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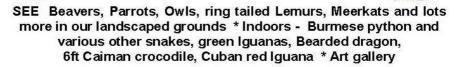
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EDITORIAL

Congratulations Tatsfield. As described in more detail elsewhere in this magazine, Tatsfield was not only awarded a Gold in the Large Village section of this year's South and South East in Bloom but was also the best entry in this section.

This is an outstanding achievement and we owe enormous thanks to those who have worked very hard to achieve it. Quite apart from the award itself, our village has been greatly enriched by the many displays through the year — their colour, their design, their flourishing appearance. All this involves lengthy planning, ordering of plants and materials, planting, watering, deadheading, financing and much else: shortly work will be needed to remove baskets and mangers, clean and store them for next year and provide some winter planting.

We are indeed fortunate that there are villagers who are prepared to give time, thought and energy into all this when they could, no doubt, be doing many other things – thank you to them all.

Since first entering 'In Bloom' in 1996, Tatsfield has won the Large Village section on nine occasions and has been second on six occasions: this year's success is no 'flash in the pan'. If this impressive record is to continue there will be a need for others to offer a little of their time. Perhaps when the 'In Bloom' group ask for helpers in the future more of us might volunteer – the more the merrier.

Meanwhile many of the Saturday morning workers had every cause to celebrate as you may see below. (With thanks to Dave Bishop for this photo and others in this magazine)



Gerald South

The next edition of the magazine should be with you by the last weekend in October.

LETTERS

Dear Editor,

Doris Mitchell's recent letter about St Mary's churchyard has once again raised the question of how the area should be kept. For a long time the two sides of the argument have been expressed with some vigour. In the past the policy was to allow wild flowers and grasses to grow freely in some areas of the churchyard, only being cut down after seeding and there were at one time over 60 different varieties to be found there. However, this policy led to a number of adverse comments by visitors that the churchyard looked a mess and by some relatives that undergrowth had to be hacked away before family graves could be reached.

Two years ago the Parochial Church Council decided unanimously that, in addition to the area immediately round the church and the hall, the main paths and the paths between the graves should be kept clear. The area behind the church and the area to the left of the lych-gate leading down to the hall should be allowed to grow naturally. In addition to this, it was decided to allow the new strip of land which runs the length of the churchyard to be a wild flower area. It has already had a wildlife-friendly hedge planted along the new churchyard boundary.

Just a final note – some areas that were once wild are now taken up by graves of people who have died. Those who care for the churchyard continue to work to find the balance that will please the majority of those who use and visit it.

Marjorie Broughton, Warden; Chris Hancock, Warden; Mary Smith, Churchyard.

Dear Editor,

I was astonished and dismayed by Doris Mitchell's letter in the September Parish Magazine concerning the churchyard.

Having tended a small patch there over the last 20 years which was often surrounded by long overgrown grass, stinging nettles, brambles and weeds I have been delighted by the care and attention bestowed on the churchyard this summer. It now looks a beautiful, tended and cared for place for visitors and those of us who have a close connection alike.

I too am a great lover of wildlife and wildflowers but this is after all a churchyard deserving of care and respect and not a wildflower meadow.

Personally I would thank all those who have transformed a neglected looking churchyard and whose efforts have made it now such a credit to our village.

Joan Payne

Yvonne Masters used to live in Greenway and recent contact with her prompted this letter:

Dear Editor,

Escape to the country

How time flies - I cannot believe it has been nine months since I loaded my rabbits, cat and gorgeous dog Crystal into my little Ford car and followed the furniture van to my new home. I had to follow the furniture van as I had only been driven to view the property once and had no idea how to get there.

My daughter had wanted to move for a long time to expand her business and asked me to join forces to enable us to get what we both wanted – space for the animals and land around us -3 acres of it!

When I first moved to Tatsfield it was rural and I loved it, but over the past years it has become urbanised and I had been very unhappy and knew I had to move before I, too, was covered in concrete.

Wildlife is different here, dozens of wild rabbits, herring gulls fly over the paddocks and swallows swoop catching insects to feed their chicks in the nests in the stables. I have worked hard to dig over some of the field which I have planted with beans, potatoes, marrows, tomatoes etc. The soil is very sandy and I have added manure from the stables which the beans thrive on.

At the top of the paddock I like to lean on the fence and enjoy the view. I can see for miles over farmland and just the roof of a farmhouse on the horizon. They have just cut and bailed the hay this week. On the other side of the road there are sheep.

The nearest village is a mile and a half away and although I have been there I cannot drive myself at the moment because I am waiting for an appointment for a cataract operation. My daughter drives us both to Maidstone for a supermarket shop when she has time.

Crystal and I walk around the fields twice a day and she loves playing with Gail's dogs and watching the poultry in the run. We also have an orphaned peahen chick which follows Gail around.

I'd like to send all my dog-walking friends in Tatsfield and my friends and neighbours in Greenway my good wishes. I have finally made my 'Escape to the Country' to start again at 82 years of age.

Yvonne Masters

TATSFIELD PARISH COUNCIL

Our first full meeting after the summer break had a lot on the agenda. On the agenda were:

Planning: We had no objection to an application at Shelleys, No 10 Westmore Road. Permission was given three years ago for its conversion from a bungalow to two dwellings and now the applicants want to build a terrace of three dwellings on the site. Three years ago we were concerned about the parking arrangements. We are now satisfied that the new application, which includes two onsite parking spaces for each dwelling, is acceptable.

Highways: There was some discussion about the persistent problems of delivery vehicles getting lost on village roads and we will be asking Surrey, the highway authority, for advice on how to deal with the inconvenience and (sometimes) damage caused by such vehicles. Surrey will soon also be surveying the speed of vehicles entering Tatsfield on the Approach Road to establish whether new measures, such as an illuminated speed sign of the kind recently installed in Limpsfield, would be appropriate. We are also asking the London Borough of Bromley about clearer signage from Biggin Hill valley for drivers looking for Tatsfield.

Furze Corner playing field: We agreed that every effort should be made to ensure that facilities for outdoor sport continue to be available in Tatsfield and have therefore supported the Playing Fields Association's bid for a reduction in the dramatically increased rent that the District Council proposes to charge for the Furze Corner facility.

Speedwatch: We heard that there had been further sessions over the summer. The one judged to be most successful in reducing speeding had been held a few days before the meeting when over a period of one hour all drivers kept well within the limit. However, there was a different story at a another site a few days later when half a dozen drivers decided to ignore the limit, despite seeing the warning sign and a number of volunteers wearing reflective clothing. Don't forget, if you are concerned about speeding in Tatsfield, the answer is to join the Speedwatch volunteers and help deal with the problem. Any parish councillor will be able to tell you about what is involved.

Tatsfield/South and South East in Bloom: At the meeting we heard about the hopes for Tatsfield's entry and a couple of days later heard the good news about the Gold Medal. Congratulations to the hard-working volunteers who keep Tatsfield's reputation high!

Village Hall: New long-lasting (we hope) windows have been installed over the summer and a new door and access ramp for Little Acorns are now in place. The next improvement you will see will be the renovation of part of the area immediately

around the hall to allow for the outdoor activities that pre-schools such as Little Acorns are now expected to provide.

Affordable Housing: We will be talking to Surrey's Rural Housing Enabler to discuss her report – available on our website – to look at the preferences you have expressed and decide on the next steps.

Clerk Vacancy: Our Clerk, Ana Hughes, has notified us that, subject to confirmation in the coming months, she may well be leaving us. We are therefore asking for possible expressions of interest in this position. For details please contact our Vice-Chairman, Althea Davies on 541060 or email: altheadavies@tatsfieldparishcouncil.org.uk.

The next meetings of the Parish Council will be held at the Aileen McHugo Building at 8.00 pm on Monday 10th October 2016 and then on Monday 24th October 2016 - also at 8.00 pm. The agendas will be available at: www.surreycommunity.info/tatsfield/ and on village notice boards.

Nichola Stokoe, Chairman (Tel: 576443; Email: nicholastokoe@tatsfieldparishcouncil.org.uk)

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such as ours. I am pleased to say that he has accepted the invitation, subject of course to any emergency happening at that time, and will join us on Tuesday 18th October 2016 between 09.00 and 11.00am.

I will take him on a tour of the village and then return to the Aileen McHugo Building around 10.00am where we will hold a sort of open surgery where he can meet villagers and give you the opportunity to discuss anything that may affect the village or policing in general. If you would like to come along to the meeting please email me on the address below so I have an idea of numbers.

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At the moment, Tandridge residents have access to a range of services. These include a dial-a-ride minibus service, **a taxi voucher scheme** and a range of smaller, niche voluntary services, although provision across the district can vary. Community transport generally serves an older and/or disabled and more rural population.

The review will look at the way community transport services are offered with the aim of improving the service, while achieving better value for money. There will be no reduction in the service offered. Current and alternative dial-a-ride providers will be invited to quote to provide the new service from 3nd April 2017.

At this meeting I was surprised to discover that there was a taxi voucher scheme available to residents of Tandridge. Having asked how much benefit Tatsfield receives from this scheme I was advised that at present no one from Tatsfield had applied to the scheme. So here is a short précis of what the scheme does and how you can benefit from it, should the need arise. Please do make use of this service for the future. You should know that the cycle of 1st June to 31st May means there might be limited availability this term but if this is the case you should apply early for the next year's quota which is usually released around March/April time.

The Tandridge Taxi Voucher Scheme has been running since 1997. It provides a means of transport to people who are unable to use existing transport services because of genuine mobility problems and/or rural isolation. Each voucher has a face value of £2 and each book provides 77 vouchers – total value £154. The vouchers are security printed and have a barcode on each one. The name and address of the individual member is on the front of the book. Requests for the service should be directed to 01737 737495 or email contactcentre.adults@surreycc.gov.uk Subject to availability of the vouchers, guidance will be given regarding the completion of the application form (including eligibility criteria) and information regarding the taxi companies who participate in the scheme. On the Tandridge website, the link for the Taxi Voucher Scheme takes the user through to the following:

https://www.surreycc.gov.uk/roads-and-transport/community-and-hospital-transport/community-transport-in-surrey/taxi-voucher-schemes

Tandridge Magazine: Following on my report in the last parish magazine I received just the one telephone call telling me the magazine had not been received. I arranged to have it posted. I will therefore now presume everyone else is happy with their own circumstances regarding the issue and delivery of this magazine.

Tatsfield Playing Fields Association: On the 19th September the Tatsfield Playing Fields Association was due to make its representations to the Rent Subsidy Grants Subcommittee regarding a full 100% grant subsidy toward the upkeep of Furze Corner. I am hopeful that with all of the work undertaken to get this site correctly assessed with my support and that of the Parish Council there will be a favourable outcome for all parties in this matter. Good luck to Christopher and his team. I will report the outcome in next month's magazine.

If you think I can help you with anything to do with the Tandridge District Council or anything else for that matter please do not hesitate to contact me.

Cllr Martin Allen 01959 577201 cllr.martin.allen@tandridgedc.gov.uk or martin_allen@talk21.com

RAYMOND EDWARD WELCH

17th April 1934 – 12th August 2016

Ray's funeral took place at St Mary's on 2^{nd} September: below is an abbreviated version of the tribute deliver by his son Chris.



Dad was born at home in Rickmansworth, Hertfordshire. He had an older brother, Bill (deceased), a sister Jean (now in Canada) and two younger brothers, Michael and David.

Dad told stories of a childhood playing in the woods, building camps and tree swings, scrumping, hunting for bird eggs and playing devilish pranks. He left his grandchildren open mouthed when he spoke of homemade toys for Christmas with his father making him additions to his lead soldier collection.

His stories from his school years suggested he was a challenging pupil, often getting in trouble with his teachers. He got so fed up of being subjected to the cane that on one occasion he found a way to hide the in the school piano and somehow successfully avoided further corporal punishment.

He got much enjoyment as a young teenager, helping to train greyhounds. So much so that he harboured hopes of progressing into greyhound training himself. Although this did not transpire, he never lost his passion for greyhound racing.

Dad eventually left home when called up for National Service. He joined the RAF as a driver. He always said that the RAF made him grow up and taught him what he called his "3 T's" - Thoughtfulness, Tidiness and Timeliness. Those folk who knew him well would have seen that he lived by these throughout his life. That said, his devilish behaviour never wilted and whenever there were "goings on" on Camp, Dad would not be far away.

It was whilst Dad was in the RAF that he met Mum. Mum was visiting a relative at RAF Cottesmore with her father and she caught my Dad's eye. The rest as they say is history. They started their married life in a caravan, with Dad working as a mobile greengrocer, driving a converted coach around Rickmansworth, Maple Cross and Chorleywood.

I arrived a couple of years later in 1960 and soon after Mum and Dad moved to Addiscombe where they both took jobs with London Transport based at the Elmers End depot, Dad as a driver and Mum as his "Clippie". There are many stories of their exploits on the No12 Routemaster. On one occasion Mum helped an old lady alight

from the bus and Dad drove off not knowing he had left Mum (his Clippie) at the bus stop. He was made aware at the next stop by an enraged pensioner rattling his cab with her walking stick.

Dad became a HGV driver and worked for several years making deliveries for Kraft Cheese to stores throughout the South East of England. Again Dad was never far away from finding a loophole. The "How Old Are You?" hustle was one of the best. Briefly, this worked as follows: stores often took orders of 30 boxes or more of cheese. Dad, on the back of the lorry, would throw the boxes to the storeman, counting as he went. Dad would judge the age of the storeman and as the count progressed towards his guesstimate Dad would ask the storeman how old he was. The storeman would respond and Dad would them continue the count from that number. So: "1, 2, 3, 4, 5.......18, 19, 20, 21, 22, how old are you?" The response would be say "24" and Dad would then continue the count without stopping at "25" and in so doing gained some goods to barter later with other delivery drivers.

When Julie arrived in 1964, the family had moved into a maisonette in New Addington and soon after Dad was encouraged to apply for and was offered the role of a sales manager for Kraft Foods. This proved to be Dad's forte. Dad developed an amazing sales patter, he was able to connect with branch managers and buyers in wholesalers. He also showed a creative talent and created some memorable shop-front displays in the days of handwritten sign writing. His "Dairylea arch" in a store Brixton made it into the trade magazines and local papers.

Anita, Mum and Dad's third child arrived in 1970 when the family had moved to a larger family house on a new estate in New Addington. Dad moved onto Food Brokers where he enjoyed a successful selling career. He was promoted to Area Manager, Regional Manager and Training Manager. However, he was never happier than when he was doing a deal. He won sales competitions most years with some amazing prizes of weekends away, holidays abroad often with the transport being the company's private jet. Mum and Dad had many happy memories of these trips.

Dad retired at 63. His Managing Director gave him one piece of advice that Dad took on board and used it throughout the 20 years of his retirement. That was: always have something to wake up for everyday! This was the start of Dad's "lists years". He became the master of the "to do" list. This worked a treat for Dad and tied in nicely with his 3T's. The downside for Mum and others was it was often difficult to get him to do something that was not on his list.

Dad had several hobbies and passions. Greyhounds have been something that has been a constant thread throughout his life. Mum and Dad have always said that they won their wedding money at Catford Greyhound Stadium. "5 & 2 reversed" - a forecast bet that came up trumps. Dad collected the winnings and Mum pulled him out of Catford Stadium and straight up the aisle. For Dad, a perfect night out was an evening meal at the Wimbledon Greyhound track. He celebrated both his 65th and 80th birthdays at such an event.

Dad loved his holidays. He ensured the family had two weeks in Cornwall each summer. He was the master of the sandcastle and would often leave a bucket in front of his creation requesting donations.

Following retirement, Mum and Dad decided to purchase a caravan on a site in Hastings. Close on ten years of much happiness and many fun times were had. Great friendships made. Initially it was to be an occasional weekend retreat but very soon it was in effect a second home with Dad spending most of his time there. Dad started developing a garden around his caravan. The piece of grass outside became a lawn. The lawn increased in size. Arches were constructed. A plethora of pots full of plants appeared. The only thing that limited Dad and his grass cutting was the length of his electrical extension lead — but he overcame this but attaching an extension lead to extension lead. Dad had developed his and other plots so much that he one day when reading a national paper he noticed an advert for the site in Hastings. On closer inspection he realised that his caravan and garden were being used in the advert. He was immensely proud of that.

Dad's passion for gardening took hold many years before when the family moved to North Walk in New Addington. It was a newly-built house and the garden was a building site when we moved in. Dad set to and laid a lawn. Flower beds were created usually for summer bedding plants planted in regimented rows. He had a fondness for roses and spent hours ensuring black spot was kept at bay. His lawn was bowling green standard. His edges were straight and dustbin lid was often used as a template to cut perfect circles for his rose bushes.

On leaving North Walk for Chertsey Crescent he had a bigger garden. He invested in a greenhouse and had many years of joy growing bedding plants from seed. This enabled him to have more and more plants for the garden and the garden became a blanket of colour throughout the summer against a perfectly manicured lawn. His greenhouse gave him the chance to experiment. He grew tomatoes most years along with cucumbers with the occasional adventure into more exotic fruit like melons. Although the family always thought his fruit was shop bought.

Over the years he became a master of the lawn. He looked at your shoes before you walked on his grass. "You're not going on there in those heels!" Julie, a keen sunbather as a youngster, recalls that Dad didn't allow her to lie in one spot on the lawn for more than 30 minutes in case she damaged it.

Mum and Dad moved into Crossways Court approx 8 years ago. Dad said his gardening days had come to an end. He had a small bed in front of his flat. "That'll be enough for me" he said. Within a year he had started tending a bed on the far side of the communal garden. He then started cutting some parts of the grass by the shed. He painted the shed. He offered to keep other residents' small plots tidy and within a few years he was back into his passion more or less full time. His "to do" list always stating what he was doing the next day.

He became known to the local Tatsfield Horticultural Society. He was encouraged to enter the communal garden in local competitions and became successful. It was amazing to get a call when Dad was in hospital to be advised that the garden had won once again. We were able to let him know a couple of hours prior to his passing.

Dad lived a full life. He leaves us all with so so many happy memories, rib-tickling, cannot stop laughing moments.

Dad was a smoker; he was diagnosed with COPD a few years back. Each chest infection that he contracted made him a little weaker. His passed away peacefully in Tunbridge Wells hospital in Pembury on 12th August.

The family would like to thank everyone for the kind messages of sympathy and support that have been offered.

Chris Welch



Have you been to see any of the Village Hall's screenings of recently released films? Why not give it a try and see what you think? It is convenient and reasonably priced and the films are shown on a large cinema-size screen.

Curzon are bringing two more major films to the Village Hall this month and you can see details of the showings on Saturday 15th on page 53."**The Jungle Book**" is not the animated Disney film made in 1967 but is a new Disney live-action/computergenerated imagery production based on the stories of Rudyard Kipling and inspired by the earlier Disney film. The characters have the voices of many stars including Ben Kingsley, Scarlett Johansson and Christopher Walken. The new film has become a critical and commercial success. And "**Love & Friendship**" is a period comedy released this year based on Jane Austin's novel "Lady Susan". It stars Kate Beckinsale and Stephen Fry and is directed by Whit Stillman. It has received critical acclaim in the USA.

Another two films will be coming to the Village Hall on 19th November.

Bob David



LITTLE ACORNS

We have had a great start to the new academic year and the children have been pleased to return to preschool and we have welcomed lots of new faces too!!

We have lots of treats coming up for this term and so far we have been talking about the summer break and all the fun the children had. The children brought in their summer treasure boxes from home full of some lovely memorabilia from their summer holidays and shared them at 'Show and Tell time' and created their own 'Little Acorns Summer Wall' to look at and talk about.

For the rest of the term the children will be exploring the topic 'All about Me' within the activities and crafts as well as a special Autumn & Halloween session with a pumpkin carving competition and lots of fun crafts to take home!

Our new committee – We held our AGM on Monday 27th September and we are pleased to welcome lots of new members to the dedicated committee at Little Acorns. As you know Little Acorns Preschool is a charity and the preschool could not operate without a devoted committee. I would like to take this opportunity to thank the members who are leaving who helped us last year. They will be missed from our fun half-termly meetings!

You do not have to be a parent or carer to join the committee at Little Acorns so if you are interested in helping us with fundraising or getting involved in the general running of the setting, then please feel free to contact me.

Cake sale – Thank you to everyone who baked and sampled some of our cakes at the Little Acorns Preschool Cake Stall on Saturday 24th September at the Tatsfield Beer Festival. We raised lots of funds for some new resources for the setting which include Aqua mats, mark making equipment and a new tray and stand for messy play activities!

Little Acorns Preschool Autumn Party! – We are very excited to be holding an End of Half Term Party for all the children at the preschool and their young siblings on Sat 22nd October from 2.30-4pm. The children will enjoy a disco, fun games, a fancy dress competition and lots more. If you would like tickets for this event



please pop into the preschool and speak to a member of staff. Tickets cost £3 each and include games, treats, drinks and a snack.

Funding - Little Acorns Preschool is a registered charity and after receiving government funding we try to raise the money to make improvements to the setting and activities we offer. If you can help or know of any organisations who would be interested in 'match funding' then please let us know.

Breakfast Club - Don't forget about out Breakfast Club which operates every day from 7.15am and includes school drop-off to Tatsfield Primary School. Please contact us for more information.

If you would like more information about Little Acorns or would like to register your child or have a look round, please contact Julie Barlow on 540775 during pre-school hours. These are Monday, Tuesday and Thursday 0900–1500 and Wednesday and Friday 0900-1200.

Thank you for reading!

Natalie Ruggins, Chair of Little Acorns Management Committee (littleacornschair@outlook.com)



Can we make Tatsfield a more dementia friendly community? You are invited to a Dementia Awareness Session

Monday 3rd October 7.45 pm at St Mary's Millennium Hall

This evening is another opportunity to raise awareness and learn something more about dementia and the small ways you can help and support people to live well in the community with dementia. It is a repeat, by popular request, of the evening held here a year ago. The session will be friendly, fun and informative - an opportunity to learn some interesting facts about dementia and with time for questions. It will aim to help you to understand how someone with dementia might perceive the world and help you have a better understanding of why they might be doing and saying things we don't understand.

The evening will be led by Hakeem Anjorin, a volunteer who has trained as a Dementia Friends Champion. 'Dementia Friends' is an Alzheimer's Society-led initiative. It aims to increase dementia awareness and change the way we think, talk and act about dementia.

There will be refreshments on arrival at 7.45 pm and the session will start at 8.00 pm

To book a place or for further information please contact Jennie South on 577598 email jennie.south@btopenworld.com

Jennie South

FOR SALE

Ikea cot with 10cm spring mattress & bumper; hardly used £30 (prices as new £39, £60 & £12)

Can be collected assembled or taken apart for ease of transport.





Babybjorn toilet seat used once £7 (original price £29.95) Two cuski comforters £3 each Please ring 01959 577584

TATSFIELD PRIMARY SCHOOL

Wren Class at Tatsfield Primary School

The children in Wren class have settled in really well to Tatsfield School. They were very excited about joining Wren class and are enjoying school life.

Below are a few drawings of their happy, smiling faces.



TATSFIELD IN BLOOM 2016

At last we know the results of this year's South and South East in Bloom competition! Pam Bishop and Bob David went to Fareham on 14th September for the annual awards event where they were among about 300 representatives of the entrants to the many different categories of the competition. Tatsfield was competing in the Large Village category and the great news is that Pam and Bob have come back with the **Best Large Village trophy and a Gold award for Tatsfield!**

The report of the judges shows how impressed they were with the carpet bed celebrating the Queen's 90th birthday at the entrance to the village centre and the novel wine bottle and spilt red wine display on the Bakery green as well as with everything else they saw in the village. We all know how good the baskets and other containers filled with purple and yellow



petunias have looked all summer as they have been on display in many different parts of the village. This has been achieved by the efforts of our great team of volunteers led by Jon Allbutt. We are grateful to all of them and to the many local businesses and organisations who have sponsored Tatsfield in Bloom as well as to the large numbers of villagers who have made generous donations to our funds.

But we can't rest on our laurels! Sadly, we will soon have to start digging up our summer displays and replacing them with winter and spring flowers — and then planning what we will be doing in 2017. We hope we will continue to have the support of the village.

Over the summer you will have seen the volunteers watering the displays in the Tatol Bed and on the Bakery Green, together with the hanging baskets and mangers. They have also been tending the plants and keeping them looking good throughout the hot weather. Pam Bishop and Marion Godfrey, under the expert guidance of Jon Allbutt, have been trimming the Tatol Bed, which as you can see from the photo below,



involves a precarious manoeuvre with a plank and supports!

A few weeks ago the volunteers also did their annual hedge trim at Crossways Court. A great team turned up and, despite pouring rain, the task was completed in a couple of hours. The photo shows Doug Massey wielding his hedge trimmer.

A very big thank you to all the volunteers,

waterers and hedge cutters who have turned out to help over the summer period.

Jill Hancock, Tatsfield In Bloom

TATSFIELD HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

Autumn Show September 10th



Before going on to the events in **October and November** I just wanted to say a **HUGE** thank you to everyone involved in making the Autumn Show such a success. At times the hall was filled to bursting with you the spectators and exhibitors and the committee and invited persons. Well over 100 people attended and the tea bags had to be restocked as did the marvellous cakes on sale. The colours and qualities of the entries was as good as

any I can remember. Thank you

I will endeavour to get the prize winners and photos onto the website as soon as I can manage it. Please see the full report from Carol elsewhere in the Magazine.

Future events

Gardening Club - Tuesday October 11th 7.30pm W.I. Hall -

Growing in Containers - Jon Albutt will be describing the history of gardening in containers from fruit trees to shrubs and bedding plants. Jon is inviting Tatsfield gardeners to send him - by email - pictures of their favourite container plants. He will show them and a winner will be selected with a fine bottle of French wine as the prize. You are also encouraged to send him some pictures of some of your failures and maybe Jon can you give some specific advice as to how to avoid it next time. There will also be plenty of time for Jon to answer other gardening questions after a cup of tea and biscuits"

"Email your entry to jon@jonallbutt.co.uk and come to the meeting to claim your prize". Entry is only £1 and we look forward to seeing you there on the night.

See the poster elsewhere in the magazine.

Annual General Meeting – and Big Talk

Rhoderick Jones, the Head Gardener at the Titsey Estate, will be our speaker at the AGM and Big Talk on November 8th. There will be more on the topic in the November issue.

Please speak to any committee member to reserve your tickets for this event - one not to be missed.

Again with thanks for a superb Autumn Show

Martin Allen Chairman Tatsfield Horticultural Society

01959 577201 or martin_allen@talk21.com Web address http://tatsfieldhorticulturalsociety.weebly.com

HEAR HERE!



A free aftercare service for NHS Hearing Aids in Tatsfield run by St Mary's Church

It takes time to adapt to using hearing aids – getting used to new sounds as well as managing the hearing aids themselves. St Mary's Hearing Champions, Hilary Vale and Jennie South, with support from Carys Long can help people to make the most of their hearing aids.

Taking care of your hearing aid means it will work better, last longer and maybe save you unnecessary trips further afield. If you don't keep your hearing aid maintained, you won't be able to hear as clearly.

Who are Hearing Champions?

Hearing Champions are volunteers who have been trained by NHS audiology staff in the basics of hearing aid maintenance. In addition, volunteers have also been trained on safeguarding matters and have had the appropriate police checks.

What support do Hearing Champions offer?

Hearing Champion volunteers can provide support with the following:

- Checking the hearing aid is working properly
- Re-tubing, ear mould cleaning and battery replacement
- Checking the fitting of the hearing aid in the ear
- Advice on maintenance and cleaning of hearing aids
- Advice and support on making the most of the hearing aids
- Information and signposting to other services and useful equipment

Since we launched this service in March this year we have seen and average of eight people each time and 44 different people have so far used the service.



What does this local service in Tatsfield look like?

A drop-in Hearing Aid Clinic is held on the **first Thursday of each month between 1.30pm and 3.00pm** in the Parish room in the Aileen McHugo Building behind the Village Hall. Tatsfield Parish Council is very supportive providing the use of this room free of charge. The photo above was taken at the September session.

The service is free and available to anyone with a "behind the ear" NHS hearing aid. So if you think this is something you would find helpful we look forward to seeing you.

The sessions in the next few months will be on Thursdays - 6th October, 3rd November and 1st December.

Jennie South



POLICE REPORT

Hello Tatsfield

It's time to dust off your warmer coats, and put on those leaf-kicking shoes. Yes, it's autumn - one of my four favourite seasons of the year.

We'll leaf-kick off my little crime review of the month, by stating that it actually wasn't that 'little'. In fact, in Tatsfield terms, there has been something of a mini crime wave (in numbers anyway).

Firstly, back in August, Beaver World (Tatsfield Aquatics) was victim to shoplifters. Thankfully, one of the two items taken was dropped on the site, and a witness noted the vehicle number. Also, we now have CCTV footage showing the crime, so with this evidence we are confident in a prosecution soon.

Next, a caravan and shed were damaged deliberately on private property off Cudham Road. Despite having a named suspect, a complete lack of evidence to prove it means there can be no prosecution. Also, criminal damage occurred within private woods off Kemsley Road, with a large number of trees cut down and a perimeter fence cut for illegal access. No lines of enquiry exist here. Finally, a vehicle was keyed on Ship Hill, again no clues unfortunately.

Now, important message for kids. .when you kick leaves at someone, make sure there are no conkers in there first!!



And with the darker (I mean longer) nights now, please ensure your internal/external night lights are all in order. Ta.

That's all for now folks......see you around the village.

Rupert PCSO 12599 Kelley

HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY AUTUMN SHOW



The fabulous Horti Show on 10th September was well attended by Tatsfielders in spite or perhaps because of a drizzly afternoon. The delicious cakes help to lift spirits.

Of course preparation for the show began much earlier on Friday, when Angela and her team collated entries and wrote out cards and the committee set up the village hall at 6pm. The same team arrived at the hall at 8:30 on Saturday to welcome entrants and prepare for the arrival of the judges. I am always impressed by

the seamless way everything gets done on time and with our sense of humour intact.

Thanks to all our judges for their time, careful work and supportive comments. We hope that they appreciated the lunch provided at the Millennium Hall and beautifully cooked by Enid Garrard and Pat Walsh.



We had nearly 300 entrants into The FLOWER, PRODUCE, DOMESTIC, ART, CRAFT and PHOTOGRAPHY sections.

We would love more CRAFT and JUNIOR entries and will work hard to see if we can provide inspirational titles for you in the next yearbook.

Prize winners were presented with their cups and medals by Nicola Stokoe, chair of our Parish Council. A new cup was introduced by the Erbes family in memory of Tony who loved being part of the show. Well done to all the winners:

President's Challenge Cup Club Challenge Cup Elizabeth Challenge Cup The McHugo Trophy Slatter Trophy Peter Warner Trophy Jeff Bloxham Trophy Tom Black Cup Tatsfield School Cup Harry Shrubb Memorial Trophy Ron Draper Award Clark Cup Tony Erbes Cup Allotment Trophy RHS Banksian Medal RHS Grenfell Medal

Brittany Erbes Bob David Bob David Tina Boys Val Payne Carol Gaskell Tina Rhoda David Hadden Lewis Longley Jan Maynard Ian Longley Tina Boys Peter Maynard Peter Maynard **Brittany Erbes** Tina Boys

The sunflower competition results were very impressive.

No entry qualified for the Godard Trophy or the Betty Lyden Henton Memorial trophy.

The Sunflower Competition:

Tallest Plant: George Hadden (12) with a plant

measuring 3.26m

Largest Flower : George Hadden with a flower

measuring 26 cm (18 cm last year)

UNDER 8'S

Tallest Plant: Zachary Horton (5) with a huge

plant measuring 2.6 metres!

Largest Flower Luis Sneddon with a monster flower

measuring 32 cm



Special mention goes to Luis Seddon who nearly swept the board in this category with a plant that measured 2.45 metres tall! Also Thomas Hewitt-Falce (5) in his first year of the competition – he grew a sunflower that measured 2 metres tall!

Thanks to all of you for entering, visiting, presenting, judging and working hard on our behalf.

Jon Allbutt, Martin Allen, Alan Armitage, Bob David, Carol Gaskell, Peter Maynard, Angela Sawyers, Christine Stainer, Sue Warren

Some of the prizewinners from the Horticultural Show:



Some of the many magnificent entries in the Autumn Show









TATSFIELD COMMUNITY COMPOSTING

We are now closed for the winter, having worked through an enormous amount of green waste, filling something like 50 bins as well as our one very large bin that we use for anything that needs a two year turnaround instead of the one year that we normally operate. In the last few weeks we have left the grass bin untouched and layered that with the horse manure that comes up weekly and this will start us off next year with the correct mix of incoming material.

We will spend the Saturdays in October finalising the turning cycle of the bins and repairing or replacing any of the pallet wood that has rotted away. We will also spend some time working on building a few bins and generally getting the site ready for its full closure during October.

During October it seems that the part that we have been waiting for will actually arrive and we will be getting some training regarding the ability to change the grid and mechanism which will serve us better when we are in the wet periods of the season.

It is with much thanks to the volunteers that have assisted on the site all season:

Ray McPherson, Ian McAffer, Phil Brett, Barry Bull, Eddie Leeves and Rupert Eales-White as well as Mike Williams who has joined us for a few weeks recently. And particular thanks to Ruth and Jim Yeeles who seemed to come along just when we needed the extra man power (and woman power) and made a big difference on the day. I also want to thank the committee members who came along and did the meet and greet, which is important to make sure the correct material goes in to the right bins, but also to assist anyone who may need that little extra bit of help with their green waste.

We have been extremely fortunate this season to have an excellent group of Tatsfield youngsters serving their Duke of Edinburgh volunteering time with us up at the site. They leave us having matured (excuse the pun) in to responsible young adults and we would welcome them back at any stage of their future DoE plans.

They are Adam Dennis and Josh Dennis, John Harber and Cecile Bateman, thank you to all of you.

The final output of the site will be advised in the Chairman's statement at the Annual General Meeting.

So from Saturday 1st October please take any leftover green or woody waste up to Bond Road. It is open Tuesday – Saturday. Thank You.

So this is the last report of the year but should you wish to join us next year or if you have someone who wants to do their DoE volunteering with us next year I look forward to hearing from you in April.

Martin Allen (01959 577201), Phil Brett (01959 577420)

VILLAGE HALL NEWS

Very few people will have noticed, but the Village Hall now has new windows. These were deliberately specified to look just like the old ones so, for example, the windows facing onto the road look as if they are sash windows, but are in fact not and are much easier to open. They are also more secure, more energy efficient and more soundproof, for sounds both coming out of the hall and for traffic noise from outside.

The Village Hall has received a Biffa Award covering 97% of the cost of the windows. This comes from an environment fund managed by Royal Society of Wildlife Trusts utilising landfill tax credits donated by Biffa Waste Services. Without this grant, the windows would have been unaffordable. The Parish Council supplied the mandatory third party contribution.

The sound-deadening qualities of the new windows have already been noted by the North Downs Sinfonia, who rehearse in the hall every month. I am sure that, by the time you read this, it will also have been noted by many others, including the cinema club audience. The new windows have uPVC frames and will require no maintenance, but the old windows had wooden frames that needed regular painting. The kitchen now has clear glass instead of stippled, and this allows much more light in. The better energy efficiency will of course be more noticeable in the winter, and the lower energy bills will help to keep the hire charges down.

The kitchen window before and after:





The Village Hall committee now intends to redecorate around the new windows, and to provide new curtains and curtain rails.

These are only the latest in a line of many improvements in the hall, including improved lighting in the lobby and on the stage, energy-efficient, dimmable lighting in the main hall, a new door and outside play area for Little Acorns, and automatic lighting in the downstairs rooms. There are many more to come, to keep the hall a first-class, modern venue.

Peter Maynard, Village Hall Management Committee

TATSFIELD FAIRTRADE

LOVE COFFEE? - ANSWERS

Here's the answers to the Quiz that was in the July/August Parish Magazine.

- 1. Coffee originally comes from Ethiopia.
- Finland consumes the most coffee per person.
- 3. Brazil produces the most coffee.
- 4. **125 million** people in the world depend on coffee production for their livelihoods.
- 5. Fairtrade coffee means that farmers get a fair and stable price for the coffee they grow.

Congratulations to nine year old Thomas Veale from Ricketts Hill who got all the

answers right. He said he really enjoyed researching the answers on the internet. Here he is collecting his prize from Alizon Mooney at the Fairtrade Tea Tent on Saturday 17th September.

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Barbara Hestor, Tatsfield Fairtrade Group

(Tatsfieldfairtradevillage.weebly.com)



We are a

Fairtrade

Village

A new singing group for people living with dementia starting on Friday 21st October (then alternate Fridays), in Oxted.

Launched by the Alzheimer's Society, sessions run fortnightly on Fridays between 2 and 3.30pm at Oxted Community Hall, 53, Church Lane, Oxted, RH8 9NB.

There is a £3.50 charge per person per session which includes refreshments.

To find out more about attending Singing for the Brain [®] and other services in the area call 01932 855582, email surrey@alzheimers.org.uk or log on to alzheimers.org.uk/localinformation

ST MARY'S MATTERS

Open The Book

Our September service came at a time when the church was recognising the Festival of St Mary so we celebrated our church building and its people, going back over 900 years – the time line was very long and reminded us how things have changed over the centuries.

The first Sunday in October will be our Harvest Festival which will also be suited to all ages and our next OTB will be on 6th November.

All Souls' Service Sunday 30th October, 3.30 pm



This quiet service offers a time to remember those we have loved and see no more. There is the opportunity to remember them by name and to light a candle in their memory. Over the years many people have found this a particularly valuable time as we gather together to share our sadness and also to give thanks for the lives that have meant so much to us. If you feel this service would be meaningful and helpful for you please come, even if you are not in the habit of coming to church. There will be tea and cake the hall afterwards.

St Mary's 'Holiday at Home'

This was another good year for holidaying in Tatsfield! Nearly fifty people took up the invitation and booked their "holiday at home" in Tatsfield. To start the week, the hall was transformed into the Tatsfield Ritz serving a delicious afternoon tea to many guests in beautiful vintage china. Good food was an enduring theme for the week with a hearty ploughman's lunch, warming shepherds' pie and indulgent desserts enjoyed along the way. The coach set off on the following day for coffee, lunch, shopping and pottering at Polhill Garden Centre. Coping with the heatwave was a challenge but spending time in the aquatic area had a cooling and calming effect! On another afternoon the holiday makers had a very entertaining talk by Alan Coxson MBE, recounting his experiences while serving for in the Metropolitan Police which had included being in charge of security at the House of Westminster.

A team of core planners had worked out the programme but the whole enterprise was very well supported by a team of eighteen volunteers in all, who contributed behind the scenes with bookings, baking, and on the day by serving, washing up and preparing activities. The wonderful Tatsfield Helpline, co-ordinated by Hazel Cartwright, ensured that all those holiday makers who needed transport were looked after. Tatsfield District Councillor, Martin Allen, offered his help again this year. He proved yet again to be much in demand as a 'pusher' of the wheelchair (amongst other things) particularly as weary holiday makers had to negotiate the slope from the church hall to the car park.

For some, the chance to switch off and relax in the sun, with a lovely view and an endless supply of coffee, the daily newspaper and a bit of conversation was just the ticket! It was a busy week for all involved and definitely a holiday to remember with

lots of laughter and many new friendships made. Many holiday makers left saying that they were already looking forward to next year!

Teas

I am pleased to say that despite a slow start we have had a very successful teas season and the final total takings look like being in excess of £3500. A huge thank you to all helpers and customers.

Normally in early October we invite all helpers to a 'thank you' coffee morning. This will in fact be on 29 October which was the first available hall date. So do not worry your invitation will come.

We have decided to change the start date of Teas in 2017 as starting on Easter Day does cause some problems. The date of Easter can range from the end to March to the end of April. Therefore, in 2017 we will start on 29 April, which is the Sunday of the May Bank Holiday weekend. See you all next year and many thanks. Madie Langford

Churchyard

Much was achieved at out tidy-up morning on 3rd September – thank you to all those who helped, some of whom may be seen in the photo. Mary is somewhat concerned about Dickon's intentions with his hedge trimmer – she was not in need of a haircut.



Praying The Lord's Prayer

You are invited to spend some quiet time reflecting on this prayer that many of us know so well. Starting on Sunday 9th October and for the following seven weeks there will be an opportunity at St Mary's to be engaged in The Lord's Prayer in a dynamic and multi-sensory way. There will be a different prayer station each week which focuses on a specific part of The Lord's Prayer. The church is usually open in daylight hours so please pop in any time.

Flowers

9th October: Wedding. 16th and 23rd October: Chris Rosenburg.

Sunday 2nd October Harvest Festival.

Many thanks to all the lovely ladies who keep the church flowers going throughout the year especially all the donations. We recently had Sue Warren's beautiful dahlias for several weeks which looked stunning. The harvest festival is well and truly upon us, by the time you get your copy of the parish magazine it will probably be too late to come and help on 1st October when we will be decorating the church, however please do pop along or contact me to meet us all and help at the Christmas festival. I first joined about fourteen years ago and have learnt so much from some very talented ladies, we look forward to seeing you.

Tina Boys

St Mary's is very grateful to Tina for organising the flowers which contribute so much to the atmosphere of the church.

100 Club winners

August: 47 Ian Mitchell £22.50; 23 Margaret Grover £13.50; 20 Mr. Tapsell £9.00; St. Mary's Church £45.00

September: 75 Brian Spicer £22.50; 51 Rex Gascoyne £13.50 9 R. David £9.00; St. Mary's Church £45.00

There are still a few vacancies – please see Maureen Perrin or Alan Hall.

Records

2nd September Funeral of Ray Welch 11th September Baptism of Chloe Montague

MEET YOUR POLICE AND CRIME COMMISSIONER MR. DAVID MUNRO

Tuesday 18th October

Approximately 10.00am

Aileen McHugo Building (behind Village Hall)

Please email Martin Allen beforehand if you are going.

Further detail on page 22

cllr.martin.allen@tandridgedc.gov.uk

REGULAR EVENTS THIS MONTH

These events, weekly unless stated otherwise, normally take place at the times given below, but there can be variations e.g. in school holidays. Please check with the organisers if necessary.

Sun	10.00 am	Church service – StM
Mon	9.00 am 9.30 am 10.00 am 1.30 pm 6.00 pm 7.30 pm 8.15 pm	PCSO Rupert Kelley Surgery – Linda's Stores [to 10am] Tots on Top – CH WI Exercises - WIH Bridge Club – WIH Beavers – SH Art Group – VH [Term time] Bingo – TVC
Tue	7.00 pm 7.00 pm	Pilates – TPS Scouts - SH
Wed	10.00 am 1.30 pm 6.00 pm 8.00 pm	WI Pop In – WIH Short Mat Bowls –VH Cubs – SH Yoga – VH
Thu	9.15 am 10.00 am 3.00 pm various 7.30 pm 7.30 pm 8.00 pm	Said Communion Service – StM [3 rd Thursday only] Over 50s Yoga – WIH WI Darts – WIH Martial Arts Duplicate Bridge – WIH Tatsfield Singers - TPS Table Tennis – VH
Fri	1.30 pm 5.30 pm 8.00 pm	Short Mat Bowls –VH Badminton club for Juniors - VH Badminton Club - VH
Sat	11.00 am	Parish Council Café -The Bakery [to noon]

ADDITIONAL EVENTS THIS MONTH

1 Sat	10.00 am	Churchyard tidy-up - StM
2 Sun	10.00 am	Harvest Festival – StM (No 11.30 am service today)
	10.15 am	Ramblers
3 Mon	7.45 pm	Dementia Awareness Evening – StM hall
4 Tue	1.00 pm	WI Harvest Lunch - WIH
6 Thu	1.30 pm	Hear Here – AMB (to 3.00 pm)
	2.00 pm	Scrabble - Scrumdoone, Greenway
9 Sun	10.00 am	Sung Eucharist – StM
10 Mon	8.00 pm	Parish Council Meeting - AMB
11 Tue	1.45 pm	Not So Yound Club - WIH
	7.30 pm	Gardening Club – WIH
	7.30 pm	Tatty Knitters - Bakery

15 Sat		Curzon Country Cinema – VH
16 Sun	10.00 am	Sung Eucharist – StM
	11.00 am	Ramblers
18 Tue	10.00 am	Visit of Police and Crime Commissioner - AMB
23 Sun	10.00 am	Sung Eucharist with Baptism – StM
25 Tue	1.30 pm	Whist – WIH
30 Sun	10.00 am	Sung Eucharist – StM
	10.30 am	Ramblers
	3.30 pm	All Souls' Service

ADDITIONAL EVENTS NEXT MONTH

1 Tue	2.30 pm	WI - WIH
3 Thu	1.30 pm	Hear Here – AMB (to 3.00 pm)
	2.00 pm	Scrabble - Scrumdoone, Greenway
6 Sun	10.00 am	Open the Book – StM
	11.30 am	Said Eucharist - StM
8 Tue		Horticultural Society Big Talk and AGM - VH
19 Sat		Curzon Country Cinema – VH
29 Tue	1.30 pm	Whist – WIH
		Licensing of Revd Vince Short - StM

FURTHER AHEAD

December		
1 Thu	1.30 pm	Hear Here – AMB (to 3.00 pm)
	2.00 pm	Scrabble - Scrumdoone, Greenway
18 Sun		Carol Service – StM
24 Sat		Christingle Service – TPS
	11.30 pm	Midnight Eucharist - StM

Venues

AMB - Aileen McHugo Building • CGA - Community Games Area
CH - Church Hall • FC - Furze Corner • SH - Scout Hut
StM - St. Mary's Church • TACG - Tatsfield Allotments and Community Garden
TPS - Tatsfield Primary School • TVC - Tatsfield Village Club
VH - Village Hall • WIH - Women's Institute

If you would like your village event included in this diary in future please send details to: tatsfieldpm@gmail.com



SHOPPING AT LINDA'S STORES AND THE POST OFFICE IN OCTOBER



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Paul Bennett has been standing in for Linda at the Post Office counter while she was away last month and he has mentioned some interesting and useful points which I have reported below.

I know it seems hardly possible but when I write this **the last posting dates** for surface mail for Christmas are nearly upon us. For Australia, New Zealand, the Far East and most of Africa, the last posting date will have gone by 29 September (you have to bear in mind that most of what seems a very lengthy time is spent on the boat). Paul suggests that gifts for abroad should be kept to below 2kg whenever possible as above this the price jumps dramatically – it is far cheaper to send two 2kg packages than one 4kg package.

For the less organised who are going to post by air mail, you can relax until the beginning of December.

The Post Office are obliged to ask what **the contents** are of all packets; it may seem like an imposition but some people are still trying to send perfume, alcohol and aerosols through the post even though this has been prohibited for some time. Sending abroad can be much more restrictive: who for example would believe that you can't send playing cards to Greece or a figurine to Jamaica!

If you are in doubt about sending anything through the post, it is probably worth asking Linda or whoever is at the Post Office counter first or else the item might be refused or worse still the package can be destroyed by foreign customs.

As for the shop itself, there are just a few days left into October for **special bargains** (just until the 4th). Some of them are listed below and you will find leaflets of the new bargains from the 5th in the shop:

- Philadelphia cheese £1 (price marked £1.89)
- ♣ Heinz: Hoops, Beans and Spaghetti Any 3 for £2 (price marked 79p each)
- PG Tips Tea Bags £1.65 (price marked £2.65)
- Doritos Any 2 for £1.50 (price marked £1)

Bob David

Dementia Awareness Session

Everything you ever wanted to know about Dementia but didn't dare ask!

Come along and become a Dementia Friend

St Mary's Millennium hall

Monday 3rd October 2016

7.45pm -9.15pm

To book a place or for further information please contact Jennie South 01959 577598 email jennie.south@btopenworld.com

'Friendly, fun and informative - an opportunity to learn some interesting facts about dementia, with plenty of time for questions'

TATSFIELD HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY



GARDENING CLUB
GROWING IN CONTAINERS
An illustrated talk by Jon Allbutt



7:30pm on Tuesday 11 October

At the WI Hall

- Jon will describe the history of gardening in containers from fruit trees to shrubs and bedding plants
- Who will win the prize for their picture of their favourite container plant? Email your entry to jon@jonallbutt.co.uk and come to the meeting to collect your prize!
- Followed by discussion and questions

All welcome – admission £1

W.I.



Our September meeting welcomed back our speaker Mr Bob Ogley, past editor of the Sevenoaks Chronicle and the author of many books. As usual he gave us an interesting and very enjoyable talk.

The talk was the RAF story at Biggin Hill. He spoke of the history which, for Biggin Hill Airport, started in 1917 as a communication wireless centre. In 1922 the experimental parachute was tested there but,

unfortunately, the parachute failed to open and the man was killed.

He took us onward to World War 2 when the airport was involved in the fight against enemy aircraft and the devastation this caused when every part of the airfield was demolished, apart from one hanger. He told us of the bravery of WRAF Elizabeth Mortimore, who received the Military Medal for Bravery for her heroic actions when the airfield was bombed but, unfortunately, she sold it some years later for just £25 because she needed the money so badly.

When the airfield was finally closed its last commander was Squadron Leader Dick Brice. Bob went there and was given a trunk full of letters, photos and a diary – its last entry read "32nd Squadron bids you farewell".

Bob has now written many books on a variety of subjects and has raised £36,000 for the RAF Benevolent Fund.

Our next meeting will be Tuesday, 4th October at 1.00 pm and this will be our Harvest Lunch.

Pat Walsh

TATTY KNITTERS



Breaking with routine we had an early meet up in September and a good natter after the Summer break. Christmas projects are under way with some still not finished from last year.

This always seems to be an exciting time of year for the knitters and crocheters of the world because the Knitting and Stitching Show, at

Alexandra Palace, is on this month from the 5th to the 9th October. It really is a crafters paradise.

We will meet on 11th October, which is during National Knitting Week, in The Bakery at 7.30pm until 9.30ish. Cake will be supplied – buy your own drink. We will be planning our Christmas party.

Love to see you.

Val Quick (Tel: 7761 571071)

NOT SO YOUNG CLUB



This month was very quiet. We had organised some songs for the members to sing-along with but, as the weather was so hot, everyone seemed to just want to enjoy their tea and chat.

On 11th October we are having a fish and chip lunch, which I know is always very popular. Members please be there by 1.45 pm and may I send another reminder - any changes by yourselves should be given to Enid on 577719.

Babs Heffernon (Tel: 540602)

TATSFIELD PLAYING FIELD ASSOCIATION 100 CLUB

Congratulations to the 100 Club winners for August 2016:

1st Prize:M. Budgen£45.002nd Prize:David Parker£30.003rd Prize:Tim Scott£15.00

NATIONAL POWER CUT PHONE LINE - 105

This is designed to help people contact the company that looks after their electricity network. This is UK Power Networks for London, the East and South East of England.

The number, which is available to electricity customers in England, Scotland and Wales, will enable people to report or get information about power cuts as well as report damage to electricity power lines and substations that could put themselves, or someone else, in danger.

105 is funded and delivered by the electricity network operators and is a first for the UK's energy industry. As well as calling 105 people can find more information on the website: http://www.powercut105.com/

Tatsfield Craft Fair

Sunday 20th November

Village Hall 10 am-4 pm

A few spaces still available please call Kim Jennings 577328



TATSFIELD BADMINTON CLUB



- Would you like join a join a club whose members cover a range of standards and which also has teams playing in local leagues?
- Club evenings are on Fridays in Tatsfield Village Hall from 8pm. We play all the year round.
- We welcome new members with some playing experience.
- Interested? If so, please contact Ollie Carr on 07709 817347 or Bob David on 01959 577357. Or just turn up at the Village Hall on a Friday evening

GETTING OLDER

I recently visited my solicitor in Sevenoaks which made me reflect a little on getting older.

A young, handsome and charming solicitor asked me if I would manage the stairs. My immediate reaction was 'of course

I would' but I thanked him and said 'of course'

Reflections continued and realised that aches and pains that always seemed just to go away in the past don't seem to any more. I can however recommend Pilates and a dog to help to keep active and keep all joints moving.





thinking about the fact that fridges, freezers, washing machines and all white goods do not last forever, and why should they, but I feel some things should last forever. I have wondered why the peel of oranges, lemons and limes does not grate as it used to, is it something they are treated with? I found the answer - BUY A NEW GRATER - even they get old.

Madie Langford



RNLI AUTUMN FAIR

Oxted Community Hall, Church Lane, Oxted Saturday 29 October 2016 10am to 12.30pm

Children's books, jewellery, handcrafted soaps, candles, potted garden planters, RNLI Christmas Cards and other local crafts

ALL PROCEEDS TO OXTED AND WESTERHAM BRANCH RNLI



THE TATSFIELD GARDENER IN OCTOBER

I have been asked by lots of Tatsfielders how we managed to keep the displays in the mangers, hanging baskets and the other containers looking so good for such a long period despite some hot August and early September weather. The answer is quite simple – have a large volume of compost, water regularly (our amazing Tatsfield Volunteers were watering every day in the hot weather!) and give them all a good trim back and a liquid feed in mid-July. Oh yes I forgot to add the weekly dead heading – a very sticky job! This attention to detail is the key to such quality blooms; it is no surprise that we were awarded a Gold Medal and Best Village in the South and South East in Bloom 2016 – well done to all the Tatsfield Volunteers.

After the very dry period of weather our clay soil is hard as iron, be patient, don't wear yourself out battling to break it up, the rain returned in late September and will be working its way slowly into the soil profile ready for autumn cultivations.

Planting autumn bedding plants is best done early in the month to give the plants a chance to develop good root systems before the cold dark weather arrives later in the month. If the weather remains quite mild Pansies and Violas will produce some flower, the more sheltered they are the more flower they will produce. Primroses and Polyanthus will become dormant and may lose quite a lot of foliage but that is normal as long as there is some young foliage in the centre.

Wallflowers grow well in Tatsfield as long as they have a sheltered sunny spot, they can suffer if they are exposed to cold winds and heavy frost; they are quite tough plants and well worth the wait to enjoy those super colours and scent in the Spring. You can add an extra touch of colour to vour borders and containers interplanting **Daffodils** and Tulips the autumn bedding. amongst



Daffodils are very tough plants and grow well in our heavy soil, Tulips need more shelter and can be damaged by windy wet weather just as the come into flower.

Don't be in too much of a hurry to cut back roses that may have become a bit straggly due to the hot, dry weather; a light trim now can produce another flush of flower right up to the first cold spell; this could be right up to Christmas!

If you have perennial plants that are finished flowering and are carrying a lot of seed heads please leave them for the birds to remove the seeds. Cutting perennials down was always a tidy gardener's mantra, it does no harm to the plants to leave the tops on until late winter

Jon Allbutt



AT TATSFIELD VILLAGE HALL ON SATURDAY 15 OCTOBER TICKETS - £5

Doors open 3:30pm Film starts 3:50pm Ends 5:45pm



Doors open 7:45pm Film starts 8pm Ends 9:50pm



THE NIGHT SKY IN TATSFIELD - OCTOBER 2016



If you look at the Moon from the 4th of this month until around the 7th, you can see how its phase slowly alters as the days pass. This is due to it changing its position as it orbits the Earth, gradually revealing more of the illuminated hemisphere to us. Don't forget that half of the Moon is always sunlit; it's just that we can't always see it all. If you do manage to see the Moon on these days you will note that its phase is that of a crescent. However, if you look more closely you will also be able to see some of the dark portion as well which is much fainter than the bright crescent.

This is what is known as "Earthshine" and is caused by sunlight bouncing off the Earth and striking the Moon to allow us to see the rest of the side that is turned towards us.

In fact we rely on that same principle to see a whole host of bodies in the Solar System like the planets and their moons as well smaller bodies like asteroids. In simple terms, sunlight falls upon them and we see the light that they have reflected. We very much rely on the Sun not only for light but also for heat because, in astronomical terms, it is extremely close to us. The stars that we see in the night sky are all themselves suns, just like our own. In fact many of them, such as Antares in Scorpio, are much larger than the Sun, so much so that if we were to replace the Sun with Antares its surface would reach out to beyond the orbit of Mars.

If some of the stars are as massive as this, you might wonder why they appear to be so faint. The answer is that they are a long way away from us, so far in fact that it is difficult to comprehend the distances involved. For instance you may have seen an item on the news about a planet being found in orbit around a star called Proxima Centauri. This star is, to use astronomical jargon, just over four light years away and is the closest star to Earth. It doesn't sound much does it, until we calculate what a light year is. Light moves at a speed of 300,000 kilometres per second, so to find out how far light would travel in a year we have to make the following calculation. $300,000 \times 60 \times 60 \times 24 \times 365$, which gives us a result of 9.5 trillion kilometres. This has to be multiplied by 4 (we said Proxima Centauri is 4 light years away) to find that its distance is 38 trillion kilometres. Don't forget this is the *nearest* star to the Earth!

At the other end of the scale, the most distant object that you can see with the naked eye is M31, the Great Andromeda Spiral Galaxy. M31 is 2.5 million light years away, so if you want that in kilometres, you need to multiply that number by 9.5 trillion. I think now you can see why astronomers use larger units than kilometres!

Don't forget that BST ends at 02.00 BST on October 30th.

Brian Mills FRAS

TATSFIELD HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

A TALK BY RHOD JONES, HEAD GARDENER AT TITSEY PLACE

8pm on Tuesday 8 November at the Village Hall





- At the bottom of the hill from Tatsfield is the lovely house and gardens of Titsey Place which go back to Tudor times.
- Rhod will be talking of his time as Head Gardener there and in particular of the restoration and development of the magnificent Victorian Kitchen Garden, which many in the village will have enjoyed seeing.
- Rhod will be bringing with him many large illustrations and will be ready to answer questions during and after his talk.
- Tickets £4, including a glass of wine and light refreshments, from Martin Allen (Tel: 577201 or email: martin_allen@talk21.com) or any other committee member.
- The talk will be preceded by the Society's AGM at 7:30pm.

ALL WELCOME

NIGEL'S NATURE NOTES

Correspondence:

We have a good variety of reports this month, beginning with John Rosenbaum's bird observations (05.09.16):

'I was interested in the latest bird observations seen on the edges of our area. I frequently bird watch along Pilgrims Way and to the west of Croydon Road (B269) in the valley beyond Botley Hill. Along Pilgrims Way there are three nest sites of **Red Kites**, one of which is in the valley beyond Botley Hill. I believe they have bred, as I have seen much coming and going to the nest area but as yet not seen the young fledged so it was interesting to note that Julie Allen spotted four Red Kites in that area. One of the Botley Hill Kites has a missing feather in its wing; it is frequently seen flying over the Village and over my house in Ricketts Hill Road. There are also a number of **Buzzards** around the Botley Hill Area and down towards the Woldingham School. The area from Botley Hill, along The Ridge to Woldingham and the top of the Downs (Surrey Hills) has a good variety of species including **Ring ouzels, Waxwings, Ravens** and **Owls,** at varying times of year.

There are indeed **Merlins** around the area. I have seen them flying very low in front of the car when driving down Pilgrims Way and also up Clarks Lane I have seen one perched on the Oak Tree at the corner of White Lane.

At home I have large numbers of **Tits** on the feeders daily; they seem to go around in a large flock along with **Gold Crests** the occasional **Tree Creeper** and **Blackcaps**. Since the trees have been cut down a few doors away there have been fewer **Nuthatches**, **Green** and **Great Spotted Woodpeckers**, but they are still around, thank goodness! The big find would be to see **Lesser Spotted Woodpeckers**. They have become a rarity in the area since the income of **Ring-Necked Parakeets** and the felling of old rotting trees which were their nesting sites. On most days we have up to seven **Buzzards** flying overhead and, over the valley, **Buzzards** have been seen by neighbours perched in their garden early in the morning.

I have observed the usual influx of **House** and **Sand Martins** in April and **Swallows** in early May, with Swallows leaving us from late August, when most of the Martins have gone. (As an aside, I was in Devon last week at my daughters and the Swallows still had young in the nest.)

We have a good variety of birds on our patch and it is well worth getting out with a pair of binoculars and wandering the lanes and golf course to see what's around, and not only in the summer. It's surprising what there is to see during the winter months.'

Many thanks for this, John. As I have said before, your reports are an important part of 'Nature Notes' and I know that many readers appreciate your effort. We look forward to reading about **your** winter observations in the near future.

Next, a surprise visitor on Louis and Sandy Philibert's lawn (05.09.16):

'Although it's not unusual, I thought you might like to know that we had a **Grass snake** on our lawn last week when it was warm and sunny. I'm sure it was enjoying the sun. I noticed it as I walked back to the house from the end of the garden. It was about two feet long. I gave it a wide berth as I thought it would make a good photograph. I think it



must have seen me though, as by the time I had picked up my camera it was gone.'

Well, you say that, Louise, but if people's comments are anything to go by, Grass snake sightings fact, are, in quite unusual. I've never seen one! Do you have a compost heap? Is there a chance that it holds a nest?

'Yes we do have a sizeable compost area and when I next turn one heap over I'll have a careful look for a nest. In some years the compost area has been home to **Slowworms**, and one year they must have reproduced as we had several very small ones. Sadly we saw the remnants of at least one some days later, probably killed by a rat, we think, as we found several tunnels through the compost. We have rectified this now by regularly putting down rat poison in special containers (to protect other wildlife). Sadly we have not seen any Slow-worms in the last two years.'

We look forward to any updates, Louis. Thanks for your report. And finally, this month, an update from the garden of Martin (Allen) and Julie (Jewell) (31.08.16):

'It has been strangely quiet around the garden over the last couple of months. We have seen one 20+ flock of (House) Sparrows in the garden, two noticeable visits from a male Bullfinch, a Nuthatch just the once, visits from a young Goldcrest for about two weeks on the fat balls and an unwanted visit from three Green Parakeets trying to feed on the sunflowers, without success. So, it seems that all is well in the countryside at the moment and that our normal range of birds do not need to feed in this garden.'

We've also had very few visits over the summer, Martin, but as we all know, they'll be back when they need us – winter's on the way!

Any news, views or observations? Contact: (nigelshaw2000@hotmail.com). Alternatively, drop a note in to 'Linda's Stores' or to 'Primrose Ridge', Greenway.

Nigel Shaw



BADMINTON FOR JUNIORS



- Badminton is a great game for boys and girls. Would you like to play here in Tatsfield?
- Tatsfield Badminton Club has a juniors section which plays at Tatsfield Village Hall on Friday evenings from 6:15 to 7:45pm.
- The juniors are just starting a new term and the club welcomes any 9 to 15 year olds who would like to play. No playing experience is necessary – beginners are welcome. Coaching is provided throughout.



Junior Golf Group Coaching at Park Wood Golf Club



Every Saturday 12:30 - 13:30

Ages 5 – 12

£7 per child

We will cover all aspects of the golf game from bunkers to putting and using the skills we learn in games at the end of each session.

To book call 01959 577744 or email s.clayden@orida.co.uk

TATSFIELD VILLAGE SCHOOL OF DANCE

Summer may be over but our talented students have lots to look forward to. We started the term with the results of our second ISTD examination session. In July students took exams in ballet, tap, modern and jazz and their hard work was rewarded with a fantastic 100% pass rate once again! I am so proud of you all!

Many of classes have now moved to Tatsfield Primary School to give us more space and our Cheer Dance class is taking full advantage! Other highlights for this term include a BRAND NEW Contemporary Dance Class - Tuesdays 7.15pm (ages 7yrs +). We also have a theatre trip in December to see 'The Snowman' a magical show for the young and not so young!

Please do contact me if your child would like to come long for a free trial for any of our classes.

Emily Hepworth (www.dancefirst.co.uk, m: 07734 543464, e: emily@dancefirst.co.uk)

My name is Dee and I am passionate about animals and all living creatures!!! I am also professional and caring in all I do and can offer the following services:

- Cleaning/reorganising your home/cupboards/furniture to maximum attractive use - weekly/monthly/one off
- House/pet sitting (with cleaning included) or any organisational service you may require while you are working or on holiday
- Baby/child sitting feel like an evening out please allow for a minimum one day's notice
- Be creative, sewing classes make your own interior décor, cushions/covers/bed, linen/curtains/recover, outside cushions/alter your own clothing

Excellent references available in all areas (£12 per hour).

Phone: 07803375527

TATSFIELD RAMBLERS



Details of walks in the surrounding area for October 2016 are as follows. Everyone welcome including your dogs.

Sunday 2 October 2016

Leader: Sue Hyder and Maggie Amos

Time and 10.15am, The Grasshopper, Moorhouse

Venue:

Map Ref: TQ429534 Postcode: TN16 2EU

Length 5½ miles. 3½ hours. We will walk to Chartwell, following the official

"Beating the Bounds" route anti-clockwise and back by a different one.

Sunday 16 October 2016

Leader: Mike Evans

Time and 11.00am at Ightham Mote car park

Venue:

Map Ref: TQ584535 Postcode: TN15 0NT

Length 5½ miles. 3½ hours. From Ightham Mote via Fairlawn to Dunks Green.

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From January 2017, we plan to add the following classes:

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Saturdays:

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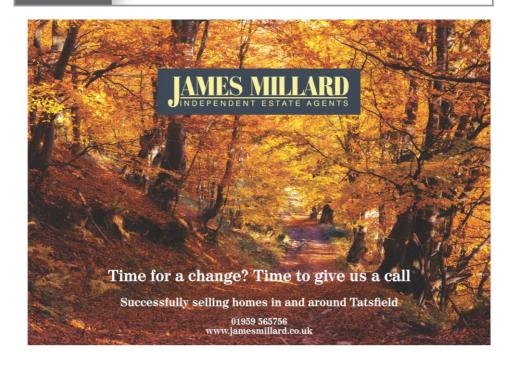
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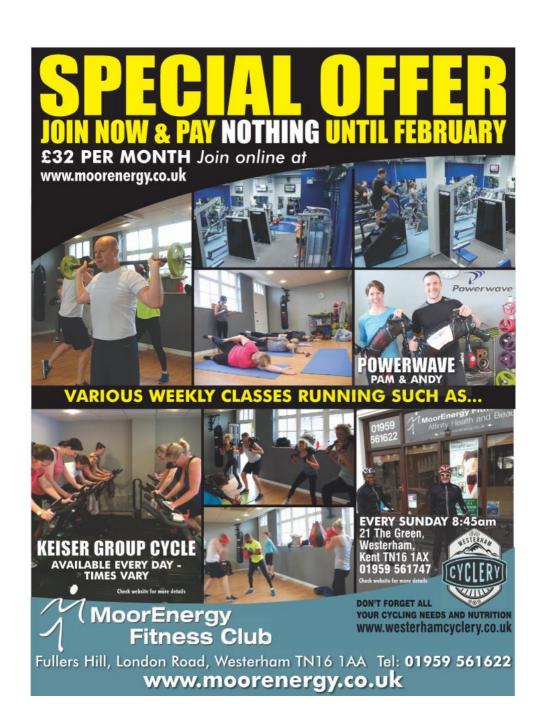
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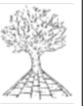
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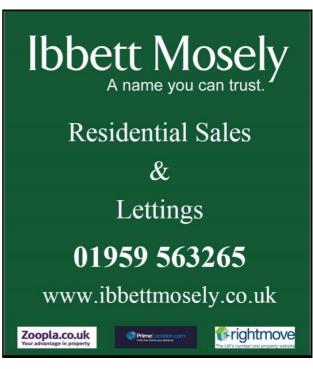
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