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Sunday Services

Full details of these and any other services are set out in the Church Calendar for the month, which is shown on page 5

The Church has a number of Home Groups which meet regularly during the week at various locations. Details from Catherine McBride Tel: 01483 421267

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Baptisms, Weddings and Funerals contact
Hambledon and Busbridge Church Office
Tel No: 01483 421267 (Mon – Friday, 9.30am – 12.30pm)

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contact the Church Wardens

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Vicar's Views – February

Hello Everyone

How do you feel about work? Love it or loathe it? There's also the question about whether you are someone who lives to work or works to live. Or, in other words are you the kind of person who can't wait to get into the office in the morning and can't switch off at the weekends – a workaholic; or are you someone who works simply to earn enough money to fund your lifestyle and you're counting the hours until the weekend? Neither extreme is a particularly healthy relationship to have with work.

Maybe you can't wait until retirement; maybe you're retired or have been made redundant and you feel like you've lost your purpose in life; maybe you're retired and it's the best thing that ever happened to you.

Our relationship with work is certainly complex. Work (or the lack of it) is a hugely significant part of our lives; an intrinsic part of how we see ourselves and relate to the world. That's not surprising given that it is part of how we are made. The Bible teaches us that in some way we are made in the image of God; that is, we reflect something of his nature; part of which is that we work. We have a creative, active, working God, who has created us with those same characteristics.

So work is a good thing, a God thing, and is intended to give us meaning and purpose and fulfilment. Maybe that's why in the Old Testament the Hebrew word for 'work', *melacha*, has the same root as the 'word' for king, *melek*. To work is to be able to exercise a degree of self-determination, power and control over our lives and environment. It is a great privilege to be able to work.

In the light of all this, it is sad that sometimes the Church has seemed out of touch with people's day to day working lives. Certainly, in the past the Church has created an artificial divide between the sacred and secular and failed to recognise that secular work can be very much part of someone's God-given calling and that he can use us for his purposes in our places of work. We certainly recognise this at Busbridge & Hambledon Church and all the ministers on the clergy team here had normal day jobs before becoming vicars and can well remember what that was like. In fact, our curate at Hambledon still works full-time running his own business.

As a church, Busbridge&Hambledon want to do something that will affirm and encourage people in their work places and give them some tools to help them work well. We are holding a conference called 'Working Well' on Saturday 12th March at Busbridge Church*, where we will have a host of expert speakers and seminars on a range of topics such as:

- Mindfulness and how we can use these techniques in our workplace.
- Developing resilience at work, so that we can thrive and not just survive.
- Finding purpose and meaning at work.
- Coping with redundancy or, indeed, coping with having to make others redundant.
- What to do when our work/life balance goes wrong.
- How we might use our business skills to give something back to the wider community.
- How our faith can inform our business culture and strategies.

To find out more about the conference and to download a programme and booking form go to our website www.bhcgodalming.org or contact our church office on 01483 421267.

God bless you in your work,

**more details on pages 5 and 12*



Catherine McBride,
Associate Vicar, Hambledon and Busbridge

CHURCH CALENDAR

February 2016

7th February Sunday next before Lent	9.00 am 10.30 am 3.30 pm	Holy Communion (BCP) <i>No service this morning</i> Messy Church in the Village Hall
10th February Ash Wednesday	8.00 pm	Holy Communion with Ashing
14th February 1st Sunday of Lent	9.00 am 10.30 am	Combined Morning Service No service at Hambledon – instead a chance to hear Bishop Andrew Watson speaking at Busbridge 10.30am service
Saturday 20th February	8.30 am to 10.00 am	- Prayer Breakfast in Church Rooms <i>A time to meet together for prayer: all are welcome</i>
21st February 2nd Sunday of Lent	9.00 am 10.30 am	Holy Communion (BCP) Morning Worship
28th February 3rd Sunday of Lent	9.00 am 10.30 am	Morning Prayer (BCP) Morning Worship
and 6th March 4th Sunday of Lent	9.00 am 10.30 am	Holy Communion (BCP) Messy Church @ Hambledon Church

Services at St. John's, Busbridge

8.00 am	Holy Communion (said)
9.00 am	Classic service: Holy Communion 2nd and 4th Sundays
10.30 am	Contemporary service: 1st Sunday: All Age 3rd Sunday: Holy Communion Groups for children of all ages in various locations – turn up and ask!
6.30 pm	Benefice Evening Worship

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Account number 00705349. Please include your name and 'Working Well' as the reference.



Planning Hambledon's future

First of all Hambledon produced a Parish Plan. Then it toyed with the idea of a Village Design Statement. The next proposal was a Neighbourhood Plan. That was turned down in favour of a Community Plan. But the story continues.

In 2003 Hambledon produced a Parish Plan to help shape its future. Since then the Parish Council has examined various other formal frameworks to ensure that the village's ambitions for the years ahead continue to be taken into account by Waverley Borough Council and other authorities. These included a Village Design Statement and a Neighbourhood Plan, the latter being a route which some villagers has asked the Parish Council to consider. However, after seeking professional advice and taking into account the cost and resources necessary for such measures, it was decided that there were insufficient benefits to justify the time and money. Instead, the Parish Council considered a Community Plan, whose scope is less than that of a Neighbourhood Plan and which is thus arguably more relevant to a small rural village.

Whichever method the Parish Council adopted for drawing up a blueprint for the future would have required both financial assistance and community volunteers. In the event, neither was forthcoming.

First of all Big Lottery which distributes National Lottery money for community causes turned down a request for funds. Although the application had been carefully prepared with professional help, Big Lottery experts could not see why a Community Plan was required to address the needs and issues set out in the application. (This point had also been raised in earlier advice given to the Parish Council, including from Waverley.)

The second set back was that, one month after an appeal for volunteers appeared in the Parish Magazine and on the village web site, only six responses had been received.

So it's back to the drawing board.

As has previously been stated, although there have been changes since Hambledon produced its Parish Plan in 2003, it would be difficult to improve on its objectives. The Parish Council has therefore decided to continue using the Parish Plan as a base document but to up-date and re-issue it in either its existing or a new format and perhaps with a more appropriate title.

Village groups and organisations are therefore being asked what would make Hambledon and its facilities a better place for them and their activities; and individual ideas will also be more than welcome.

All responses will be incorporated in a discussion paper to be made widely available early in April. The paper will then be discussed and questions arising from it addressed at the Parish Assembly on Thursday 14 April. Funds for printing the completed document have been included in the 2016-17 budget and it will also be published in full on the village web site.

So, in thanking those who did volunteer to help with a Community Plan, the Parish Council now asks them and as many other villagers as possible to give some thought as to what they think might make Hambledon an even better place in which to live. Revisiting the 2003 Parish Plan and its latest up-date might be a good point from which to start – these can be found on the village web site at www.hambledon.surrey.co.uk and following the links from the "organisations/Parish Council" menu. Alternatively, you can ask the Clerk for a hard copy by telephoning 01428 684213 or e-mailing j.woolley881@btinternet.com.

Please send comments either via the website or to the Clerk by 15 March so that they can be included in the discussion document.

The Parish & People column will resume in March

The Walker family write:

Thank you, for all the love, support and meals that we have received from the community over the past three weeks; and to those who went searching for Dad over New Year.

Without it we could not have got through this last month:
Jacqueline, Jenny, Fenwick, Robin and Jeremy Walker.

Jenny's tribute to George appears on page 17



George and Jacqueline Walker

Dunsfold Park – again

1,800 houses, which could eventually rise to 3,400, a sizeable amount of industrial, commercial and retail development plus associated social and leisure infrastructure: that's the latest idea. But what about the traffic?



The latest planning application for **Dunsfold Park** will be considered by the Parish Council at its meeting on 16 February. Once again the major issue, from Hambledon's point of view, would appear to be the amount of traffic the proposal would generate and the seeming lack of infrastructure, both existing and (virtually un-)planned to support it; and once again the Parish Council is likely to liaise with adjacent Parishes in commenting on this particular issue. But, in the meantime, Hambledon-specific comments on the overall application are needed and a briefing paper will be included with the agenda for the next meeting.

The first meeting of the new year was held on 12 January. One of the main agenda items was the future of the proposed Community Plan (see report on page .. of this issue). Another was **finance**. This is partly because it is in January that grants are paid out to the various groups supported by the Parish Council – the Cricket and Football Clubs, the PCC (to help with cutting the churchyard grass), the Village Shop, the Village Trust and the Village Hall – and partly because the budget, including the Parish precept (the annual tax levied, via Waverley, on each Hambledon household) has to be approved. The Parish Council has agreed an increase of a little over £1000 in the precept for 2016-17 as compared with the previous year. Given that, averaged out over the past nine years, there has been practically no increase it was felt that this was not unreasonable.

The application submitted by **Hambledon House** to Waverley for a premises licence has been withdrawn.

It is expected that occasional events (including weddings) will continue to be held but Temporary Event Notices for these will be sought on an as-needed basis. How the Parish Council might be advised about these will be kept under review. However, the concerns raised by the Council and by so many villagers consequent on last July's event appear to have been recognised.

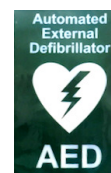
Colin Rapley has completed his **village tidy-up** programme for 2015-6 and it was fortunate that he cleared out all the ditches just before the really heavy post-Christmas rains arrived. An application has been submitted to Surrey County Council for funds for next year's maintenance work and Victoria Young has kindly agreed to pay for repairs to the potholes at the entrance to the Hambledon Common car park from her Surrey County Councillor's budget.

Orchard Farm. ERHA have had a further meeting with the Waverley planners and also seem to be making good progress with SCC on drainage solutions. They are hoping to complete all the documentation that will accompany the actual planning application during February. Once that has been done dates can be agreed for the second ERHA-organised drop-in meeting and the further Parish Council open meeting. The Parish Council realises that this is the second time that these two events have been delayed but is confident that they will take place well this side of Easter.

Details of both meetings will be posted on the village web site. If you have not already done so, do subscribe to receive e-mail up-dates. Just log on to www.hambledonsurrey.co.uk and follow the – simple – instructions on the right hand side of the home page.

Saving life in Hambledon

With the support of the Hambledon Community Foundation, money raised by St Peter's Church & the Parish Council means that the community now owns two Automated External Defibrillators



These are based at the Village Shop and in the Porch of the Church. The AED at the Village Shop is currently hanging in the stock room so is only available during shop opening hours. Following the forthcoming shop refurbishment it will be stored in an external cabinet.

AEDs are simple to use, although they can seem intimidating. Learn how to use them and help save a life in Hambledon!

Bart's City Life Saver is a unique Charity that teaches life-saving skills to people living or working in the City of London. Hambledon will be its first rural outpost. On Sunday 7 February 2016 at 2 pm training will be provided at St Peter's Church Rooms, Hambledon, to enable you to learn/refresh your life-saving skills and to familiarise yourself with an AED.

Training is £20 each, contact Dr Alison Martin tel: 01483 893619 or email: amtillics417@gmail.com

Superfast – the story so far

A meeting on 15 January revealed that it is likely to be a long haul before a lot of Hambledon residents will be able to receive superfast broadband – despite government claims

At Hambledon Parish Council's request Peter Howell-Davies, Paul Osborne, the Hambledon Parish Clerk and Tim Forrest (representing Chiddingfold Parish Council) met Peter Martin (Deputy Leader, Surrey County Council) and members of his Superfast Surrey team to discuss progress to date with installing superfast broadband and the problems facing Hambledon and Chiddingfold.

The initial installation of superfast has finished, with the provision of fibre optic cabling to the vast majority of BT cabinets in the county. In theory every premise located within 1.8 km of a BT cabinet that has been so up-graded should now be able to receive a minimum speed of 15 mbps. Any speed lower than this means that a superfast service cannot be guaranteed.

Superfast Surrey is now carrying out an Open Market Review (OMR). The first step was to seek information from the existing service providers (mainly BT, though Virgin Media also operates in some parts of the county) as to which areas are still below the 15 mbps level. BT claims that 96 per cent of

Surrey premises can now access speeds of at least 15 mbps but this is not borne out in practice. It takes no account of variations as between urban and rural areas. For example, the recent Hambledon survey of premises which get their broadband via the cabinet at the A283/Lane End junction (cabinet 6), shows that the superfast guarantee applies to only 61 per cent of them. Similarly surveys initiated by Chiddingfold Parish Council have also thrown up major gaps in superfast coverage. Data issued by BT seem to bear little relation to what is happening on the ground as revealed by data provided by individual users, and might not therefore be the best basis from which to determine who should benefit from further Surrey Superfast intervention or BT up-grades. Nor do BT data recognise that the fibre installed in some cabinets is insufficient for all the premises they currently serve – let alone the extra lines that have been requested.

Superfast Surrey is now analysing data produced by the service providers but, before it can decide how shortfalls in coverage might be addressed, the EU has to re-qualify the work as a candidate for state aid funding (it will be paid for with money left over or

otherwise recouped from the state aid funding that financed the initial installation of superfast). Only when this has been done can Superfast Surrey and BT move on to recommending which premises should benefit from intervention and the methodologies to be used. Proposals to this end then have to be submitted to one month's public consultation before they can be signed off.

Whatever intervention package is proposed, it will have to show that it represents value for money and fairness. The latter criterion could prove particularly difficult in the case of what are currently estimated to be up to 20,000 disenfranchised rural premises across the county, given their location and, in some cases, the distances between them. It must

also be assumed that intervention may also be required in some urban areas.

The most optimistic time frames are that the EU will rule sometime in April whether the work qualifies for state aid funding. If it does, and so long as no new or additional conditions are imposed, intervention work could start in 2017.

However, experience to date indicates that there are many possible slips between cups and lips where superfast is concerned. In the meantime, the future of the 39 per cent of Hambledon premises currently beyond the reach of superfast remains uncertain.

Some may want to take immediate action to access superfast via satellite, wireless and/or mobile services (although none is fool proof). Others may prefer to wait and see whether the forthcoming intervention programme holds out any hopes for Hambledon. If it does not, it might be necessary to consider possibilities for individually or collectively funding an own-initiative with Openreach or another service provider.

In the meantime the results of the Hambledon survey will be passed on to Superfast Surrey so that they can be included in its data analysis.

A very big thank-you to everyone who contributed and to Jon Petersen for analysing the results*; without that input it, would not have been possible to demonstrate that superfast coverage in a sizeable part of the village currently falls well short of BT's claims.

* See www.hambledonsurrey.co.uk/superfastsurvey/



On the buses, *again*, or is it too late ?

Councillor Stewart Payne reports a much more severe threat to our 503 bus service.
Take action NOW, to avert a serious loss of amenity for the village, and others on the route.

Surrey County Council is proposing to axe the 503, Hambledon's only bus service.

Having won a reprieve in 2012, once again the county council is making further spending cuts including the subsidy that keeps the 503 operating.

This time the village faces a big battle to keep its bus, even though the need for the service remains as great as ever.

If you want to comment on the proposal then please complete the Surrey Council questionnaire online at www.surreycc.gov.uk/transportreview or fill in a paper version available in libraries and local council offices.

Or you can request a copy in the post by calling 0300 200 1003. **The deadline is Monday 14 March**

SCC will then consider responses to the consultation and final proposals will be debated on May 24. The outcome will be announced in June and changes will come into effect in September.

If you care about the future of Hambledon's bus, which provides the only public service link to shops/banks/surgeries in Milford, Godalming and Guildford then please take part in the consultation. SCC is suggesting the bus could be replaced by a dial-a-ride service.

Many older residents in the village rely on the 503, which currently operates on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays, twice in each direction.

A handful of residents join the bus in Hambledon and others board as it stops the in Manor Fields and Chapel Lane estates in Milford.

Because of its importance to these passengers, the Stagecoach-operated service is subsidised by

Surrey County Council to keep it running. But continuing cuts in funding to local authorities by Central Government are taking their toll.

And this at a time when the need for public transport, and the energy and environmental savings it brings, could not be more important.

Additionally, an affordable housing development at Orchard Farm is currently under consideration. The 503 starts on its doorstep at Lane End. The bus also travels close to the new 100-homes development off Tuesley Lane.

Recent History of the 503 Hambledon used to be served by a regular daily bus service. By 2011 the 503 had been reduced to a twice-weekly service and a SCC bus review proposed ending it altogether. A spirited defence of the 503 by Hambledon Parish Council and villagers resulted not only in its reprieve but in the increase of its frequency to three times a week.

The Parish Council also launched a successful initiative to have bus stop signs returned to the route and these were installed at the village hall, the Merry Harriers and Hydestile crossroads in July 2013.

But in March last year, faced with further budget cuts, SCC announced another two-stage Local Transport Review. The 503 was not considered in the first stage which resulted in service cuts in other parts of the county. But stage two is now being considered and within this the 503 is to be scrapped, subject to the outcome of the public consultations. Other bus routes in the area are to be reduced or withdrawn.

Full details can be found by clicking on: www.surreysays.co.uk/e-i-directorate-programme-group/ltr and following the links.

déjà vu?..... From February 2015 magazine...

Bus route challenged again... ACT NOW !

Stewart Payne on behalf of Hambledon Parish Council invites us to act fast on receipt of this magazine, as you only have until February 2nd to complete the survey.

Once again Surrey County Council is looking to make savings from its expenditure on subsidising bus services in rural areas such as Hambledon.

This has been necessitated by a reduction in Government funding to Surrey CC and increased

The Parish Council sought the views of regular users of this service, all of whom relied upon it to reach shops, medical services and visit family and friends. The council put forward a strong case for the retention of the 503.

In the event the 503 was not scrapped. Indeed, it's

What's happening . . . in and around the village



Hambletots!



We are a friendly, local baby and toddler group who meet on Wednesday mornings in Hambledon Village Hall from 10–11.30am

Hambletots will meet on Wednesdays 3rd, 10th and 24th February (*not 17th – ½ term*)

We have toys for all ages, a baby area and we organise a craft activity for the older children. Mums, dads and carers with children are welcome along, even if they can't make every week.

The cost is £1 for each child under a year and £2 for each child over a year. Come and meet other local parents, carers and children over a cup of tea or coffee.

please call **Anthea Edwards 01428 684369** for more information



Nexus
linking church & community

On **Thursday 4 February**, we're pleased that Garry Hill, Manager of the Meath Skills and Enterprise Centre, will talk to us about the **Meath Epilepsy Charity** in Godalming,

the *Meath*
epilepsy charity

our charity for 2016 and it will be enlightening to learn about the exciting things they do at Westbrook House, the Meath, and in their expanding presence on Godalming High Street. The **ARTHOUSE Meath** shop is where



Meath artists sell their own work and run Art workshops in the studio behind; recently, they've opened **Changing Perceptions** where customers can enjoy speciality teas or Fairtrade barista coffees and cake whilst deciding which piece of upcycled wooden furniture they might like to buy, all upcycling in a small workshop behind the café. It's a dynamic charity offering a world of possibilities to adults with complex epilepsy in a safe environment that aims to inspire and empower. We very much

hope you and your friends will join us at **8pm** in Busbridge Church Centre to hear all about it. All welcome! We'll continue collecting 2016 subscriptions at our February meeting. Our annual membership fee remains at £18, and the guest fee for non-members is £5 per evening. These fees covers: gifts for speakers, welcome drinks and nibbles plus tea or coffee afterwards, in addition to raising funds for our chosen charity, for 2016 The Meath Epilepsy Charity. For more, phone Janet Harvey on 01483 423264 or Kate Kaye on 01483 415296 or see www.bhcgodalming.org/groups

Coffee Morning

Tuesday 16 February, 11am in the Church Room
and the third Tuesday each month

All welcome – do come

More information from Jacqui Rook 01428 684390



WAGs

Our first venue for 2016 will be at 2 Church Lane (Millers) on **Wednesday 17th February** starting at the new time of 2pm – car parking available. We look forward to seeing you there.

Any queries phone Cynthia 01428 684362



HAMBLEDON LADIES' BREAKFAST future dates:

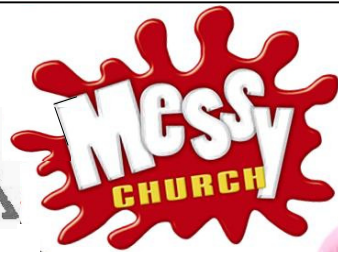
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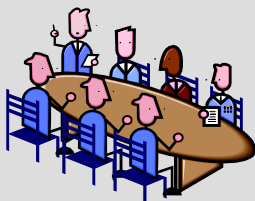


Hambledon Village Hall, Sunday 7 February, 3.30pm–5.30pm

With crafts, songs, food and fun!

Come dressed as a Prince or a Princess!

For more details, contact Jenna on tel: 01483 421267
or email: jenna.vanjaarsveld@bhcgodalming.org



Hambledon Village Hall Management Committee

The Committee will be holding its **2016 Annual General Meeting**
on Thursday, 11 February 2016 at 7:30pm in the Village Hall
Members of the public are most welcome to attend.

AGENDA

- Minutes of the AGM held on 12 February 2015 to be approved and signed.
- Annual reports by the Chairman and Treasurer.
- Election of Management Committee, Representatives and Co-opted Members.
- Nomination and election of new members.
- Any other business.

Paul Vacher, Hon. Secretary

The Management Committee are also organising the following fund raising activity:

16 April 2016 'Traditional' Jumble Sale

(subject to final confirmation, sorry cannot accept any electrical items).

So don't throw anything away until April... More details soon. *Paul Vacher*

Hambledon Cricket Club: The AGM is on Tuesday 23 February.

For more information see page 18

Tea and a little bit of Jazz: Thursday 25 February



Afternoon tea will be served in Busbridge Church, followed by entertainment from the talented members of the **Rodborough School Jazz Band**.

This is open to all and not solely to Prime Time members. Timings and the cost for this event are still being worked out as we go to press, but if anyone is interested in attending then please contact Penny Naylor in the Church Office on 01483 421267 or email: penny.naylor@bhcgodalming.org.

It is often possible for us to arrange lifts to our events, so please do not let transport concerns deter you from attending if you would like to – please do get in contact.

WORKING WELL

a conference to **encourage** and **equip** us for our 9 to 5
and to **explore** our faith at work



Equip

Encourage

Explore

Saturday 12th March 2016
10.00am - 4.30pm
Busbridge Church, Brighton Road

More details on page 5

busbridge&hambledonchurch In association with **Ridley Hall** CAMBRIDGE

Hambledon Heritage Society

2016 Annual General Meeting

Village Hall, **Wednesday 16 March, 8pm** (doors open 7.30)

HAMBLEDON COMMON : RESTORING THE HEATH

Stephen Dean, Lord of the Manor of Hambledon,
will talk about the Common and its history
and his efforts to restore the lost heathland.



Refreshments/light snacks • Raffle

No entrance fee but donations appreciated

Hambledon's heritage needs your continuing support

*If you would you like to know more about the Heritage Society or are interested in
joining the Heritage Committee, contact Julie Steele, 01428 682853*

Advance notice:

Hambledon Parish Assembly is on Thursday 14 April

Refurb after the Party



It was party time for the volunteers at Christmas, before the refurbishments this month ...

The next stage of refurbishing the Village Shop will take place in February. There will be some disruption but most services will be available.

Between Monday 1st February and Monday 22nd February, some new shelving will be installed, the shop counter and Post Office counters will be relocated and new flooring will be installed. All work is planned to be completed by Monday 22nd February.

Throughout this period Newspapers will be available as normal as will bread and milk and some dried goods. The farm shop will operate as normal.

The delicatessen and cafe will be operating from a catering van in the shop driveway.

During the week Monday 8 February to Sunday 14 February the Post Office will be closed for 3 days while the new flooring is installed, exact days of the Post Office closure will be provided at a later date.

Jo, the shop staff and the shop volunteers will be doing everything they can to keep the shop running as close to normal as possible during this period, please reward them with your custom.

Hambledon Village Shop Christmas Party 2015



On a balmy evening in December around 40 guests – all involved in Hambledon Village Shop in some way – gathered at the village hall wearing Christmas decorations and looking very festive.

It was lovely to get together to meet old friends, make some new ones and to thank everyone for contributing so much to the shop.

The team who'd organised the village party had beautifully decorated the village hall with ivy garlands and fairy lights all round the walls and an enormous Christmas. Our table decorations were made from recycled



cycled bottles and jam jars with a little hand-decorated 'thank you' token and raffle ticket on each place setting.

The evening kicked off with drinks and chat before tucking into beef and vegetable Malaysian-style curries with rice and breads made by our Chef du Jour, Jon Petersen, followed by chocolate torte and lemon cheesecake desserts from Cook. Thanks go to the commis chefs who helped chop the veg! After the meal Jon emerged from the kitchen in his Santa apron to don his quizmaster hat and to referee a particularly contentious question about the number of National Trust properties in the village.

Jo then drew the raffle, which comprised items from the shop, and two beautifully crafted wooden pieces donated by Actually Made in Hambledon.

To bring the evening to a close, Tim gave a short speech to thank everyone for coming and to thank us all for our continued involvement in the shop. Jo was presented with some bubbly and a mug for her morning cuppa customized to reflect the sterling work she does.

Thanks to those who cleared away afterwards, (many hands making lighter work) and also to those who lent equipment.

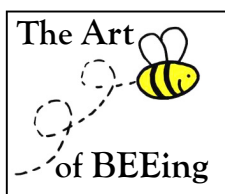


THE VILLAGE SHOP NEEDS YOUR HELP!

Hambledon Village Shop is run for the benefit of the village and relies on volunteer help. We need people to help out on weekdays and weekends so if you can spare a few hours each week, every other week or on occasional weekends, please get in touch with Gill, Volunteer Coordinator, at hvsvolunteers@gmail.com or 01428 685765.

It's a great way to get involved in village life, meet your neighbours and contribute to our thriving community.

JOIN OUR TEAM OF VOLUNTEERS!



It's Plan Bee says Mr McBee

Our inveterate Hambledon Beekeeper, Wayne McIntyre, contemplates the vagaries of the seasonal mishmash, reports on what might happen and the measures to deal with all challenges, and just enjoys the prospects of more fresh air creativity

What a winter it has been this year! Seeing bees flying almost daily throughout most of December is not something many UK beekeepers would have seen before but fortunately there were flowers about offering pollen to those bees seeking to break the boredom of hanging around their hive all day. It will be interesting to see how the colony has reacted to these higher than usual temps as it's during winter that the queen usually gets some off-time from her egg laying duties. Apparently this is mainly due to the onset of shorter daylight hours but I also think her laying would be affected by outside temperature.



I haven't opened the hives since I last fed them in October and it's only in early January each year, when we give them their winter Varroa treatment that we are able to remove the hive lid and see how well they are doing and, in some cases, how well not doing.

It's sad to see a colony that was once thriving in the summer down to only a small ball of bees and therefore unlikely to maintain its warmth to see it through to the Spring but you realise nature knows best and that your time is more effective giving the healthy colonies the extra attention. To non-beekeepers the winter Varroa treatment sounds like rough treatment because the bees are dosed in weak oxalic acid syrup. Why oxalic acid you ask? Well because it's considered one of the best, if not the best treatment, for Varroa – this pest was introduced by man into the UK from the Far East. Various experiments have been done around the world to try breed a bee capable of fending off these critters but so far there is little to suggest they have achieved this goal without compromising the temperament of the bees.

This year however I am trying out a new method of dosing my bees and that's with a gadget that vaporizes oxalic acid crystals within the hive, so I don't have to open the hive roof and let out all the heat, but

rather a less invasive method of fumigating from the bottom entrance.

Winter simply isn't a winter without snow and finally it arrived. The bizarre thing about snow lying about on the ground is that, on a clear day, it reflects the sunlight into the hive causing the bees to think it a lovely day for flying. So the adventurous ones take to the air only to be engulfed in frozen air and simply tumble to the ground where they become motionless and eventually die of cold. However, put these "bodies" into a sealed container and place in the warm kitchen and within minutes they're all flying again. So, to avoid these suicide missions, I either pile snow over the entrance to prevent their egress or place a piece of wood over the entrance to keep it dark within the hive.

What has been good about these past few days of hard frosts is that it has finally wiped out the last of the wasps which is great news for beekeepers as frankly they're a menace. Whilst the frost has its advantages, it also comes with its own issues. Unless you've fixed metal mice guards over the hive entrances you're guaranteed to find that your hives have turned into mice hostels. These little guys seem to be able to creep undetected into the hives whilst the bees are clustered and can cause a lot of damage to combs and frames. The other problem that presents itself is our lovely green woodpecker. Yip, when the ground is frozen, this little guy resorts to knocking huge holes into the sides of the hives to gain access to the bees it can hear on the outside. An expensive problem!

At this time of the year we beekeepers generally place slabs of white baking fondant on each hive as backup in case they're running low on stores. With an especially warm December last year, running out of stores is a very real problem we may face this year if left unchecked.

So what are my big plans for my bees this year? I don't have any really. I'm happy just to go with the flow because whilst you may have a plan, you can guarantee theirs is different from yours. I just enjoy watching them at work, raising new colonies, catching swarms and the obvious reward of a jar or two of honey. It's a great hobby if you enjoy the outdoors!

Give some thought to your spring garden beds and hedgerows and the opportunity to bring more wildlife into your garden. I generally find that garden centres have little knowledge of bee loving plants and so suggest looking at the RHS list of recommended plants. Any queries email me on:

artofbeeing1@gmail.com



More training exercise than walk

What more could be asked?
Dry under foot, an army training
exercise and a good lunch

There was an expectation that the January walk would be called off because of the dreadful weather we were all experiencing. Not only did we feel that there is not much enjoyment in walking in torrential rain but the thought of ploughing



through mud did not appeal either. However we were pleasantly surprised that on the day of the walk we had a dry day albeit with a cool breeze. Phillip was the walk leader and he had chosen a walk incorporating a circuit of Hankley Common. The beauty of his choice was that the whole area is very sandy and drainage is good – no soggy boots!

* Atlantic Wall reconstruction

D-Day training sites were created in Britain in order to practice for Operation Overlord, the invasion of Northern France by allied forces in 1944.

In 1943, in an area of the common known as the Lion's Mouth Canadian troops constructed a replica of a section of the Atlantic Wall. It is constructed from reinforced concrete and was used as



Hankley Common is used as a military training area and we were delighted to witness a very realistic training exercise.

The common was extensively used as a training ground during the Second World War and remnants of structures used at that time are still in evidence. Not least of these is the so called Atlantic Wall. *For its history see below**

An excellent lunch was had at The Barn Café in Elstead – good value for money!

Thank you Phillip for an unexpected great day out.

Next Walk: Tuesday 9 February

Meet at the Village Hall at 9am

Leader: David

Short Walk: Tuesday 23 February

Meet at the Village hall at 2pm

Further details from

Derek Miller tel: 01428 684362

a major training aid to develop and practise techniques to breach the defences of the French coast prior to the D-Day landings.

The wall is about 100 m (330 ft) long, 3 m (9.8 ft) high by 3.5 m (11 ft) wide. It is divided into two sections between which there were originally steel gates. Nearby are other obstacles such as dragon's teeth, reinforced concrete blocks and lengths of railway track set in concrete and with wire entanglements. Many of the relics show signs of live weapons training and the main wall has two breaches caused by demolition devices including a specialised demolition

Over the years the wall has become colonised by alkaline-loving lichens, mosses, ferns and other plants because the concrete provides the lime-based substrate that these species require and which is found nowhere else in the locality. They present an unusual range of plants to be found in an expanse of acid heathland.

The preservation of the Wall is managed by Army Training Estates with the assistance of the MOD Hankley Conservation Group [from Wikipedia

Ross's ramblings

The old and the new

The rhyme is perhaps based on one in Old Farmer's Almanac. The jokes are new, but perhaps not as funny as they used to be; and as for yoghurt – well, judge for yourselves.

Does anyone remember the weather on new year's eve night? Because there is an old bit of weather law that says

"If new year eve night wind blow south
It betokeneth both warmth and growth.
If west, much milk and fish from the sea.
If north much cold and storm there'll be.
If east the trees will bear much fruit –
So happy new year from man and beast."

If I remember correctly, the wind came from the south, so that's OK. But hang on a minute – didn't the south and south west winds bring in storms and floods in December and January? Oh well, there goes another bit of ancient folklore – but I'll check again later in the year.

And now, only six weeks late, "The Christmas Cracker Jokes":

Q: "Where does Father Christmas go to recover from Christmas?"

A: "An elf farm." Aaaargh!

Q: "What did the alien say to the garden?"

A: "Take me to your weeder." Groan!

Q: "What do you call a fish with no eyes?"

A: "A fsh". (No more please!)

Q: "Where do cows go on Saturday nights?"

A: "The moo-vies". Oh go on then, one more!

Q: "What do you get if you eat Christmas decorations?"

A: "Tinselitis". If you must!

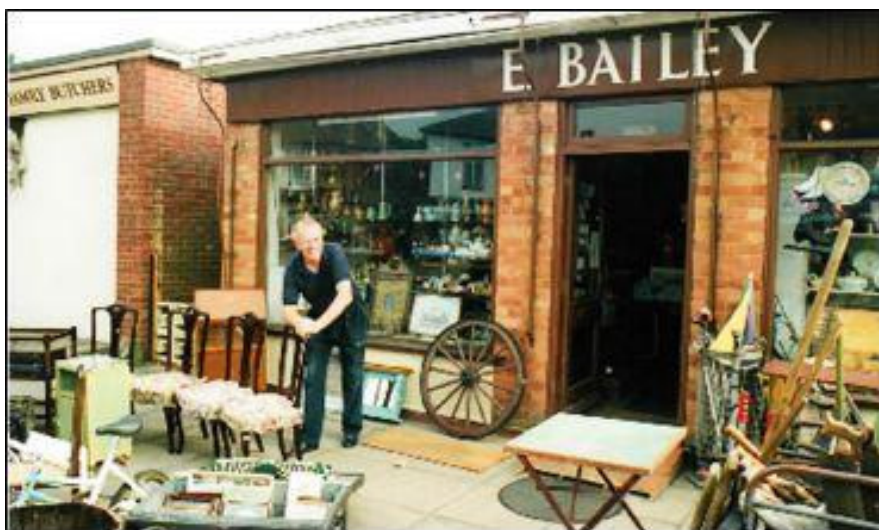
Q: "What kind of motorbike does Santa ride?"

A: "A Holly Davidson".

Is it because I'm getting older or are cracker jokes getting worse?

For example, Q: "What's brown and creeps around the house?"

A: "A mince spy." Gosh – I actually smiled at that one.



And finally, do any of you remember Eric Bailey's junk shop? Sorry, of course I mean "vintage establishment". Almost opposite the Milford Post Office. Lots of knick-knacks in our cottage came from him. I think he closed around 20 years ago. There was a butcher next door; now it's a chippy.

Ross



George Walker, 1953–2016

With the gift of life we are given the gift of conceptual space; if we choose to be awake and alive within this offering, the joy of creating with hope, joy and anticipation are ours to revel in. *Jenny Walker's opening words in this tribute to her father.*



This creative space Mum and Dad chose to inhabit and make their own. Their eyes wide open to the gifts that God had showered upon them, they were open handed and full of generosity, sharing these gifts with us their children, and their dear friends.

The realisation of these gifts is that together they raised four strong, independent, caring and loving people – the partnership that they had together allowed us to become fully ourselves; creative and with eyes fully open to new possibilities.

Dad chose not to simply be awake in the conceptual arena of life, but he allowed it to enter his whole being. With it he walked each day with fresh possibility; ideas springing like bubbles in his mind and bursting with fresh colour. All around him life was enriched with a deeper hew and life was brighter when he was in full creative flow.

Mum would be enjoying an early morning cup of tea whilst Dad was in the shower, and more often than not he would bounce in to the bedroom with what the family named “A Shower Idea”. “*I’ve had an idea!*” he would pronounce, and between brushing his teeth and shampooing his hair, he would have seen the solution to a problem that someone would have been battling with for eons – be it world politics, how to reverse the plastic pollution, or get the broadband to finally reach Hydestile. Be it business, music, flying or the environment Dad would at one time have had an idea so extraordinary that it would change others thinking, and in that true sense he was indeed a genius.

In the summer this year Dad and I were watching the garden birds on the feeders from the snug. He loved the birds and spent much time making sure that they were nurtured and protected, (much like his family) he loved seeing them in flight, gossiping with each other and taking turns on the feeders. We were talking about music as he had just completed a composition and he surprised me when he said that his life long ambition was to be able to play the piano.

Dad was a wonderful musician and so enjoyed creating something to enrich others through what they heard. Music also helped to satisfy his logical, analytical mind. I remember him years ago talking about Mozart and the mathematical genius behind his musical scores. Music was a perfect way for Dad to express how he felt, and his need for logic and understanding.

One of Dad’s earliest memories in life was looking up at the sky and watching a plane fly and that is all he wanted to do – to be able to fly and experience the feeling of being elevated above the world. He enjoyed his Pilot’s license more than a child loves a candy store – everything about it – the freedom, space,

elevation and feeling of accomplishment. Flying, to dad, was the most fun you could have above the earth.

Dad also had a way with words that was second to none. (I am sure he won arguments by using long words no one had heard of!) But his enjoyment of the English language with his love of flying found a perfect outlet when he wrote *Tales from an Airfield*. He loved writing and publishing the book; as a family we are immortalised as aircraft with faltering memories!

Dad’s walk with God was anything but boring and through it I, as well as many I am sure, learned a lot about relationships. His relationship with God was wonderful in its full honesty and its reality. His passion for Jesus, the heart and love for his wife and children, the need he had to help the poor, lost and broken, and his turmoil over the church, combined with his eternal seeking for a loving Father was so rich, completely real and at times quite shocking, that I was left knowing that his relationship with his Creator was one of such depth that no one could doubt its reality.

Relationships are dynamic and flowing, never static and take over our thinking. This is how I saw Dad with God. It was a full on, up front and total.

Mum and Dad created and shared a unique relationship, based on deep love and respect for each other. Between them they linked their arms and their hearts to build a safe harbour for us to retreat to, and sail forth from. They have been ever there for us, never faltering, always strong in their defence and would shield us from any storm that dared to rear up down us. In their arms we have found safety, love and support.

Mum is still our harbour, our resting port, and now we surround her with the love that Dad imparted to us to help support her, save her from the battering gales, and to be there as her safe port of call as well.

Dad was happiest when we were all together as a family around a table, drinking good wine and eating great food. These are the happiest of times and we can truly commune and remember him as we move together as a family to a very much changed and altered reality.

I am honoured to be Dad’s daughter and blessed with such wonderful Brothers, all reminding me of him in many different ways. Be it Fen’s skill with music or his voice when he calls me from another room, Robin’s dedication to tasks, deep, love filled heart, or Jeremy’s steadfast grounding, caring nature, and encouraging smile, we all carry part of Dad with us every day.

The conceptual space is much changed now Dad is no longer with us, but it need not be dull – for his strands of colour are still there for us to grasp and weave into a new future, and they will always be there for us to look at, to enjoy and to remember him.



Cricket Club AGM: 23 February

New to Hambleton? Keen on playing cricket or just getting involved in this enjoyable part of village life? Hambleton Cricket Club has something for everyone, for boys and girls and for grown-ups of all ages. Come along to the AGM and find out more

Hambleton Cricket Club looks forward to seeing all its members and potential new members at the forthcoming AGM, to be held on Tuesday 23 February in the Cricket Pavilion and starting at 8 pm. This is an important meeting for members – not only to elect Club Captains, Club Officers, a Welfare Officer and various Organisers but also to discuss the Club's finances and to decide on its future plans. Anyone interested in becoming a new or a non-playing member will also be very welcome.

Senior sides, 2016. The Club would be glad to welcome more playing members for both the 1st XI League and the Friendly XI sides. Games take place on either Saturday or Sunday. If you would like to play, please come along on 23 February. We would also be glad to meet anyone else who might be interested in helping to run the matches, including scoring, umpiring and making teas.

Juniors' section, 2016. Under 9s, under 11s, under 13s and possibly under 15s, all playing from April through to the end of July in the Berkley Sports League. Matches are on Friday evenings and Sunday mornings; training is on week-day evenings and Saturday mornings. But we still need help in running these sides.

Fund raising. The 200 Club will run again this year. Last year there were four draws, with prizes ranging from £50 to £20. So it should be well worth participating in 2016. You can get further details from the Secretary of the Cricket Club, Bruce Sleep (01428 684457).

Other contacts are: Club Captain Mark Burton (07722 752465), Friendly Captain Peter Woolley (07800 596193), Chairman Arthur Blackman (01428 683817) and President Mic Coleman (01428 682977).



Wonders of Winter, part 1

Even as Earthworm shudders at the thought of a dearth of Ribena, the snowflakes fall, confusing both fauna and flora in our gardens and lanes, as spring flowers temporarily shrink

A winter chill descended on us in mid January, with SNOW! Earthworm snuggled further into his heap to find a bit of extra warmth. He has to confess that he finds a cold snap quite welcome. A winter without frosts is rather nice but oh the implications later, he muses, all those unwelcome and unpopular bugs that will not be killed off by a bit of cold, not to mention all the eggs and larvae waiting to hatch out and do their worst in Spring. Of course too there are the plants that positively NEED a cold spell like blackcurrants.

He just loves Ribena and would hate to find there was none on the village shop shelf because the bushes had had no fruit. Truly our winter scarves and gloves, warm coats and fur-lined boots have not had much of an outing so far this year. Let's hope that for those of us who do not enormously welcome an icy snap, that they will not be needed for too long!

Earthworm takes a wiggle round his garden and finds so many surprises like primroses in flower, the occasional cowslip and violet, daffodils in bud even before the snowdrops have emerged and they are

usually the first of the winter/spring flowers to emerge in the village he spies some daffodils in flower! Why, he wonders, when other things are flowering so early are the snowdrops not ahead of their time? Perhaps some horticulturalist will explain?

Christmas seems barely to have passed and we are thinking of Easter which will be here before one can blink. But will there be daffodils to pick then, Earthworm wonders, or will we have apple blossom out a month or even two ahead of what we think is normal?.

Since last month there have been the torrential rain storms and one must feel so sorry for all those poor people up North who have been flooded. It must be heart breaking thinks Earthworm to see all your possessions a sodden ruined mess and your house uninhabitable. For some too this is the second time. How fortunate were we down South. We did have a lot of heavy rain but at least the rivers could cope, and the beautifully dug ditches that we now enjoy have kept the roads reasonably dry in most places. Our thanks must go to our Parish Council for that!.

Winning isn't always easy



Matt Kiley wonders whether the referee sometimes gets it wrong.

In a recent match the law seemed to be: raise your hands once and it's a red, raise them three times and it's a yellow.

Hambleton welcomed their bogey team, Windlesham to Badger Park. We always seem to win at their place and they always win at Badger Park. And the Indian sign continued with Windlesham running out 2-1 winners.

But Hambleton were left wondering what might have been with a stronger ref. They thought they had taken the lead with a well-taken free kick from Tom Winter that came down off the underside but bounced to safety. Then Chris Woodley found a lovely ball over the top and Seb was through: he knocked it past the on-rushing keeper and was clipped just on the edge of the box. He managed to pick himself up to look to square for a Kuda tap-in, but the ref blew for a foul. Despite the keeper being the last man, he wasn't even spoken to, let alone a Red card. The resulting free kick gave the Dons had a good shout for a handball and penalty – but again, nothing. At half time it was 1-0 down and Windlesham still had a full complement of players.

The Dons re-started brightly and Kuda had two early chances. First the defender managed to get back for a good block before Charlie Reddick played him in, but this time he saw his shot wide. Windlesham remained a threat and Hambleton had Josh Hill to thank for keeping them in the game with two excellent saves.

Charlie and Kuda were combining well and this time Charlie was through; but his powerful shot aimed at the top corner swung away at the last minute. The Number 7, who had been dishing it out all game and telling our players to stop crying, then reacted very badly when he got a taste of his own medicine. Adam went in very late but made no contact. The Number 7 swung at Rogers, grabbed his throat and then had him in a head lock. Players were separated in the ensuing mêlée with the ref showing both a yellow. To protect Adam he was subbed, with Paul Wicks replacing him. Then Kuda, when through on goal, was taken out by the experienced Number 3 for a penalty. Despite being last man, he was shown just the yellow, with Kuda being fouled. Neil Evans then scored but Windlesham held on to record a 2-1 victory.

Hambleton bounced back with a 4-1 victory over Old Salesians in the last game of 2015 on a dreadful pitch. Hambleton were soon ahead when Seb Jefferies headed home a Tom Winter corner. But they went in only 1-0 up. The second half was much better and the Dons ran out 4-1 victors, Tom Winter having added two plus another Neil Evans penalty.

The first match of 2016 away to Windlesham was called off due to a waterlogged pitch. The Dons travelled to Guildford Park the following week and were greeted with another terrible pitch. With star striker Kuda still ruled out with injury, Connor Martin was given his first start up front. He had the best chance of the game when put through by Tom Winter, but the keeper saved well.

Guildford took the lead against the run of play with an excellent free kick to lead 1-0 at half time, despite the Dons being well on top. The least said about the second half the better: a very poor performance saw Guildford run out 4-0 victors.



Tom Winter

The Reserves had two games called off before Christmas. They were finally back in action against local rivals Godalming & Farncombe. With new signing James Wade hitting a first half hat trick, they looked to be heading to the first win of 2016; but they were pegged back by Godalming with two late goals, the last being a cross that went straight into the top corner. A bumper crowd at Badger Park enjoyed a thrilling end-to-end match.

Hambleton got back on track with a fine 3-0 win over Lightwater after the visitors had held the home team at bay for 70 minutes. Then goals from James Wade, John Clarke and Will Taylor put them up to third in the league with lots of games in hand. There are some massive games coming up with top-of-the-table University of Surrey followed by a cup quarter final against Shottermill.

The Reserves are up for Sport Godalming Team of the year for their exploits last season. This is the award that the first team won back in 2013. So fingers crossed that the Dons name will be back on the shield.

Hambleton A don't have many league games left, two teams having dropped out including local rivals Milford & Witley. They drew at home to Guildford Barbarians with Gavin Montgomery scoring their only goal. This was followed with a 3-0 defeat against Weysiders with chances just not taken. Unfortunately, because of heavy rain, the President's game was called off against the Vets – it will be later in the season.

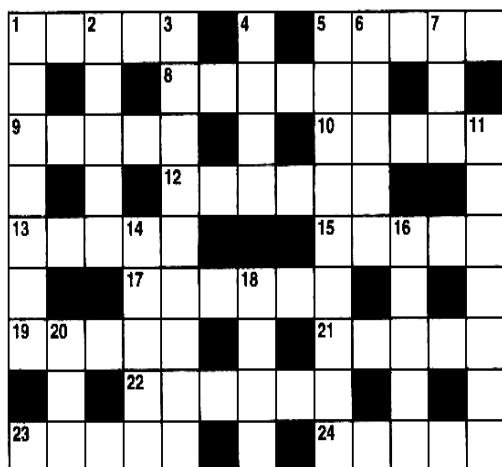
The weather also put paid to the Vets Cup Quarter Final against Milford & Witley and their home game against Morley Road. They will try again at Badger Park..

We hope to welcome you down to Badger Park soon to watch a game.

Come On You Dons !

Puzzle Page

Crossword



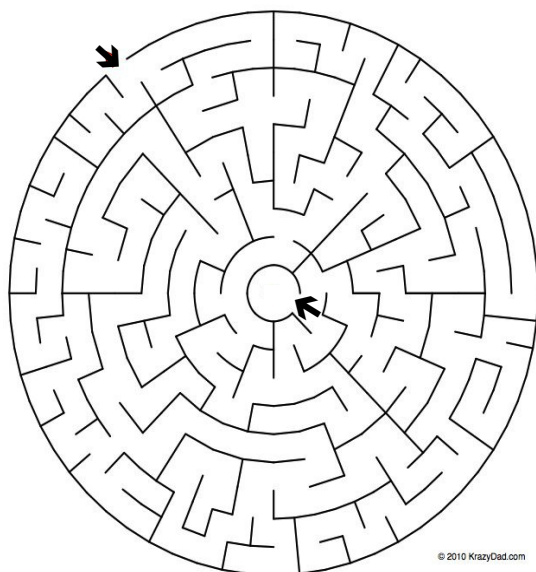
ACROSS

- 1 Body trunk (5)
 5 Brown stripy cat (5)
 8 Altered (6)
 9 1966 Michael Caine film (5)
 10 Really love (5)
 12 Very small wave (6)
 13 Invited visitor (5)
 15 Rub out, delete (5)
 17 Toronto's country (6)
 19 Ghost, spectre (5)
 21 Record off the TV (5)
 22 ___ the Elephant, song (6)
 23 Leg joints (5)
 24 Location (in a film) (5)

DOWN

- 1 Chemical used on rioters (4,3)
 2 Long-barrelled gun (5)
 3 Passes on the road (9)
 4 Slow tap leak (4)
 5 Dregs in the bottom of a cup (3,6)
 6 British snake (5)
 7 Pub counter (3)
 11 Visual monstrosity (7)
 14 Small plain cake (5)
 16 ___ MacDowell, US actress (5)
 18 Clever and competent (4)
 20 Cooking pot (3)

Maze



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Word Search

February is the month of romance. Millions of Valentine cards will be sent in the next week or two, as we celebrate our romantic love for that special person in our lives.

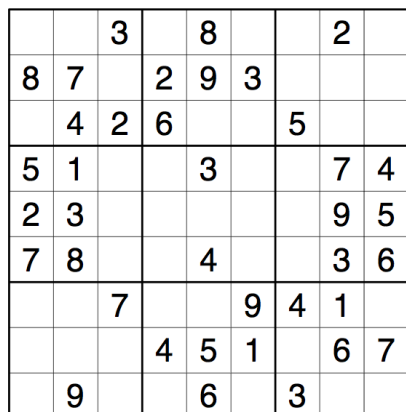
But there are other kinds of love to celebrate: and on Candlemas we remember Mary and Joseph taking their baby son to the temple to present him to God.

Jesus' whole life was a loving present to us from God.

Through his death for us on the cross, and his resurrection, his love can now transform anyone's life.

Romances can die, but God's love for us is always there. But it won't do us much good – unless we accept it!

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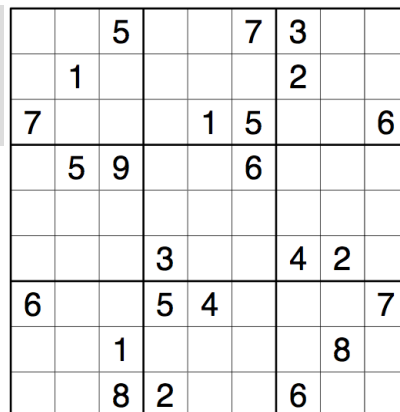


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Sudoku

Easy

Intermediate



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Answers to all puzzles on page 26

Get pruning and planting

O thou, Who chariotest to their dark wintry bed
low, Each like a corpse within its grave, until
Her clarion o'er the dreaming earth. The winged seeds, where they lie cold and
Thine azure sister of the spring shall blow
John Davies, 1570-1626, *Ode to the West Wind*



It's been mostly such a mild winter so far. We are enjoying some snowdrops (unlike Earthworm), early daffs and even a few grape hyacinths.

Perennials, annuals, bulbs: Good time to buy snowdrops in garden centres, as you can see what the flowers are like. And the hardy Cyclamen Coum are a picture this year, so early; their seeds can be tricky to germinate, but a sneaky way around this is to let the ants do the job for you; they love the sweet, sticky substance on the seeds and often carry them off and sow them for you; so before the leaves disappear for their dormant period, have a look for any seedlings; leave them where they are, or carefully lift them and plant elsewhere. Continue to cut back herbaceous perennials when they look tatty. Cut back deciduous grasses as their green shoots appear at the base, taking care not to damage the new growth; use either secateurs and cut off the whole stems, or use a hedge trimmer or shears and slice through the stems few centimetres at a time, then leave the resulting pieces as a mulch on the ground; evergreen grasses are different and should be cut back in spring or early summer when they are actively growing; most years, just rake or gently pull out any old growth. If the soil is workable, plant some early flowering heathers; the flowers are bee-magnets and plants will grow in any soil, sun or light shade.

Trees and shrubs:

There is still time to plant bare-rooted hedging, trees and shrubs, getting them off to a good start early in the growing season. Plant new climbers such as clematis and honeysuckles. Some shrubs can be cut back towards the end of this month; cut wisteria back to two or three buds. Trim back Virginia creeper shoots that are outgrowing their support. With dogwoods and willows, grown for their colourful stems, cut these back to 15cm from the base to encourage strong growth. Mahonias can be pruned after flowering by removing the top rosette of leaves from leggy stems to help them get bushier. Prune summer-flowering deciduous shrubs that flower on the current year's growth such as Buddleia, Hydrangea, Lavatera.

Veg and Fruit:

Buy seed potatoes now in garden centres to get the best choice; put the tubers in trays or egg boxes in a light, cool, but frost-free place; they will grow small shoots ready to be planted out when the soil has warmed up.

Sow onions broadbeans, lettuce and brassicas, such

as calabrese and summer cabbage and cauliflower indoors or in heated greenhouse, as all benefit from an early start. Tomatoes can be sown in heated propagator for early crop; many gardeners have found last summer that the Gardeners Delight tomato seeds produced much larger tomatoes, ours came out striped, tasted OK, but succumbed to blight, even in the greenhouse; we have grown Gardeners Delight for years but these were definitely quite different; we might try Aperio, or Suncherry Premium, or the new variety Garnet (from Sutton seeds), all cherry tomatoes.

Prune apple and pear trees by shortening this year's growth on main branches by a third; cut side shoots back to five or six buds. Cut all shoots of autumn raspberries down to soil level. Prune blackcurrants by taking out a third of the older wood (darker in colour) right down to the base to encourage new growth. Red currants and gooseberries, cut all the side-shoots back to one to three buds; shorten the branch tips by a quarter, cutting to an outward-facing bud. Then feed fruit trees and bushes with sulphate of potash or Growmore; use dry poultry manure pellets if growing organically; follow by mulching around the plants to conserve moisture. Plant garlic.

If the soil is workable, consider creating an asparagus bed; asparagus plants can remain productive for up to 20 years; autumn is the best time to start, but now is not too late; dig area over thoroughly, mix in plenty of well-rotted farmyard manure, and remove weeds; a week or so before planting, scatter general fertiliser over the area (about 90g/sq m is ideal) and fork and rake; towards the end of March dig a trench 30cm wide, 20cm deep, pour soil down the length of the trench to make a 10cm high mound; sit asparagus crowns on top of the mound, spreading the roots out either sides - plant crowns 30cm apart, cover with about 5cm soil, put on more soil as the stems grow, completely fill the trench by autumn; space more rows 30cm apart; succulent spears may appear soon after planting, but don't harvest them or you'll weaken the crowns; during their first two years plants should be left to form lots of ferny foliage - cut down the stems in autumn, leaving 5cm stumps above the ground; harvest after two years.

Greenhouse/indoors: prune back stems of overwintering fuchsia to two buds to encourage bushy, compact new growth. Top-dress indoor citrus plants, or repot if necessary with John Innes No 2 compost with a little added sand or grit. Sow hardy annuals such as marigolds indoors for earlier blooms.



A feisty dish for frosty February

Our resident cookery writer Sam Gates brings us a new twist on a family favourite to banish that numb February cold feeling

Spaghetti bolognaise was one of my favourite meals as a child, and probably the first meal I learned to cook for myself. Since then, I've cooked it more times than I can remember, usually when I can't think of anything else that everyone likes. But now I am bored, bored, bored with the traditional spag bol, so I've been working on a few meaty alternatives.

This is my favourite. Inspired by a Jamie Oliver recipe, this warm, feisty sauce is made with sausage meat and lots of spices. It was the perfect comfort food last weekend when our central heating decided to take a holiday and we were in need of inner warmth to see us through the chill. This makes four hearty portions.

Feisty sausage penne with fennel and chili

Ingredients

2 shallots (or one red onion) peeled and roughly chopped
1 large carrot, peeled and roughly chopped
3 cloves garlic, peeled
1 fresh red chili, seeds removed, and roughly chopped or ½ tsp chili flakes
6 sun dried tomatoes in oil, drained
6 plump, good quality sausages, chopped in half

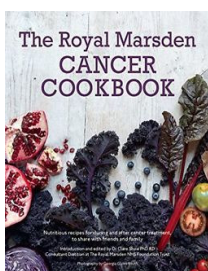
1 tsp oregano
1 tsp fennel seeds
2 tbsp olive oil
4 tablespoons of balsamic vinegar
2 tins chopped tomatoes
2 tbsp tomato puree
2 tbsp chopped fresh parsley or basil
500g dried penne, fusilli or rigatoni
Parmesan or strong cheddar for grating
Salt and pepper

Pop the shallots/onion, carrot, garlic, chili and tomatoes in a food processor and blitz for a few seconds. Then add in the sausages, fennel seeds and oregano and blitz again (you don't need to skin the sausages) and keep blitzing under it looks well combined. You will need to stop a few times and scrape the sides of the processor to ensure it mixes well.

Heat a large casserole or deep frying pan on the hob and add the oil. When it's hot, tip in the sausage mixture and start cooking. It will stick together; so keep breaking it up with a wooden spoon. When it's coloured, add the chopped tomatoes, balsamic vinegar and tomato puree and bring to the boil before turning down to a gentle simmer for 30 minutes, stirring frequently.

After 30 minutes, keep the sauce simmering and cook the pasta according to your packet instructions.

Taste and generously season the sauce. When the pasta is ready, drain and mix into the sauce. Sprinkle over lots of grated Parmesan or cheddar, the chopped basil or parsley and serve straight from the pan.



Sam Gates' books 'Food for your Brood' and 'The Royal Marsden Cancer Cookbook' are out now. See also my website: www.foodforyourbrood.co.uk

PS If you're enjoying my recipes, please like my Facebook page 'Food for your brood' and follow me on Twitter @samgatesfood

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Sailing the seas of life

The Rev. Michael Burgess continues his procession through the Church, this month pausing at the font in St George's Church, Anstey, in Hertfordshire

GOD IN THE ARTS

Have you ever thought how an actual church building might provide a series of visual aids to spiritual meditation?

Last month we stood at the doorway of the church of St John the Baptist in Adel, West Yorkshire. Open the door of that – or any church – and the first thing to greet our eyes is the font.



It is the fonts that mark the beginning of Christian life. Many of them have fine carvings of the seven sacraments that nourish the Christian. Others are octagonal in shape, reminding us of Noah and his seven family members saved in the ark from the Flood.

This month's font, in St George's Church, Anstey, is a symbol of the ship sailing the seas of life

St George's, one of five churches in a benefice, is a medieval building dating from the 12th Century, (c.1170). The Church appears in the book "Britain's

1000 Best Churches" and receives many visitors from the U.K. and abroad, particularly the U.S. as there is a wartime connection with a U.S. airfield nearby.

Records show a flint and rubble church stood here in Saxon times. It was rebuilt around 1200 by Sir Richard de Anestie whose ornate but damaged tomb is in the church. Some of the material from the castle which stood behind the church is thought to have been incorporated in the building.

The church is noted for its abundance of early graffiti, including some from the 13th century and shows military helmets and shields and that of an Elizabethan man.

The church is of cruciform design and the Central Tower holds a ring of six bells, the earliest being from the 15th Century and the last from 1778.

A Millennium memorial window is dedicated to those American airmen who gave their lives in World War II. It depicts a mass of butterflies flying into a sky filled with bomber aircraft. The names of all those pilots who died are inscribed on the butterflies' wings.

This is a Grade I listed building and the font is one of only two Norman fonts known in England to be decorated with mermen holding their tails. These mythical and pagan creatures belong to a pre-Christian age – an age which the newly baptised is called upon to renounce.

When the font was carved in the 11th or 12th century, baptism occurred within eight days of birth. Babies would be immersed three times into the waters of the font: dying to the old life which is symbolised by the mermen and rising to new life, to be clothed in a white robe and given a lighted candle as a guide through life. They would then grow up in the church, moving from that west end through the up-turned boat of the nave to the altar at the east end.

That movement through the church is a sign of the pilgrimage that we are all called upon to make. Like a journey on the seas of this world, we may sail through tranquil waters and peaceful days. However, there may be times when the skies are cloudy and the waters stormy. Martin Luther, when he was faced by struggles like that in his life, would say the words 'I am baptised' to strengthen and reassure himself. 'I am baptised', we can say, as we travel in faith, in the knowledge that there is always a light to guide us and a goal that is as sure as it is eternal.

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Sunday Lunch should be a family and friends affair.
This Valentine's Day share the love with those you most care about. Book your Table now!

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Eat Out in February!
Get 30% off all of your drinks when two or more people eat a full price main course in February.
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Valentines Supper
Saturday 13th February
Candles, Romance, Roses
Join us for your Valentines Celebration
3 Courses plus a glass of Albury Vineyard, Classic Cuvee Organic English Sparkling Wine
£35 per person

Colin & Bob's
30's to 60's QUIZ NIGHT
Tuesday 23 February 8pm
Keep your brain working all year with our Music, TV & general knowledge quiz.
Rollover prize

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Get your uniform on for our **Skool Disco Vinyl Night!**
Merry Regular & ex DJ Geoff Holborn with his 70's - 90's Vinyl Collection will have you dancing all night long!
Saturday 27th Feb 8pm



Watch out – there's a thief about !

This month's tips from Dave Boxall are prompted by the long winter nights – but it's important to protect your house and outbuildings from light-fingered ladies and gentlemen throughout the year.

Winter is an excellent time for burglars to be on the prowl for valuables and cash: dark nights offer the perfect opportunity for checking what might be lying around the house or otherwise available for the taking.

If you leave your home in complete darkness and your curtains are not drawn, and no car is on the drive, it's an obvious sign to an opportunist burglar that no-one is in. At this time of the year, more than any other, it pays to secure your home.

There are a number of simple ways to do this, all of which will help reduce the chance of your home becoming the next target.

Visit a local retailer where you can pick up a 24-hour segment timer for under £5. The timer can be used with a lamp, radio or TV to give the impression that someone's home. Remember to use an energy-efficient light bulb.

Register your valuables on the Immobilise website. It's free and takes just a few minutes and, if your valuables are stolen, it will allow you to tell the police, your insurer and the second-hand trade. This will assist in recovering your property and may lead to the thief being caught.

Keep valuables out of sight.

Lock your doors and windows. If you have a UPVC door, make sure you have double-locked it.

Neighbourhood police officers may be patrolling in the Hambledon area; but do please contact me (details on the *Useful Information* on pages 28/9) if you would like further crime prevention advice.

Sheds – easy pickings?

Offenders see sheds as easy pickings because they are likely to be unprotected and to lack basic security measures. They often contain property that can be sold on or implements that can be used to force entry into the owner's home.

Many sheds, while being of good construction, fall short on basic security.

It is easy to unscrew the ironmongery, steal the contents and in some cases replace the screws to make it look as if the shed has not been tampered with. By using tamper proof screws or coach bolts, together with a good quality pad bar or hasp and staple and close shackled padlock, shed owners can make it harder for the would-be thief. You could consider filling screw heads on external hinges with superglue to prevent anyone getting a screwdriver in the slot.

It is also a good idea to bond any window glass in with mastic to prevent easy removal.

Ensure that all tools and equipment are locked away when not in use.

High-quality locks should be used on doors. Windows can be fitted with a grille or, as a cheaper alternative, chicken wire, to slow down a thief.

A shed alarm can also be installed.

Post-code or indelibly mark all property such as lawnmowers, bikes and tools using ultra-violet pens, forensic marking such as Selecta DNA or Smartwater or engravers.

Install security lighting as a deterrent. Plants such as thorny shrubs also act as valuable barriers at potential access points.

If you're building a shed, put it where it is most visible to you and your neighbours.



Going on holiday during the winter months?

Make your home look occupied.

Whether you're out or going away, ask a trusted neighbour to open and close your curtains for you.

You can also ask a neighbour to park on your driveway while you're away.

Weather permitting, cut the front and back lawns before you go away and trim any plants that burglars could hide behind.

- Cancel milk and newspaper deliveries.
- Before your holiday, don't advertise that you are going away on Facebook, Twitter, etc.
- Register for Royal Mail 'Keepsafe' service if you're away for more than a couple of days.
- Leave important documents and valuable personal items with other family members or in the bank.
- Double-check that you've locked all outside windows and doors.
- Set your burglar alarm.

Between us all, let's make life more difficult for criminals in these darker days.

Getting the best from our feet

After walking many thousands of miles over our lifetime, our feet need looking after.

As we get older it is important that we take care of our feet, but sometimes being able to do so is more difficult. Kim O'Sullivan offers some solutions

Common complaints can affect our balance and walking and increase the risk of falling. 1 in 3 people aged 65yrs and over, fall each year and falling can cause loss of confidence and isolation.

Foot related problems that increase the risk of falls:

- Foot pain
- Stiffness in toes and ankles
- Unsuitable or ill-fitting footwear
- Foot weakness and deformities such as bunions and hammer toes
- Toenail disorders

Exercises to maintain flexibility and strength:

1. Circling the ankles. Sitting comfortably in a chair, lifting right leg, rotate the ankle in a clockwise direction for 10 rotations, then repeat in anti-clockwise pattern. Repeat for left ankle.
2. Toe ups; sitting comfortably with both feet together and heels on the floor. Lift both sets of toes, ensuring that the heels remain in contact with the floor at all times. Hold for the count of 10. Repeat 5 times.
3. Double heel raise; standing comfortably behind a sturdy chair for balance. Slowly lifting the heels to stand on toes. Hold for count of 5, repeat 10 times.

Ensure you wear the correct footwear:

- Do not wear slippers for gardening
- Ensure the shoe provides support around the ankle, has a secure fastening and a low broad heel.
- Ensure the toes have room to be free.
- Ensure slippers fit and heels do not slide out or off the back.
- Alternate between 2 pairs of shoes if possible.

Looking after your feet on a daily basis:

- Wash feet daily.
- Ensure they are dry, especially in-between the toes, to prevent fungal infections.
- Inspect them daily for signs of blisters or trauma – Diabetic patients should get these checked by their practice nurse as soon as possible.
- Keep nails short to prevent them ingrowing.
- Observe for nail discolouration, this may indicate fungal nail infection.
- Avoid walking bare-foot to reduce risk of injury.

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Puzzle Solutions

Crossword

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Word Search

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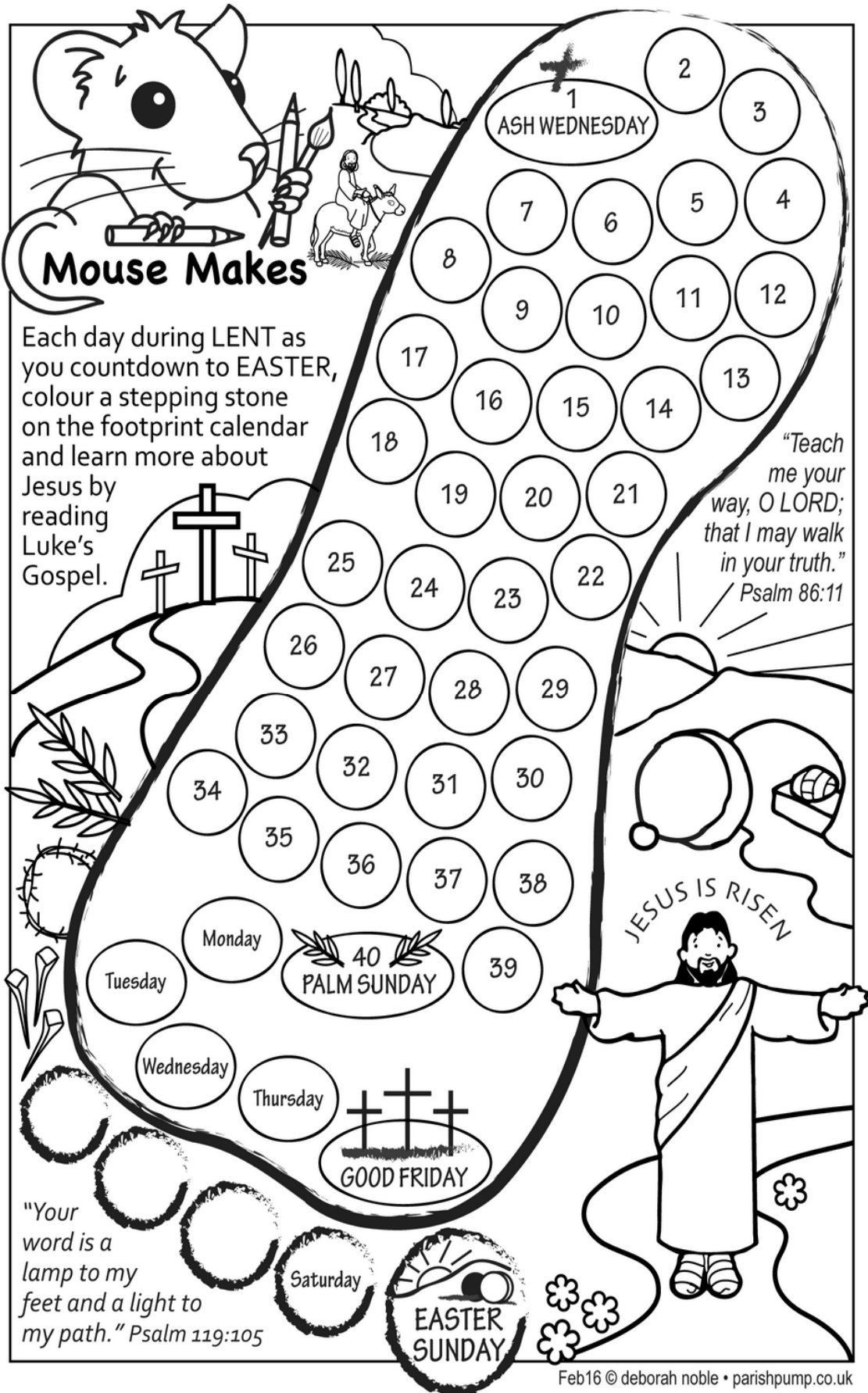
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Sudoku

Easy

Intermediate

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Useful Information and Telephone Numbers



GP SURGERIES AND HEALTH CENTRES

Witley – The Surgery, Wheeler Lane, Witley GU8 5QR

Tel: Doctors	01428 682218
Community Nurses	01428 685249
Health Visitors	01428 685249

Milford – Hurst Farm Surgery, Chapel Lane, Milford GU8 4EG

Tel: Doctors	01483 415885
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Crossroads Surgery, Church Road, Milford GU8 5JQ

Tel: Doctors	01483 414461
Health Visitors & Community Nurses	01483 415564

Chiddingfold – Ridgeley Road, GU8 4QP

Tel: Doctors	01428 683174
Community Nurses	01428 683735

HOSPITALS

Royal Surrey County Hospital

01483 571122

Milford Hospital

01483 782000

Equipment for short term use

Some items only required for a short time (usually 3 months) may be borrowed. Type of equipment available includes bed blocks, bed cradles, back rests, commodes, wheelchairs, bed pans, urinals.

Contact: British Red Cross, Equipment Loan Centre,

Wey Court, off Meadrow, Godalming, GU7 3JE. Tel: 01483 429253

Monday to Friday, 9am to 4pm

POLICE

Neighbourhood Specialist Officer: PCSO Dave Boxall

01483 630086

Email address

waverley@surrey.pnn.police.uk

Urgent calls

999

Non-urgent and crime reporting

101

NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH CO-ORDINATORS

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Area 5	Mr Alf Hammond	Cricket Green	01428 683625
Area 6	Mr John Tidmarsh	Lane End	01428 682067
Area 7	Mr Ion Campbell	Feathercombe Lane	01483 860264
Area 8	Mr Bryon Ware	Hambledon Park	01428 289132

UTILITIES

Thames Water (Customer Enquiries)	0800 3169800
Southern Water (Customer Enquiries)	0845 2780845
Southern Electric (Emergency) 24 Hours	0800 0727282
Gas (Emergency) 24 hours	0800 111 999

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Councillors	John Anderson	01428 682666
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Waverley Borough Councillors	Nick Holder	01428 682402
	Anna James	01428 682844

GENERAL

Borough Hall	01483 523333
Cinema Borough Hall (Tickets & Information)	01483 523004
Library	01483 422743
Hambledon Village Shop is able to arrange deliveries	01428 682176
St Peter's Hambledon – church office (and see page 3 for more information)	01483 421267
Hambledon Village Hall – for terms and bookings	01428 683588
Train Information	
Times and fares for all national services	0845 7484950

GOOD NEIGHBOUR SCHEME

Lifts to medical appointments, collecting prescriptions for Hambledon residents without transport, ring 01428 682959. If no response within 24 hours please call 01428 684390

VETERINARY SURGEONS

Milford Veterinary Surgery

37, New Road, Milford 01483 414747

Rivendell

24, St Johns Street, Farncombe 01483 421833

In an emergency, ring either number

Hambledon Village Shop & Post Office Opening Times

	Shop	Post Office	
Monday	8.15 – 5.30	9.30 – 12.30	1.30 – 4.30
Tuesday	8.15 – 5.30	9.30 – 12.30	Closed
Wednesday	8.15 – 5.30	9.30 – 12.30	Closed
Thursday	8.15 – 5.30	9.30 – 12.30	1.30 – 4.30
Friday	8.15 – 5.30	9.30 – 12.30	1.30 – 4.30
Saturday	8.30 – 5.00	9.30 – 12.30	Closed
Sunday	8.30 – 4.00	Closed	Closed

- Complete and return the attached form
- Follow the 'How to donate' links in the HCF section of Hambledon's website www.hambledonsurrey.co.uk
- Call your local HCF contacts or our umbrella foundation contacts, the Community Foundation for Surrey, to discuss more complex donations in confidence

Hambledon Community Fund Contacts:

Call Julie Llewelyn (07768 033611) or Katherine Evans (07771 601902) or email both Katherine and Julie at communityfund@hambledonsurrey.co.uk

Community Foundation for Surrey Contacts:

Call our Grants Officer, Louise Phillips, on 01483 409226 or email her at louise@communityfoundationsurrey.org.uk

Hambledon Community Fund - Donation Form

1) Please tick ✓ the correct box or boxes

- ☐ I would like to make a donation of £_____ and enclose a cheque for this amount, made payable to the Hambledon Community Fund.
- ☐ I would like this donation to remain anonymous
- ☐ I would like to set up a regular donation to the Hambledon Community Fund by Direct Debit or Standing Order. Please contact me using the details given below to arrange for this to be set up.
- ☐ I would like to consider leaving a legacy to the HCF in my Will. Please contact me to discuss this further.

2) Please complete the boxes below to receive Gift Aid on this and any future donations

Using Gift Aid means that for every £1 you give, The Community Foundation for Surrey can receive an extra 25p from the Inland Revenue, helping your donation to the HCF go even further (e.g. a donation of £100 becomes £125 with Gift Aid added)

Gift Aid Declaration

I would like to make a donation to the Hambledon Community Fund, administered by Community Foundation for Surrey, using Gift Aid. My details are as follows:

Name:		
Address:		Any notes? (i.e. Please ring-fence for certain project, Surviving Winter etc.):
Postcode:	Email address:	Telephone no.:

I am a UK taxpayer and I would like the Community Foundation for Surrey to treat all gifts of money that I have made to them in the past six years and all future gifts of money that I make from the date of this declaration as Gift Aid donations.

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3) Please return this form and your cheque (if applicable), to the following address:

The Hambledon Community Fund, c/o The Community Foundation for Surrey
1 Bishop's Wharf, Walnut Tree Close, Guildford GU1 4RA

Thank you for your support!