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EDITORIAL

It's been a year since we joined the community in Tatsfield, and we have loved getting to know the area and the people who make the village their home. Many thanks for the warm welcome!

With no more boxes to unpack this summer we will be looking forward to all the events and activities going on in and around the wider area.

There will be food and drink, entertainments and the chance to meet up with people – making new friends and connections. And sunshine we hope!

And each one of these happenings will be taking place because a small group of people gave up their time and talents to organise them. They will have started with good ideas, the wisdom of experience joining with the appetite to do something a bit different. There will be those who have been doing this for years and those who are just joining in – full of enthusiasm and new ideas. Over time, they will have had to change their plans and adjust their expectations; suffer one or two setbacks – be surprised when something comes together better than expected.

Then the day will come – the rest of us turn up and enjoy ourselves and maybe help with the tidying up. Then that small group will raise a glass and take a break until the next time.

At our ClubFest event in May we celebrated the organisations that rely on the work of volunteers; we recognised how much the flourishing of our community rests on those who do so much out of the spotlight. Often on top of full-time or part-time employment and other time-consuming responsibilities.

I suspect that many of you reading this already contribute to the life of this village – I do hope you know how much your work and expertise is appreciated.



As I've become more attuned to village life in the last year, I am more and more aware of how much we are all connected; we are all different, for certain – but that we draw together to celebrate, commemorate, have fun and make a difference is a source of great joy that we can all share.

Blessings

Reverend Debra

LETTERS

Dear Editor,

Revd Louise Ellis, inaugurated as Archdeacon of Wilts



At the end of May, the Revd Louise Ellis, was inaugurated as the Archdeacon of Wilts at a service held at St Denys, Minster Church in Warminster.

Many of you will remember Louise, Team Vicar of the Limpsfield and Tatsfield team ministry, who lived with her family in The Rectory from 2010 to 2015 with a ministry mainly focussed on Tatsfield and St Mary's.

A joyous occasion and a packed church, and for those pictured here with Louise, a great opportunity to catch up with old friends. Louise and family will be moving from Holy Angels Lilliput to Salisbury later in the summer – our prayers and all good wishes go with them!

Jennie South

ALLOTMENT NEWS

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If you want more information or just to discuss the possibilities, ring

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TATSFIELD PARISH COUNCIL

Tatsfield Parish Council meeting 9th June 2025 Our meeting for June took place at the AMB meeting room with five parishioners present.

During our open five minutes a request was made for an update on plans for CCTV in the Village centre. After the request back in March, the Chair obtained two quotes from CCTV companies, pointing out the lack of infrastructure and GDPR and monitoring constraints. The PC have no funds available for such a project in this financial year and would need local funding support. If requested and firm commitment was obtained from parishioners, the PC would make further investigations.

It was also noted that an official registered Neighbourhood Watch group would need to be set up. (Since meeting we have found a small official watch already in operation and will look into the possibility of expansion.)

Planning

TA/2025/497 61 Paynesfield Road. Erection of a first-floor addition to form a house from a bungalow. Prior approval of a proposed enlargement of a dwelling house by construction of additional storeys. Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development) (England) Order 2015 (as amended), Schedule 2, Party 1, Class AA. The proposals seem to follow the Permitted Development rules set out under the latest guidance in Class AA. 4183/0625 **Comment:** No Comment.

TA/2025/358 Meadow Bank Goatsfield Road. Erection of self-build dwelling with demolition of existing outbuildings, and hard and soft landscaping. Taking on board the recent approvals on this site, the new dwelling will tidy the plot and provide a more sustainable dwelling. **Comment:** Though we do not object to the broad principle of this development, we ask that the applicant revise the proposed plans and is required to provide renewable energy provision on site in line with Tatsfield Neighbourhood Plan policy TNPO8b. This is in addition to the proposed Air Source Heat Pump proposed in the Energy Statement.

TA/2025/484 Furze Corner Playing Field, Tatsfield Approach Road. Demolition and replacement of sports pavilion with associated landscaping works. This is Tatsfield Parish Council's own planning application. It is therefore inappropriate for us to comment on this application. **Comment:** No Comment.

APP/W2275/W/25/3358947 Covers Quarry, Westerham. This is an appeal against a refusal to grant planning permission for the stabilization and restoration of Covers Farm Quarry using imported engineering materials to restore the site to grassland including landscape planting and an ecological receptor area together with a temporary road and ancillary buildings. This has been running for seven years. TPC have made many representations during this time, and these will be on record. Members agreed no further action was required.

Finance The Clerk reported that our internal audit had now taken place. This was accepted by members together with the Auditor's recommendations.

Furze Corner Jason Syrett reported that the full planning application had now been validated and is out for consultation. We will now be putting in a CIL application to Tandridge. If anyone would be interested in joining the steering group for this very exciting project. Please contact Jason: <u>jasonsyrett@tatsfieldpc.org.uk</u>

EV Charging points. Simon Cook reported that he has asked the company to take the process through to next stage. He will follow up at our next meeting.

Devolution (Surrey) There has been no real update since the last PC meeting, but we will continue to keep it on the agenda and report when more is known.

Potential transfer of TDC assets in the Parish TDC has now appointed someone to oversee the process. No costings have been received at present.

Our next Meeting will be held on Monday 14th July 2025 at AMB 8.00pm. All welcome.

Kim Jennings Chairman Tatsfield Parish Council kimjennings@tatsfieldpc.org.uk

TANDRIDGE DISTRICT COUNCIL

Before I start this report, I first wanted to wish everyone a Happy Summer as the weather is beginning to look good in the long term, and I hope we can all take advantage of all that Tatsfield has to offer. The Ship is looking good and regularly used, the tables outside Sheree's seem to be well used with a local cup of something, and cake, to revive cyclists and villagers in equal measure and "normal service" seems to be on the cards back at The Bakery. Further afield the Golf Club has been meeting with all the local societies showing what they have on offer, including teas and coffees and afternoon teas and the extensive bar and beer garden where you can sip and socialize at the same time, not forgetting Church Teas. So do please take advantage of all this remembering to use it all or lose it. I hope to see many of you at these venues during the summer months.

The **Local Government re-organisation** is being covered by multiple avenues, but I will continue to pass what information I know as it happens through the Parish Magazine. In the meantime you can follow the progress with at: tandridge.gov.uk, search **for Local government reorganisation (LGR)**.

You can also visit the Local Government reorganisation page on gov.uk:

https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/local-government-reorganisationsummary-of-feedback-on-interim-plans/local-government-reorganisation-summary-offeedback-on-interim-plans

Planning There was planning training recently which pointed out the many differences now being affected by the Government's change to the NPPF and Grey Belt. There are several changes, so please be patient and remember that both the Parish and District Councils are governed in their actions and responses by these new guidelines. **Police Service Communication and attendance** – I contacted Inspector Whatley as other wards were voicing the same situation that were being had and expressed by TPC. I have secured a visit to an Independent Group meeting in August for a couple of beat officers and am following up with the Inspector about more regular visits to the Parish Council meetings if dates are advised and operational duties permit. At the recent Community Services committee, the Inspector presented figures that showed that the Police Service are doing much better over the last twelve months than previously. So that is a positive sign going forward.

At the **Annual Council** on 15th May, apart from a small change for a departing RA councillor the number of seats per committee and persons on those committee practically remain unchanged. My own position is that as well as continuing as Independent Group Leader, I remain on the Licensing, Standards and Investment Sub committee's and substitute members to some of the Policy committees.

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Appreciating Tatsfield On your part I would ask that you consider the things that make this village what it is and why you choose to live here. There are many societies and clubs that operate across the range most of whom could use a little more volunteer help from you. You should have met a lot of them at ClubFest in May.

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Have a good summer, Cllr Martin Allen Tel: 01959 577201 or 07484 185363 Email: cllr.martin.allen@tandridge.gov.uk or martin_allen@talk21.com

CLAIRE COUTINHO MP

As some of you may know, I have spent the last few months on maternity leave after the birth of my son, Rafael. Watching him grow has been a very special time for me and my family (and what a phenomenal process of human biology!). While he brings me so much joy each and every day, I am also eager



to get back to being out in the constituency, meeting residents and listening to your concerns. I will be steadily returning over the next few months, and I am looking forward to seeing as many of you as possible. However, after seeing a photo of one of my predecessors, Sir Geoffrey Howe, riding a donkey at the Oxted Derby, I think I will stick to watching from the sideline this year...

My first visit back was to Tatsfield to knock on doors, speak to residents about their concerns and pick up any casework. I know Surrey County Councillor Becky Rush has been pressing the Council to prioritise road repairs in the local area, so residents were looking forward to seeing improvements. There is still work to do to improve transport links and phone signal, and I look forward to working with Becky in the coming months to address these issues.

I was then treated to a performance by Katie Cox's ballet troupe. Eight wonderfully talented teenagers from Caterham, Warlingham and the surrounding areas have qualified for the England Team in the ballet group category, with Zoë also qualifying for the solo ballet category. We discussed their future aspirations, and it was lovely to hear that many of the older girls have already received offers from some of the country's top dance colleges and universities. Their ambition to win was contagious, but as is often the case with elite sport, attendance at the World Cup Finals is self-funded. The group has already raised £6,000 through cake sales, tutoring younger dancers and the generosity of donations, but they still have a way to go to reach their funding goal. You can find a link to donate on my website.

As a member of my charity, The Friendship Project, catching up with the unstoppable team at The Glebe has been high on my list since starting to return from maternity leave. From creating and maintaining the community garden to organising village events, they are community heroes – and we are very lucky to have them. Earlier this year my Friendship Project donated £2,500 to support the Glebe's project to update the local children's playground. It was great to see the project begin to take shape. The trustees were also keen to incorporate 'Happy to Chat' benches into the design and place more throughout the village, so the next time you visit Woldingham, make sure to keep an eye out for them.

As always, if there is ever anything I can do to help, or if you would like me to visit a local project or business you are involved with, please do get in touch on claire.coutinho.mp@parliament.uk.



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The children have been helping the adults



recreate the different areas in the garden and we have officially finished our fairy garden! It is such an inviting space with lots of opportunities for imaginative play.

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TATSFIELD HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY AUTUMN SHOW 2025 SATURDAY 6 SEPTEMBER 3-4:45PM TATSFIELD VILLAGE HALL



Vegetables- Flowers Pot Plants Fruit – Flower Arrangement -Photography - Art - Crafts - Domestic – Produce and a Junior Section

Free to exhibit + you can enter multiple classes

Non-residents welcome to exhibit. Just £1 and 50p entry on the door

Please visit our website for Rules, Guidance and Entry forms

http://tatsfieldhorticulturalsociety.weebly.com

Entry forms are available in the new THS 2025-26 Yearbook Which will be circulated around the village during June and July

THE TATSFIELD HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY ANNUAL WISLEY VISIT, SUNDAY 8TH JUNE 2025

33 people arrived at the RHS Wisley Gardens this year, at various times ready for our group entry perk. It is an event we arrange every year as we are allowed two visits for up to 40 people with free entry with our affiliation to the RHS. If you had to pay it would have cost around £20 for each person, so you can see what a massive benefit it is.





We also had the Not So Young Club Members with their kind Carers organised by Sue Dowse on a Minibus and they had a wonderful day together. They had a tour of the gardens on a Garden Mobility Vehicle. Those people not there at 10am, tickets were placed at The Welcome Desk inside the Entrance Hall which works well.

Wisley is the flagship garden of the RHS and one of the most

visited and loved gardens attracting over a million visitors a year. There are 75 gardeners, 25 students and 4 apprentices, and over 100 volunteers. The gardens cover an area of 240 acres. George Fergusson Wilson, a keen grower of fruit and orchids, bought the garden in 1878. After Wilson's death, Sir Thomas Hanbury purchased the garden along with a neighbouring farm and donated it to the RHS.

Fortunately, the weather was dry and sunny for our visit following a day of hard rain on Saturday! I was greeted with lots of happy faces ready for the delightful experience which lay ahead. I always turn left and walk up the steps to the famous Old Laboratory Building which, which is the familiar symbolic core of the Wisley landscape. The views of the pond are beautiful. You are then greeted to the long borders, showcasing many herbaceous plants, and this year the alliums were looking their best, and then it was on up the hill to see the massive trees and shrubs on Battleston Hill. The Cornus trees and Cercis shrubs looked the Stars of the Day as well.

We walked down the hill to the massive twelve metre high glasshouse, built to celebrate the RHS Bicentenary. It covers an area equal to ten tennis courts. The glasshouse was constructed using recycled glass from the previous glasshouse. There was a new area for Orchids as you enter the building. The Tropical plants are enormous and unbelievable that you could be stood in such a jungle setting. We read that robins and wagtails can operate the automatic opening vents and make their nests in there - clever birds. There is also a Dry Arid Garden section which is full of cactus and succulents.

Coming outside again for fresh air we walked over to the new Science Research block, called Hilltop. The views from the upper levels give you a perspective of the massive grounds. This building opened in 2021 and is home to their Scientists who are hard at work researching the issues that affect our everyday lives.

We walked through the Bowes-Lyon Rose garden and the roses were flowering and the scent magical. Then along the riverbank and we saw some gold crests. A picnic lunch

down at The Pinetum café - not many people are aware of this building. This part of Wisley has the oldest tree collection and has a cathedral-like collection of towering trees. These were planted by the original owner, George Fergusson Wilson.

After walking well over 11,000 steps it was time to wander back to the shop and make our way home. It was a very enjoyable and uplifting day.

Our next visit is on Saturday October 18th. Hopefully you will make a date in your diary!

Sue Warren

NOT SO YOUNG CLUB

What a wonderful day we had at Wisley Gardens thanks to the Tatsfield Horticultural Society. The sun shone, the roses were in bloom and the ice cream was delicious.

Next month we will be heading off to The Ship Hotel in Brighton for our annual outing. Thank you to Practical car hire for providing our minibus free of charge. Fingers crossed for a sunny day by the sea.

We are also hoping to support the Sunday afternoon tea in the millennium hall during the summer.

If anyone would like to join our little club, please do contact myself or any of the committee. Take care and keep safe.

Sue Dowse, notsoyoung100@gmail.com, 07816110929

TATSFIELD WI

Our meeting this month was great fun. When we heard our speaker had to cancel, we decided to have a game's afternoon, Scrabble and

Rummikub seemed to be the most popular... lots of laughter... then tea and Catherine's delicious lemon drizzle cake.

The WI tent at the ClubFest was a success, our cakes sold 'like hot cakes'! There was a lot of interest in our information boards on all the National campaigns the WI had championed over the years. We also had enquiries from some younger ladies about starting a similar group, maybe in the morning or evening with activities or guests more suitable for a younger audience. The current WI would give any help that was needed to get things off the ground.

Our garden party in Hazel Cartwright's garden is our next event and as we are still celebrating our 100th anniversary year, the theme will be the 1920s.

Our Pop In coffee morning every Wednesday is well attended and is from 10.30 to 12pm open to everyone.

Pat Walsh





TATSFIELD IN BLOOM

All the displays have now been planted for the summer with a colour theme of reds, oranges, yellows and whites. Begonias in salmon, red, orange and yellow were used in the mangers. Orange Osteopernums and white Scaevola were planted in the containers at the side of the village hall.







The cascade has orange trailing Verbena, small yellow Sanvitalia daisies, white Scaevola and brilliant orange Begonias in the top. The tubs at the front of the village hall have mixed colour Gazanias and scented white vanilla Nemesia around the shrubs.

Thank you to all those of you who have offered to be on the watering rota for the summer. This started on 16th June and will run through until the middle of September.

If you would like to make a donation towards the displays in the village, please use the yellow pots in Sheree's shop, The Old Ship or The Village Club. Alternatively, please donate direct to TIB:

Tatsfield in Bloom A/c No: 65383694 Sort Code: 08-92-99 Or send them to me at 12 Shipfield Close, Tatsfield, TN16 2AU

Many thanks for your continued support.

Jill Hancock (577622) (jillhancock12@gmail.com)

TATSFIELD MARTIAL ARTS

On Sunday 8th June, fifteen of our juniors took part in the Croydon judo club interclub competition. As well as TMA and Croydon members, there were also competitors from the following clubs – Kensho (Redhill), Mogera Tani (Reigate), Nutfield JC, Addiscombe JC and Yoshin Ryu (Coulsdon). Over the years, all these clubs have formed a little interclub network, we all share the same values and work together to support our clubs.



These interclub competitions are great events for giving vounger judo players some competition experience in a less stressful environment. TMA was the first club within the network to host such a competition, many years ago now. Nutfield have run one for the last couple of years, but this was the first event from Croydon, so it was important for us to support them, and we did this by entering nineteen players more than any other club aside from Croydon.

All our players did themselves and the club proud, especially as

for many it was their first time at a competition. In total, we won seven gold medals, four silver medals and eight bronze medals!

The TMA interclub competition for 2025 is on Sunday 28th September in the village hall.

TMA – 10th ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION



Don't forget we have our Ten years summer party in The Ship on Saturday 19th July.

Everyone who has been involved with the club since we opened back in 2015 is invited.

If this is you, I look forward to seeing you there!

Adam Plinston

NORTH DOWNS SINFONIA - AN ENGLISH CONCERT, OR IS IT?

The November 15th concert of NDS, at 7.30pm in the village hall, is an English concert – or is it? The first piece will be Donizetti's Robert Devereux overture. Donizetti was of course Italian, but this overture may make you think that it is an English piece – we leave it for you to decide! The other two items that the orchestra will be playing are undoubtedly English, one the Elgar Cello Concerto and the other by a lady composer, Alice Mary Smith, her first symphony.

Our soloist is the unbelievably talented teenager Mariatu Kanneh-Mason, who we wholeheartedly welcome back. She played the Saint-Saens Cello concerto in November 2024, to tumultuous applause from a sold-out audience. She is of course the youngest sister of the very well-known Sheku Kanneh-Mason, and she has appeared on television and radio with her siblings many times, both playing the cello and as a presenter.

Alice Mary Smith (1839 – 1884) was the first English woman known to have composed a symphony. The first of her two symphonies, in C minor, was published in 1863. Born to a family in comfortable circumstances, she was a prolific composer despite her relatively short life. One obituary read - "Her music is marked by elegance and grace... power and energy". The symphony is a work that deserves to be better known, being melodic and harmonious in the classical tradition.

The concert will be conducted by Jonathan Maynard. Tickets are £13 or £11 for concessions, and these prices include a programme. Early booking, available from the beginning of September, is strongly recommended. The last concert featuring Mariatu sold out completely within weeks.

Please email northdownssinfonia@gmail.com, or telephone 01959 5776569 to reserve your tickets.

Peter Maynard

TATSFIELD PARISH MAGAZINE ADVERTISING MANAGER POSITION



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A fantastic role for someone looking to increase their skill base and to contribute to the Tatsfield community. The Advertising Manager sources and invoices advertisers, manages the advert layout and may occasionally do some advert design.

For more information, please contact Sarah Tait: 07468 589379 or tatsfieldmag@gmail.com

ST MARY'S MATTERS

We are a friendly Anglican church within the Diocese of Southwark, with a long, proud Pilgrim history and continue to welcome those travelling the Pilgrim's Way today.

All are welcome to our services or to simply enjoy the peace and tranquillity of our pretty ancient church and the picturesque views over the downs from our churchyard. You can find out more about St Mary's on our website at <u>www.lttm.org.uk/stmarys</u> where there is also a link to our weekly Notice Sheet.

Services at St Mary's Our main Sunday service with music is at 10am led by Team Curate Revd Debra Elsdon and visiting clergy/lay ministers.

Holy Communion for the sick and house-bound Those unwell and/or house-bound who wish to receive Holy Communion at home or place of residence can contact our Churchwardens. Details below.

Personal Prayer Requests If you wish to have prayers said on your behalf, while the church is closed email your request to <u>stmoffice.lttm@btinternet.com</u>

Life Events We welcome enquiries for baptisms, weddings, funerals and interment of ashes. Further information and qualifying criteria is on the 'Our Services' section of our website <u>www.lttm.org.uk/stmarys</u>, or email <u>stmoffice.lttm@btinternet.com</u>.

FOR YOUR DIARIES! 2025 Flower Festival – Celebrating 950 Years of Music and Workship 1075–2025 This wonderful event will run over the Bank Holiday weekend from Friday 22nd August until Monday 25th August and will include music recitals, a talk on the history of St Mary's, Floral and Art displays, children's activities and a special flower themed service at 10am on Sunday 24th August. On Bank Holiday Monday 25thAugust the church will be open all day for viewing the displays. Full details are in a separate advertisement in this issue or contact <u>stmoffice.lttm@btinternet.com</u>. Tickets are £12 for the Friday evening organ recital, talk, string quartet and refreshments. Tickets are available from Marjory Broughton 07790 241070 or Chris Hancock 07957 273225.



St Mary's Sunday Teas Our popular Summer Teas are held from 3pm to 5pm on Sundays in the Millennium Hall and will continue until the end of September. Visitors old and new are all very welcome to join us for a beverage and delicious cake!

Baby and Toddler Group Mondays 9.30am - 11.30am in the Millennium Hall If you would like to attend 'Tots on Top' our popular Monday morning parent/carer and baby/toddler group, please contact Hedy Gulley on 07963 121 543.

Churchyard Team Despite the bad weather warning for Saturday 7th June our dedicated volunteers arrived determined to do their best, regardless of the thunderstorms forecast. As it happened, no rain appeared and a successful morning of strimming,

pruning and tidying the churchyard resulted. We tackled the compost area sorting and transferring maturer compost between bins. Our next session will be on Saturday 2nd August at 10am.

David Gulley

Food Deliveries We continue to support the needs of the local community at Westerham foodbank where more households are being referred from a variety of agencies for short, medium and longer term support. Our deliveries are planned for 17th July and 15th August. Items currently needed include: cereal, soup, baked beans, jam, pasta sauces, rice, tinned fish, meat, long-life or powdered milk, custard and rice pudding. Please donate if you can. Non-perishable food can be left in the Narthex at St Mary's church. Monetary donations will be used to buy food. Thank you for your continued support.

Hilary Vale 01959 577864

St Mary's 100 Club Results for June 2025

75 H Bright £25 72 R Painter £15 69 P Wilkinson £10 St Mary's £46

Millennium Hall Our well-equipped Millennium Hall is open for bookings. Enquiries from individuals and groups are very welcome. **Sheila Cook (01959 577443)**

CONTACTS

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Curate: Revd Debra Elsdon 07436 172130 Email: curate.lttm@gmail.com (days off Mon & Fri)

Parish Administrator: Steve Tatler - Church Office Thurs 9.30 -13.30 (details above)

Wardens: Marjory Broughton (01959 541059) / Chris Hancock (01959 577622)

St Mary's Website: www.lttm.org.uk/stmarys

TATSFIELD ONLINE

Village website:www.tatsfield.org.uk Village facebook page: search for 'Tatsfield Village' on facebook Tatsfield Talk facebook group: search for 'Tatsfield Talk' on facebook, and ask to join to be able to view and post. Twitter: @tatsfieldtweet

PARISH MAGAZINE EVENTS LISTINGS

If you would like your event included in this diary in future, please send details to tatsfieldpm@gmail.com. Please also let us know if any information has changed.

REGULAR TATSFIELD EVENTS AND INFORMATION

Sun	9.30 am	Yoga with Lexy, VH
	10.00 am	Church service – StM
Mon	9.30 am	Tots on Top – CH
	9.30 am	Shape and Tone with Gary - WIH
	1.30 pm	Bridge Club – WIH
	6.30 pm	Cubs - SH
	7.00 pm	Art Group – VH [Term time]
	8.15 pm	Bingo – TVC
Tue	1.00 pm	Not So Young Club (2 nd Tuesday of the month) WIH
	2.30 pm	WI Meeting (1 st Tuesday of the month) WIH
	4.00pm	Paracise VH
	7.00 pm	Scouts and Explorers – SH
	6.15 pm	Barré with Fi - VH
Wed	10.30 am	WI Pop In – WIH
	2-4 pm	Composting Site OPEN
	6.00 pm	Shape and Tone with Gary – WIH
	6.00pm	Over 8s Jujitsu, SH
	7.30pm	Adults Jujitsu, SH
	7.30 pm	Yoga – VH
Thu	9.30 am	Yoga with Lexy, StM
	9.30 am	Shape and Tone with Gary, WIH
	2.00 pm	Scrabble at AMB (2 nd Thursday of the month)
	1.30 pm	Hear Here Sessions – AMB (1st Thursday of the month)
	6.00 pm	Over 8s Judo – SH
	6.15pm	Barré with Fi, VH
	7.30 pm	Adults (14+) Judo - SH
	7.30 pm	Tatsfield Singers - TPS
	8.00 pm	Table Tennis – VH
Fri	9.30 am	Combat Fitness - SH
	1.30 pm	Short Mat Bowls –VH
	4.15pm	Boom Arts Academy Tots Street Dance – VH
	4.45pm	Boom Arts Academy Lower Junior Street Dance – VH
	5.30pm	Boom Arts Academy Theatre and Singing – VH
	6.15pm	Boom Arts Academy Junior Street Dance – VH
	8.00 pm	Badminton Club – VH
Sat	9.00 am	Under 8s Judo – SH
	10.00am-	Composting Site OPEN
	12pm	
	10.15 am	Over 8s Judo - SH

Venues: AMB - Aileen McHugo Building • CGA - Community Games Area • MH - Millennium Hall • SH - Scout Hut • StM - St. Mary's Church • TACG – Tatsfield Allotments and Community Garden • TVC - Tatsfield Village Club • TPS - Tatsfield Primary School • VH - Village Hall • WIH - Women's Institute
UPCOMING EVENTS – VILLAGE AND BEYOND

JULY

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11 th Fri	7.30pm	Come From Away, Glow Theatre Group, Barn Theatre
12 th Sat	2.30pm	Come From Away, Glow Theatre Group, Barn Theatre
12 th Sat	7.30pm	Come from Away, Glow Theatre Group, Barn Theatre
13 th Sun	3.00pm	Summer Church Teas, StM
14 th Mon	8.00pm	Parish Council Meeting, AMB
18 th Fri	7.45pm	The Unravelling Wilburys, Barn Theatre
19 th Sat	7.30pm	The Magnificent Music Hall, Barn Theatre
20 th Sun	3.00pm	Summer Church Teas, StM
25 th Fri	7.45pm	Much Ado About Falstaff (an evening of silliness), Barn Theatre
26 th Sat	7.45pm	Echoes of Floyd, Barn Theatre
27 th Sun	3.00pm	Summer Church Teas, StM
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AUGUST

2 nd Sat	10.00am	Churchyard Tidy Up, StM
3 rd Sun	3.00pm	Summer Church Teas, StM
10 th Sun	3.00pm	Summer Church Teas, StM
13 th Wed	7.30pm	Grease, Kenley Holiday Workshop, Barn Theatre
14 th Thu	7.30pm	Grease, Kenley Holiday Workshop, Barn Theatre
15 th Fri	7.30pm	Grease, Kenley Holiday Workshop, Barn Theatre
16 th Sat	7.30pm	Grease, kenley Holiday Workshop, Barn Theatre
17 th Sun	3.00pm	Summer Church Teas, StM
24 th Sun	3.00pm	Summer Church Teas, StM
31 st Sun	3.00pm	Summer Church Teas, StM

SEPTEMBER

6 th Sat	3.00pm	Tatsfield Horticultural Society Autumn Show, VH
7 th Sun	3.00pm	Summer Church Teas, StM
14 th Sun	3.00pm	Summer Church Teas, StM
19 th Fri	7.45pm	Oxted Comedy Night, Barn Theatre Oxted
20 th Sat	7.45pm	The New Foxtrot Serenaders, Barn Theatre Oxted
21 st Sun	3.00pm	Summer Church Teas, StM
21 st Sun	7.45pm	Abbas Angels, Barn Theatre, Oxted
24 th Wed	7.30pm	Merchant Ship Figureheads, Arts Society, Limpsfield Church Hall
25 th Thu	7.45pm	Round the Horne, Barn Theatre, Oxted (time tbc)
26 th Fri	7.45pm	The Oxted Sessions, Lindisfarne, Barn Theatre, Oxted
27 th Sat	7.45pm	Guns N Jovi, Barn Theatre, Oxted
28 th Sun	3.00pm	Summer Church Teas, StM

OCTOBER

18 th Sat	10.00am	Wisley Visit, Tatsfield Horticultural Society, Wi	sley
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NOVEMBER

15 th Sat	7.30pm	NDS Concert featuring soloist Mariatu Kanneh-Mason, VH
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WILDLIFE GARDENING TIPS FOR JULY

Crikey. What a spring that was! We had our warmest spring on record and the driest in more than 50 years. The summer is predicted to be a scorcher, and with Thames Water totally messing up our water supplies, there is a very high chance of a hosepipe ban combined with undrinkable water in our rivers and lakes. All of this is very bad news for our wildlife which needs a clean water supply to live. So, if I have one wildlife tip for the summer, it is please put water out for the little guys that we share our gardens with, especially the birds as they need to bathe as well as drink. Personally, I put a few plant pot saucers around the garden, mostly with a piece of stone or slate in to help the teeny beasts climb in and out.

The good news about a warm springtime is that the birds seemed to raise their broods very early, and the fledgelings were mostly out and about in May rather than June. I'm very much hoping that this means there will be plenty of successful second broods this year. So please do help these youngsters out by putting some water out as we don't have much in the way of wildlife water supplies up here on our hill. And in return for sharing your water supply, they'll cheer the place up with colour, life and birdsong.

Top tips for watering garden wildlife:

- Plant pot saucers of water work well and you can hide smaller ones around the garden, or somewhere in plain view if you want to keep an eye on the visitors.
- Putting saucers around your garden will help different creatures in different settings, and it gives them options. This is important for the tiny things that don't move around as quickly as we do.
- I'm not a fan of putting larger water dishes for birds near cover such as borders or trees because we have sneaky cats that use the cover to pounce. Instead, I put a large plant pot saucer in the middle of the lawn where the birds (and squirrels) can spot a cat coming, and they get plenty of time to scarper if they have to.
- Top the water up daily to keep it fresh and clean.
- A permanent water feature such as a pond or half barrel will attract oodles of wildlife, from frogs and toads, to hedgehogs, dragonflies and herons. Remember to provide shallow edges so anything that falls in can get back out again.



Interesting fact of the month...This year seems to be a bumper year for the beautiful and delicate Small Blue butterflies that we have around the village. This cute little chap is the smallest of the UK's butterflies, and they are highly specialist creatures that live only on chalk grasslands of a type that we have around Tatsfield. These grasslands are the home to equally specialist and curious looking plants called Kidney Vetch which is the one and only plant that the Small Blue

caterpillars will eat. It seems us humans aren't the only ones with fussy offspring!

[Image: A Small Blue; Tim Melling/PA Wire.]

Jim Kenney

THE TATSFIELD GARDENER IN JULY AND AUGUST

Our gardening year is going very well with ideal growing conditions, that is, if we get enough rain! We have been told that our changing climate is now more likely to produce heavy downpours rather than a day of lovely, steady rain. We can also expect short periods of high temperatures and humidity, and this should ring alarm bells for those of us who are growing potatoes. We must be on high alert for the first signs of blight – sudden discoloration and wilting of foliage that spreads rapidly through leaves and stems spreading down and rotting the tubers in the soil. Daily inspection will be necessary especially in very warm and humid conditions. If you are a techy person, you can take advantage of the many websites that predict an attack of blight; these were developed for commercial growers but are very useful for us too. A popular web-based service is blightspy (<u>www.blightspy.huttonltd.com</u>). If you notice that your crop foliage is starting to discolour you must act immediately to remove the infected foliage. Do not leave it laying around, do not try and compost it, put it in tightly sealed black sacks and into your black bin. Remember, if you take no action, it will spread very quickly through your crop, and your neighbours, and rot the potato tubers.

A question I am often asked is how many trusses should I allow on my tomato plants? For outside tomatoes a good guide is to 'stop' or pinch out the growing point after the plant has produced four trusses. This will generate lots of side growth from the stem, these must also be pinched out so that all the energy is concentrated into the developing tomatoes This is more likely to produce a bigger crop of ripe tomatoes. For indoor tomatoes it is a question of how much space, mainly height, you have and are you able to provide enough water – daily – to keep the plants growing. Another challenge is how to support a very tall plant with increasingly heavy crops. I grow my greenhouse tomatoes up strings hung from the greenhouse roof. Every few days I gently turn the growing points and leaves around the strings and up they go.



It is not too late to sow annual flowers in borders to fill up those gaps left by earlier flowering perennials like Poppies, Paeonies and Day Lilies. Make a shallow seed bed, sow directly onto the soil and cover lightly, water gently and you should see germination in 7-10 days. Annual flowers grow very quickly and can be in bloom within weeks.

We have some superb Foxgloves around the village this year. Leave the flower spikes until they have produced lots of seed pods that are turning brown and have become brittle. Remove the spike and shake them as far and wide as you can and enjoy more blooms in two years – they are biennial plants that germinate and grow in year one and then flower in year two.

Jon Allbutt

NIGEL'S NATURE NOTES

We have a couple of new contributors! Adrienne and Roger Ford in Paynesfield Road sent news of Kites. But it wasn't the usual observational note (10.06.25):

'Last year, we were surprised to discover that a pair of **[Red]** Kites had taken residence in a mature Beech tree in our garden. Later, we were delighted to see that they had



produced one youngster! We had great pleasure watching the parents encouraging it to fly and eventually find its own food! It was obviously reluctant (and nervous?) at first, as we watched it sit on a branch for ages while one parent would sit on another tree and call out to it, in its very distinctive and weird cry! Then this year, we were very pleased to see a pair (presumably the same parents?) return to the nest in our tree and watched with amusement as they made "home improvements" with various twigs and sticks. All was going well, until one day we realised that we had not heard or seen them in a while. Weeks have now passed and they seem to have gone. We fear the worst - has something

happened to the eggs or hatchling (if there was one), or even to one of the adults. It is very sad, but hopefully they may return next year to try again. We attach some photos from last year (sorry about the quality). Hope this is of interest to you. p.s. We are consoling ourselves by watching several blue butterflies!'

It certainly is of interest, Roger. We all see Kites flying over the village but to have them nesting in your garden is quite a different experience. Thanks for sharing this with us.

With our email connection having mysteriously repaired itself, Linda Lambert sent me a

photo for identification (21.05.25): 'Got any idea what this tiny butterfly is?'

Was it even a butterfly? I suggested a Vapourer Moth but Linda replied that this was unlikely as the one she photographed was only about one centimetre wingspan. Did I have any other ideas? Unfortunately not, so I passed Linda's query on to Jim and Ruth Yeeles to see if they



could come up with something different. This was their reply (26.05.25):

'It looks like a Purple and Gold to us - we quite often see them when we're doing our butterfly surveys. By the way, we saw our first **Swifts** last Tuesday, 20th, both at Hill Park and over Tatsfield Green.'

Excellent! Swift sightings <u>and</u> an identification. I passed the findings on to Linda, but before long I received a correction from Ruth (26.05.25):

'I think it's more likely to be a **Mint Moth** (Pyrausta aurata). Same family and similar in appearance. Have a look at <u>https://www.ukmoths.org.uk/species/pyrausta-aurata/.'</u>

Eventually, the Mint Moth was decided upon. Compared to butterflies, these moth identifications are a minefield! Thanks to 'The Adventurers' for their expert assistance. So, there we are, Linda: It's not what you know, it's who you know. Team work gave us the solution. Thanks for using the Nature Notes problem solving service!

We have received an update from Martin Allen that includes news of his tame Robin and some mysterious excavations in his garden (15.06.25):

'Here are the ramblings, but not Bramblings from No.38. As mentioned before, my reports are generally just ordinary now, with no winter sightings of anything out of the ordinary. The pleasures and sightings at the moment are more down to earth. The **Song** Thrush came a calling a couple of times, a couple of Chaffinches, a few Goldfinches... and the Greenfinches are thankfully returning. Even a Great spotted woodpecker passed through, but just not enough visits from any of them. I am reading more from the RSPB and other booklets about how depleted nature is in the country, and our garden has certainly gone that way of late. The Robins have set up home here. I think two pairs and at least two broods in the aarden, but the new born were not seen for long. The Robin now accompanies us on everything we do in the garden, even coming to the window to take currants off the window ledge and also from the hand. The [House] Sparrows are regular visitors and we seem to be filling the seed feeder almost every other day when they are around. The morning feed attracts multiple Woodpigeons, but less Collared doves than in the past. These have been replaced by regular visits from Jackdaws. The **Maapies** are still about and when the family comes together there can be four or five of them. We are getting some animals coming at night making holes in the flower bed where they dig to the roots, and also digging in to the bottom of a fir tree that we have where I have been trying to grow wild flowers and lupins, obviously without success because they keep digging up the ground. I have been, so far, successful with growing cabbages and as yet no caterpillars have been seen. Other than the above it's been just a normal period in the garden at No.38.'

Thanks for your report, Martin. It's always good to hear from a gardening naturalist. I feel sure you'll be feeding those 'cabbage white' caterpillars before too long. Although, having said that, I've hardly seen any white's so far this year. Perhaps a hot, dry July will bring them out, along with a plethora of Commas, Peacocks, Admirals, Tortoiseshells, Orange-tips, Painted Ladies,... Oh, dear – I must find a cure for these hallucinations!

Any news or views? Contact: nigelshaw2000@hotmail.com Alternatively, drop a note in to 'Primrose Ridge', Greenway.

TATSFIELD FAIRTRADE GROUP



We all recognise the Fairtrade mark on the products that we buy. The mark is a registered certificate label on products sourced from producers in lower income countries. It allows a fairer price for the producers to have more responsible business practices and better working conditions. Through fairtrade communities can invest in clean water, making sure their children are fed and can go to school.

The following **BANANA and CHOCOLATE CHIP LOAF RECIPE** can be made using Fairtrade products:

Ingredients

140g unsalted butter softened
140g golden caster sugar
2 eggs beaten
1 tsp vanilla extract
140g self-raising flour
1 tsp baking powder
3 ripe bananas peeled and mashed
100g chocolate chips



Method

Step 1 Heat the oven to 180C/160C fan/gas 4. Butter a 900g loaf tin and line the base and sides with baking parchment. Beat the softened butter and sugar together using an electric whisk until light and fluffy. Combine the egg and vanilla extract and pour this in, a little at time, mixing between each addition. Fold in the flour, a pinch of salt, the baking powder, mashed banana and all but a handful of the chocolate chips.

Step 2 Scrape the mixture into the prepared tin and scatter over the rest of the chocolate chips. Bake for about 50 mins, or until puffed up and cooked through – a skewer inserted into the middle of the loaf should come out clean. Leave to cool in the tin for 10 mins, then remove to a wire rack and leave to cool completely. Will keep in an airtight container for up to five days.

Did you know that Fairtrade products are available in many retailers' own products? This photo shows the fairtrade products that I used to make the above recipe. The golden caster sugar and chocolate chips were Waitrose's own. The vanilla extract from Tesco. The Bananas from Sainsbury's, also available from other retailers and the chocolate from Lidl.

Tea is another product available in many retailers' own brand, for example, Co-op, Waitrose, Marks and Spencer's, Clipper. Also, very recently Sainsburys had agreed a tea deal with the Fairtrade Foundation. **All their classic teabags in the Sainsbury range are now Fairtrade!** It wouldn't be afternoon tea without the TEA! Whatever your brew of

choice, go for the Fairtrade option and raise a cup to the tea pickers, smallholder farmers and workers throughout the tea supply chain.

FAIRTRADE FORTNIGHT, this year, is from September 22nd to 5th October. The Tatsfield Fairtrade Group will be doing church teas at St Marys Church Hall, Tatsfield on Sunday the 28th September, 3pm – 5pm. You will be offered a variety of

Fairtrade teas to taste and enjoy and of course cake!

Hilary Vale

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THE ARTS SOCIETY LIMPSFIELD

Merchant Ship Figureheads by Helen Doe.

Date: Wednesday 24 September 2025. Evening lecture only starts at 7.30pm Limpsfield Church Hall and refreshments will be served before the lecture. Guests: £10.

Why were they created and what and who did they represent? The nineteenth century was the height of wooden merchant shipping around the world and harbours were once filled with ships of all sizes, many with figureheads. Wooden ships were built around the coast of Britain and Ireland. Locally owned, these ships sailed across the oceans and their stories relate to these ship owning communities. The talk will look at myths connected with figureheads, famous figureheads and lesser-known ones. It will consider the background to a figurehead and the people they represented. It finishes with one figurehead that inspired thew career of a famous novelist.

NEWS FROM THE BAKERY

We're thrilled to announce that The Bakery is opening its doors from Friday, 4th July. Join us for a new chapter with our delicious bistro-style menu that celebrates the best of locally sourced produce. Expect a warm welcome, a relaxed atmosphere and great food in good company. We can't wait to welcome the wonderful residents of Tatsfield.

THE NIGHT SKY IN TATSFIELD – JULY AND AUGUST 2025

On 3rd July at 8:55pm the Earth, travelling in an ellipse as all planets do, will be at its most distant from the Sun at a little over 152M km away. You might think that being furthest from the Sun would suit the middle of winter rather than that of summer but the difference between the two points ("aphelion" when furthest and "perihelion" when closest) is about 5M km. Though this may sound a lot it has a negligible effect on temperature. What causes the changes in the amount of heat we receive from summer to winter is the variation in the tilt of the Earth's axis with respect to the plane of its orbit.



In the diagram, the Earth is drawn at midday for the period around mid-winter and midsummer to demonstrate how the tilt of its axis, with respect to the Sun, varies. In both instances the black dot on the "day" side of the Earth equates to our position on the surface at a latitude of around 51° north. The dotted line shows the path we follow.

In mid-summer when the Earth will be 180° away on the other side of its orbit, the north pole is tilted towards the Sun and, of course, so are we. The sunlight strikes our part of the world far less acutely making the Sun higher in the sky although it will never be high enough to be overhead and the dotted line makes clear that we spend much longer in daylight than in the dark. As it is winter in the southern hemisphere, the south pole has continuous darkness whilst the north pole is in constant sunlight.

There are only two planets visible in the evenings this month, Mercury and Mars. Mercury is currently moving back towards the Sun and will become visible in the mornings in the latter part of August. Mars has lost much of its previous brightness as the distance between us increases. It lies due west early in the month with an altitude of 12° at around 10:30pm although the distance between Mars and the Sun is decreasing so it will become more difficult to spot as the days pass.

Don't forget that the Perseid meteor shower reaches peak activity on the evening of 12th August. Look in the area between north east and north west at a height of around 45°. Moonlight will interfere to a degree this year.

Brian Mills FRAS



TATSFIELD'S SHOPS OVER THE DECADES

Apart from the near doubling of our population since the Second World War, one big change that established Tatsfield families have experienced is the drop in the number of shops.





Cards from between the First and Second World Wars are a reminder of how things have changed. On the corner of Ship Hill and Old Lane (Left) was Parkers Stores which was also a source of sweets and other treats for children attending the school which was then across the road. Ringers shop was in Redhouse Road and produced many of these cards.





At one stage, there were more than a dozen shops in Tatsfield. Both sides of Emily - now Westmore - Road, together with the existing Parade by the pond, were the main source of essentials for villagers. In Westmore Road and close to Crossways was a drapery and Lugton's Stores was on Ship Hill.





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