURCH OF ENGLAND

"So does Mark have any dietary issues?" "No Mum – he eats everything – he's a vegan, but he eats everything."

We had Mark to stay for 10 days! He was charming, and it was so interesting to hear about his radical choices; it made me think, it made us all think . . .

We live in a world of many opinions. They swirl around us every time we go online. We can find out about almost anything, at any time, any place and it gives us this amazing opportunity to listen to people that we don't agree with.

But that's the deep irony, most of us end up doing exactly the opposite. Algorithms that are designed to keep us online work when they dish up what we want to hear – and guess what – most of us don't want to hear anyone who disagrees with us. No-platforming is just part of human nature and so this amazing opportunity to listen – to really engage with the world around us – becomes nothing more than an echo chamber.

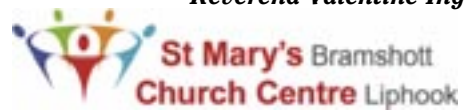
The Power of Listening

Sad most of the time and tragic some of the time. You see, some

of us aren't really sure what we think! We know what we don't think, maybe we don't trust the Government, or we don't like big business or we don't want to be told what to do. Well, those algorithms just keep on working and sooner or later we're going to put together a hotchpotch of ideas and thoughts and beliefs that are wildly different to the world around us, but have a community of people just like us who agree – who define themselves more by what they don't trust than what they do. It is easier than all of us think to become radicalised, and it is happening to many of us without even realising it, because we've stopped listening.

A good antidote is the Bible! The Bible is the opposite of the internet – serving up timeless truths in the shape of life-changing stories, in the middle of which God likes to meet us if we give him the time. Coming face-to-face with the living God tends to shake out our greatest delusions!!

Reverend Valentine Inglis-Jones



CATHOLIC CHURCH

One thing I have learned from the COVID pandemic is not to plan too far into the future! So many plans we had back in March 2020 have been put on hold or cancelled. Back then, the parish here in Liphook had recently joined with the Catholic parishes of Bordon and Grayshott and we were beginning to merge into one 'cluster'. Although change is never easy, the wonderful parishioners of The Immaculate Conception were behind me and supported all our efforts, and I cannot thank them enough. Unfortunately, all those plans are sadly no longer viable.

Welcome to Father Simon Chinery

Looking ahead, Bishop Philip has asked me to focus my attention on The Sacred Heart parish in Bordon (which is growing at pace!) and the Bishop has appointed Father Simon Chinery to be Parish Priest in Liphook and Grayshott. Father Simon and his wife Jane, will live at St Joseph's in Grayshott in the presbytery next to the Church.



*Liphook's new Parish Priest,
Father Simon Chinery*

I have really enjoyed my short time as Parish Priest here in Liphook, and I do wish to thank the Catholic community for their support and co-operation, and the wider community in Liphook for their kind and generous warm welcome. With prayers and all good wishes.

*Reverend Father
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Chinook's Over Liphook



With life slowly returning to some normality during the summer, few can have failed to notice the steady increase in helicopters flying over the village. Love them or loath them they seem to be the transport option of choice

for a select few, usually it seems enroute for a Goodwood meeting. But there is another 'whirly-bird' that makes a regular appearance over Liphook - and one that for many is a welcome sight – the mighty RAF Chinook. But what are they and where do they come from? And why Liphook?

The main operational base for the UK's Chinook fleet is at RAF Odiham, between Odiham and South Wankborough some 12 miles as the crow flies from Liphook. Officer Commanding is Group Captain Knight who took over RAF Odiham and the Chinook Force in Aug 2019 where 7, 18 and 27 squadrons and the RAF Chinook Display Team are based.

The Boeing-built Chinook is an extremely capable and highly versatile support helicopter that can be operated from land bases or seaborne vessels into a range of diverse environments, from the Arctic to the desert or jungle. The design was first conceived in 1957 and saw operational deployment with the USAF in 1962. Since then, it has been widely used by the US Military and its variants sold to countless air forces around the world, the most numerous of these being the RAF who obtained their first Chinook's in 1980.

The aircraft can be heavily armed and is fitted with a suite of self-defence equipment allowing it to operate across highly contested battlespace. Chinooks are primarily used for trooping, resupply and battlefield casualty evacuation and the crews are trained to accomplish these tasks under threat from both ground and air-based enemies.

Standing at nearly 99 feet long and 18.5 feet high, Chinooks have a maximum speed of 183 mph and can operate to around 18,550 feet above ground. With their triple-hook external load system, internal cargo winch, roller conveyor fit and large reserves of

power, the aircraft can lift a wide variety of complex underslung or internal freight, including vehicles. It can carry up to 55 troops or up to approximately 10 tonnes of mixed cargo. A Chinook crew traditionally comprises two pilots and two crewmen, supplemented by specialists dependent upon mission requirements. The RAF's Chinook's have served countless theatres including the Falklands, Iraq and Afghanistan

In addition to its traditional war fighting roles, it is used in search and rescue operations and its exceptional lifting capability forms part of the National Resilience commitment to respond to emergencies in the UK; in recent years these have included resupplying snowbound farmers in Northern Ireland and moving tons of aggregate to help reconstruct flood defences damaged by winter storms.

The RAF currently have around 60 Chinook's, most based at Odiham although several are overseas. This fleet will shrink to 51 in the medium term albeit some 14 new aircraft will enter service over the next ten years. The combined fleet is expected to remain in service until at least 2040.

Realistic training both day and at night is essential to ensure aircrew are proficient in the necessary skills and to exploit their technological edge. The amount of night low flying remains proportional to the operational requirement. Careful consideration goes into the timing of night flying; however it is not always possible to avoid some disturbance to those on the ground. The RAF are very conscious of this impact and if you have concerns about military low flying or wish to complain you can email: SWK-lowflying@mod.gov.uk

The crew of the RAF Chinook Display Team are also part of a fully operational Squadron where they combine their daily training demands with practising their display sequence. Many crowds at air-shows have enjoyed the spectacle of these gentle giants being put through their paces – simply amazing!

So the next time you hear the distinctive sound of a Chinook flying back home from an operational mission or setting out on a training session, you now know a little more about these incredible and long-serving aircraft and the people who fly them.

Simon Catford

The Kite in the Tree

By Richard Gould



Day after day she'd see
The Kite in the tree
As it wrestled to be free
And to join the arms
Of the wind and sky.

Some child must have
Lost their grip days ago
Were their tears cried
At the sight of it being lost
And the sadness it left.

Its fabric seemed to be
Losing its colours as the sun
Bore down it and the rains
Seemed to dilute and drain
Their once bright tones.

One day she went and stood
Beneath the tree that held
It prisoner – she looked up
At it wondering what it would
Take to climb and retrieve.

But by the time she'd drawn
The courage to try the climb
Someone or something
Had beaten her and it was gone
Part of her hoped that it had been
The wind that had claimed it back
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Then one day we had to cross
A shady wooded creek
A lovely place to set up camp
When feeling tired and weak.

So next thing in the morning
Something took my eye
A weathered board with writing on
And set up rather high.

The words were very hard to read
So close I had to peek
And just make out what it said
"Turn Back Jimmy's Creek".

Now that's a rather funny name
To call that muddy creek
So I was keen to learn just how
And where the answers I might seek.

So when the trip was finished
We camped up near the town
And slaked our thirst in a nearby pub
And poured the larger down.

There we met an old man
Who surely might have known
The story of the muddied creek
Or the myths that may have grown.

Yeah, i can tell yer
But buy me first a beer
An' you'll find out the story
So pull yer stool up near.

Now this goes back a long long time
When me granddad was alive
And there's this feller Jimmy
The eldest one of five.

*"Would yer buy me another
beer?"*

Well Jimmy was a carter
With a bullock team and dray
An' mainly bales of wool 'e took
Many miles away.

One morning 'e was loaded up
An' the sky was rather grey
But 'e took off just the same
An' began ter make 'is way.

*Cor, my throat's that dry could I
have another?*

Then the thunder started
An' the rain was pouring down
But on he 'e went, the bullocks spent
When 'ed hardly left the town.

'e cracked 'is whip real loud
Ter get the bullocks goin'
They heaved into their yokes
An' their lungs they were blowin'.

*Strewth, mate, another would go
down well.*

But when 'e got close to the creek
A raging torrent met 'im
Enough to drown a paddling duck
An' the light was turning dim.

Gawd strike me dead was what 'e said
(But ruder words 'e used)
I'll never cross this ***** creek
An' me bullocks necks are bruised.

So Jimmy 'ad to turn around
An' go back with the dray
An' try once more to cross the creek
But on another day.

So there's yer story, now yer know
'ow that creek got named
Turn Back Jimmy's Creek it is
An' Jimmy cant be blamed.



LIPHOOK TRAVEL

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Recently, I had the great pleasure of visiting Frances Cloude and her brother Andrew Meech at Liphook Travel in the Headley Road and I was able to learn more about this company, one of the oldest established family businesses in Liphook. Their mother, Jean Meech, set up

Liphook Travel on 1 December 1971 and despite her older years her interest in the business is undiminished. As a young woman, Mrs Meech's passions were travel and geography and the fact that her brother ran Cobham Travel in the 1960's/70's led to her decision that Liphook would be a good place to open a company to help people visit exciting and interesting destinations. This has proved of enormous value to all of us who live here and want to explore the wider world.



Originally based in the Midhurst Road, where they spent 21 years, they moved to the Headley Road premises in 1992 as they needed more space. Mrs Meech's husband, Malcolm, although working in Haslemere, was also a partner and took an active interest but it was Mrs Meech and her youngest son and daughter Frances who between them helped make the company what it is today. Travel is obviously in the family's blood.

Between them, Andrew and Frances have travelled extensively and they have more than 85 years experience in providing their clients with the travel plans and information about exciting places to visit, with first-hand knowledge of many. I asked what their own favourite destinations were and Frances said the Seychelles was hers and she would love to

visit New Zealand, with geysers, fjords, towering mountain ranges, snow... and, of course, sheep! Andrew would love to travel to Africa again, particularly Botswana, and top of his bucket list is a trip to Costa Rica with its stunning wildlife and scenery, volcanoes, rain forest and beaches. These are all wonderfully exotic places and having had my honeymoon some 50



years ago in the Seychelles, I can well see the attraction there. I have never been to either New Zealand or Costa Rica but perhaps I ought to create my own bucket list and get Andrew and Frances to arrange my travel. As I contemplate a rather damp and overcast summer's day, Costa Rica sounds particularly appealing.

I asked what the most difficult holiday they had arranged was and it turns out that it was a trip to Walvis Bay, which involved an RAF flight from Brize Norton to Ascension Island, followed by a voyage on the RMS St Helena to St Helena and then on to Namibia. At that time, the RMS St Helena was the only way to get to St Helena although an airport has since been built and opened. Andrew tells me that this was one of their more unusual trips to arrange and a real travel experience! One hopes it was worth the amazing organisation that went into this trip. With regard to problems, they feel that the Covid pandemic tops everything, although they also had clients away and/or due to travel during the Icelandic volcano eruption and the horrors of 9/11. Andrew believes that clients find it very reassuring to know that he is in touch and looking after their interests.

As a small company, you might think that clients would all be local but this is not the case. Over the years, people who have travelled with Andrew and Frances may have moved house and / or recommended them to friends and as a result, there is a much larger client base than you might imagine, with people contacting them from all over the country and even from abroad. From the previous paragraph you can well see why people would choose Liphook Travel to arrange their trips; their personal touch is exactly what you want.

There are two full time members of Liphook Travel's staff: Trudy Lee and Hollie Munro, who are currently furloughed. Trudy has worked for Liphook Travel for seven years and her most recent trip took her to multiple islands in the Caribbean. Hollie, with six years experience, is a qualified Aussie Specialist and Disney Expert and she has travelled extensively in Europe with her favourite destinations Italy



and Austria. Both Trudy and Hollie have developed extensive knowledge of the travel industry.

In autumn 2018, Liphook Travel held its first Holiday Show at the Millennium Centre. It was a tremendous success, attracting more than 300 people attending presentations and visiting an array of companies exhibiting

a wealth of holiday ideas. Unsurprisingly, the planned event for 2020 could not take place but it is hoped that it can perhaps be repeated this autumn or if not then, then in 2022.

Liphook Travel is a founder member of Worldchoice, which is the largest consortium of independent travel agents in the country, so they have the buying power to offer very competitive prices. They have been members of ABTA for nearly 50 years and are also an AITO Specialist Travel Agent, which gives them access to a number of exceptional independent tour operators offering exciting opportunities worldwide.

In these challenging times of Covid, Andrew and Frances have worked tirelessly throughout, in constant contact with clients rearranging their travel and refunding where necessary. Such are the benefits of travel with a small company – one call to set in motion refunds, without hours on the phone to large organisations, getting lost in the queue, and then having to wait months for a result. Their expertise in Zoom has meant that they can talk to clients in their homes, without the need for them to come to the travel agency. Brochures can be shown and whilst this is obviously not as good as face-to-face meetings, it has meant that life has not come to a complete halt. And life has indeed been going on, with holidays being arranged ready for when restrictions are lifted. Many clients are looking for environmentally sound holidays these

days and it has been an interesting path to follow, finding cycling and walking holidays abroad. They also arrange Webinars with other travel companies and hosted a number of tour operators that presented their programmes, including African Pride, Explore Worldwide, Wendy Wu Tours and Ama Waterways. It turns

out that the travel company world is a small one and Andrew and Frances know many of the independent companies in this field and get on well with them; they are therefore able to swap ideas and use their expertise when arranging travel, for the benefit of all clients.

The Covid pandemic has, of course, made matters very difficult but Andrew and Frances are pro-active and feel that they have learned a great deal about how the Government rules and regulations work with regard to travel. As a result they are able to advise their clients on what is required and they will be able to continue to do so. As Andrew and Frances say, there is no doubt that travel will be different when the world reopens. They will be able to help clients navigate the new travel protocols that will undoubtedly be in place and they feel that there has never been a more important time to make use of an independent and experienced travel professional who can guide clients through what may be the confusing travel times that lie ahead.

And so our congratulations go to Andrew and Frances on their Golden Anniversary.

Wendy Moore

Photographs courtesy of Liphook Travel.



OASTS AND HOPS

The Local Connection

In former times, before the advent of clean drinking water, there were many local breweries across the country. The main ingredients of beer being malt (from barley) and hops and this article outlines the legacy of local hop growing and processing. Many of us know about oast houses in Kent but we also have oasts, or more correctly hop kilns, in this area. An oast, oast house or hop kiln is a building designed for drying (or kilning) hops as part of the process to brew beer. They can be found in most hop-growing (and former hop-growing) areas, mostly now converted for other use. Most familiar is the term oast house but in fact the term used in Surrey and Hampshire is hop kiln.



Hop picking ladies.

Freshly picked hops were taken to the hop kilns and laid out on floors to dry, then a furnace was lit to provide warm air, the air circulating through the distinctive cowl at the top of the kiln. This process was needed in order to dry out the hops which when picked had a moisture content of around 80% but had to be reduced to about 8%. Once the hops were dried, they were cooled and then bagged up for sale to local breweries. The earliest kiln or oast was built in the 16th century. But most of them, and the design that we would normally recognise, were built in the 19th century.

It has been recorded that hop growing arrived in the Farnham area in the 16th century as the slopes near the River Wey were favourable and by 1800 there were more than 1,000 acres of hop gardens. Local writer William Gilpin in 1775 described the view from Farnham Castle as the Vale of Hops. Farnham was the commercial centre of hop growing but the area extended some distance, specifically over the Hampshire



Oast House, Passfield. Courtesy of Clarke Gammon Estate Agents Liphook.

border. The favoured White Bine variety was grown around Farnham and it was only when this changed to the variety grown in Kent that production diminished. Hops were still grown around Runfold in living memory and in the course of my research, I had a lovely email from a gentleman who has memories of working in the hop gardens there until he was 15 years old. One of the last large scale hop gardens was Wilsom Farm in Alton. The hop poles were removed in 1984 and the area is now an industrial estate.

Surviving hop kilns indicate the cultivation of hops west to Odiham and Alton and south to Selborne and Petersfield and as close to us as Bramshott and Passfield. Local examples of hop kilns can be found in Bramshott (Quinces Oast House), Passfield (The Oast Houses in Headley Lane which were converted to accommodation in 1989), Stanford (Stanford Grange Oast House), Headley (in Stanford Lane), Blackmoor (at Eveley Farm) and in Selborne at Wick Hill Farm. These are all the cowl design that we readily recognise and have been converted to private homes. There are also numerous examples around Farnham including one I had visited but not realised its origins – the building in the Lion and Lamb Yard formerly occupied by Laura Ashley! This is an example of a rectangular building with louvered vents for the air flow rather than the more recognisable cowl design.



Oast Houses at Quinces, Bramshott. Courtesy of the Heritage Centre.



Hop poles at Gilbert Whites Garden.

Bringing the search for hop gardens closer to home there is plenty of evidence for hop growing in Selborne where they flourished on the greensand as recorded in the Victoria County History of Hampshire in 1908. In Gilbert White's days (18th century) he recorded that hop growing was the main employment for working class men. At Gilbert White's House Museum, the brewery, originally built in 1765, is under renovation and in the garden, volunteers have erected a short row of hop poles to demonstrate their cultivation. They are once again brewing beer there as it was 200 years ago, although sourcing the hops from elsewhere. Hartley Park Farm (Lavender Fields) on the Selborne to Alton road formerly grew quantities of hops for brewing and still grows an acre of bines for decoration.

There are also historical accounts of hop poles being grown in Woolmer Forest – indeed was such an industry that a new turnpike road was built in 1826 in order to create better access. This is now the A325 between Farnham and Greatham. In his Rural Rides account of 1830 William Cobbett also describes looking down on the hop poles in Woolmer Forest.

Viscount Wolmer, the Earl of Selborne, who owned Blackmoor House grew hops on his estate. It was reported in the Hampshire Telegraph in 1932 that he had installed new plant in his hop kilns to provide cleaner hops. At the beginning of September that year it was reported that production was in full swing using seasonal workers from other areas of Hampshire as well as local labour. In the 1932 season they were paid two old pence per bushel for a basket of seven bushels. Viscount Wolmer “with his usual consideration for



Oast at Selborne.

the comfort and entertainment of his workers” provided more than the daily necessities in the camp. This included a wooden church, concert parties provided by students from Southampton University and a trained nurse. This must have been considered as very forward-thinking in those times. The level of camaraderie is confirmed elsewhere including reports of storytelling around the evening camp fires. Other recollections of the hop gardens on the Blackmoor Estate report there were five hop gardens and the growing season started in winter by “stringing” between the

poles. This, amazingly, was done on stilts. As the hops grew, they were tended and tied in usually by the wives of the farm workers.

There is an interesting little news reel clip showing a visit by Sir Kingsley Wood MP in 1937 to witness the working conditions of the hop pickers in Selborne. The clip does not identify exactly which farm it was filmed on, but may well have been either the Blackmoor estate or Hartley Park Farm.

I have been unable to pinpoint any hop fields nearer to Bramshott, but it was reported, again in the Hampshire Telegraph, that in September 1922 the Holme School in Headley had re-opened after the five week holiday but due to the hop picking season attendance was down. So we can infer from that the local children were still involved and the hop gardens must have been within walking distance of Headley village (although, no doubt, children in those times would have easily walked a few miles as a matter of course).

To bring ourselves up to the current day, the nearest hop gardens on a small scale are at Gilbert White's Museum gardens and at Hartley Park Farm in Selborne, but on a larger scale hops have been grown commercially for hundreds of years – and still are – on The Hampton Estate at Seale near Farnham. They are the last commercial hop gardens in Surrey and supply the Hogs Back Brewery. The Hogs Back Brewery themselves also have about eight acres of hops and it is possible to book brewery and hop garden tours.

Jen Woodsford

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The Prince of Wales, Hammer



Most public houses start their lives as very different buildings to that which they are used now; some were private homes, some converted religious buildings or old coaching stations. Some were schools, police stations or shops. Few however were purpose-built, but the lovely Prince of Wales at Hammer Vale bucks the trend and was constructed in 1927 for just one purpose - to serve the community as its pub. And it's a heritage that Licensee Nicholas (Nick) Sam is proud of.

"The Prince' has been here for nearly a hundred years now and has been selling beer and good food for thirsty villagers in the surrounding areas since then. As the longest serving landlord in recent times, I am conscious of what an important facility the village pub is. And my customers remind me of this constantly!"

Nick and his partner Rebecca have been here for nine years now and have enjoyed every minute of it. "I knew from a very young man that the hospitality trade was my calling, so I got my own pub licence when I was just 18 years old. After working around the Brighton area for a few years to build experience, I bought into the Prince of Wales in 2012". Now tied to the Fullers Brewery, the Prince' was first owned by Amey's Brewery in Petersfield. Its chain of pubs was acquired by Whitbread, then Gales and more recently by Fullers thereby maintaining a local if not regional tradition. "Fullers have been very helpful to me during the lockdowns," says Nick "...and their support was much appreciated during the long months of early 2021 in particular."

It must have been a worrying time for Nick and Rebecca? "Without doubt," confirms Nick "...but we were no worse off than many others in the trade. And we kept ourselves busy by supplying locals with essentials like fruit and vegetables, dairy products and even loo rolls! Our suppliers were able to keep most products lines going even if the supermarkets couldn't and so we simply ordered up what people needed and laid them out in the beer garden to be collected. And we only charged cost price!" A very valuable service during a difficult time.

But this sense of community goes beyond managing through a pandemic; Nick and Rebecca regularly run charity events during the year. At the time of writing they were planning a Charity Day in August with bouncy castles, hog roast, music and even dray horses from the Fullers Brewery. "They will draw the crowds I'm sure," says Nick "...what kid doesn't love a cart horse?!"

So how was business once the lockdowns were lifted during the early summer? "Initially it went totally mad," says Rebecca "...we were run off our feet – but in a good way! Things slowly started to settle down, but we have had the same problems as others in getting staff, especially in the kitchen." Nick agrees, "Good quality, sensibly priced pub food is what we do best but you can't offer that without excellent staff. We are lucky in that we have a very good team but we always need more to help spread the load. It's a constant juggling act but I guess part and parcel of a publicans world!" Judging from their customer base they are certainly getting it right. Nick continues, "We are so grateful for the amazing support our customers have given us and we look forward to serving them well into the future – thank you."



But back to the building; as a purpose built hostelry does the design actually work? "Yes, in the main," says Nick "...although we've had to adapt things along the way. Originally the bar area would have had to cater for huge 18-gallon beer barrels that would have been racked up in full display of the drinkers. These days we use 9-gallon barrels which are located out of sight and are much easier to handle. That gives us greater space behind the bar but I'd like there to be slightly more elbow room on the customers' side. But no one seems to mind." There are some wonderful photographs on the walls showing how the bar used to look which give one a sense of the changes over the years – certainly this author can remember the old barrels and the rather basic toilets. "Consider yourself lucky," jokes Nick "...the original pub only had outside toilets, come rain or shine!" Suffice to say such facilities are now of a much higher standard...

Nick has one parting comment; "Did we tell you about the ghost?". A ghost, in such a young pub?! "Yes, we have one all right – we call him George. No idea where he came from but we live upstairs and can hear chairs moving at night, doors slamming and tables being re-arranged. We've had bottles smashed on the floor and even pictures flung off the walls." Does that not worry you? "No, we are cool with it and it's all part of the fun. But I could do without the breakages," sighs Nick.

So, the Prince' not only has a reputation for a warm welcome and a good meal but it come with its own ghost. Did the architect build that into the original specification one wonders?!

Simon Catford

BECOME PART OF THE

Liphook Village Hall Management Team



Liphook Village Hall is looking for additional members to join its management team, helping to ensure the continued success of this valued community

asset. Member Margaret Hayward says: "The team meet six times a year, to make sure the hall, which has charitable status, remains viable and fit for purpose". "Duties are not onerous and we are a friendly group. We have a very capable treasurer, but since one of our members will be leaving us soon, we need to find more replacements". "We are also hoping to undertake some fundraising shortly when we shall look to everyone on the team to assist."

The Village Hall in Headley Road reopened its freshly painted doors in May under the present COVID rules, having made good use of the enforced lock down to carry out major redecorations.

Other improvements include updating the website as well as its Facebook page, and facilitating payments to be made online, with charges remaining the same.

The hall has been welcoming back some of its smaller regular user groups already. Others, like the Women's Institute, are expected to return in September.

It has been well used and supported by the Over 60s Club, U3A, Slimming World and as a venue for classes, including art and

upholstery, jumble sales, private parties, wedding receptions and various fundraising ventures.

Located just off Liphook Square, it is available for hire to local organisations, residents and businesses.

Liphook Village Hall dates back to the late 1890s when the then rector of Bramshott raised enough money to buy a barn in Headley Road for use as a village hall which was registered as a charitable trust in 1901. An extension was added in 1936 and in 1985 the Trust was updated by the Charity Commission and Bramshott and Liphook Parish Council appointed as custodians. In 1997 a loop system, facilities for disabled people, a new kitchen and new chairs were provided.

Another extension in 2004 added more facilities and the hall now



has a large entrance foyer, rear access with a ramp for wheelchair users as well as additional storage space and an improved PA and loop system.

To find out more about joining the Village Hall management team email: meghayward40@icloud.com

For more information visit: www.liphookvillagehall.org.uk

Gabrielle Pike

WILLIAMS SYNDROME FOUNDATION

Fitness Marathon Raises Funds

On July 25th Kirsten Williams and AfterBurnFitness teamed up to run a 10 hr. fitness marathon to raise funds for Williams Syndrome Foundation. Kirsten's 2 year old son, Finn, has William's syndrome; a rare genetic condition that has resulted in him having multiple surgeries at a very young age. Finn however hasn't let this get him down, and continues to be the most smiley and friendly little boy!

To raise money for this relatively small charity, AfterBurnFitness (run by Jack Plumridge) and Kirsten organised a day filled with

a variety of fitness classes, along with a raffle, food stalls and fun games for all the family.

The whole day was fantastically supported by the local community, with Liphook residents coming along to join in with classes, buying brownies or just cheering along the crazy people taking on all 11 classes! With your help we were able to raise over £4000, which is an incredible achievement! Thank you for all of your support, what a wonderful community to be a part of!"



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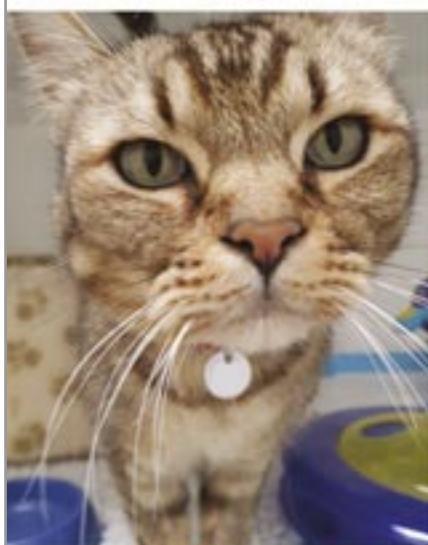
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A NEW FOOTBRIDGE FOR *Liphook Station*



Network Rail engineers are nearing completion to replace the footbridge at Liphook station, which will provide better access for passengers to both platforms.

Since last October, a construction team has been hard at work, fitting the steel structure, completing brickwork, adding lighting and CCTV as well as widening platforms.

Rail users will benefit from improved access with a fully enclosed bridge which opens in September. A lift on each of the two platforms will provide step-free access for disabled users, people with pushchairs and luggage, as well as cyclists.

Mark Killick, route director for Network Rail Wessex said:

"I am very grateful to customers for their patience while engineers worked to replace the footbridge at Liphook station."

"The bridge will deliver better journeys by providing a sheltered and a safer route between platforms. Work will continue to install two new lifts which will open early November."

The team has worked tirelessly during the pandemic and the new bridge will serve rail users across the area for decades to come."

A spokesperson for Osborne Construction added:

"Sustainability is at the heart of the project, with a solar-powered generator used to power the site accommodation. The project team also worked with ecologists to relocate slow worms onto nearby land and were reusing excavated earth from the railway cutting, rather than bringing in new materials."

The old Victorian footbridge, which has served thousands of rail passengers over the last 112 years, was rusty and had to be held up by scaffolding. It will be removed after the new footbridge has been opened.

Gabrielle Pike

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The Scourge of Fly Tipping



Few of us when taking our daily (lockdown!) exercises can have escaped coming across illegally tipped waste (aka fly tipping). It certainly seems to be getting worse and is a growing national problem. Fly-tipping is a crime that:

- Damages the environment
- Presents a public health risk
- Is a financial burden to the state.

Fly-tipping can vary in scale and type ranging from an individual dumping garden waste in a lay-by to large-scale dumping of household, building, industrial or commercial waste. But what can we do to combat this tide of rubbish?

Firstly, report it. All three local authorities in our area have dedicated websites for reporting fly-tipping:

- www.easthants.gov.uk/fly-tipping
- www.chichester.gov.uk/flytipping
- www.waverley.gov.uk/Services/Environmentalconcerns/Street-cleaning-and-fly-tipping

You will need an address, post code, map reference or other means of identifying where the waste has been dumped (the what3words app is very useful (www.what3words.com)). Don't leave it for others to report - better that ten people report the same site than none at all. The sooner it is reported the quicker it can

be cleaned up, thereby deterring others from adding to the mess.

Secondly, don't be part of the problem. All of us produce waste to a greater or lesser extent. By eliminating, reducing or recycling as much waste as possible we can reduce the amount to be disposed of. But when having a clear-out, sorting the garden or doing a small DIY job, we sometimes have more waste than normal.

It is most important to ensure your waste is disposed of correctly. By law, you are personally responsible for ensuring the safe and correct disposal of your unwanted items, even if you have paid someone else to do it. If your waste is found dumped illegally you could be prosecuted and fined.

An approved waste carrier (e.g. a skip company) will be licensed and will provide paperwork signing over the responsibility for the waste from you to their service. The vast majority of waste disposal companies are registered but to double-check, the Environment Agency provides an online register of waste carriers:

www.environment.data.gov.uk/public-register/view/search-waste-carriers-brokers (simply type in the contractor's name or vehicle registration number) and any approved waste carrier will have a licence available for your perusal. Be aware especially of the 'man with a van' who takes cash - if the price is too good to be true, it usually is! It is a fact of modern life that the legal disposition of waste can be expensive and this cost has to be passed on to the producer - i.e. you! But disposed of properly, the impact on the environment can be kept to an absolute minimum.

By following these simple guidelines, we can all help reduce this ugly, dangerous and costly menace.

Simon Catford

FRIENDS OF THE

South Downs Benches Project

Friends of the South Downs, the membership, conservation society for the South Downs National Park, has revealed the first bench in their project to provide seats at intervals along the entire length of the South Downs Way.

Many walkers had told them that there was very little provision to sit down and rest along the iconic route, which runs from Winchester to Eastbourne. Friends of the South Downs gained permission from the National Park and then turned to the



Caroline Douglas and Lord Egremont seated on the bench surrounded by National Trust staff and FotSD staff and trustees. Picture courtesy of the National Trust.

National Trust, as a major landowner along the route, to provide the initial sites.

The first bench has been installed at East Hill above Saddlescombe Farm on NT land. FosD Patron Lord Egremont, cut the ribbon to launch the campaign. Vice-Chairman Andrew Lovett addressed the assembled group of representatives from the NT, SDNP and Trustees of FotSD, at a small, covid safe, celebration.

The first benches are being carved by local chainsaw sculptor Chris Bain. Each bench will be made of sustainable, locally sourced oak and feature a small hidden downland creature. Benches will be individually designed to blend into and enhance the setting in a sympathetic way.

Caroline Douglas, the FotSD Trustee leading the project, said, "We are so grateful to Jane Cecil, the NT General Manager and the NT Rangers for all their help and enthusiasm in getting this project off the ground and to Chris Bain for producing such a beautiful bench."

We are currently looking for suggestions for sites near to the Western end of the South Downs Way, so if you have any suggestions please let us know.

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The Shed



On a beautiful June day, I went to investigate The Shed, part of the Whitehill and Bordon Regeneration Company and I was fortunate that Martyna Cawdron, the Operations and Venue Manager, was free to see me. I also met one of her two Event Co-ordinators, Stephanie Small (the other, Chermain Snell, was away on the day I visited). Martyna has been at The Shed since the start.

She is originally from Poland and has been living and working in the UK for sixteen years. She, with her four year old son, has now made her home here. Martyna started by running the Hogmoor Cafe, part of the Community Trust, then moved to Bordon & Oakhanger Sports Club and is now fully in charge of The Shed, bringing her many marketing ideas with her. She is the Licensee for all the communal areas of the premises so has a lot of responsibility. The land is leased from the Defence Infrastructure Organisation and as such, everything planned has to be run through the DIO, who are very helpful and supportive.

The Shed opened over the late May Bank Holiday weekend and everyone was thrilled that it was such a success, with 9,000 visitors over the three days.

Martyna told me how she researched the various outlets she wanted and particularly what she felt was missing and then made sure they worked well together. This was a success, as there are no longer any units available and Martyna is pleased at how they all run in harmony. There is a wide range of traders, from a cycle shop to Liphook's own Dylan's Ice Creams and from gifts, a studio for local artists and artisans and arts and crafts to somewhere to create your own peanut butter and reduce single use packaging by filling up with everyday staples, bathroom essentials and cleaning products. There is also a juice bar, Mexican and Thai foods, an incredibly inviting Patisserie, with delicious offerings and a new burger bar shortly to open.

The traders in The Shed will remain the same but the markets outside will change. There is a weekly Saturday Market, when

you can book a space to sell your wares. On the first Sunday of the month there is an extremely successful Vegan Market selling not only food but also eco-home products, skincare and gifts. On a Wednesday Phil Fyfield of Arford Nursery sells plants and flowers and I must say, they looked very attractive and colourful on the day I visited. There will also be pop-up markets inside, so there are many different things to look forward to. In addition, there will be offices upstairs with an event space for parties and receptions, with a seating area overlooking the ground floor.

In the wider town centre project there are plans for five restaurants around a "square" adjacent to The Shed, with bars above creating an additional buzz in the evenings. There had been plans for a multi-screen cinema but these have had to be shelved because of the Covid pandemic. However, there are still plans for a cinema and 300-seat theatre in the next phase of the WBRC scheme. Meanwhile, Nightflix will operate a permanent drive-in cinema which is due to open on 15 July. The site has capacity for 88 vehicles and will run all year, with screenings twice a day all week. There are even more retail, entertainment, leisure and health options in the pipeline and the proposed arrival of the Morrisons supermarket in 2023 will undoubtedly increase footfall in the area.



Not surprisingly, Stephanie is disappointed that so many of the events they had planned have had to be cancelled or postponed but she is putting together a busy diary for when restrictions relax and is delighted that The Hairy Bikers are booked for a show. The Cube in The Shed will be used for an exciting mix of entertainment at The Shed, from comedy to live music and theatre events. It is the sister venue of the local Phoenix Theatre and will benefit from all their experience and links to performers.

Do go along to visit The Shed but be aware that the food units tend not to open until around midday. I would check the website for opening times as these are kept up-to-date. There is lovely outside space, both in front of the building and on the green at the side, which separates it from the Leisure Centre and there is no doubt that when all the surrounding work is finished and the hoardings removed, The Shed will be a great place to go. I feel Martyna, Stephanie and Chermain are in for a very busy time ahead!

To be honest, if you did not know where The Shed was it might be difficult to find. However, if you follow the signs to the Leisure Centre, you cannot miss The Shed, which is next door.

Wendy Moore



A Stroll Around

Many of you have probably, like me, often visited Midhurst, maybe to do some window shopping followed by a coffee at one of it's many cafes or walked out to Cowdray House ruins, but during the quieter times of the past year – forever etched in our memories as the Covid-19 lockdown year – I discovered another side of Midhurst.

After parking in the North Street car park (now Pay and Display) follow the broad footpath across the water meadows towards Cowdray House ruins and the River Rother. Here you can divert to explore the ruins or visit the beautiful walled gardens.



Cowdray House ruins.

The original Cowdray House was built as a fortified manor house in the 1300s by the De Bohun family. The current house was constructed in the 1500s and was visited three times by Henry VIII and once by Edward VI in 1552 and Elizabeth I in 1591. Reputedly Guy Fawkes once worked there, thus implicating the Montagu family (then Lords of the Manor) in the gunpowder plot. In 1793, while restoration work was being carried out, a fire broke out which devastated the majority of the building. The ruins were left to decay for many years until Viscount Cowdray put a halt to the decay



Old market place.

from 1917. A major renovation took place in 2006 enabling it to be opened to visitors.



Old Town Hall.

On the town side of the stone bridge, looking towards Cowdray House, take the footpath on the right. This path initially follows the river bank and then after the kissing gate ascends the hill via a roughly stepped footpath. After climbing the slopes of St Ann's Hill to the left of the footpath amongst the sweet chestnut trees you can see low stone walls that mark the outline of an ancient castle, including a five foot wide "curtain wall". The first recorded mention of Midhurst was as "Middeherst" meaning "middle of a wooded hill" in 1186 but there may have been a village there since Roman times owing to its strategic position on both the crossroads of the routes which are now the A272 (east to west) and the A286 (north to south) and also the River Rother. After the Norman Conquest Robert de Montgomery ordered the building of a motte-and-bailey castle here due to it's strategic point on the River Rother, overlooking the cross-roads and a long stretch of Rother Valley to the north, east and the west, protecting the River Rother crossing. St Ann's Hill may also have been the site of an Iron Age fort. The low walls depict a later castle built by the then Lords of the Manor, the De Bohun family. During the 18th century St Ann's Hill was also known as Tan Hill, indicating a possible connection to tanneries in the area.



South Pond wildlife.

Historic Midhurst



View from South Pond to Medieval Midhurst.

Descend the hill into St Ann's Hill Road which takes you into the old market place. Here you are surrounded by several buildings of interest, many from the Tudor, Georgian and Victorian eras. Immediately in front of the end of St Ann's Hill Road is the Old Town Hall. The external steps led up to the Court House and below were cells for prisoners. You can still see the old Stocks and Pillory in the outside wall below the steps and if you go inside the Coffee House at the front of the building there is still evidence of the old cells. To your right, across the Market Square, is the parish church of St. Mary Magdalene and St. Denys originating from 1291. In the centre of the road is the original beautiful timber framed Market Hall, now part of The Spread Eagle Hotel. It is of 16th century origin and the lower level would originally been open between the timber supports, for trading to take place, but this has been infilled with brick in more recent times.



Georgian houses.

Follow the road down the hill past the Spread Eagle Hotel on the right and a little further on the right is South Pond which is the second oldest structure in Midhurst, after the original St. Ann's Castle: it is thought to date from the early 12th century as a fish-pond for the Castle. There is a pleasant walk around the pond on the Jubilee Path created in 1977 for the Silver Jubilee, and the pond itself was gifted to the people of Midhurst by Lord Cowdray in 1957.



The Old Library or Town Clerk's office.

South Pond is now home to many mallards and, on the day I visited, a heron.

After a circuit of the pond re-trace your steps up the hill towards the Market Place and church. Going straight ahead you pass the Market Place and church on your right. This road has many interesting styles of buildings. I always stop to admire the row of Georgian houses on the right but there are also some quirky little artisan cottages on the left of the road. On the bend as you go into Knockhundred Row is the beautiful building housing the Town Clerk's office. This is known as the Old Library and there are records of it from 1602. The meaning of Knockhundred is not known but a "hundred" was an ancient administrative division.



St Ann's Castle.

Continue down Knockhundred Row to North Street and turn right. Along North Street there are other buildings of interest including The Angel Hotel which was the main posting inn for mail coaches, and at the far end is the old Midhurst Grammar School, founded in 1672 and one of its alumni being HG Wells. This brings you back to your start at the car park. I hope those of you who undertake this historic stroll enjoy it as much as I did.

Jen Woodsford

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Fire Station Chatter



Well, the sun has finally returned and hopefully we are in for a warm summer break. Summer is a great time to get out and about but the drier the weather becomes the more we need to take care in order to look after ourselves and the countryside around us.



what3words
Never get lost again

A little while ago I downloaded a free app called "What3words". If you haven't already heard of this amazing app it's been developed to

allow easy and accurate pinpointing of a location for anyone or anything wherever they are in the country.

Normally when we call the emergency services, we would give them an address which would allow quick and easy access in the event of help being required. But what if we are out in the middle of the countryside or on a rural road or an isolated part of the coastline etc?

Well, What3words is an easy way of identifying precise locations. This is done by dividing the country into 3 metre squares and giving each square a unique 3-word identification. When you pass this to the emergency services, they will be able to pinpoint your location to a 3-metre area allowing quicker responses in times of emergencies.

But you can also use it for many other applications from directing Breakdown services to arranging everyone to meet at a certain location for that special BBQ. Anyone who has the app can send and receive your location.

So, for example, if you wanted to visit the Fire Station and see our newly painted red appliance bay doors then you'd just open the app and use the 3 words "redefined.supple.trouser" and it would navigate you to right in front of them. It's widely used by Emergency Services Control Rooms and could help to save a life.

Talking of which. We all held our breath during the Euro Football Championships earlier this summer and I don't mean during the penalty shootout in the Final. I'm talking about the unfortunate incident with the Danish footballer Christian Eriksen when he suffered a cardiac arrest on the pitch during their game. It brought home to us all, the reality, that the body is a very delicate machine and that, unfortunately, any one of us can find ourselves in a situation where a person needs the assistance of an AED.

Without going into too much detail, an AED (Automated External Defibrillator) is a machine used when someone goes into cardiac arrest and the earlier its used, the better the outcome possibilities.

Most people are aware that these machines exist, but would you be confident to use them or even know where to find one if you found yourself in that situation. We are lucky in Liphook as we have several AED's dotted around the village.

Some are in private locations like doctors' surgeries or various clubs but there are also some located where they can be accessed 24 hours a day 7 days a week.

These AEDs are positioned at:

- 1) The entrance to Manor Fields at the junction with Haslemere Road in the old telephone box.
- 2) On the wall outside the Peak Centre in the Midhurst Road car park.
- 3) The junction of Tower Road and Headley Road in the old telephone box just outside the Co-op.

There are also others dotted around in the surrounding villages and hamlets so keep an eye out for them.

Most importantly, don't be afraid to use them. They can be released by gaining information when you call 999 and explaining that you have access to one at a specific location. There are instructions on the security box containing them. They are also designed to be as simple as possible to operate. The machine will talk you through every step.

Try and familiarise yourself with the locations of these amazing machines and hopefully when you have done, you will never have to use it. But if you do, then it could make the difference between a very good or a very bad outcome.

On a much happier note, having introduced everyone to who we are in the last edition, we thought it may be a good time to let you see what we all look like.

So here we are so you can put faces to us. The photo was taken this summer beside our old faithful fire appliance which will be replaced at the end of July for a newer one. Our old appliance has served our community well and will be missed.

However, the new one will have enhanced capabilities and bring other benefits to how we can respond in an emergency. But we can talk about that in the next issue.

We've also been able to welcome two new faces on station. Two beautiful little girls newly born to their proud parents. It'll be a little while before they will be allowed to crew the appliance though. So, congratulations and welcome to the world.

As far as fire calls are concerned it's been quite a busy quarter with calls ranging from domestic property fires to road traffic collisions and the hot days have provided us with some early wildfires. So can I please ask you to be extremely careful when out and about this summer and if you do come across a wildfire in the middle of the countryside then don't forget to use What3words to pinpoint its location.

And if you are taking advantage of those hot summer days and having a BBQ in your garden, please make sure you don't leave it unattended and take care with any gas cylinders.

Have a great summer and stay safe.

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Mr Stubbs, April 2021

Highfield & Brookham Schools

Young eco-warriors have realised a green dream and organised a meat-free Monday in the summer term. It was the brainchild of the Year 7 eco-committee, who are always looking at ways to lessen the school's environmental impact. Despite always having two daily vegetarian choices for pupils and staff, never before has the menu been completely devoid of a meaty option.

Meat-free Monday

The caring crusaders sat down and worked on a series of alternative mouth-watering dishes for the skilled catering team to rustle up. Out went firm favourites such as cottage pie, spare ribs, lasagne and chicken curry to be replaced by Quorn spaghetti bolognese in a puttanesca sauce, halloumi fries with chipotle mayo in a sourdough pita, vegetarian bean chilli, and hummus and falafel flatbreads. Contented faces, big smiles and clean plates all round!

Health and Environment Benefits

Plant-based diets are widely-regarded as being a significantly healthier option than their meat alternatives, helping cut incidences of heart disease, easing arthritic conditions and reducing calorific intake. Studies have also shown that there are big environmental benefits, with the whole food production process of farm-to-plate currently accounting for a whopping 30% of all global greenhouse emissions.

Phillip Evitt, Headmaster at Highfield School, said: "Meat-free Monday was a delightful initiative from our Year 7 eco-committee, who are very much committed to making the world a better place for future generations."



Children tucking into their meat-free menu

Picture Perfect

Charlotte, who has just started Year 8, has won top prize in a



Winning photo 'Fallen Tree'

photographic competition. Charlotte impressed the judges with her stunning picture *Fallen Tree* which depicted a stricken tree, part-submerged in a lake in the depths of winter.

The moving and atmospheric image, expertly captured using a digital camera, earned Charlotte top spot in the 'reflections' category of the annual competition run by King Edward's School in Witley, Surrey.

And it proved to be no mean achievement, as this year's photographic competition attracted a bumper 77 entries across the three categories – reflections, contrast, and new beginnings. Charlotte's prize included cyanotype paper and a GorillaPod stand.



Charlotte was presented with her prizes by delighted Highfield Headmaster, Phillip Evitt

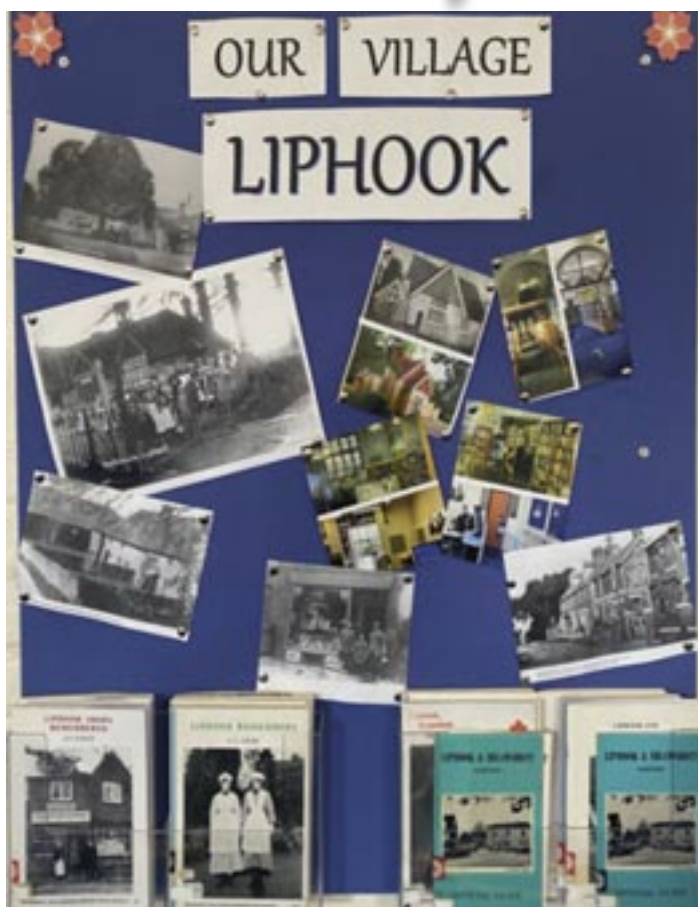
Scholarship Success

Fifteen senior school scholarships have been awarded to pupils at Highfield and Brookham schools this year. Pupils with a wide range of abilities are selected for the programme which this year included art, academia, sport and drama with Wellington College, Charterhouse, Cranleigh and Bryanston.



Phillip Evitt, Highfield Headmaster said: "I'm extremely proud of all of them and wish them well with their future studies and beyond."

Liphook Library



Library staff have enjoyed welcoming their customers back into the library over the summer. With Rhymetime, the Summer Reading Challenge and Construction Club there has been plenty to keep children busy during the holidays.

Library Birthday

Liphook Library is 112 years old this year! To celebrate, staff created a display showing pictures of prominent old buildings in Liphook. The display also includes local history books that are available at the library. The display will be at the library for the remainder of the year, if you can't see it please ask our staff, Alisia and Sharon.

Hampshire Library Service offer a wide range of digital services such as Borrowbox ebooks, National Talking Newspapers, Pressreader all-you-can-read digital newsstand. Please use the following link to access this service:

<https://www.hants.gov.uk/librariesandarchives/library/services/digitallibrary>

Rosemary Redman - Library Team Manager

LIPHOOK LIBRARY'S OPENING HOURS

Monday 1.00pm - 5.00pm

Wednesday 9.30am - 1.00pm

Friday 9.30am - 1.00pm

Saturday 9.30am - 1.00pm

Churcher's College



No sooner has one school holiday ended then another is upon us. Summer has been put to bed but before you know it, October half-term and the Christmas break will be here. School holidays

are a time of the year where relaxation finds respectability. For those who work, how to sort out the juggling act of childcare, and parenting for those who are able to do the childcare, enjoy the freedom to step off the term-time treadmill. Either way, the thought of time spent with your children reading, exploring, playing, cooking or simply talking at home enables all routines to be relaxed and family time is wholeheartedly cherished by all. We all love school holidays for these reasons, but I have been thinking about how we use this time productively and for the benefit of everyone - child, parent and school.

Reading in the Holidays

As a school, we have relaxed our homework expectations during holiday periods, but should your child really do nothing for school holiday weeks?! Some downtime is essential, but some ticking over is useful too. As usual, it is all about balance; keep

some learning going but give children time to regroup. Some children naturally drive their own learning, are motivated and keen outside of school while others would happily stay rooted indoors on devices and TV and not want to see any daylight!

I love welcoming children returning from a break, who do not need too much warming up and can hit the ground running having read a book (or two!), tried something for the first time or learned a new skill. Maybe opportunities have arisen to keep a diary, complete a wordsearch, Sudoku, crossword, puzzle, etc.

As a minimum, I suggest keeping the reading going by enjoying books together (it is a great thing to do whatever their age and has such a massive impact on success at school). Don't forget to allow your child to see you reading. Above all, spend some time building interest and empathetic relationships within the family through reading and discussion. Share with them how useful learning can be when it is relevant and fun through researching or investigating something new. However, do not forget to notice the signals; it's time to find another stimulus when things turn into a battle!

Ffion Robinson, Headteacher

For further information regarding Churcher's College Junior School & Nursery, please see www.ChurchersCollege.com, email: ccjsoffice@churcherscollege.com or call **01730 236870**

District Council Update

Work continues on the draft Local Plan 2017 to 2038. Consideration of this is undertaken by the Planning Policy Team, and the latest proposals for spatial strategy have been presented to and discussed with the Local Plan Working Group and the Planning Policy Committee. The next stage is to present the strategy to full Council.

Development Management

There is still a high volume of small applications, which is causing a backlog. The average number of applications received over the last year was 118 per month. In February this year, 133 applications were received and in March, this rose to 162. This is a 37% increase, not including applications within the South Downs National Park, which are also determined by EHDC.

Planning Enforcement

The team are dealing with a large number of cases. Several injunctions have been issued and enforcement cases are reaching the Courts.

Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL)

EHDC has recently considered various applications for CIL funding, received from across the District. We hope that we will receive more applications from Parish Councils next year when the application process re-opens in February 2022. This will enable enhancement of infrastructure projects that will support future development.

Meetings at Penns Place

Decision-making meetings are now held at Penns Place, with others held on-line. There is limited space in the Council Chamber, so there are few spaces for the public, although all proceedings are broadcast live. Because of the restricted space available, the last full Council Meeting on the 10th June was held at Alton Maltings.

Business Grants

Under the new Restart Grant, EHDC has made grant payments to 616 businesses, totalling £4,512,722. There were 197 in the Alton area for £1.45 million, 168 in the Petersfield area for £1.16 million and 67 in Whitehill and Bordon area for £450,000. Around another 100 businesses could also claim the grant, and EHDC will make contact to increase the take-up.

Payments under the Council's discretionary scheme, the Additional Restrictions Grant, have been made to 345 businesses, totalling £670,711 since April 2021. In total, we have now paid £2.3 million to nearly 500 businesses since November 2020, under the various Additional Restrictions Schemes.

Customer Services

Penns Place reception has been closed to the public since March 2020, and during this time EHDC has been able to serve customers through virtual meetings and other contact options. The Reception is now open from 10 am to 4 pm on week days for those unable to contact the Council by any other means. Customers will deal with reception staff, but if a face-to-face meeting is required, staff will set up a virtual meeting with the relevant department.

Housing and Welfare

Despite working with high numbers of homeless households during the last year, hard work from the team has meant that there are now very few placements in emergency bed and breakfast.

Whitehill and Bordon

The Shed opened its doors on the 29th May, which has proved to be very popular, and contains various food outlets, gift shops, a speciality Patisserie shop and café outlets. There are creative workspaces and opportunities for entertainment. Outside markets also take place in the public open space, which is in close proximity to the new Leisure centre.

Morrisons will be the new 26,000 sq.ft. food store in the town centre, due to open in 2023. Welcome news.

District Councillor Grants

Please contact us if your organisation is seeking funding to boost local projects. We still have funds available.

We hope you have had a pleasant summer and enjoyed long-delayed events, projects and family gatherings.

If there is anything we can do to help, please contact us:

Cllr. Angela Glass angela.glass@easthants.gov.uk

Cllr. Bill Moulard bill.moulard@easthants.gov.uk

Cllr. Nick Sear nick.sear@easthants.gov.uk

Rail & Ramble



Two walks in one leaflet have been produced by South Downs National Park and Haslemere Community Rail Partnership. There is a clear map and detailed written instructions following sections of Sussex Border Path, The Serpent Trail, Shipwrights Way and the Lipchis Way.

The first provides a route from Haslemere Station to Liphook Station, and explores the heathland of Marley, Lynchmere and Stanley commons.

The second gives the route from Liphook Station to Liss Station walking over the heathland on Chapel Common and Rake Hanger.

The leaflet can be downloaded from:

<https://www.southdowns.gov.uk/wp-content/uploads/2019/03/Haslemere-CRP-SDNP-Rail-to-Ramble-leaflet-A4-WEB.pdf>

Fay Boyett

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LIPHOOK DAY CENTRE FOR THE ELDERLY - Peak Centre, Bookings Sec. 01428 727751. Centre No. 01428 724941.

Email: info@liphookdaycentre.co.uk

LIPHOOK DIABETES UK COMMUNITY GROUP - Sandy Maroney, 01428-725193. Email: sandy.maroney@hotmail.co.uk

LIPHOOK HISTORICAL WARGAMES GROUP - Trevor Maroney, 01428 725193.

LIPHOOK IN BLOOM - Joan Holdsworth, 01428 724016 or Phil Jordan, 01428 724903.

LIPHOOK & DISTRICT MODEL RAILWAY CLUB - Nick Harling, Email: idmrc-Secretary@outlook.com

LIPHOOK MILLENNIUM CENTRE - 01428 723889.

Web: www.liphookmc.co.uk

LIPHOOK MODELLERS CLUB - John Clare, 01428 729967.

LIPHOOK OVER 60's - Sue Knight, 01428 723502.

LIPHOOK TABLE TENNIS - Peter Ritchie, 01428 727815.

LIPHOOK TENNIS CLUB - Simon Hargreaves, 01428 474899/07717 016374.

LIPHOOK UNITED FOOTBALL CLUB -

Andrew Oxtan, Email: chairman17@liphook-united.org

John Raeyen, Email: media-contact17@liphook-united.org

LIPHOOK VILLAGE HALL - Bookings: Mrs L. Miller, 07751 832983.

LIPHOOK VILLAGE SURGERY PPG - 01428 728270.

LIPHOOK WOMEN'S INSTITUTE - Secretary, Pam Robson, 01428 723732.

LISS IN STITCHES - Deirdre Mitchell, 01730 267214.

LOVE TO SING CHOIR - Liphook Methodist Church Hall.

Contact Vanessa K. Breach, 07766 083862.

LUDSHOTT PHOTOGRAPHIC CLUB - Diana Grant, 01428 713706.

LYNCHMERE CRICKET CLUB - Contact Richard Saulet,

Email: lynchmerecc@gmail.com

M.A.D. COMPANY - (Methodist Amateur Dramatics), 07766 083862.

MEALS ON WHEELS - Apetito, 0808 271 6600.

MUSICAL SOCIETY - Haslemere - Choir and Orchestra, Rehearsals Mondays. Sue Ecclestone, 01428 605612.

MYAWARE CHARITY (Myasthenia Gravis) - Mrs J. Finney, 01428 776467.

NATIONAL TRUST - Ludshott Commons Committee -

Susan Salter, 01428 751409.

OPERA SOUTH - Caroline Martys, 01428 64476 or 07950 646326.

OPTIMIST BADMINTON CLUB - Bohunt - David Lush, 01428 725166.

PARISH COUNCIL - Bramshott and Liphook - The Haskell Centre, Midhurst Road, Liphook, 01428 722988.

PEAK CENTRE - Booking Secretary, Ann Hall, 01428 727751.

PETERSFIELD AREA WILDLIFE GROUP - Mr & Mrs Oakley, 01730 2663920.

PRESERVATION SOCIETY - Bramshott and Liphook - 01428 722162.

RAMBLERS - Liphook & District - Secretary, Caroline Lemka, 01428 713727. Web: www.liphookramblers.wordpress.com

RAPE AND SEXUAL ABUSE SUPPORT CENTRE - 01483 546400 or Freephone 0800 0288022.

RIVER WEY TRUST - office@riverweytrust.org.uk

ROTARY CLUB - Haslemere, Debbie Morley, 01428 643416.

ROYAL BRITISH LEGION - Sean Brady RM, 0771 100 6847.

ROYAL NAVAL ASSOCIATION - Liss & District - 01730 895470.

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

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

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

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

TAI-CHI - Diana Forbes, 0777 569 6249.

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

THE ARTS SOCIETY GRAYSHOTT - Kathy, 01428 608842.

Web: www.theartssocietygrayshott.org

THE ARTS SOCIETY HASLEMERE - Chairman: Mrs Madeleine Boxall. www.theartssocietyhaslemere.org.uk

THE LYNCHMERE SOCIETY - Conservation and Natural History.

Membership enquiries: Louise Searight, 01428 723715.

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.

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, Jeanette 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 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.

SWIMMING CLUB - admin@haslemereswimmingclub.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.

GIRLGUIDING LIPHOOK DISTRICT

With guiding girls have fun, adventure and the space to discover their potential. If your daughter would like to join our active Girlguiding District in any section then register at: www.girlguiding.org.uk/information-for-parents/register-your-daughter/ and the unit leader will contact you directly.

Guiding Sections:

RAINBOWS AGES 5-7

1st Liphook Rainbows - Tuesday
2nd Liphook Rainbows - Thursday

BROWNIES AGES 7-10

2nd Liphook Brownies - Mondays
5th Liphook Brownies - Tuesday
4th Liphook Brownies - Thursday

GUIDES AGES 10-14

2nd Liphook Guides - Monday
1st Liphook Guides - Wednesday

RANGERS AGES 14-18

1st Liphook Rangers - Wednesday

VOLUNTEERING OPPORTUNITIES:

Young Leaders ages 14-18
Adult Volunteers 18+

For any other enquiries please contact: Girlguiding Liphook District Chair Ruth Whiting:

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: alisonjackson@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
- Wheatshaf Cub Pack - Jez Turner
- Shackleton Scout Troop - Nigel Woods
- Scott Scout Troop - Neil Caie
- Stirling Explorer Unit - Stuart West

LIPHOOK HERITAGE CENTRE

Millennium Centre Ontario Way Liphook Hampshire GU30 7LD

The Liphook Heritage Centre is pleased to announce that it is now open on:

Mondays: 10.00 am to 1.00 pm

Wednesdays: 10.30 am to 2.00 pm

Fridays: 10.00 am to noon

Other dates/times by appointment

Tel: **01428 727275**

Email: liphookheritage@gmail.com

Website: www.liphookheritage.org.uk

Casual visitors are welcome, but if you wish to carry out detailed research please contact us for an appointment so that we can arrange for a dedicated volunteer to assist you.

All visitors will be required to wear a mask to accord with the Centre's Covid-19 protocol.

**Any changes, please email
Fay Boyett: fay.lcm@outlook.com**

