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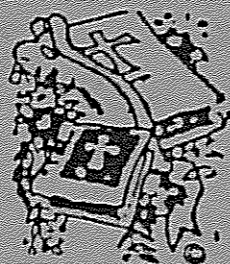
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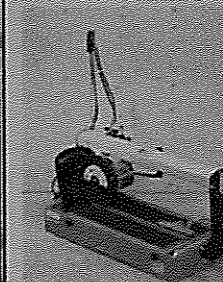
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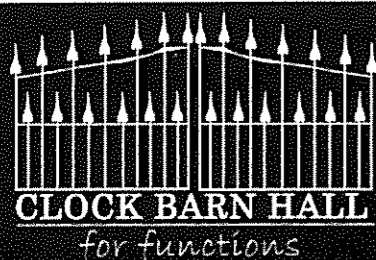
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## Pastoral Letter - May

Dear Friends

Have you ever seen the film *Nuns on the Run*? Eric Idle and Robbie Coltrane play crooks, on the run from both the Mob and the police – so (obviously...) they disguise themselves as nuns, and hide in convent. This convent has a school attached to it, and Eric finds himself about to teach a lesson on the Trinity. Robbie tells him that it's easy – all he has to remember is that God is like a shamrock – one leaf, but also three leaves. So Eric tries to teach class, which of course is total chaos with the girls all asking questions he can't answer, and in his panic he ends up telling them that God is like a shamrock – small, green and split three ways...

People often get hung up on the Trinity – the idea that God is one God, but with three persons within. They think it's weird or too complicated to understand; it's like it's an optional extra for very clever Christians to believe. When I wanted to preach on it back when I was training for ordination, my vicar said I shouldn't bother because people just wouldn't understand it. But I did anyway! Because I think it's very important, even fundamental to the Christian faith – and because I don't think it's that hard really! And this month, on the 18<sup>th</sup>, we celebrate Trinity Sunday.

The Trinity is only hard if we try to tidy it up, to make it into a neat mathematical formula, to make sense of it. We can't do that because one doesn't equal three however hard you try! So we try drawing a picture – usually three over-lapping circles like a scaled down Olympic symbol – but the fact remains that two things can't be in same space at same time – they either have to go on top of, or beside, or mixed together.

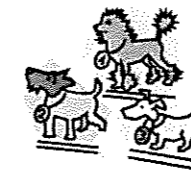
Sometimes sound can help rather than pictures a musical chord of three notes: we hear one whole, complete sound, but we can also hear the three separate notes sounding within it. Three in one, one in three. Or what about a dance? Imagine a beautiful waltz – both partners are needed to form the dance: you can't have one without the other. The man's steps only make sense when put together with woman's, and vice versa. To be complete a dance needs two persons; to be complete God needs three.

These ideas might help, but no one model will explain the whole thing; we can't take it to bits like a machine and see how it works. The Trinity is both beautifully simple and wonderfully mysterious: at the heart of God is a loving relationship between the Father, Jesus the Son, and the Holy Spirit. God is one in three and three in one.

God exists in a loving relationship – He is not one, big unknowable thing "out there"; neither is he three separate bits, but He is Trinity – a loving relationship between Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. That's why Christians can say "God is love" – because there's love within God, love between the three persons of God. After all, love is only love when it has an object, a beloved: love needs to be shown to someone or something else. You or I can show love, we can act lovingly, but we can't *be* love. So to say "God is love" only makes sense if God is Trinity – three in one and one in three – Father, Son and Holy Spirit in an eternal relationship of love.

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God is love because God is Trinity – Father, Son and Holy Spirit. This Trinity Sunday let's ask him to embrace us again in that same love so that we can share it with everyone around us.

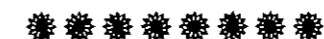
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4th 7th Sunday of Easter	8.00 am 11.00 am	Holy Communion (BCP) Family Worship
11th Pentecost	9.30 am 11.00 am	Holy Communion (CW) Morning Worship (with Children's Groups)
18th Trinity Sunday	9.30 am 11.00 am	Holy Communion (BCP) Morning Worship (with Children's Groups)
25th 2nd after Trinity	9.30 am 11.00 am	Morning Prayer (BCP) Holy Communion (CW) (with Children's Groups)

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## PARISH & PEOPLE



Many congratulations to Una Hedley who celebrates her 98th birthday this month and to Joan Elliott celebrating her 93rd,

Georgina Aylward has added a third grandson to her family and we send all good wishes to her daughter Amy and Sam Patten on the arrival of Tom (for the moment!) a brother for Daniel.

It is good to know that June "J" is safely back with us in the village following a visit to stay with her daughter and family in Australia.

Fanny Gaskin has had the misfortune to fall in her garden resulting in a broken hip and a stay in the County Hospital. We look forward to news of her return amongst her Hambledon friends and neighbours who send their love and all good wishes for a full recovery.

From a recent letter received from Geoffrey and Pamela Charrett who were at one time resident with us in Hambledon when Geoffrey was our Rector, we have been delighted to learn that their son-in-law Patrick Turner and his family are well settled in Washington where Patrick's work has taken him for the next three years. Patrick was married to Rachel Charrett and they lived for many years in Wheeler Lane, Witley before Rachel sadly died in 2004 leaving a young family of three. Patrick's assignment to the Embassy in Washington has embarked the family on a great adventure and by all accounts the children have settled well and are enjoying attending the British School of Washington which seems to cater for children of diplomats and other ex-patriots.

From the national press we have learned of the death of Christopher "Kit" Wilson. Kit and his wife Jolé lived at The Cottage at Lane End for many years and were much in evidence at village functions. After Jolé's death Kit moved to Charterhouse in London where he lived a happy and fulfilled life until his death at the age of 103.

Dennis Smy has also died. A resident of Farncombe with his wife Eileen who was the daughter of Harold and Mary Hutchins, lifelong residents of Hambledon at Hydestile Cottages and Cherryhurst. Eileen and Dennis were married at Hambledon Church and recently celebrated their Golden Wedding Anniversary. The funeral was held at Hambledon Church on 9th April of Clive Harvey, a one-time resident of Hambledon and brother of Sylvia who was well known to the Hambledon Church congregation. We send our loving sympathy to Clive's widow Margaret and to his daughter Sarah and son-in-law Dev who have lost a much-loved husband and father.

And finally ..... As this magazine goes to press we have learned of the death of The Revd. David Thompson, who was Rector here in Hambledon from 1974-1983. David and Eve Thompson and their family of three daughters and several granddaughters played a large part of their lives amongst us here in the village and David and Eve have since enjoyed many years of retirement in Battle, East Sussex, where they were nearer to their eldest daughter Clare and her family. They lived a happy and fulfilled life; were married for 55 years and David reached his 91st birthday in November 2007. We send to them all the loving sympathy of their friends in Hambledon, which was David's last parish before retirement and where Eve often said "He was happiest".

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## Christian Basics: What Does the Holy Spirit Do?

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The Spirit brings us new birth into the family of God, for without him we cannot develop our relationship with God. Every person who has committed their life to Christ possesses the Holy Spirit, as Paul says, 'if anyone does not have the Spirit of Christ, he does not belong to Christ.' (Romans 8:9).

Primarily the Spirit assures us of God's love and acceptance in our lives, despite our fears, doubts or failures: 'God's love has been poured out into our hearts through the Holy Spirit, who has been given to us' (Romans 5:5). Paul expresses this in terms of our adoption as sons and our new status, family and future: 'Because you are his sons, God sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, the Spirit who calls out, "Abba, Father."'

So you are no longer slaves, but God's children; and since you are his children, he has made you also heirs' (Galatians 4: 6,7). This means that we can now address God as father ie abba, which is Aramaic for 'daddy', the very word used by Jesus himself. We can struggle with this truth in our experience, perhaps as a result of authority figures (eg parents, teachers etc), who have been domineering, withdrawn or abusive. However, the Spirit will work within us to bring healing and release in our lives.

As the Helper (or Counsellor) the Holy Spirit is also alongside to enable us to pray: 'In the same way, the Spirit helps us in our weakness. We do not know what we ought to pray for, but the Spirit himself intercedes for us through wordless groans'. (Romans 8:26). For our prayers he gives us both words understood, unknown words (ie gift of tongues) or no words at all (ie tears or sighs). He will also help us to understand God's word and hear what God is saying to us. 'But when he, the Spirit of truth, comes, he will guide you into all truth'. (John 16:13).

'The presence of the Spirit, as an experience and living reality, is the crucial matter for the Christian life from beginning to end' (Gordon Fee).

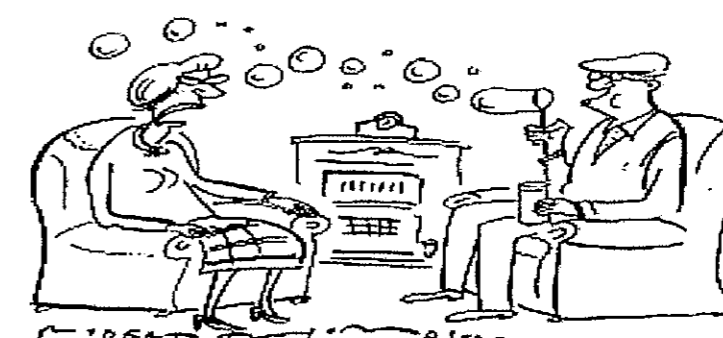
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### Get moving!

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The research, by scientists at King's College London, measured the length of telomeres, which cap the chromosomes in cells and protect them from damage. The scientists found that people who are active have longer telomeres than those who are inactive. The scientists advise running, tennis, or aerobics.

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OK, OK. You can go to the pub!

# Hambledon joins the World Wide Web

The Hambledon Village Website is now live! You can log on at:

[www.hambledonsurrey.co.uk](http://www.hambledonsurrey.co.uk)

The Parish Assembly saw the launch of the new website for Hambledon. A small team of local residents has developed the site over the past year but we now need you to log on, register and play!

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## Welcome to our website (your website!)

Welcome to Hambledon's new village website. These are early days of our new venture but with the contributions of villagers we hope that this site will grow to be a useful resource and a focal point for discussion, exchange and entertainment.

Please do browse the site. We really would like to hear your opinions, and suggestions on how we can expand and improve. If you would like to post a note on the forum please do. We are very keen to establish regular contributions to both articles and forum posts (this is the lifeblood of small village websites as without frequent contributions it becomes less attractive to repeat visitors). We would encourage logging on to the forum - registering a name - This helps keep it friendly and allows those registered users to access extras on the site and also to add their own text and photos to other areas of the site.

Secondly, if you have an organisation that is not represented on the village site, then please do contact the webteam.

The future of this site is the creation of pages that can be updated by villagers themselves. This site is specially designed to allow this - currently the webteam updates the pages (within minutes if needed) but the structure is already in place to allow members to add their own text, articles, photographs and updates to their section of the site, or to add news items, appeals for help, or revisions to the existing articles. This is a site for everyone.

If you have any questions please do post on the forum, contact the webteam, or maybe speak to one of the team if you should see them in the village. - The Hambledon Web Development Team

These are early days but with the contributions of villagers we hope that this site will grow to be

a useful source of information and a focal point for discussion, exchange and entertainment. You will find information for visitors and villagers alike, with the following key features:

**Discussion forum:** A place for everyone to discuss anything or everything, post photos, offer items for sale, appeal for help and publicise forthcoming events.

**Events calendar:** A week by week and month by month list of forthcoming events. Villagers can add to this to keep everyone up to date.

**News section:** What's happening in the village - updateable by registered villagers.

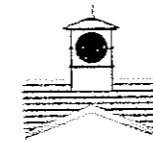
**Photo gallery:** A place to view and submit photos old and new.

**Village Shop page:** With updates on special offers and links to Farm Fresh Express.

**History section:** Information and links for everything historical in the local area.

**Clubs & organisations:** Information and links to other sites.

We are keen to see how people use the site, whether it is easy to navigate, clearly laid out and whether they find the sections they are looking for. Please make suggestions as to what content we could add to the site and what features you would like us to install. Only by tailoring the site to what you want can we achieve a useful, up to date and fun website.



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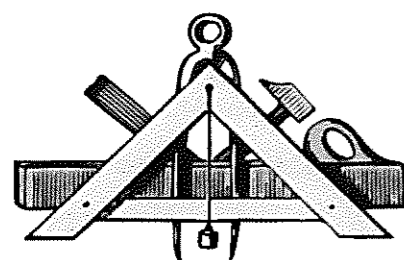
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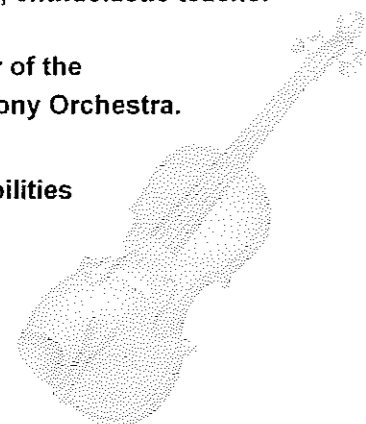
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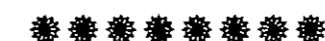
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Please do bear with the Web Team as they roll out this site - none of us are web designers, just enthusiastic village residents who are keen to create a worthwhile resource. We hope you like it.

The Hambledon Web Development Team - Camilla Edmiston, Mary Burrows, Paul Osborne, Derek Miller, Stewart Payne, Jo Ingham.



## Wednesday Afternoon Group

We were all transported into Maria Kinsella's Hat World. What a clever, interesting and talented lady she is!

The display of her work and collection of antique hat mould shapes was fantastic. It was fascinating to see an old top hat mould for measuring the head - it looked almost like a torture instrument, but it was interesting to see how it made a pattern and quite amazing and varied shapes of heads that were hidden under bowler hats.

Hats of all shapes, sizes and colours for various occasions were on display and we had a splendid time trying them on. One even a chorus girl's head gear, jewelled and feathered no less. (Pity no one had the body and legs to go with it.)

We all had so much fun that we nearly forgot to to have our tea and cakes, which, as ever was delicious.

C.M.

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## The German Air Crash at Lodge Bottom (Part 5)

As her investigations into the crashed Heinkel bomber progressed, Lady Gillian Brunton, the present owner of the land off Hambledon Road on which the plane crashed, learned the names of the German air crew, what role each had played and their dates of birth. They were no longer anonymous Germans, but young men of flesh and blood who had lost their lives when far too young to die.

Her original idea was to mark with a plaque the exact spot where the plane had come down in the field opposite the gates of Busbridge Lakes but, as she learned more about them, this seemed to be too impersonal and inadequate: they should be given their own unique memorial.

It is not difficult to find the details and the resting places of airmen who were killed and buried in this country; survivors are another matter, and so the search for Heinrich Berg continued. Nevertheless, she decided to make a statue to honour the dead and to give thanks for the survivor.

A visit to the Imperial War Museum proved most helpful and she soon learned everything that she needed to know about Luftwaffe uniforms worn by bomber crews at this time.

An experienced model-maker, Derek Jones, helped her make the metal armature (frame) from an old bedstead. Wood, chicken wire and polystyrene were wired around the 'skeleton' to bulk out the form. The first two attempts were foiled when the statue keeled over due to the weight of the clay. A friend came to the rescue by welding heavy-gauge metal to support the original frame.

Her problem was that she was working 'blind', for she had no idea of the build of the surviving airman, his height or what he looked like. At this stage she knew only his date of birth and that he had not been killed; a photograph would have been a great help! She sculpted the face three times before she felt happy with it.

As this was her first attempt at a full-sized figure~ she had no idea of the amount and weight of clay and plaster that were needed. She was working in a room upstairs, above the sitting room as the ceiling started to sag. To avert disaster, two telegraph poles were cut to size and put under a beam, in the middle of the room, to bear the weight. It was a great relief once the mould could be removed and the clay figure dismantled. Safely on the concrete floor of the garage, the long and laborious task of making the fibreglass and bronze statue from the mould continued.

Several weeks after the figure was finished and after months of correspondence with various authorities in Germany, one can only imagine the excitement when Gillian received this fax in January 1997:

*Dear Mrs. Brunton, I got the information that you want to know my address. I live in [address in Lohne, W Germany]. Please tell me why do you want to know it. Yours sincerely, Heinrich Berg.*

After several letters had passed between Gillian and Heinrich, he sent her a photo of himself as a young airman: the likeness was uncanny and it was hard to believe that he had not sat in person for the sculpture.

Fifty-six years to the day after the crash, the statue was dedicated at a private ceremony on 9 April 1997. It was a simple but moving affair attended by about 30 people, mainly family and friends, together with others who had been involved with the project. Sadly, Heinrich Berg



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was not well enough to make the journey, but was delighted when he was sent a video of the event.



Lady Brunton's husband, Sir Gordon, read the following lines by Kemal Ataturk, the founder of modern Turkey, which appear on the memorial to the fallen at Gallipoli:

*Those heroes that shed their blood and lost their lives;*

*You are now lying in the soil of a friendly country. Therefore rest in peace ...*

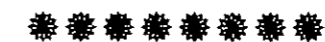
*You, the mothers who sent their sons from far-away countries, wipe away your tears; your sons are now lying in our bosom and are in peace.*

*After having lost their lives on this land, they have become our sons as well.*

In the stillness of the fading light, the gathered family and friends bowed their heads as a bugler played the 'The Last Post'; the notes seemed to fill the valley before drifting away across the empty fields.

*This is the last of a series of five articles on the German plane crash. We gratefully acknowledge the contribution of: Francis Morris and special thanks to Lady Gillian Brunton for allowing this series to be published in the Parish Magazine.*

*You can see an extended version of the complete story with many more photos, in Lady Gillian's booklet "The Survivor" in the library in Godalming Museum, or buy a copy for £7.50 from Craddocks Printers, Gt. George St, Godalming (Tel:416552).*



## Take Time

Take time to think it is the source of power  
Take time to play it is the secret of perpetual youth  
Take time to read it is the fountain of wisdom  
Take time to pray it is the greatest power on earth  
Take time to love & be loved it is a God given privilege  
Take time to be friendly it is the road to happiness  
Take time to laugh it is the music of the soul  
Take time to give it is too short a day to be selfish  
Take time to work it is the price of success  
Take time to do charity it is the key to heaven



## Life in the 1500's

The next time you are washing your hands and complain because the water temperature isn't just how you like it, think about how things used to be. Here are some facts about the 1500s:

Most people got married in June because they took their yearly bath in May, and still smelled pretty good by June. However, they were starting to smell, so brides carried a bouquet of flowers to hide the body odour. Hence the custom today of carrying a bouquet when getting married.

Baths consisted of a big tub filled with hot water. The man of the house had the privilege of the nice clean water, then all the other sons and men, then the women and finally the children. Last of all the babies. By then the water was so dirty you could actually lose someone in it. Hence the saying, Don't throw the baby out with the Bath water..

Houses had thatched roofs thick straw-piled high, with no wood underneath. It was the only place for animals to get warm, so all the cats and other small animals (mice, bugs) lived in the roof. When it rained it became slippery and sometimes the animals would slip and fall off the roof. Hence the saying .. It's raining cats and dogs.

There was nothing to stop things from falling into the house.. This posed a real problem in the bedroom where bugs and other droppings could mess up your nice clean bed. Hence, a bed with big posts and a sheet hung over the top afforded some protection. That's how canopy beds came into existence.

The floor was dirt. Only the wealthy had something other than dirt. Hence the saying, Dirt poor. The wealthy had slate floors that would get slippery in the winter when wet, so they spread thresh (straw) on floor to help keep their footing. As the winter wore on, they added more thresh until, when you opened the door, it would all start slipping outside. A piece of wood was placed in the entrance way. Hence the saying a thresh hold.

### (Getting quite an education, aren't you?)

In those old days, they cooked in the kitchen with a big kettle that always hung over the fire. Every day they lit the fire and added things to the pot. They ate mostly vegetables and did not get much meat. They would eat the stew for dinner, leaving leftovers in the pot to get cold overnight and then start over the next day. Sometimes stew had food in it that had been there for quite a while. Hence the rhyme, Peas porridge hot, peas porridge cold, peas porridge in the pot nine days old..

Sometimes they could obtain pork, which made them feel quite special. When visitors came over, they would hang up their bacon to show off. It was a sign of wealth that a man could bring home the bacon. They would cut off a little to share with guests and would all sit around and chew the fat..

Those with money had plates made of pewter. Food with high acid content caused some of the lead to leach onto the food, causing lead poisoning death. This happened most often with tomatoes, so for the next 400 years or so, tomatoes were considered poisonous.

Bread was divided according to status. Workers got the burnt bottom of the loaf, the family got the middle, and guests got the top, or the upper crust.

Lead cups were used to drink ale or whiskey. The combination would sometimes knock the imbibers out for a couple of days. Someone walking along the road would take them for dead and prepare them for burial. They were laid out on the kitchen table for a couple of days and

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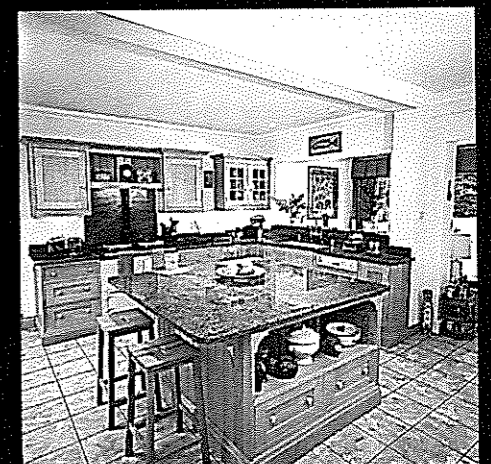
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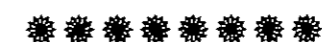
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When re opening these coffins, 1 out of 25 coffins were found to have scratch marks on the inside and they realised they had been burying people alive. So they would tie a string on the wrist of the corpse, thread it through the coffin and up through the ground and tie it to a bell. Someone would have to sit out in the graveyard all night (the graveyard shift.) to listen for the bell; thus, someone could be saved by the bell or was considered a dead ringer.

And that's the truth...Now, whoever said History was boring !!!



## Some Observations on Life

- Accept that some days you're the pigeon, and some days you're the statue.
- Always keep your words soft and sweet, just in case you have to eat them.
- Always read stuff that will make you look good if you die in the middle of it.
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# Ross's Ramblings

May! Bluebells through the woods along with wild garlic (Ramsons). Did you know that garlic comes from two Anglo-Saxon words meaning 'spear plant' which refers to the shape of the leaf and it was used in the First World War as an antiseptic. (Who says that 'Ramblings' is not informative?) Lords and Ladies flowering beside streams and beneath hedgerows, Yellow Flags in the pond and along the Wey, hedges bursting into bloom, birds nesting, and mentioned last month time for the first picnic of the year. A particularly nice spot for a picnic in the village is Derek and Cynthia's garden with a handy conservatory in the event of rain! Or just sit outside the Village Shop, all you need is a corkscrew and some glasses. Just think about it, some people in East London would think they were in heaven just looking at our beautiful Cricket Green – aren't we lucky!

Calling anyone with a stationary engine, vintage bicycles, motor cycles, cars, tractors or anything vaguely mechanical and old! Please bring them to the village fete around mid-day on June 21<sup>st</sup> and put them in line along the edge of woodlands road (in the field of course) in the corner of the track to Oakhurst.

I found an old exercise book from the 50's in a box of junk a couple of months ago, and in it was a list of hobbies that my pal and I were in to. It's so sad that youngsters these days are stuck on their game consuls instead of :

Autograph Books – My uncle wrote:

A camel can go without drink  
And work for a month without shrinking  
But off' when a man gets the hump  
He'll drink for a month without working

And what about the now so non PC 'Bird's Egg collecting? We used to climb trees ( no ropes, no grown ups, no safety nets) pinch the eggs, pin and blow them and swap them at school.

'Bird Scaring at 6 pence a day – it was so boring and sometimes cold and wet. I used a football rattle.

Catapults – I think yew or hazel was the preferred wood and contrary to popular believe knicker elastic was not much good. It had to be square and have an old shoe tongue fitted.

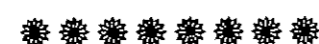
Comics – Hotspur, Wizard, Lion Eagle and all those heroes , Rob Roy, Dick Barton, Dan Dare (pilot of the future) and loads more. I could go on for hours! What do you mean you've dozed off? Next month I will remind you of fag cards and conkers. Who would have thought that conkers would one day be banned!

## May Birthdays

Marvin Gaye	2 <sup>nd</sup> 1939	Magnus of Orkney, Patron Saint of	16 <sup>th</sup> , 11 <sup>th</sup> c
Richard of Chichester	3 <sup>rd</sup> 13 <sup>th</sup> c, patron saint of coachmen	Fishermen	
James Garner	7 <sup>th</sup> 1928	Jessica Lange	20 <sup>th</sup> 1946
Hugh Hefner	9 <sup>th</sup> 1926	Ian McKellan	23 <sup>rd</sup> 1933
Rod Steiger	14 <sup>th</sup> 1925	Kylie Minogue	28 <sup>th</sup> 1968

Two snowmen in a field. One says to the other, "Can you smell carrots?"

Ross



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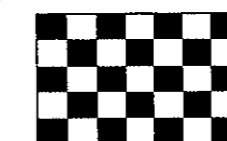
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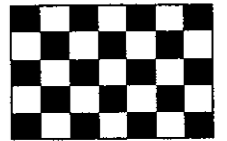
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Thames Water practice for its entry in the Village Fete goes sadly wrong. The jet of water should have been vertical. Just out of shot stands the man with the beach ball and catapults!



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Hambletots is an informal and friendly playgroup held at Hambledon village hall most Wednesday mornings during term-time from 10.00 until 11.30. There is no need to book in advance, you may just turn up when you are able to.

Dates for the Summer term are:

- 23<sup>rd</sup> April
- 30<sup>th</sup> April
- 7<sup>th</sup> May
- 14<sup>th</sup> May
- 4<sup>th</sup> June
- 11<sup>th</sup> June
- 25<sup>th</sup> June
- 2<sup>nd</sup> July
- 9<sup>th</sup> July



As well as offering a selection of toys, books and puzzles, the majority of sessions have an activity for the children such as a cookery or craft corner. The children recently made and decorated Easter baskets.

The cost of attending a session at Hambletots is £1.50 for one child plus 50p per additional child. Refreshments are provided for the adults at no extra charge.

If you would like any further information about Hambletots, please contact one of the following committee members:

Marion Lewis:      01428 684489      Jo Ingham:      01428 684002



## **The CELLAR Holiday 2008**

**Christian Coffee Bar**

*The Cellar Team is always very grateful for any support we can give them, as we have done so generously in the past, for they help disadvantaged local people.*

### **Plant and Produce Sale outside Church**

To help raise funds for The Cellar holiday, as in previous years, John and I will be selling home-grown tomato and other plants, jams etc on some Sundays in May after Services outside Church. Your support would be, as always, so much appreciated.

The Cellar team have booked a holiday by coach to Whitby, Yorkshire in September and are taking a group of needy customers, who otherwise would not have a holiday.

As in previous years they intend to subsidize the holiday to make it affordable. They are charging £200 per person, which is just over half the cost.

Jacqueline Hindley 01483 860219



## **The Village Fete, Sat. June 21<sup>st</sup>.**

Only five people attended the first meeting. This is not enough to run a fete. So we are trying again with the second meeting in THE VILLAGE HALL, on Monday May 12<sup>th</sup> at 8pm. This first meeting was one of quality, though, and using the experiences of previous fetes we now have a master plan. It will be necessary for all the stallholders to know their positions and what is required of them, before the day, so please try and come to this meeting, unless you have spoken with us before. We need more stalls and things for the children.

We shall need the following:

- A gang for the tables on Fri evening.
- Prizes for the draw. We are looking for a number of donated prizes of about £20 value.
- All sort of bric-a-brac to be collected and stored before. This can include unwanted presents and better items that can be auctioned off.
- All type of home produce-cakes, jams, vegetables, for the home produce stall. Two helpers required.
- Bottles of any sort for the hoop-la. These can be donated (even bought in the shop and donated.). We can store these in the shop.
- All types of unwanted books, once more can be brought to the shop. Amanda will be dealing with this department.
- More local organisations for displays in the marquee. How about a table of work from the local school, something from the church, something from St.Dominic's, and perhaps the National Trust.
- Any other ideas are welcome-please come and see us in the shop.

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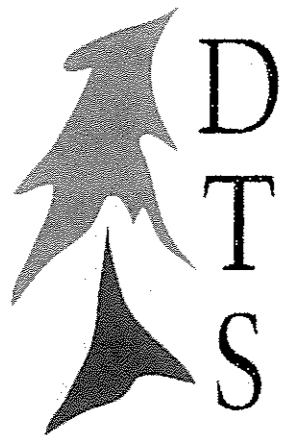
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- Man, in his fallen nature, is a dissatisfied and frustrated rainbow-chaser. - Anon

## The Village Shop

Some months ago I wrote about prices going up, shortages and even famine. The first has happened and now the second is underway. You will have read that countries are beginning to ban the export of basic foodstuffs as they don't have enough for their own people. Rice, wheat, maize and soya are the main ones. So where does this leave us? Are we growing enough to support our population? What happens if France and Germany close the doors as they need all they can produce? All the people in this country will need food (and water). Where are our farms that can supply this need? The government has hit them on the head and failed to support them. Building on farmland to provide homes for all these extra people won't produce food. Horses and recreational parks don't produce food. Lumping extra welfare issues on our farmers doesn't produce food. Take the case of eggs. In four years time egg farmers are being forced to alter all their battery cages into larger ones. This will cost the industry many millions of pounds. So what are most of them saying? Answer-they will stop in four years. Where will all the eggs come from? Answer-Middle Europe-if they have any to spare. How will they keep the hens? Answer-in the small battery cages! A similar thing is happening with pork.

All this is relevant to us in the Village Shop. We must support Local English farms. We try as hard as we can to obtain their produce, but even this is slowly disappearing. If we don't support them and buy, say, asparagus flown in from Brazil, we are all lost. Isn't the taste of our English tomatoes better. So please, start turning your backs on the Supermarkets, they might soon start running out of food. Support the Village Shop, and in a small way help our farmers. Help even more by clicking on the website of Farmfreshexpress (Google), registering as a customer of the village shop, and doing a weekly order of local produce before Tuesday midnight for delivery to the shop on Friday morning. One might have to do this soon, as the supermarket shelves become emptier!

Phillip Underwood



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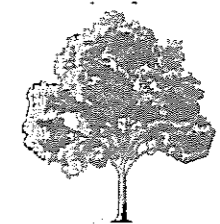
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## GOD IN THE ARTS

The Rev Michael Burgess continues his series on God in the Arts with a famous painting by Dirk Bouts. It is found in the church of St Peter in Leuven.

### A MEAL TO REMEMBER

When we gather  
with other  
Christians to  
celebrate the  
eucharist and to  
make our  
communion, we are  
remembering that  
special meal Jesus  
shared with his  
disciples on the eve  
of his arrest and  
death. I wonder if  
we always  
appreciate what we



are doing. Sometimes the monotony of repetition and distractions will get in the way. We fail to recognise Christ's gift at communion for what it truly is. Thursday, 22 May is a special day when we focus with heart and mind on that gift of holy communion offered to us each time we come together to make eucharist.

Perhaps we could try and focus not just with heart and mind on that day, but with imagination as well. Then we might see our face with the faces of the disciples at that Last Supper, and Jesus offering us the bread and wine, saying those words, 'This is my body' and 'This is my blood.' In the 15th century the prosperous burghers of the Flemish town of Leuven wanted to celebrate the 200th anniversary of this feast of Corpus Christi. They commissioned the artist Dirk Bouts to paint a special altarpiece devoted to the Eucharist for the church of St Peter. Dirk Bouts with his imagination portrayed the Last Supper in a room looking out to his own town of Louvain. The faces of the servers in the room and the cooks looking through the hatch were modelled on the burghers who commissioned the work.

Other faces are modelled on theologians at the new university who visited the artist. They wanted to ensure he kept his theological feet on the ground while his imagination took flight. And so around the scene of the Last Supper, Bouts has painted Old Testament scenes foreshadowing that holy communion: Melchizedek offering bread and wine in return for Abraham's offering, the eating of the first Passover, the gathering of the manna in the wilderness, and Elijah wakened by the angel to eat and drink before setting out for Horeb. Signs of sacrifice, the Passover of the old covenant, daily food and food for the journey – all key aspects of the communion we celebrate and share in.

Just as the theological faculty reminded Dirk Bouts of all these facets, so the artist is reminding us of the richness of the distinctive meal we have as Christians. When we see the bread and wine taken up and offered, we remember not only the Last Supper, when Jesus fed his disciples with the sacrifice of his life, but those occasions when God reached out to feed his people of old. We rejoice that the food our Lord gives us in the eucharist feeds us now and enables us to make our journey through life to the eternal banquet offered in the heavenly kingdom.



Des’ Deliberatiions

To continue from last month, When I asked Stella if she would like to hear what the Bible said about this thing called "salvation". She answered with a very firm, "Yes Please, I would like that very much".

I told her that the most important thing to bear in mind was that God loved her, as much as He had ever loved anyone, and that he knew her by name.

Not only that, but God is Holy and Just and cannot live where there is sin. I told her that we all are sinners in need of forgiveness, not only forgiveness but having the whole slate wiped clean.

Jesus Christ came to this earth to do just that. I read to her *John 3 verse 16*

- 16 "For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life.
- 17 For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but to save the world through him.
- 18 Whoever believes in him is not condemned, but whoever does not believe stands condemned already because he has not believed in the name of God's one and only Son. (NIV)

I said to Stella, "You know all about this, don't you". She answered, "Yes". "Have you done anything about it". I asked. "No", she answered. "Would you like to", I asked. "Yes, I would like to very much".

I led her in a prayer to ask the Lord Jesus to forgive her and come into her life and make her a new person as only He can. When we finished praying I looked at her face, it seemed a great load had been lifted from her, which it had.

The next day Bryan's wife Ruth went to visit Stella, she was drifting in and out of consciousness, Ruth thought she heard the word "frightened". She said to Stella "Are you frightened Stella". "Not any more", she answered. Stella died soon after.

When I had a heart bypass operation several years back a chap came in the night before I came home. He was given a bed opposite mine. A doctor came in to talk about the operation the next day. The first thing he said was , "Have you put your affairs in order". The chap in the bed was distraught, when the doctor left he shakily said, "I'm going to die tomorrow". I pointed out that the medics surely would not be carrying out the operation if they thought it was a waste of time. I also said that I was a Christian and that I truly believed in a wonderful life after dying . I then asked much the same as I asked Stella. I was quite surprised that not one of the five men in the ward who had had a "Brush with the last enemy" or the terrified one still to have his operation wanted to know.

I felt it was better to face death with HOPE than None

*Rom 10:9-13*

- 9 That if you confess with your mouth, "Jesus is Lord," and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved.
- 10 For it is with your heart that you believe and are justified, and it is with your mouth that you confess and are saved.
- 11 As the Scripture says, "Anyone who trusts in him will never be put to shame."
- 12 For there is no difference between Jew and Gentile the same Lord is Lord of all and richly blesses all who call on him,
- 13 for, "Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved."

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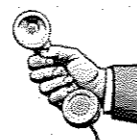
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*Crispin Hill died very recently and his wife Christine found this personal testament when working through some of his papers. It is re-printed here in the hope that others will find it helpful.*

## A Personal Testament

Crispin Hill

"NOT OF WORKS" (Eph 2: 8/9)

I was brought up in the Church of England and am more than grateful to my parents for teaching me the Bible Stories and for taking me regularly to Church. They taught me the habit of prayer that is still with me today I also learned the Catechism. It is one of the curious things however that the Church of England Services do not immediately reveal the basic doctrine of Christianity - "Not of Works. It is possible to grow up with the idea that God expects a certain standard from us which we may or may not reach and that on the basis of our success in keeping His laws He will one day ,accept us. The idea can easily grow in a child's mind that our life is a kind of weighing machine. "If the good outweighs the bad we shall one day go to Heaven". Christ's life and death in all their wonder are simply a wonderful example, an added extra to help us on the way.

### CART BEFORE HORSE

It was not until I reached University that it was pointed out to me that this is putting the cart before the horse. Yes, we must seek to please God in our lives, but that is the consequence, not the basis of our Faith. I learned that there is nothing that we can do to earn our acceptance with God. All the work has been done by Jesus. Without Him, however good we may think we are our goodness is nothing as compared with His perfect standard. Our failure and wrong-doing create a barrier between ourselves and God which the Bible says results in separation from Him in the end. We know the evil in our hearts, of course, but Christianity is a burdensome thing until we realise that the guilt of our Sin has been paid for by Jesus on the Cross and that once we trust in and accept His forgiveness the guilt aspect of our sin is settled for the past, present and future. We have eternal life which starts now!

### JOY AND SECURITY

This was the wonderful gospel, the good news, which first thrilled me at University and which is still the underpinning of my life; today, giving a joy and security in life which my own unworthiness cannot alter. Presumption? I don't think so. After all, I have simply accepted Jesus' wonderful offer which is open to everyone who hears. "He who believes in me has everlasting life." "Come unto me."

Mind you, that is only the start. Life with Christ is never easy, we are far from perfect and there is so much to learn. We need constant cleansing by the way, but the "works" we do are done out of love and gratitude to Him, not to gain his acceptance.



## Success

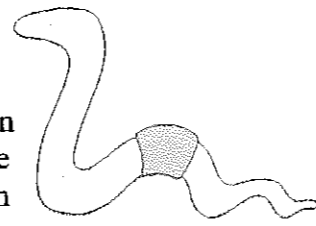
Don't aim at success - the more you aim at it and make it a target, the more you are going to miss it. For success, like happiness, cannot be pursued; it must ensue, and it only does so as the unintended side-effect of one's dedication to a cause greater than oneself or as the by-product of one's surrender to a person other than oneself.

Happiness must happen, and the same holds true for success: you have to let it happen by not caring about it.... Then you will live to see that in the long run - in the long run, I say! - success will follow you precisely because you had forgotten to think of it.

*Viktor Frankl (Psychiatrist, concentration camp survivor and author of Man's Search for Meaning)*

# EARTHWORM

Can it really be nearly May, asks Earthworm, only reasonably snug in a compost heap that is only just beginning to warm up. They have taken away all the lovely last year's heap to put all over the garden and he slightly resents his "house-move", though he appreciates the gardening cause, and dreams of the beautifully flowering plants and wonderful vegetable crops that will benefit from the lovely fine compost that was dug out. That of-course, he then thinks will be subject to the carrots not getting carrot-fly, the eel-worm not attacking the raspberries, the cabbage white caterpillars feasting on the brassicas, and the gooseberry moth ravaging the currants... Oh dear, the list is endless, and how does the Prince of Wales manage without pesticides? Washing-up liquid does help but is not a cure. Good husbandary one is told is the answer and then you don't have eel-worm and carrot fly! Where, or how, muses Earthworm does his Royal Highness dispose of all the snails he picks off the hostas in his stumpery?



April was an amazing month weather-wise, Earthworm reflects. He had never seen four inches of snow fall in an hour. It was a beautiful sight, and Earthworm enjoyed the spectacle of pristine snow without an animal paw-mark, a bird foot and no human adulteration. It was the "right" sort of snow too for snowmen! Further, it melted so quickly that there was little damage, no broken boughs, and even the daffodils had perked up by lunch-time. There was much rain during the month too, and icy North winds to remind one that the blackthorn was still flowering. The plants seem confused with the spells of extreme and unusual warmth in February encouraging growth and leaf formation only to be nipped in the bud by 6 degrees of frost one April night. The Magnolias seemed to suffer most and are a sorry sight all through the village, of scorched brown blooms. Perhaps the cold wind is sent to remind gardeners not to race ahead with Spring and Summer plantings. Earthworm does not relish the cold earth and no more do transplants or seeds. It is difficult to be patient when Spring might be just around the corner.

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## Rainbow Rhymes

Poems and Promises to cut out and collect.

### Footballitis

I have football with my cornflakes,  
I spread football on my toast,  
I eat and breathe and sleep it,  
It's the thing I dream of most.

Football posters in my bedroom,  
Football stickers in my books  
My hair is striped in red and white,  
I love the way it looks!

I watch television football,  
I play football in the park,  
I imagine winning matches  
In the sunshine, in the dark.

I write football poems and stories,  
I count footballs in my maths,  
I score goals into dustbins  
I dribble Coke cans down the paths.

I have football with my cornflakes,  
I spread football on my toast,  
I eat and breathe and sleep it,  
It's the thing I dream of most.



"As for me and my family, we will serve the Lord"  
Joshua 24:15b(NLT)

Poem by Daphne Kitching, Picture by Elaine Hill, Coloured by .....

The same yesterday...

Why did Moses wander in the desert for 40 years?  
Because even back then men wouldn't ask for directions.

## "BYWAYS"

An Occasional Column From Around Our Plot

Is it really true that the powers that be in the church are banning the singing of 'Jerusalem' because it mentions England, not Britain? Equally daft, in a church on the Norfolk coast the vicar insists that 'Onward Christian Soldiers' should be Onward Christian Pilgrims'. Why? Afraid of upsetting Wales and Scotland in the first instance and perhaps other religions in the second? P.C. gone mad?

And how about greed! Even those poor souls who survived unscathed, thanks to the remarkable skill of the crew, who managed to crash land their aircraft at Heathrow are suing £85,000 each for 'Post Traumatic Stress Disorder', rather than clubbing together to buy the crew a few decent bottles!

The other half tells me I should calm down, but I refuse to listen. I am besieged by a phone company who offer to upgrade my phone every few months free of charge to a phone that will perform incredible new tricks. I don't need them, all I need it to do is take and make calls and record those I miss!

My message to manufacturers is simple:

Just because you can make it, doesn't mean you have to - especially if you have discovered a new market, who will be loyal to a product or service as long as the provider gives them simply what they want, and the emphasis is on the word 'simply.'

Enough! Now for a nice cup of tea.

It is now two months since I sent my letter to the highways department about the appalling state of the roads. All I have received is a note to acknowledge the original letter. I hear that some of the ladies of the village are walking in the middle of the road to avoid the large holes at the edge!

At last Spring is here - primroses and a carpet of bluebells through the woods. Remember that Midsummer Day is the day of the Village Fete, so put a ring around the 21<sup>st</sup> June on your calendar, so you won't forget!

What's this I hear - the label on the Camp Coffee has been changed because it showed a man in a turban serving coffee!

Alas the Saddler's Tea Shop in Petworth has closed, the other half is mourning.

And finally a warning from Edna St Vincent to all of you who enjoy the 'High Life':

My candle burneth at both ends  
It will not last the night  
But Ah, my foes, and Oh my friends  
It gives a lovely light.

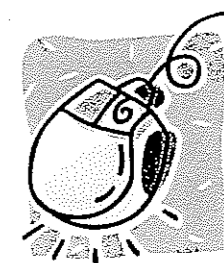


Magpie



### Signs of the times

My 10 year old niece says her prayers every night and instead of "amen", she says "click, send."



# Choosing a Husband

A store that sells new husbands has opened in Harrogate where a woman may go to choose a husband.

Among the instructions at the entrance is a description of how the store operates:

You may visit this store ONLY ONCE! There are six floors and the value of the products increases as the shopper ascends the flights. The shopper may choose any item from a particular floor, or may choose to go up to the next floor, but cannot go back down except to exit the building!

So, a woman goes to the Husband Store to find a husband. On the first floor the sign on the door reads:

Floor 1 - These men have jobs.

She is intrigued, but continues to the second floor, where the sign reads:

Floor 2 - These men have jobs and love kids.

'That's nice', she thinks, 'but I want more.'

So she continues upward. The third floor sign reads:

Floor 3 - These men have jobs, love kids, and are extremely good looking.

'Great,' she thinks, but feels compelled to keep going.

She goes to the fourth floor and the sign reads:

Floor 4 - These men have jobs, love kids, are ultra-handsome and help with housework.


'Brilliant!' she exclaims, 'I can hardly stand it!'

Still, she goes to the fifth floor and the sign reads:

Floor 5 - These men have jobs, love kids, are ultra-handsome, help with housework, and have a strong romantic streak.

She is tempted to browse, but she goes to the sixth floor, where the sign reads:

Floor 6 - You are visitor 31,456,012 to this floor. There are no men on this floor. This floor exists solely as proof that women are impossible to please. Thank you for shopping at the Husband Store.




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## PENTECOST

11<sup>th</sup> May

Do you know what happened on the first Pentecost? On that day what really amazed all the people was that everyone there heard the message of the good news in their own language. You can read about this in Acts, chapter 2.

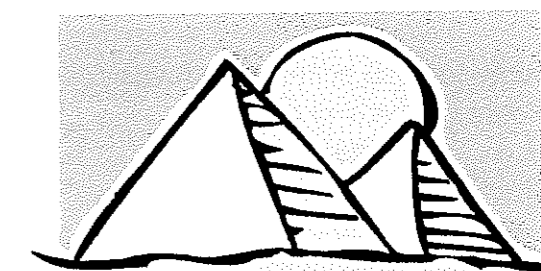
How many languages can you speak? We all speak English but most of us know at least a few words in more than one language. I bet you know some French, even if it is only 'bonjour' or 'merci', perhaps you know some Urdu, Spanish or Polish too.

There are so many languages in the world we couldn't hope to learn more than a few of them – but Jesus knows our language... he speaks everyone else's language too. His gospel can be translated into every possible dialect and tongue because, whatever words are used, that gospel is the same. It is for all people, everywhere. Jesus speaks to everyone in His own language.

## P - QUIZ

All the answers in this Bible quiz begin with the letter P - can you find them all?

1. Paul wrote to the people of this town.
2. The Roman Governor who washed his hands.
3. Where the last book in the Bible was written.
4. Short stories Jesus told.
5. Goliath was one.
6. What Amos and Hosea were.
7. To begin with he was called Saul.
8. The Egyptian ruler who argued with Moses.



Where would you look for a lost vicar?

The Bureau of Missing Parsons.

What is wet, round, and taste of peppermint?

Water Polo.

What did the policeman say to the naughty frog?

Hop it.



ANSWERS: 1. Philippi 2. Pontius Pilate 3. Parables 4. Parables 5. Philistine 6. prophets 7. Paul 8. Pharaoh

## A.A.A.D.D. - Age Activated Attention Deficit Disorder

This is how it manifests:

I decide to water my garden. As I turn on the hose, I look over at my car and decide it needs washing.

As I start toward the garage, I notice mail on the table that I collected from the letter box earlier.

I decide to go through the mail before I wash the car.

I lay my car keys on the table, put the junk mail in the rubbish bin under the table, and notice that it is full.

So, I decide to put the bills back on the table and take out the rubbish first.-

But then I think, since I'm going to be near the post-box when I take out the rubbish anyway, I may as well pay the bill first.

I take my cheque book off the table, and see that there is only 1 cheque left. My extra cheques are in my desk in the study, so I go inside the house to my desk where I find the can of Coke I'd been drinking.

I'm going to look for my cheques, but first I need to push the Coke aside so that I don't accidentally knock it over.

The Coke is getting warm, so I decide to put it in the fridge to keep it cold ..

As I head toward the kitchen with the Coke, a vase of flowers on the worktop catches my eye - they need water. I put the Coke on the worktop and discover my reading glasses that I've been searching for all morning.

I decide I better put them back on my desk, but first I'm going to water the flowers.

I set the glasses-back down on the worktop, fill a container with water and suddenly spot the TV remote control that someone left on the kitchen table.

I realise that tonight, when we watch TV, I'll be looking for the remote control, but I won't remember that it's on the kitchen table, so I decide to put it back in the den where it belongs, but first I'll water the flowers.

I pour some water in the flowers, but quite a bit of it spills on the floor so, I set the remote control back on the table, get some towels and wipe up the spill.

Then, I head down the hall trying to remember what I was planning to do.

At the end of the day:

- the car isn't washed
- the bills aren't paid
- there is a warm can of Coke sitting on the worktop
- the flowers don't have enough water
- there is still only 1 cheque in my cheque book
- I can't find the remote control
- I can't find my glasses
- and I don't remember what I did with the car keys.

Then, when I try to figure out why nothing got done today, I'm really baffled because I know I was busy all day, and I'm really tired. I realise this is a serious problem, and I'll try to get some help for it, but first I'll check my e-mail.

Do me a favour. Send this message to everyone you know, because I don't remember who I've sent it to.

Don't laugh - if this isn't you yet, your day is coming!!

GROWING OLDER IS MANDATORY. GROWING UP IS OPTIONAL.



## Hambledon Ramblers

**Harting Down – South Down Way – Compton. 8<sup>th</sup> April**

I got sunburnt!! What a day, after the recent horrors of ice, wind and snow, we took off for South Harting in brilliant spring sunshine, twelve of us plus another two to join us at the start. This was atop Harting Down with magnificent views in all directions and the

remains of weekend snowballs at our feet! Our route took us in a circle around the old house of Uppark which we could see from time to time as we walked making a good directional reference point. The going was easy and "sociable", mostly along farm tracks and back lanes where one could walk AND talk with ease. (A passing reference to the group – A cacophony of Hambledon ramblers). All along the route the blackthorn was clothing the hedges in white blossom, we passed through woods carpeted in a variety of wild flowers, primroses, anemones, bluebells, and quite a lot of pungent garlic. On a distant hill what looked like twin towers, later seen as three in a row all by themselves. Tower Hill the map read, are they a folly or part of Uppark entrance gates, does anyone out there know? Another focal point, an ancient barrow known as "Brevis's Thumb"!! who was Brevis? The Coach and Horses in Compton provided a welcome and delicious lunch two thirds of the way round. One of our number was nearly carried off on the front of a bus which crept up behind her while she did up her boots, funny for all but her. We walked round several large fields and across a few more feeling a bit guilty, although the map and the signposts gave us the direction not many feet had been there before and the tracks were indistinct. There were stiles aplenty but we are getting more agile with the years. Most of the buildings we passed were faced with flint so different to our Surrey brick and farmsteads as they should be rather than tastefully converted into dwellings. All in all there was a wonderful feeling of freedom and space and cared for countryside.

Thank you Derek and Ginger, more of the Downs please.

*Mary Parker*

**Next Walk – 13 May – Leader – Derek Miller**

### Churt Walk

Encounter stunning views, historical landmarks and dramatic heathland on this picturesque route. This 9 mile 4 hour 30 minute walk begins and ends at Frensham Great Pond Visitor Centre and is covered by Ordnance Survey Explorer maps 145 and 133. Refreshments are available from the Pride of the Valley Hotel and the Visitor Centre during the summer.

**NB** Suggest we take a picnic since there is no guarantee that the Pride of the Valley will be welcoming to 16+ walkers!

Meet at the Village Hall at 9.00am to consolidate lifts.

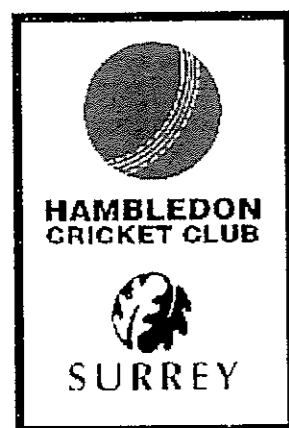
**Short Walk – 27 May**

Meet at the Village Hall at 2.00pm

Further details available from :

Derek Miller Tel: 01428 684362 (Long walk)

Mary Parker Tel: 01483 860339 (Short walk)



## Fixtures.

The first game will be the Friendly XI playing on Sun. 29<sup>th</sup> April, away, against Hale, weather permitting. The first league game will be a 1<sup>st</sup>. XI League Fixture on Sat. 3<sup>rd</sup>. May, away, against Warnham and 2<sup>nd</sup>. XI. on Sun 4<sup>th</sup>. May, away, against Holmbury Villagers

Anyone who would like to play, or help in other ways, i.e. Teas, umpiring etc. please contact the captains. Indoor Cricket Nets are available now for anyone for practice.

## Colts.

We started the colts Saturday training season with the first sign up on Sat 19<sup>th</sup> and typically the weather was cold and wet. We hope that the weather next Saturday will be better, hopefully dry and sunny. We operate the colts training etc under the England and Wales Cricket Board (ECB) "Safe Hands Policy" with Surrey CC to promote Child Welfare and protection. Hambledon C.C. "Safe Hands Policy" is registered with Surrey CC and will be followed from May this year.

The colts coaching sessions and they will run as follows:-

**SATURDAY MORNINGS (10.00 – 12.00) FROM 19<sup>th</sup> APRIL to 19<sup>th</sup>. JULY FOR UNDER 9's and UNDER 11's. – MONDAY EVENINGS (6.30 – 8.00) FROM 21<sup>ST</sup>. APRIL to 21<sup>ST</sup>. JULY FOR UNDER 13's. There will be no UNDER 15's coaching this year**

The age groups will be run / marshalled by the following people:-

### Under 13's

Bob Cunningham, Pound House, Hambledon Road, Surrey GU8 4DR

Tel: 01428 683970. Mob: 07768 374 921 .Email: [bob.cunningham@gom.co.uk](mailto:bob.cunningham@gom.co.uk) and Steve Dale

### Under 11's

Team Manager: Tim Parker, Lodge Cottage, Feathercombe, Hambledon, Surrey, GU8 4DP

Tel; 07753 606 810 / 01483 860443

### Under 9's

Team Manager: Andy Hinde, Pendleton, Malthouse Lane, Hambledon Surrey, GU8 4HJ

Tel; 01428 682716

## EQUIPMENT

The club is able to supply most equipment however it is obviously far better if colts were are able to bring their own equipment. There will be some club caps / jumpers and shirts available at the start of the season.

## NOTE TO ALL PARENTS

Hambledon Cricketers run this programme on a voluntary basis and we need as much help as possible. We will not only need help on the Saturday mornings but also with the matches. The coaches / managers will be umpiring but we will need volunteers to help with scoring / fielding practices and generally keeping the boys/girls under control. So please make an effort to join us, leave the gardening behind and come and lend your support. If any parent would like to take up coaching for Hambledon Colts, HCC will sponsor them for the ECB Coaching course. Please call the colts managers for more details.

We are also keen to welcome new players of all ages to the club, so please mention it to friends at school and encourage them to come along. Dad's, we are continuing with the senior

# May Brain Teaser

## Wage Increase

The management offered the work-force a 2% wage increase over and above the rate of inflation providing they could increase productivity by no less than 2.7% per week.

The company works a 6 day week and put on a night shift for just 2 days per week, and works one Sunday every four weeks, by how much per day over a monthly period must the work-force increase production to achieve their target?



\*\*\*\*\*

*...and here are some observations on life in general...*

The things that come to those that wait may be the things left by those who got there first.

Torch: A case for holding dead batteries.

Accept that some days you're the pigeon, and some days you're the statue.

Always keep your words soft and sweet, just in case you have to eat them.

Always read stuff that will make you look good if you die in the middle of it.

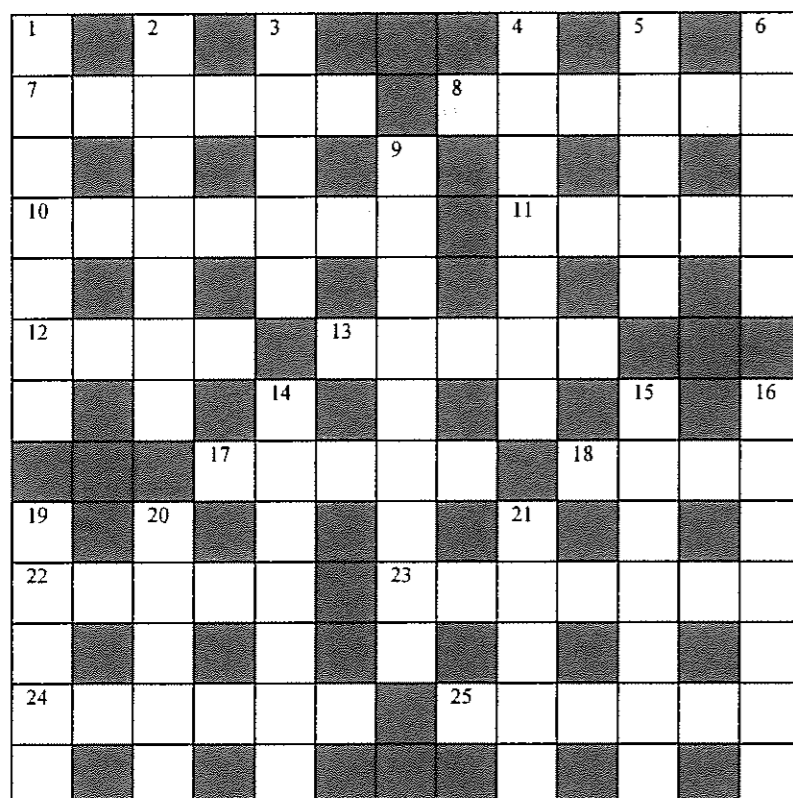
If you lend someone £20, and never see that person again, it was probably worth it.

Birds of a feather flock together and mess on your car.

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*...and the theme of this morning's service is... 'Preaching a Gospel of Simplicity'...*



# Down

- 7 Object used in fighting (6)
- 8 Cold season (6)
- 10 Racing dog (7)
- 11 Actress, ... Robson (5)
- 12 Overwhelming defeat (4)
- 13 Small branch (5)
- 17 Edible sea snail (5)
- 18 Bamboo stick (4)
- 22 Kingdom (5)
- 23 Lose lustre (7)
- 24 Lady in distress? (6)
- 25 Circus tent (3, 3)

# April Solution

# Down

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|------------------------|------------------------------|
| 1 Difficult (7)        | 15 Sort, kind (7)            |
| 2 Tiredness (7)        | 16 Maybe (7)                 |
| 3 Over sentimental (5) | 19 Commence (5)              |
| 4 Rascal (7)           | 20 Ruth's mother (5)         |
| 5 Put up with (5)      | 21 Premium Bond computer (5) |
| 6 Great fear (5)       |                              |
| 9 Specify (9)          |                              |
| 14 Bedroom (7)         |                              |

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# Answer to April Brain Teaser

Which of the pairs of numbers at the bottom should be placed at X and Y so that each row of four numbers – across, down and diagonally – totals 20?

3	7	8	4
6	X		7
4	Y		3
7	3	4	5

4 6	7 6	3 6
A	B	C

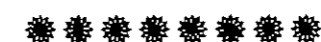
6 3	3 4	6 4	4 3	6 7
D	E	F	G	H

$$X = G, Y = H$$

part of the club with a 2<sup>nd</sup> XI playing in the local Village League – this is a very friendly but competitive league so if you fancy turning out please don't hesitate to contact the captains. Also don't forget we also run some Friendly XI's during the season.

Should you require any information about the club, please call the club captains, Bob Cunningham on 01428 683970, Mark Burton 01428 682714 or our President, Mic. Coleman, on. 01428 682977.

Arthur Blackman, Chairman



# The Mid - Summer Dinner Dance on the evening of the 21<sup>st</sup> June 2008

# In a Marquee on the Cricket Green in aid of the HCC Pavilion Fund

What fantastic people we have in the village.

The sale of the tables - tickets have sold well, but the good news is that we have been able to increase the number of tables in the Marquee.

So, if you would like to come and join us and have a table (10 per table) please contact me as soon as possible.

Your party will bring their own dinner and drinks.  
The cost per person will be £25.00.

Please contact Sue Blackman (01428 683871) if you want to book a table of 10.

The Marquee will be used for the afternoon FETE as well as the Evening Dinner Dance and we are looking for more sponsors to help with the cost of the Marquee.

If you feel you can help please contact Sue.



A little boy went up to his father and asked: "Dad, where did my intelligence come from?"

The father replied. "Well, son, you must have got it from your mother. I still have mine."

# Wildlife Gardening in May

This is the busiest month of the year for wildlife. Insects start to move in their masses looking for flowers, such as hawthorn blossom, wild cherry and bluebells which provide early nectar and pollen. The splashes of colour are touched by early butterflies such as brimstone, orange tip and peacock. Hedgehogs are seen in the undergrowth and tadpoles are growing in the pond. Look out for swifts, swallows or house martins arriving.

## Tasks of the month

- Lift and divide early flowers such as primrose or snowdrop.
- Prune spring flowering bushes after flowering, particularly if they have grown too big for their space, such as flowering currant.
- Plant hanging baskets.
- Transplant container plants into new pots or change their compost.
- Start your weed control programme. Some weeds are valuable for insects, others are aggressive and in certain areas, such as rockeries, need to be controlled.

## Bird Cherry Tree

A smaller relative of the wild cherry named because of the fruit, which although bitter to human taste, is eaten by birds. This is a native of woods and hedgerows, with white flowers in late spring and then black bitter cherries in late summer. It is best to plant these young trees, which grow to a height of between one and two metres, in autumn and early spring when the weather is suitable. They have heavenly scented clusters of blossom which attract all sorts of flying insects. The fruit is quickly picked off by the birds, especially blackbirds.

## Hedgehogs

This is the time of year when you will find hedgehogs awakening from hibernation and on the look out for a mate. You will be able to hear their prickly courtship quite loudly at night. Other times they can be heard snuffling and snorting around the undergrowth searching for food. Their diet consists of worms, beetles, insects, caterpillars and slugs. Generally they are quite happy to amble along from garden to garden, mainly at night. They manage to survive, sometimes with our help, even within our built-up areas.

## Practical projects of the month

Make time to create something new in your garden, such as a wall or rock bank. A natural rocky landscape hosts a selection of plants adapted to dry conditions. This habitat can be recreated in a dry stone wall, rockery, a path, paving, or a rock bank.

A wall provides a sunning spot for butterflies, crevices for spiders and beetles in which to hide, or a place for solitary bees to build a chamber.



A rockery will become the winter hide-out for amphibians, such as frogs, toads and newts and be an attractive addition to any pond. Planting amongst the stones gives added benefit to the creatures there.

Plant with rock plants to give nectar throughout Spring and Autumn. Include plants such as herb robert, heather, purple saxifrage, thyme, cheddar pink, harebell, hebe, rock rose, spring gentian, house leek, London pride, sedum acre, arabis and wall flower.

You may wish to site a bumble bee nest in your rockery and plant with bee flowers such as ivy leaved toadflax, red valerian, aubrietia, forget-me-not, marjoram, bluebell and gorse.

# Welcome to “The Best” Cookery Corner in the South East

## Piquante mushrooms on toast with a twist

*This is simple but delicious alternative to cheese on toast, so ideal for a snack or light lunch. The Boursin gives it a sophisticated French flavour whilst the rocket adds piquancy and freshness*

Guy Lemieux

10oz	Sliced mushrooms
1½oz	Butter
1tbs	Chopped parsley
4	Slices of your favourite bread
1pkt	Boursin cheese
1	Small bag of rocket

Sauté the mushrooms until tender – season to taste before adding the parsley.

Toast your bread before spreading the Boursin on top. Divide the rocket and put on top of the cheese before spooning over the sautéed mushrooms. Serve at once.



## Asparagus salad with prosciutto - by Angela Hartnett

The true British asparagus season is very short, lasting for about six weeks from late-April to mid-June, but is well worth waiting for its unbeatable flavour and freshness.

### For the dressing

25ml/1 fl oz white wine vinegar  
150ml/5¼fl oz olive oil  
salt and freshly ground black pepper

### For the asparagus

30-40 asparagus spears, depending on their size  
olive oil, for drizzling  
8 quails' eggs

### To serve

8 slices prosciutto  
parmesan cheese, cut into shavings with a vegetable peeler

### Method

1. For the dressing, whisk the vinegar, olive oil and a pinch of salt and some freshly ground black pepper together in a bowl and put to one side.
2. For the asparagus, heat a griddle pan and, when hot, drizzle in a little oil. Remove the hard ends of the asparagus. Lay the spears on the griddle and cook in batches for 2-3 minutes, or less if the spears are particularly thin. Do not let the spears get too dark on the griddle - they should still be green so that the flavour of the asparagus comes through.
3. Transfer the asparagus to a plate, season it with salt and pepper and pour a little of the dressing over. Cover the plate with cling film and allow the asparagus to finish cooking in the steam for a few minutes.
4. Meanwhile, heat a little oil in a small non-stick frying pan. Crack the quails' eggs into the pan and fry for 1-2 minutes until cooked.
5. Divide the asparagus among four serving plates. Arrange the prosciutto on the side and scatter with the parmesan shavings.
6. To serve, place the quails' eggs on top, season with salt and freshly ground black pepper and drizzle with a little of the remaining dressing.