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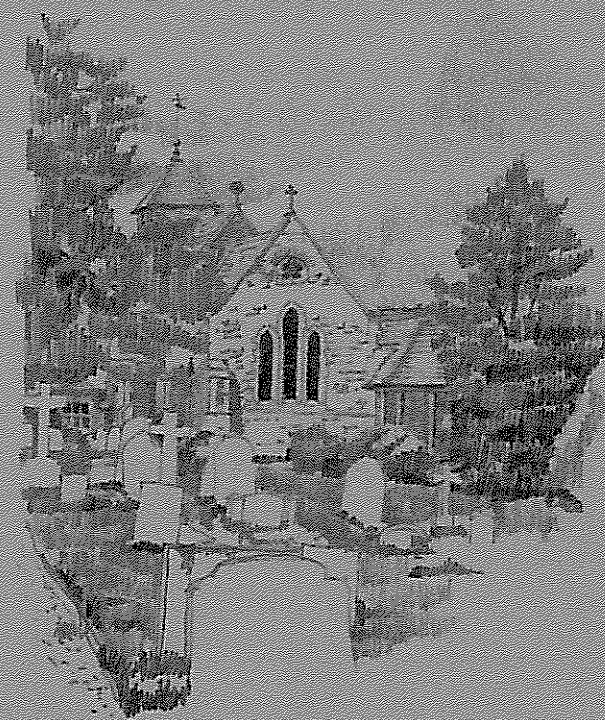
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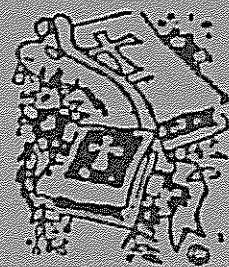
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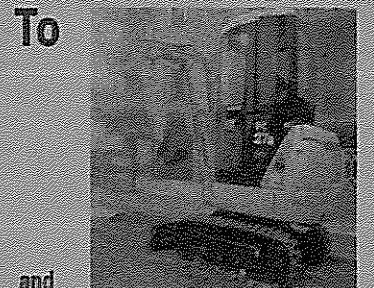
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Pastoral Letter - September

Dear Friends,

Well my housemates have gone, and Mervil Bottom is barely recognisable. When Jessi our youthworker came over the other day, she looked around in astonishment and asked, "Where's all the mess gone?" "Wolverhampton..." I replied. I must confess that – as much as I loved them and sharing my home with them – my housemates were not the tidiest of people... Whereas if I am left to my own devices I am a bit scarily neat and organised. So now as I adjust to living on my own again, I at least have the consolation of a mess-free house!

And I like to believe that there are at least a few tidy people in the Bible, too. Nicodemus, for example. Nicodemus was a Pharisee – a very religious Jew. He'd spent his whole life keeping the rules, and ticking things off his "To Do" list to keep himself in God's good books. And he understood how to do that because he had spent his life studying the Law – the agreement between God and the Jewish people. That agreement says: if you keep these rules, then I'll be your God and you'll be my people. That's a very tidy agreement – it's neat, it's understandable: if the Jewish people keep the Law then God will love them and be their God. So for Nicodemus, God's love is measured and sensible, it follows a set of rules – which means he can have a nice, tidy faith; a good faith, with neat and sensible edges.

So why does John's Gospel tell us that this sensible, tidy, religious man was creeping around Jerusalem in the middle of the night, going to see this man Jesus – the one who's got the crowds so excited? Most of the Jewish rulers don't like Jesus: he's not tidy, he doesn't seem to keep the rules, he heals people on the Sabbath when everyone knows he shouldn't be working; he disturbs the peace and stirs up the people. But Nicodemus is wiser than most. He sees that Jesus' teaching and healings are good, that he has power that must come from God. Maybe he's come to try to tidy Jesus into the right religious boxes – to make sure that he does things by the book, in the proper way – so that Jesus can have the official seal of approval from the Jewish council. Perhaps he wants to make Jesus a tidy Jewish teacher.

So Nicodemus comes to Jesus knowing what he wants to say – he's worked out in his head how the conversation should go. He starts by making it clear who he is, and acknowledging who Jesus is: "Rabbi, we know you're a teacher who's come from God. For no-one could perform the miraculous signs you're doing if God weren't with him." In other words – I'm a religious leader, and I know a prophet when I see one – and you're doing really well, my boy. And Jesus answers: "I tell you the truth, no-one can see the kingdom of God unless he is born again." In other words – you may be a religious leader, but you don't understand about God's kingdom, God's rule, about what the world looks like from God's point of view. So how would you know who I am, or what I've come to do?

Right through the conversation, Nicodemus is trying to get things back under control, to make Jesus talk sensibly, to stick to his tidy understandings. So points out how silly it is to talk about being born a second time. But Jesus won't let him – he refuses to be tidy, to have a neat debate that runs along the lines that Nicodemus is expecting. Jesus says his Father can't be limited to rulebooks and checklists. God isn't tidy, or predictable, or measured, or safe. God is overflowing, unrestricted, unexpected. God's like the wind, Jesus says – "The wind blows wherever it pleases. You hear its sound, but you can't tell where it comes from or where it's going." Trying to measure, predict, or control God's love is as pointless as trying to catch the wind.

Jesus tells Nicodemus to let go of his tidy, predictable expectations of what God's like. He needs to stop paddling in the shallow end of God's love and launch out where he's out of his depth, where the water's as deep as forever. Because God's love isn't limited to the Jewish people – it's for everyone. God doesn't stop loving us if we break the rules – he loves us forever. God doesn't just love us when we measure up, or when we've changed enough to be lovable. God just loves. He loves the world so much he'll do anything for it – including sending his own Son to die for it. And understanding that is like being born again – starting the world again, learning to walk and speak and think and grow in a world where the love of God is the air that we breathe, so that everything we say and do is shaped by that love.

God's love is wild and reckless and uncontained; it's deeper, and higher, and wider, and more exciting than we can imagine; it doesn't draw lines and say who's in and who's out, who's lovable and who isn't; it sets no limits and goes to any lengths – even to the cross. And that's hard sometimes! It's much easier if our faith and our churches can be tidy, predictable places with neat lines round the edges and no surprises. It's easier to be like Nicodemus – to

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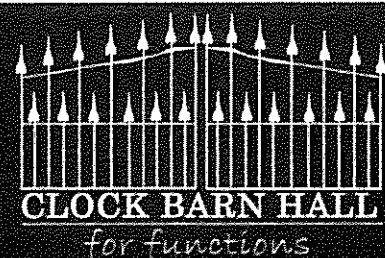
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Nicodemus – to have a tidy God with a list of expectations, and if I can tick them all off then God and I are fine. It's easier to keep God small, neat, tucked away in one corner of our lives. But that's not the God we know. Our God is wildly, recklessly in love with you. He doesn't stop to ask if you deserve it, if you'll love him back, if he'll get hurt – he just loves you, passionately, exuberantly.

If you haven't met that God, there are a couple of events coming up this month which you might like to come along to: There is a new Alpha course running through the autumn, kicking off with a supper in the Borough Hall in Godalming on Thursday 18th September at 7.45pm – contact me or any church member to ask for details. Or come along to church on Sunday 28th September – this has officially been designated "Back to Church Sunday" so it would be a good time to join us if you haven't been for a while! You'd be most welcome at our 9.30 or 11.00am service that (or any other!) Sunday. Come and meet the God who is wildly, recklessly in love with you.

Associate Minister Busbridge and Hambledon

CHURCH CALENDAR

September 2008

7th	8.00 am	Holy Communion (BCP)
16th Sunday after Trinity	11.00 am	Family Worship
14th	9.30 am	Holy Communion (CW)
17th Sunday after Trinity	11.00 am	Morning Worship (with children's groups)
21st	9.30 am	Holy Communion (BCP)
18th Sunday after Trinity	11.00 am	Morning Worship (with children's groups)
28th	9.30 am	Morning Prayer (BCP)
19th Sunday after Trinity	11.00 am	Holy Communion (CW) (with children's groups) Join us to day for "Back to Church Sunday"!

Saturday 13th September

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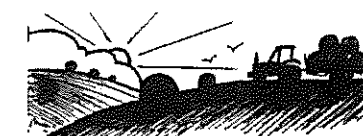
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Paris & People



Wedding anniversaries abound this month with celebrations by John and Jean Adams and Des and Mary Phillips who enjoy 50th anniversaries, closely followed by Mike and June Booker notching up 51 and Mic and Sylvia Coleman topping the lot with their 56. Many congratulations to them all from Hambledon friends and neighbours.

A wedding this month in the Underwood family with Chris Underwood marrying Kristina Lam from Copenhagen at St Peter's. We wish them all a very happy day and especially welcome Kristina and her family and friends who are no strangers to Hambledon.

Peter Hindley and Nicola Breeze have announced their engagement. This is good news and we are delighted for them both. A welcome filip for John and Jacqueline during these difficult days and we wish Peter and Nicola well as plans are made for the future.

Joan Elliott tells us that she now has 11 great-grandchildren! Well done to Joan and her family.

It is good to see John Tidmarsh about again in the village. He has been much missed having suffered from a poisoned foot for some time, including a brief spell in hospital.

Loving sympathy from us all in the village to Amanda Wright and her family whose father has recently died. Amanda has a very special place in our hearts for she kindly guides us all through the complexities of knowing our whereabouts in the village shop each morning. Her patience is remarkable to those of us who stand bewildered trying to think what it was that we so desperately needed!

We hope that many will have noticed and appreciated the newly refurbished seat along the churchyard path. Many thanks to all who have been involved in the repair and ongoing TLC.

We have been saddened to learn of the death of Joolz Williams who died in France at the end of July and

Latest news from around & about

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whose funeral took place at Chiddingfold on 15th August with burial in the churchyard at Hambledon. Through these pages Hambledon friends and neighbours extend their loving sympathy to Dr David, Angela and Tessa in their loss.

Professor Michael Bailey is in the news again with more revealing insight into the continuing use and improvement of keyhole surgery. Another success story for Britain and Guildford in particular! Well done to Michael and his team.

At the end of August we were saddened to lose Caroline and Eddie Wood, Harry and Ben from Heath Cottage. They are moving to larger accommodation in Puttenham and they take with them the good wishes of Hambledon friends and neighbours. They will be much missed by village and church and we thank them for all that they have done over the years and wish them well in their new home.

Giles, Rachel, Jessie, Libby and Charlie Carpenter seem to have found a firm footing in their new Bristol surroundings. We think of them often and still miss our early contact with this family when they lived in the village and Giles was a useful member of the cricket team. Now it is time for a new challenge and we watch progress with much interest as they all start a new life with Giles taking on this great challenge of training for church ministry - ably supported by us all!

And finally Stephen Dean says the heather on the common is not up to standard this year with the arrival of the heather beetle. Such a disappointment when we know and appreciate the hard work put in by Stephen to make the common an enjoyable place for us all. But we can all help in one way - and that is if you ride a horse, or have young in your family who ride, please be thoughtful and use the bridle paths. School holidays in particular are well known for footpaths being used by horses. Please be more co-operative and then we will all put Stephen in a good mood!!

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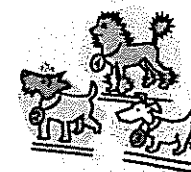
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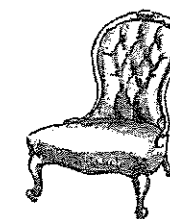
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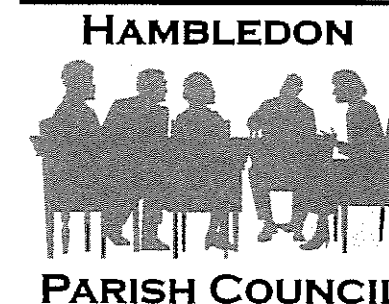
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Focus now on completing work in Combe Lane



Dustin Lees, from Surrey County Council's enforcement office visited the site recently to check the level of tree protection afforded by the scheme and reported that compliance has been achieved with the measures that have been put in place.

July was not too bad as far as the weather was concerned: August will, no doubt, be a different story. Work in New Road was completed more or less on schedule. Throughout only buses and heavy lorries were prevented from using the road and the fact that access was maintained for everyone else went down well with the residents and other road users. The focus now is on completing work in Combe Lane, where the closure notice runs until mid-October. Work is being staged to ensure that access to the railway station and Witley garage is maintained and that potentially

extensive disruption to Coopers Place Industrial Estate is kept to a minimum.

The ground in Tigbourne Farm has been consolidated. On the advice of soil specialists it was left to recover before the top soil was put back and the temporary live stock fence removed, allowing the field to be returned to Tom Thomeycroft who was involved at all stages of the work.

Work at Hambledon Pumping Station has begun and the main pipe-laying activity is now taking place around the back of the Cricket Green and along – but not too close to – the side of Oakhurst Cottage. There are some difficult areas in this section of the route, but the contractors are working closely with property owners, residents, ecologists and environmentalists to ensure that the excellent relationship that has been established with the vast majority of villagers is maintained.



Free insulation for over 70's

Free home energy efficiency grants and subsidies currently available

I had a correspondence from British Gas offering to insulate my loft, as I was over seventy. It would be done for free. I thought this was a good idea and responded to the offer.

The company that were carrying out the work requested that the loft space was clear so that the surveyor could inspect it easily. I spent three days clearing nearly forty years of (I had better not say rubbish) but it was mostly stuff that was of the "I had better not throw this away, because I might need it" type. I now have two garden sheds that I can't get into.

The surveyor duly turned up only to tell me that my four inches of insulation was enough and that my free insulation had gone out of the window. I must admit I wasn't all that pleased, to say the least.

We have had a lot of fun sorting out our old family photo's and our grand children's first attempts at art, and giving our daughters back material that we were "looking after" for them.

We discovered that all was not lost when we had a call from another company about loft insulation, again free for the over seventy's and a contribution from those who are under seventy. I'm afraid I don't know what the contribution is.

This company told me that four inches was nowhere near enough, eleven inches is the norm now, and that they would send someone out to inspect my loft, a young man who made a great hit with me because he supported Pompey came out and informed me that they would lay the correct thickness of insulation.

He told me that the Power Companies were paying for this service and it did not come from our taxes which rather pleased me. It seems that the offer applies to four bedroom houses and below.

The company is Sutton Management Solutions Ltd at Southend-on Sea Freephone 0800 4320257.

I quote from the letter I receive from them, "We are a private company promoting the wide range of free home energy efficiency grants and subsidies currently available in the U.K. The grants are intended to help eradicate poverty, cut carbon emission and reduce fuel bills. We work alongside Warmfront (A Government funded initiative) national energy providers, local authorities, and contractors. Our aim is to inform and identify those households that may be eligible for subsidised of free home insulation. This just may be you."

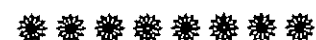
Des Phillips



It is with dismay that I have to report that the shop reached its nadir on a certain Monday at the end of July. With four key persons away and only one paid member in control, the situation was desperate. The shop has become less efficient - so what are we going to do about it? We desperately need one more person to help in the organisation of the shop and the Post Office. Should we not have this person I can see disaster. Please apply to help.

On the bright side we must thank those that have brought surplus fruit and vegetables into the shop for us to sell. Redcurrants from the Cook's, cherries from my wife, cucumbers in abundance from the Edward's, lettuces from June Jay and myself, courgettes from several, and flowers at times. Thank you all it provides fresh food and a little extra money for the shop. I see this as the way forward for our village shop and community.

P.J.U.



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BYWAYS
An occasional
column
from
around
our
plot



The other half and I have been doing some local walking of late and we are both amazed at the total lack of people we see!

The first walk took us from Godalming, along the Wey to Catteshall Lane, then left up past what used to be the Ram Cider House and a long loop through some farm buildings and left over a footbridge, then back along the Wey to Farncombe Boat House for a spot of tea at 'Hectors on the River'. Total number of people seen – three people and two dogs.

Our local council is called Waverley, but ask people where Waverley Abbey is and a surprising number just don't know. We took a picnic to Waverley Abbey (between Elstead and Tilford – on a right hand bend).

The Cistercian order established the abbey here in 1128 and it lasted until the dissolution of the monasteries by Henry VIII in 1536. They say that the stone was robbed to build Loseley House. What remains is a delightful romantic ruin close to the lake and the River Wey. We were there for an hour and a half – total number of people seen – none!

Hambledon Common one and a half hours – total number of people seen – two and one dog! Hambledon Hurst, a beautiful walk through oak and beech woods – total number of people seen – none! Why drive for miles when we are surrounded by empty countryside – get out on the byways!

Welcome to the 21st century, the so called 'Digital Age'. A chap called Alberto Manguel has written a book called *The Library at Night* and he has little to say for the World Wide Web.

'A text called up on the screen has no history ... it

occupies no time except the nightmare of constant present. A book on the other hand, contains and displays its connection with the past, other books, the whole culture, with charm and efficiency. A disembodied collection of pixels can't do that. Moreover, according to *The Library at Night*, the Web is volatile: 70 percent of its communications last less than four months. A disc is not immortal; it lasts about seven years, a CD-ROM ten.

A huge computer-based multi-media version of the *Doomsday Book* compiled in 1986 by the BBC and stored on 12 inch laser discs turned out to be unreadable 16 years later. It still is!

So hang on to your records (or perhaps wax cylinders), your video tapes and don't for goodness sake throw away those wonderful 135 cameras! Analogue for ever!

Missing by Joan Butler

May his feet become entangled, may his chori-
ambs corrode;
May his dactyls be dissimilar in size;
May he meet a big caesura when he's halfway
through an ode
And effect an unpoetical demise;
May his epigrams be epitaphs, his jingles out of
joint,
His limericks awash with glooms and dooms;
May his haiku and his cleriheuw completely miss
the point;
May he make a frightful mess of his pantoums;
May his spondee be despondent and his anapaest
accurst,
Arrhythmia afflict his amphibrach,
He who dared to misappropriate my *How to be
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Best 'out of the office' e-mail replies

Autumn is underway, and it's back to the office and emails.... these may make you smile.

1. I am currently out of the office at a job interview and will reply to you if I fail to get the position. Please be prepared for my mood.
2. You are receiving this automatic notification because I am out of the office. If I was in, chances are you wouldn't have received anything at all.
3. Thank you for your e-mail. Your credit card has been charged £5.99 for the first 10 words and £1.99 for each additional word in your message.

Christian Basics

What about Heaven?

The vicar was visiting a man who was very ill. At the foot of the stairs the sick man's wife whispered apprehensively, 'Say something hopeful to him - not about heaven and all that'. We tend to imagine heaven as something remote and less real than this life. However, C S Lewis in *The Great Divorce* describes a heaven where everything is more solid than on earth, with flowers like diamonds and leaves heavier than sacks of coal. So what are the important questions to ask about the reality of heaven?

What is heaven like?

Importantly, heaven is being in the presence of God and his Son Jesus Christ. 'Now the dwelling of God is with men, and he will live with them. They will be his people, and God himself will be with them and be their God' (Rev 21:3). This also means an end of all insecurity, pain, suffering, sin, death and evil (Rev 21:4). As a result we will worship and be united with all God's people; this is what we were created for - 'to glorify God and to enjoy him forever'!

What will we be like?

When sharing in the community of heaven, how will we recognise each other? Just as Jesus' followers were able to recognise him after his resurrection, so we shall know one another. We will have 'spiritual bodies' appropriate to the life of heaven. But it will be knowledge on a deeper level, with fuller love and understanding than we have ever known before.

Where is heaven?

Is heaven simply 'pie in the sky when you die'? As a sphere of existence outside of time and space, it is better to think of it as 'a dimension of present reality' (Bishop Tom Wright). Indeed, the Holy Spirit is the 'deposit guaranteeing our inheritance' (Eph 1:14), giving us a foretaste of heaven in the present.

Who will be there?

Jesus is clear about heaven, '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.' (John 3:16). If we enjoy a relationship with God today, we can look forward to the fuller experience in heaven. However, God simply underlines our choice if we reject him now! We live in a real world with real choices; what we choose today affects our lives now and in eternity!

Wanted:

Children with good manners

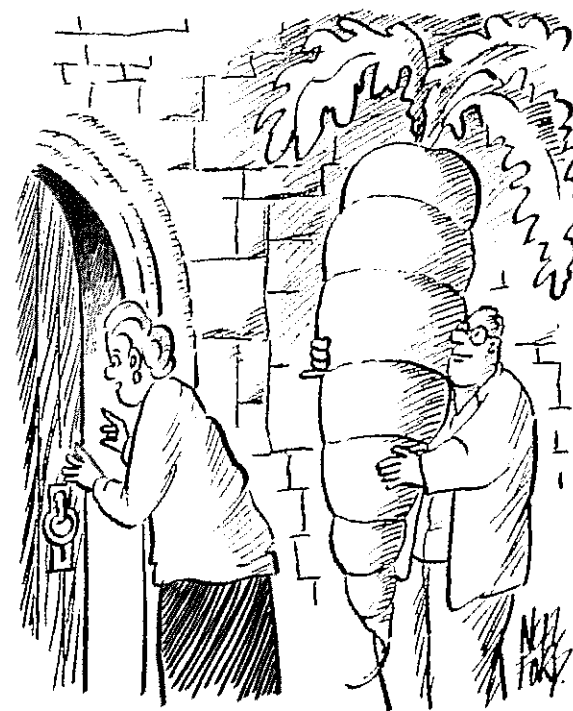
The wheel has turned full circle: now it seems that mothers are returning to the values of their grandparents, and want children with good old-fashioned manners.

Thus mothers are keen to teach their young ones the value of saying please and thank you, of telling the truth, of table manners, and of giving up seats for the elderly.

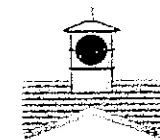
The poll on attitudes to motherhood was for the first Modern British Women and Values report for M&S Money, the personal finance section of Marks & Spencer. It also found that three quarters of mothers feel it is right to start teaching manners by three years of age.

A third of the mothers polled had also started teaching their children the value of money, and the importance of saving, between the ages of three and five. Children are encouraged to pay into a piggy bank or savings account, and earn pocket money by doing household chores.

Further, the research discovered that it is increasingly mothers who take the role of the disciplinarian - a reversal of the traditional role.



"Er... vicar - does the church have a position on the donation of GM vegetables for the Harvest Festival?"



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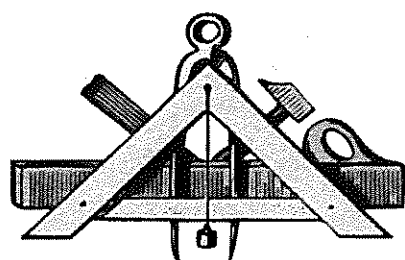
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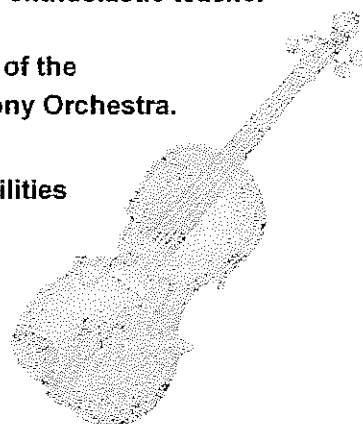


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The Rev Michael Burgess continues his series on God in the Arts with a look at 'Dust Motes Dancing in Sunbeams' by Vilhelm Hammershøi. It is found in Ordrupgaard, Copenhagen, photo by Pernille Klemp. It will be on exhibition at the Royal Academy in London until 7 September.

GOD IN THE ARTS

'TIS THE GIFT TO BE SIMPLE

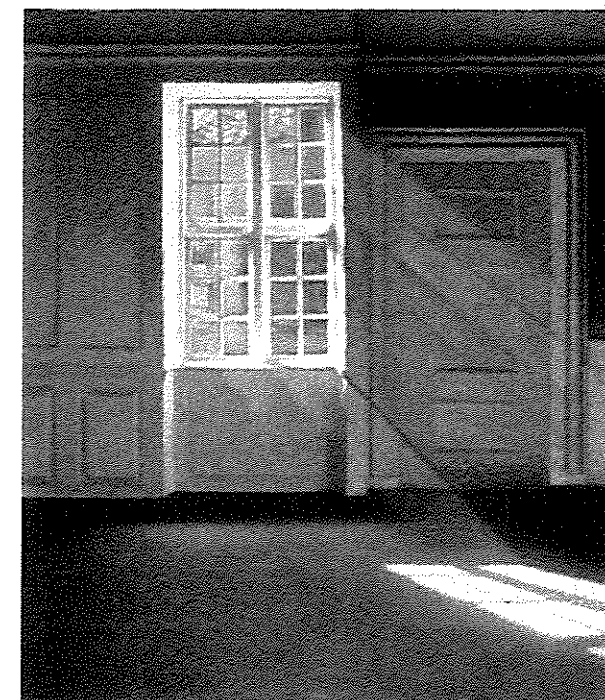
Have you ever read a book by Robin Meyers, 'Morning Sun on a White Piano'? It is subtitled 'simple pleasures and the sacramental life.' Its theme is that we can easily pass life by, as we search for it. We shun the ordinary and the simple in pursuit of more worthwhile endeavours, because we equate the ordinary with the mundane and unrewarding.

The Shaker melody 'Tis the gift to be simple, 'tis the gift to be free' is the origin of the popular hymn 'The Lord of the Dance.' It says: Look closely at the simple things of life and find there depth and divinity. The 17th century Dutch artist Vermeer created masterpieces out of the ordinary – a woman reading a letter or pouring water into a basin. Critics have described his work as 'the timeless contemplation of the ordinary.'

Over 200 years later a Danish artist found his inspiration in that same world of the simple and the ordinary: Vilhelm Hammershøi. He lived a reclusive life in Copenhagen with his wife, painting only a few pictures a year. Hammershøi died of throat cancer in 1916 at only 52 years. The theme of most of his paintings is limited to the world of his apartment at different times of the day and night.

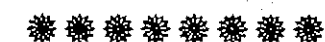
There is an exhibition of his work in the Royal Academy in London until 7 September. It includes this month's painting, 'Dust Motes Dancing in Sunbeams' painted in 1900. We are shown quite simply an empty room with a wall, a window, a floor and a door. There is no handle on the door. All is stillness and peace. And all is shadow until the winter sun streams into the room, catching in its rays the dust and lighting up the floor. It is the miracle of sunlight bringing life into the stillness. An ordinary aspect of creation, but lighting up a room and bringing wonder in its wake. One critic has called it 'a hymn to an everyday marvel.'

In this and in all of his paintings, Hammershøi seems to be saying: Accept the simplicity of the



present, find there beauty and live in that beauty. For him the grass is never greener in the next field – it is here and now in the world we have that we find beauty and meaning. John Keble's hymn 'New ev'ry morning is the love' says that 'the trivial round, the common task will furnish all we need to ask.' The artist is echoing that truth on canvas, telling us that the ordinary and common things of everyday life can provide the backcloth against which we can live and act.

When we are young, that backcloth stretches out to embrace the wider world and time: it is full of potential and promise. As we grow older, that world shrinks to our home, our church, our town. If illness comes, our world may be bedroom or the hospital ward. In that smaller world life can seem trivial and ordinary. But wherever we are, Hammershøi invites us to pause, to ponder and to find there beauty and light which will bring us 'daily nearer God.'



Quotes

- It is getting harder and harder to find a courteous person who isn't trying to sell you something.
- If parents haven't learned something from experience, they can always learn it from their children.
- Tomorrow never comes, but the morning after certainly does. anon
- Common sense - isn't!

Julian Huxley Williams "Joolz"

A personal tribute from Ross Kilsby

Particle Physics—crumbs, I thought as I listened to the professor talking about Joolz. I was sitting in St Mary's Church in Chiddingfold on the 15th August 2008 attending Joolz funeral service. It seems that he was part of the team building that huge underground particle accelerator thingy, which travels for miles in France and Switzerland. I knew he would end up in a job like that.

I remember a teenager with a shock of black hair kicking over an old British motorcycle, and shouting at it because it wouldn't go.

I remember him and his sister (the lovely Tess) turning up at the top of Hydon Ball at dawn on May Day to watch us dance in dawn.

I remember when he was in his twenties and he,

John May and I drunk much too much cider in John's garden and laughed till we cried.

Joolz was fiercely intelligent, very, very funny, single minded when he made his mind up, did not suffer fools gladly, and a lovely, lovely chap, a good countryman and a very talented photographer.

My heart goes out to his father David, his mother Angela and to his sister (the lovely Tess). Time will heal the pain, but the passing of a larger than life character leaves a larger hole to fill.

Particle physics? I will still remember the shout and the smile as he whizzed past me on his old motorbike. It was pleasure Joolz.

Joolz - 14th December 1969 - 26th July 2008



PILGRIM PLACES

Historic Christian Sites in Britain: WHITBY - part one

The Christian faith in England has long been associated with places like Glastonbury, Canterbury, York and London. But the town of Whitby, on the north Yorkshire coast, can also lay claim to its own historic Christian roots.

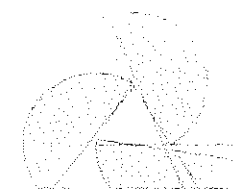
Overlooking a vast expanse of the North Sea, and with its rocky headland and high cliffs, Whitby is one of the favourite seaside attractions in the north east of England. With some narrow winding streets and its associations with Captain James Cook, Whitby has an olde-world feeling about it. More recently it has been the location for the TV hospital drama The Royal.

High on the headland stand the ruins of St Hilda's Abbey and that's the clue to its link with early British Christianity. Hilda was connected by birth to King Edwin of Northumbria and sometime around 627 AD she was converted to the Christian faith. After missionary work in Co Durham, she was appointed by the Christian King Oswy of Northumbria as the first Abbess of the newly-founded Abbey at the place later named Whitby. The Abbey soon had a reputation as a great centre

of Christian missions and learning but it was a gathering of royalty, bishops and monks that was to give Whitby lasting fame. The occasion was the Synod of Whitby in 664AD, a gathering of Britain's Christian leaders that would determine the shape of Christianity in these islands until the Reformation. That story, however, begins much earlier.

It would be exciting to know exactly when the Christian faith arrived in these islands and who brought it to us. There have been many suggestions but a very probable answer is that Christian missionaries from Gaul (now France) crossed the English Channel to bring the Good News to our pagan ancestors. A probable date is sometime in the early third century, between 200 and 250AD, thought it might have been considerably earlier.

A hundred years later the faith had spread widely and there were Christian settlements in many parts of England and Wales. Ireland was evangelised in the 5th century and, in turn, Irish missionaries took the gospel to Scotland. If we take the year 600AD as our starting point, then we have a picture which we will consider next month...



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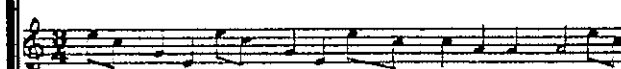
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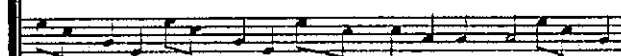


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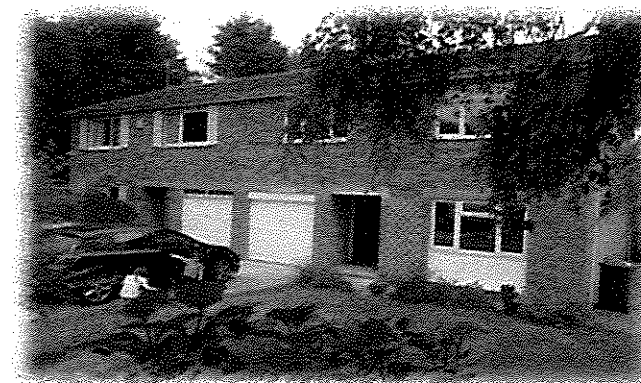
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The Carpenter Family update

As many of you will know, earlier this year, Giles was selected for training for full time ministry in the Church of England. Later this month we say goodbye to friends, family and colleagues as we head west for the start of a new chapter in our lives. (Contrary to malicious rumour the down turn in the housing market had nothing to do with Giles' calling to the ministry!!!!)



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The children are excited about the move, not least because Bristol has its own zoo. The girls have had a chance to look around their new school, Elmlea junior school, when they were last in Bristol. It has a huge building project in full swing which will give the school great new facilities when finished this Christmas. Meanwhile the boys will be going to 'school' together at Trinity College. Whilst Giles' is grappling with ancient Greek, Charlie will be at the nursery in the grounds of the college. Poplar Ave is only 1.5 miles from the college and there are rumours that the boys will be cycling if they (Giles) can cope with Bristol's hills.

Rachel is planning on attending lectures where possible with Giles and getting to grips with her French in anticipation of leading us all on a cultural tour of France next summer as we make the most of the once in a lifetime chance for an extended family holiday.

As we enter the final leg of our move we would like to thank everyone for their prayers and good wishes. For all those who have been praying please join us in prayer in the following areas;

For all the practicalities of the house move.

For all the students and staff at Trinity.

For new friends for the children and that they will settle quickly into their new schools.

Most importantly join us in thanking our Heavenly Father for His provision and guidance throughout our journey so far. He truly is a faithful God who has made His presence so real to us in recent months.

We would love to hear from you all, so keep in touch.

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Love

Giles

Jessie

Charlie

Rachel

Libby



Men Read and learn

Don't underestimate the ladies!

It is important for men to remember that, as women grow older, it becomes harder for them to maintain the same quality of house-keeping as when they were younger. When you notice this, try not to shout at them. Some are over-sensitive and there's nothing worse than an over-sensitive woman.

My name is Ron. Let me relate how I handled the situation with my wife, Julie. When I took early retirement last year, it became necessary for Julie to get a full-time job for the extra income that we need.

Shortly after she started working, I noticed she was beginning to show her age. I now usually get home from the pub about the same time she gets home from work. Although she knows how hungry I am, she nearly always says she has to rest for half an hour or so before she starts dinner. I don't shout at her, instead I tell her to take her time and just wake me when she gets dinner on the table. I generally have lunch at the pub so eating out again is out of the question; I'm ready for some home cooked food when I get home.

She used to do the dishes as soon as we finished eating. But now it's usual for them to sit on the table for several hours after dinner. I do what I can by diplomatically reminding her several times each evening that they won't clean themselves. I know she really appreciates this, as it does seem to motivate her to get them done before she goes to bed.

Another symptom of ageing is complaining. For example, she will say that it is difficult for

her to do the shopping during her lunch hour. But we take them for better or worse, so I just smile and offer encouragement. I tell her to stretch it out over two or even three days. That way she won't have to rush so much. I also remind her that missing lunch completely now and then won't hurt her. I like to think tact is one of my strong points.

When doing simple jobs, she seems to think she needs more rest periods. She has to take a rest when she has only half finished mowing the lawn and several extra breaks when she's vacuuming through the house. It does annoy me, vacuuming when I'm trying to watch 'Match of the Day', but I try not to make a scene. I'm a fair man. I tell her to make herself a nice cup of tea and just sit for a while, and as long as she is making one for herself, she may as well make one for me too.

I know that I probably look like a saint in the way I support Julie. I'm not saying that showing this much consideration is easy. Many men will find it difficult. Some will find it impossible! Nobody knows better than I do how frustrating women get as they get older. However, even if you just use a little more tact and less criticism of your ageing wife because of this article, I will consider that writing it was well worthwhile. After all, we are put on this earth to help each other, eh?

EDITOR'S NOTE:


Ron died suddenly last week. He was found with a 24-inch Stanley screwdriver up his posterior. His wife Julie was arrested, but the all-woman jury accepted her defence that he accidentally sat on it

Consider your children

- You spend the first two years of their life teaching them to walk and talk. Then you spend the next sixteen telling them to sit down and shut up.
- Grandchildren are God's reward for not killing your own children.
- Mothers of teens now know why some animals eat their young.
- Children seldom misquote you. In fact, they usually repeat word for word what you shouldn't have said.
- The main purpose of holding children's parties is to remind yourself that there are children more awful than your own.
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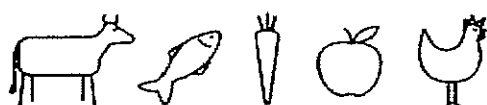
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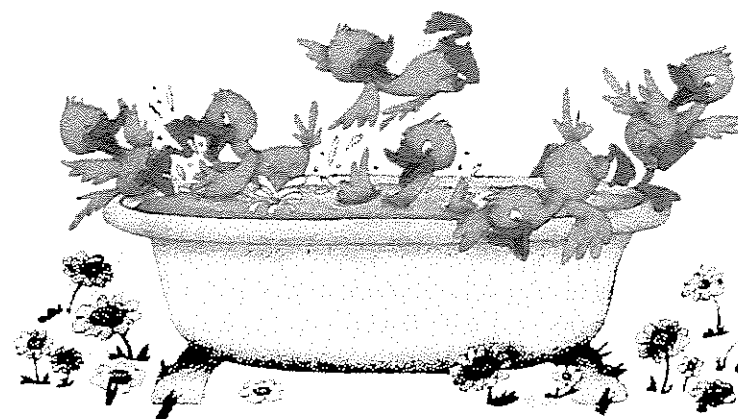
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Men Are Just Happier People.

NICKNAMES:

If Laura, Kate and Sarah go out for lunch, they will call each other Laura, Kate and Sarah.

If Mike, Dave and John go out, they will affectionately refer to each other as Fat Boy, Godzilla and Four-eyes.

EATING OUT

When the bill arrives, Mike, Dave and John will each throw in £20, even though it's only for £32.50. None of them will have anything smaller and none will actually admit they want change back

When the girls get their bill, out come the pocket calculators.

MONEY

A man will pay £2 for a £1 item he needs.

A woman will pay £1 for a £2 item that she doesn't need but it's on sale.

BATHROOMS:

A man has six items in his bathroom: toothbrush and toothpaste, shaving cream, razor, a bar of soap, and a towel from M&S.

The average number of items in the typical woman's bathroom is 337. A man would not be able to identify more than 20 of these items.

ARGUMENTS:

A woman has the last word in any argument.

Anything a man says after that is the beginning of a new argument.

The Bathtub Test

During a visit to the mental asylum, a visitor asked the Director how do you determine whether or not a patient should be institutionalized.

"Well," said the Director, "we fill up a bathtub, then we offer a teaspoon, a teacup and a bucket to the patient and ask him or her to empty the bathtub."

"Oh, I understand," said the visitor. "A normal person would use the bucket because it's bigger than the spoon or the teacup."

FUTURE:

A woman worries about the future until she gets a husband.

A man never worries about the future until he gets a wife.

SUCCESS:

A successful man is one who makes more money than his wife can spend.

A successful woman is one who can find such a man.

MARRIAGE:

A woman marries a man expecting he will change, but he doesn't.

A man marries a woman expecting that she won't change, but she does.

DRESSING UP:

A woman will dress up to go shopping, water the plants, empty the bins, answer the phone, read a book, and get the post.

A man will dress up for weddings and funerals.

NATURAL:

Men wake up as good-looking as they went to bed.

Women somehow deteriorate during the night.

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY:

A married man should forget his mistakes. There's no use in two people remembering the same thing.

Summer is over. Most young birds have now fledged, animals are preparing for winter. Our summer visitors are almost all gone south and autumn visitors start to arrive here such as fieldfare and redwing to finish the hawthorn berries. Birds flood into gardens to feed on an abundance of seeds such as goldfinch feeding on teasel. There is plenty of wild food available for hedgehogs and bats to stock up. The leaves on deciduous trees start to change colour and first frosts may come. The moist atmosphere encourages an array of fungus to appear, evidence of our recycling mechanism on full power belong to the process of decay.

Gardening tips for the month

- Plant spring flowering bulbs.
 - Trim back runners on brambles and other flowering climbers, tie in just a few for next season's berries.
 - Harvest fruit.
 - Lay turf for a new lawn, or sow grass seed.
 - Tidy up herbaceous borders, but leave seed heads
 - Divide and propagate herbaceous plants.
- Suppress next years weeds by planting ground cover plants like periwinkle, the flowers of which are very good for bees.

Feature of the month

Michaelmas Daisy *Aster novi-belgii*

A traditional cottage garden plant, michaelmas daisy is a medium tall perennial. The flowers appear in the late summer and autumn. The yellow centre is encircled by a fringe of purple, violet or white rays to form a daisy-like flower. They form an important late nectar and pollen source for butterflies, moths, flies and beetles. Later the seeds will be eaten by siskin and other finches. Once the clump gets big enough it is easy to split into more clumps during the winter and early spring to give away or to form a late summer hedge in the border.

The Song Thrush *Turdus philomelos*

Once one of our commonest garden birds, the song thrush has recently undergone a catastrophic decline. The adoption of farming methods that require a large amount of pesticides which ensure loss of the traditional mixed species hedge, have contributed to this decline. They feed mainly on snails, earthworms and other invertebrates and it can be interesting to find the thrushes anvil, a stone littered with

Wildlife Gardening



smashed snail shells as a result of eating their juicy contents.

The song thrush is distinguished from the similar mistle thrush by its smaller size and darker underparts. The mistle thrush extends its diet to autumn berries and will defend a suitable bush against all-comers such as the local blackbird in the autumn.

Tasks for the month

- Put food and water out for hedgehogs before they hibernate. This will ensure the new young get big enough to survive the winter.
- Mow selected areas of long grass.
- Start to provide a variety of foods on the bird table such as left over fruits and seeds to attract different species of birds to the garden.
- Look for mushrooms and toadstools and keep a note of them. Some are interesting others may become a parasite on trees.
- Remember to put up new bird and bat boxes.
- Freeze excess fruit from the garden in small bags to defrost and provide for birds during the cold season.

Plant a Meadow

A meadow need not be the size of a field. Consider using part of an orchard, or at one end of the lawn, under a tree or on a grass bank. Areas that are well drained and not very fertile are the best places. Meadows will require some ground preparation to start and continuous care at the right time of year to maintain them.

There are different types of meadow to choose from. A spring meadow is cut in July and provides an extension to the cut lawn in the late summer, whilst a summer meadow is attractive to butterflies and bees and then mown off in late September.

A lawn that has already an interesting mixture of grasses and herbs can be improved by adding a variety of flowering herbs in the form of plant-plugs, small potted seedlings, in September. Allow it to grow up in the first year to see what is already in there. What is important after establishing your meadow is to cut to 5 - 10 cm high in July or September. Remove the cuttings as soon as the seed has fallen. Consider planting a corn meadow which needs cultivating every year or planting a bulb meadow under the apple tree with wild daffodil, bluebell, snailshell trillium and lesser celandine. After cutting always look forward to your meadow next year.

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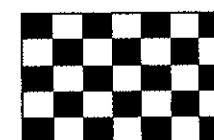
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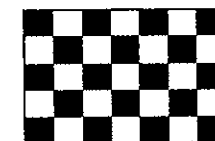
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The Congregation Replied

Down in the southern United States, there are many churches known as "answer back" churches. When the preacher says something, the congregation naturally replies. One Sunday, a preacher was speaking on what it would take for the church to become better. He said "If this church is to become better, it must take up its bed, and walk." The congregation intoned "Let it walk, Preacher, let it walk." Encouraged by their response, he went further. "If this church is going to become better, it will have to throw aside its hindrances and run!" The congregation chanted, "Let it run, preacher, let it run!" Now really into his message, he declared: "If this church really wants to become great, it will have to take up its wings and fly!" "Let it fly, Preacher, let it fly!" the congregation shouted. The Preacher then bellowed: "If this church is going to fly, it will cost money!" Whereupon the congregation softly said: "Let it walk, Preacher, let it walk."



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Where Has Summer Gone?

Nature must be left alone!



Earthworm is trying to kid himself that summer is not over, though you readers may well exclaim "what summer"? Day after day of rain or grey skies has been somewhat depressing, coming too as it has when the economy is taking a serious down-turn and it is "tightening belts time". He can contemplate all this from the depth of the now-huge compost heap where the warmth is welcome especially with night temperatures dropping. But the hugeness is in part thanks to the rain and the ever-growing grass, so there are things to be grateful for! There have been a few very warm days between the wet ones. Perhaps it is as well that Earthworm has no fingers to count them on or he would suffer further depression!

Who knows we may yet get a burst of Saint Martin's summer and that will set us up for the rigours of winter.

Earthworm keeps a diary and it is of interest to look back and see how we fared in earlier years. Last year, in August we were desperate for rain, and the previous year we had drought conditions in July. How fortunate that we are an adaptable race.

The chilly evenings of late do not seem to have been to the wasps' liking. Only two weeks ago there seemed to be lots about and then suddenly

they have disappeared. Hornets too, though fewer than the previous year were very much in evidence and their numbers seem also to have suddenly diminished. Just as well, thinks Earthworm who shakes with fear when he hears that very particular drone that distinguishes the hornet from the bumble-bee or wasp. He has seen the hornets hovering outside the bees' hive and then, snap, a tasty morsel of bee! Not many people seem to know that the hornet can be carnivorous. He is clever too, because the bees he catches are the ones returning to the hive laden with pollen or nectar, so the hornet gets a very yummy meal! But both hornet and wasp, and indeed wild bee, can fall prey to badger who will scoop the hole nest out and eat the entire contents, wax, grubs, honey and all. Nature must be left alone. As Darwin showed, the fittest will survive.

The woods and hedge-rows are adding to the Autumnal feel with colour changes already to be seen in the leaves, the deep red of the ripening haws and the orange of the rowan berries. Perhaps it will be best to accept that summer has passed.



Tall Trees

With their feet in the earth
...And their heads in the sky
The tall trees watch
..The clouds go by.
When the dusk sends quickly
..The birds to rest,
The tall trees shelter them
..Safe in a nest.
And then in the night
..With the tall trees peeping,
The moon shines down
..On a world that's sleeping.

By Eileen Mathias



Calling all Sopranos

Are there any sopranos who would be interested in joining the Surrey Hills Chamber Choir? We are a small four-part choir who met on Wednesdays from 7.45 — 10 pm under the leadership of Debbie Walton in Wonerh. We have a very varied repertoire and perform three times a year including the Godalming Music Festival and in 2008 at the Cheltenham Music Festival.

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For the caramel

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- 1 Small pot of cream
- 2oz Butter - cubed

For the topping

- 7oz Dark chocolate
- 3oz Butter

Heat an oven to gas mark 3. Lightly grease a 20 x 24cm shallow baking tin. Sift the flours together,

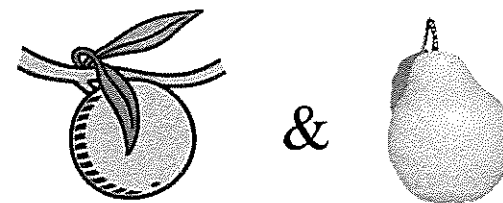
stir in the sugar, almonds and a pinch of salt. Rub in the butter and vanilla seeds to make fine crumbs. Tip into the tin and press down with a spoon. Put in the freezer for 5 minutes, then bake for 35 minutes. Allow to cool.

For the caramel - put sugar and 100ml of water in a heavy based pan, heat gently until dissolved then turn heat up till it turns dark amber. Stir in the cream in four additions till smooth. Stir in the butter. Put over the biscuit base.

For the topping - melt the chocolate and butter over a pan of simmering water, then pour over the caramel and smooth over. Chill until firm. This will keep in the fridge for three days!



Many of you may remember the old nursery rhyme 'Oranges and Lemons rang the bells of St Clement's'. The cake is based on citrus fruits so it's called a St Clement's cake.



St Clement's Cake

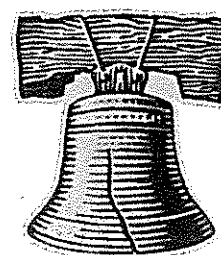
Ingredients

You will need three 7 or 8 inch sandwich tins, greased and lined.

- 2 large oranges
- 1 large lemon
- 6oz self-raising flour
- 1½ tsp baking powder
- 6oz castor sugar
- 6oz icing sugar
- 12oz soft margarine
- 3 large free range eggs
- Half a jar of good quality lemon curd
- Cake decorations of orange and lemon slices

Make up 2/3rds of the cake mixture using 2 of the eggs, 4oz of the sugar and 4oz of the soft margarine. Grate the zest of the oranges into this mixture. Then squeeze out the juice into a separate bowl and take one dessert spoon of the orange juice and stir into the sponge mixture. Beat until the mixture is

creamy and is light in colour. It should drop lightly off the spoon with a little shake. If it is too sloppy add a little more sieved flour until it is the required consistency. Divide the mixture evenly between two of the cake tins. Make a slight indentation in the centre to allow it to rise evenly. Next, proceed with the lemon cake by using the remaining margarine and sugar and flour and the finely grated rind of a lemon. Use one teaspoon of the juice and leave the rest for later. Fill the last tin with this mixture. Cook the three cakes for approx 18 minutes in an oven at Gas Mark 3/ 375F/170C, slightly less for a fan oven.



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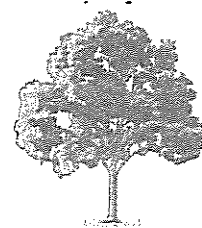
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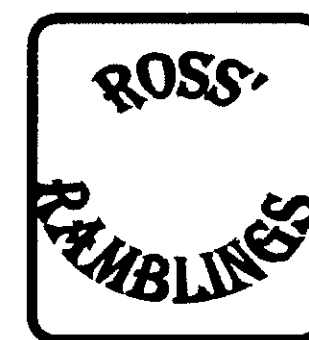
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Ross finds consolation among the ladies at his Village Picnic!

Note the bevy of beauties selected for September's birthdays



I suppose the "iffy" weather put off people from coming to my village picnic, but on the plus side all those that did come were ladies! I like those odds. The forecast was good, with sun heat and stuff, so it was windy, cloudy and with the odd shower.

The forecast for the Northchapel Steam Fair weekend (16th - 17th August) was for gales, rain and cold from Thursday to Sunday. It was of course sunny and warm with no wind all those days!

OK, so weathermen (and women) have had to cover their backs since the 87 storm, but wouldn't you get a better result by looking out of the window, checking your seaweed or wetting your finger and sticking it up in the air! I wouldn't mind being a weatherman, get on air and say any old tosh that comes to mind, and get loads of dosh for it. Marvellous! (I must change my name to Herring or Haddock).

Don't forget the 'Weyfest' at Tilford Rural Life Museum on 6th and 7th September (01252 795571). So dig out your flairs, your Paisley shirt and your high heeled boots (and that's just the men) and bop the weekend away!

It's coming up to wine making time, so GWJ and I are after any spare soft fruit, elderberry, blackberry, crab apples etc. Please give Jan a buzz if you have any. Ta lots.

By the way that large fuzzy, blurred object spotted in Vann Lane wasn't me and Mike Blanchard coming back from the pub, it was a llama! (honest)

Watch out for Goodwife Jan's "Summer's End West Country Tour". Coming next month.

September Birthdays

Raquel Welch (Wow)	4th 1940
Brit Eklund (Wow again)	6th 1942
Chrissie Hind (")	7th 1952
Jaqueline Bisset (")	13th 1944
Greta Garbo (")	18th 1905
Sophia Lorn (")	20th 1934
Olivia Newton -John (")	26th 1948
Barbara Dickson (")	27th 1948
Brigitte Bardot (")	28th 1934
Gwyneth Paltrow (")	28th 1973

Oh what a coincidence—all ladies!

I hear that the British fencing team failed at the Olympic finals. It seems the ran out of creosote!

Roll on Indian Summer!

Ross



The Congregation Replied

Down in the southern United States, there are many churches known as "answer back" churches. When the preacher says something, the congregation naturally replies.

One Sunday, a preacher was speaking on what it would take for the church to become better. He said "If this church is to become better, it must take up its bed, and walk." The congregation intoned "Let it walk, Preacher, let it walk."

Encouraged by their response, he went further. "If this church is going to become better, it will have to throw aside its hindrances and run!" The congregation chanted, "Let it run, preacher, let it run!"

Now really into his message, he declared: "If this church really wants to become great, it will have to take up its wings and fly!" "Let it fly, Preacher, let it fly!" the congregation shouted.

The Preacher then bellowed: "If this church is going to fly, it will cost money!"

Whereupon the congregation softly said: "Let it walk, Preacher, let it walk."

What about mothers, then?

The following are answers given by young school-age children to the given questions:

Why did God make mothers?

1. She's the only one who knows where the scissors are.
2. Think about it. It was the best way to get more people.
3. Mostly to clean the house.
4. To help us out of there when we were getting born.

How did God make mothers?

1. He used dirt, just like for the rest of us.
2. Magic, plus super powers, and a lot of stirring.
3. God made my mum just the same like He made me. He just used bigger parts.

Why did God give you your mother and not some other mum?

1. We are related.
2. God knew she likes me a lot more than other people's mums like me.

What ingredients are mothers made of?

1. God makes mothers out of clouds and angel hair and everything nice in the world and one dab of mean.

2. They had to get their start from men's bones. Then they mostly use string, I think.

What kind of little girl was your mum?

1. My mum has always been my mum and none of that other stuff.
2. I don't know because I wasn't there, but my guess would be pretty bossy.
3. They say she used to be nice.

How did your mum meet your dad?

1. Mum was working in a store and dad was shoplifting.

What did your mum need to know about dad before she married him?

1. His last name.
2. She had to know his background. Like, is he a crook? Does he get drunk on beer? Does he make at least £15,000 a year? Did he say NO to drugs and YES to chores?

Why did your mum marry your dad?

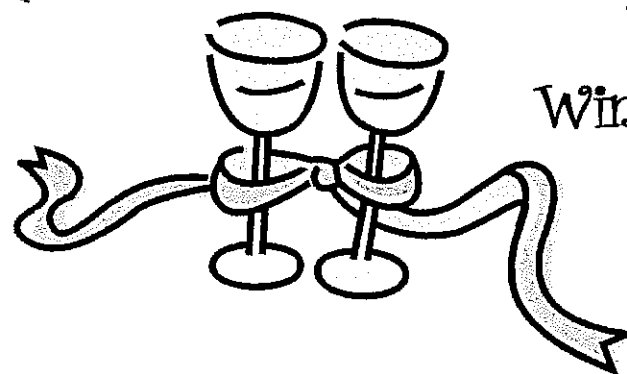
1. My dad makes the best spaghetti in the world. And my mum eats a lot.
2. She got too old to do anything else with him.
3. My gran says that mum didn't have her thinking cap on.



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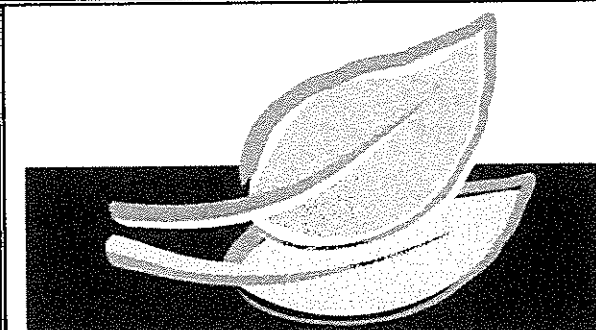
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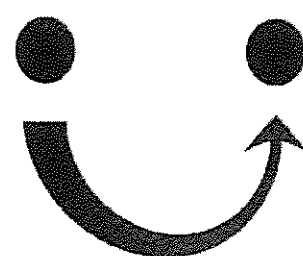
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A Newsletter for Waverley Neighbourhood Watch

Co-ordinators and Members



The Summer is well and truly here even if the weather is not all we would wish. Lawn mowers large and small, hedge trimmers, leaf blowers and any other powered tools you can imagine have been stolen from gardens and sheds although some sheds do not have very good locks. Most sheds could be fitted with an alarm. I have reported this in other years, The alarms are sold by many general stores for some £20, are battery powered, are easy to fit and emit a good loud sound if set off.

York stone ornaments in the form of bird baths, statues, sundials, and paving slabs on paths and patios are also disappearing although some thieves are stealing items made of concrete as well which has a somewhat lower value.

Damage to cars has increased but this is also seasonal in that a few hot days and evenings boosts the local pub trade and the customers go home full of cheerfulness.

The number of handbags stolen from cars parked at country car parks is quite low but unfortunately the theft of purses at supermarkets has increased. Left on top of the shopping for ease of access by the owner also makes it easier for the thief to steal it. Unfortunately the victim often only finds the purse missing when they get to the checkout. It is inconvenient to have to get it out from the bottom of a bag but it is also a risk for the thief who may well think again.



Making a Difference

A search at Guildford recently uncovered a large amount of horse tack, wood chipper, plant equipment, generator, tools and other items. The thief was locked up for 18 months

From Sussex Police.

This is not our local area but they have their own problems which I have put in for interest:

“A big thank you to the member who gave police an early call at 22.30 hours in July about a “rave” being set up. This one was stopped before it got started. However the organisers attempted to relocate to Another site. Police obtained information about this one as well and also stopped the event from taking place.”

Surrey Police regularly co-operate and exchange information with other forces in adjacent Counties.

Please be vigilant over the next few weeks as the summer break has begun. As always please phone in any suspicious activity.



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Hambledon



Ramblers

"The New Villages"
August 12th

This walk linked the villages of Beacon Hill, Grayshott and Churt. "New" because before the 1850s there had been no building of any significance just heathland. Again we were lucky to stay mostly dry all the way. That way was so complicated and convoluted that the writer completely lost her bearings. Enough to say that we started deep in the woods outside Headley Down, worked our way up to Ludshott Common where the heather was just coming out in a sea of pale mauve. Through more woodland and ups and downs we arrived in the centre of Grayshott. A pause on the village green and a good hard look at their millennium memorial trying to make out the buildings outlined upon it. Before we could forget what we were doing it was off again towards the pottery but slipping down into the woods before we reached it. Round about on the way to Waggoners Wells we found a delightful old wishing well. Here was placed a little plaque on which the following poem was written. One of Tennyson's, and supposedly composed at the spot in 1863.

*Flower in the crannied wall
I pluck you out of the crannies
I hold you here, root and all, in my hand
Little flower – but if I could understand
What you are, root and all, and all in all
I should know what God and man is.*

The lakes at Waggoners Wells were lying peacefully with some fairly large fish clearly visible and the inevitable "hungry" ducks. Soon it started to drizzle but there in front of us was the "Woodcock" pub, our lunch stop in Beacon Hill. Well fortified, rain gone, it was off to Churt threading our way past some stunning old houses and village outskirts with a glimpse of the North Downs along the way. Before long we were unexpectedly back at the cars very well exercised and all in agreement that the walk had been particularly good. Well done Sue and John and thank you.

Next Walk

The Low Wield—Ebernoe to Northchapel
Meet at the Village Hall
09.00

Ebernoe lies in ancient woodland and is one of the most peaceful places there is. This quiet Sussex hamlet is renowned for two things - the cricket pitch through which the road runs (boundary fielding can have its own excitements!) and the annual Horn Fair, held on 25 July. As well as a traditional fair, the main event of the day is a cricket match and a whole sheep roast (in earlier times complete with horns). At 1 pm the vicar and the cricketers process to the pavilion to eat; later the "horns" - now a mounted trophy - are presented to the highest scoring batsman on the winning side. The walk is in two halves, wooded at first, then into fields with open views. There are a few stiles and hardly any hills but it can be muddy in winter.

Short Walk – September 23rd
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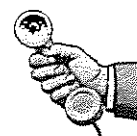
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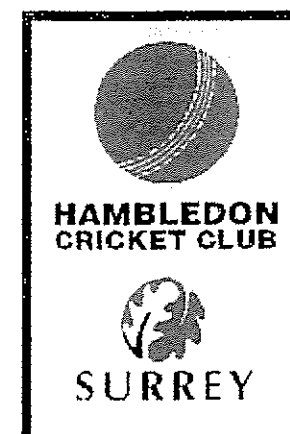
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Seniors: Fixtures.

Cricket matches for the 1st.XI, 2nd.XI and the Friendly XI from end of July through August have had a mixed bag of weather. You can find the Village League result etc. online on www.village-cricket-league.co.uk

OR Don't forget that Hambledon Cricket Club has its own Web Site on the World Wide Web

where many items of news, results etc. are held. If you are computer compliant and use the Internet web, you can find us on www.hambledoncc.play-cricket.com.

Fund Raising:-

The Fund raising draw event the "200 Club" has started

The 1st Draw for July 08. The winners are:

1st. Prize £50.00 - No. 85 - M. Archer

2nd. Prize £30.00 - No. 155 - R.M. Partridge

3rd. Prize £20.00 - No. 164 - M.J. Jenner

4th. Prize £10.00 - No. 39 - P. Bredell

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Further Activities

There will be a "Golf Day" on Friday 26th September at Milford Golf Club. Please contact Mark Burton on 078103708896 if you want to play or for further details. Teams of 4, Four ball better ball in the morning, and a 9 hole Texas Scramble after a Buffet Lunch. The Hambledon CC's Presentation Dinner will be in the evening after the Golf Day at 7.30 pm. at Milford Golf Club. So if you are not a golfer you are welcome to join us for the evening dinner. Call Emma Cunningham on 01428 683970 or Caroline Tristem on 01428 685455 for more details

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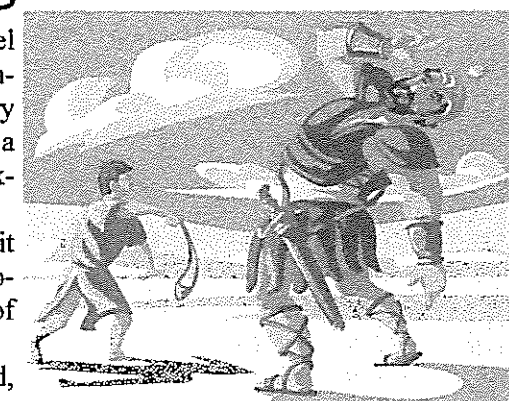
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Aug.	Sat. 30	2 nd . XI League	Godalming III	H	1.30
	Sun. 31	Friendly XI	Dunsfold (Allen Cup)	H	1.30
Sept.	Sat. 6	Friendly XI	Flemish Giants	H	1.30
	Sat. 7	2 nd . XI League	Plaistow	A	1.30
	Sat. 13	Firendly XI	Lynchmere	A	1.30
	Sun. 21	Friendly XI	Uplands	H	1.00

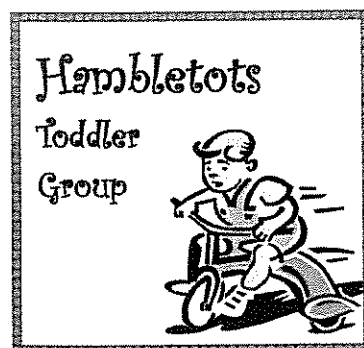
Sure thing

An archaeologist was digging in the Negev Desert in Israel and came upon a casket containing a mummy. After examining it, he called the curator of a prestigious natural-history museum. "I've just discovered a 3,000 year-old mummy of a man who died of heart failure!" the excited scientist exclaimed.

To which the curator replied, "Bring him in. We'll check it out." A week later, the amazed curator called the archaeologist. "You were right about the mummy's age and cause of death. How in the world did you know?"

"Easy. There was a piece of paper in his hand that said, '10,000 Shekels on Goliath'."





Hamblettots is an informal and friendly playgroup

Held in 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 Autumn term are:

SEPTEMBER	OCTOBER
3rd - Welcome Back	1st
10th 17th No Hamblettots	8th
24th	15th No Hamblettots
	22nd
	29th Half Term

NOVEMBER	DECEMBER
5th	3rd
12th	10th
19th No Hamblettots	
26th	

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

During the summer term we had a garden party and the children enjoyed sports day.

The cost of attending a session at Hamblettots 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 further information please contact:

Jo Ingham: 01428 684002

Dates for your Diary

October 4th :
St Peter's Harvest Supper 2008

October 18th :
"Call My Bluff" Wine Quiz & Supper

November 22nd :
London Philharmonic Skiffle Orchestra

December 19th
Pip and Mary's Christmas Party

December 17th to 21st
Wintershall Nativity Play

June 24th to 28th 2009
The Life of Christ at Wintershall

My cousin, a Methodist minister, was arranging a wedding service for a widower who was re-marrying. One of the hymns he requested was "My God, I thank thee who hast made the earth so bright" which contains the verse:-
'I thank thee Lord, that thou hast kept the best in store;
We have enough, yet not too much to long for more -
A yearning for a deeper peace not known before.'



CHRISTIAN CRACKERS THROUGH THE YEAR by Phil Mason, published Monarch
eradicate poverty, cut carbon emission and reduce fuel

Next Meeting
September 10th
at
2.30pm

**Wednesday
Afternoon
Group**

Afternoon Tea at "The Merry Harriers"



A visit to meet the new owners of our village pub
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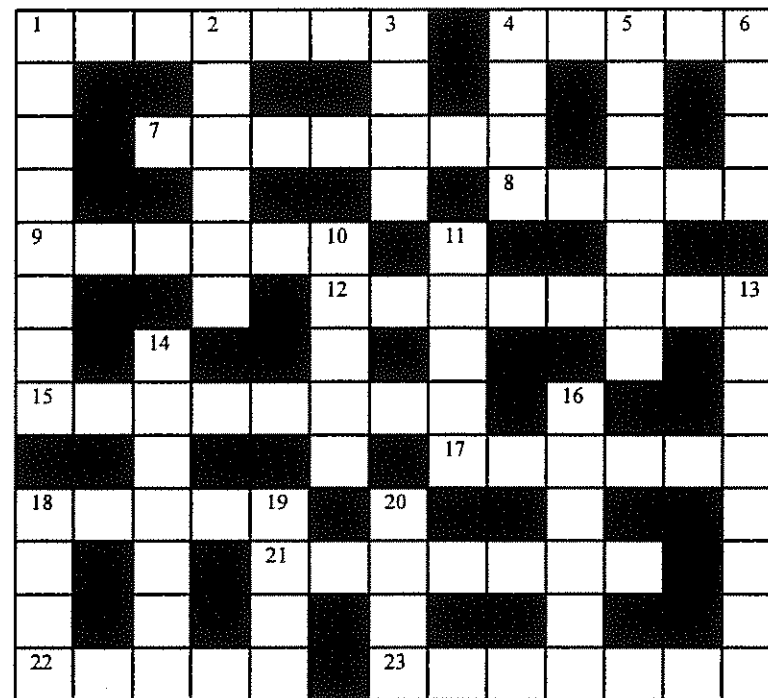
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CROSSWORD



ACROSS

- 1 Attract attention with Les somehow! (7)
- 4 Long oar (5)
- 7 Composer of 'Madame Butterfly' (7)
- 8 Intended (5)
- 9 The Supernatural (6)
- 12 Frozen confection (3-5)
- 15 Japanese port near Tokyo (8)
- 17 British admiral killed at Trafalgar (6)
- 18 Hebrew name for the city of Babylon (5)
- 21 Gigantic (7)
- 22 Rated (anag) (5)
- 23 Cocktail of vermouth and gin (7)

August Solution

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DOWN

- 1 Hit song for Dionne Warwick (4,2,2)
- 2 Be quiet! (4,2)
- 3 Leave (4)
- 4 Do the crawl? (4)
- 5 Anonymous (7)
- 6 Abandoned on the right side of the road? (4)
- 10 Saturn's largest satellite (5)
- 11 Non-meat eater (5)
- 13 Liza....., star of 'Cabaret' (8)
- 14 Japanese art of flower arranging (7)
- 16 Clothed cupboard (6)
- 18 Finest (4)
- 19 Light green (4)
- 20 Mosque prayer leader (4)

Answer to August Brain Teaser

A farmer told his labourer to pick 896,809 apples and pack them into as few boxes as possible, each having the same number of apples.

How many boxes did he use?

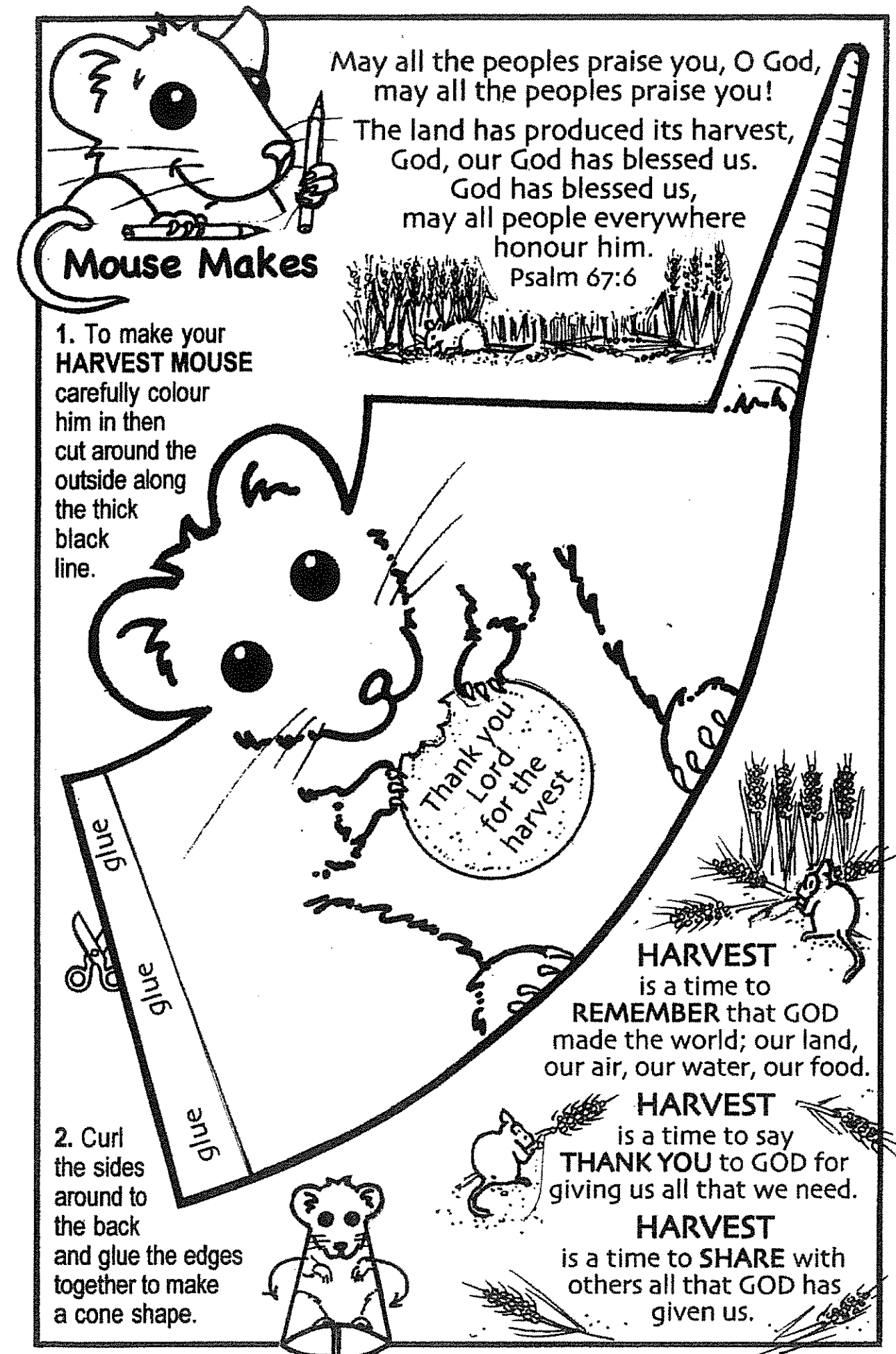
947 x 947 apples

September Brain Teaser

Boring Party

By 7 pm all the party guests had arrived but by 8 pm a third of them had departed. By 10 pm the same happened again and a third of those remaining had also departed. Finally the party ended at 11 pm by which time a further third of those remaining had also departed and by 11 pm only 16 guests still remained.

How many guests were originally at the party at 7 pm?



May all the peoples praise you, O God,
may all the peoples praise you!

The land has produced its harvest,
God, our God has blessed us.

God has blessed us,
may all people everywhere
honour him.

Psalm 67:6

Mouse Makes

1. To make your **HARVEST MOUSE** carefully colour him in then cut around the outside along the thick black line.

glue

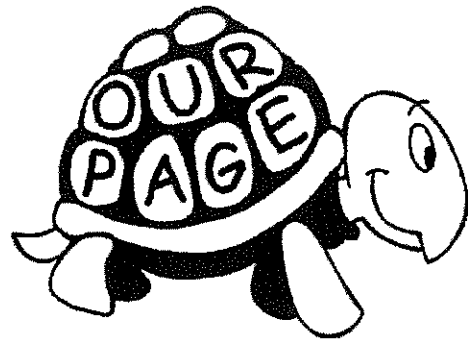
glue

2. Curl the sides around to the back and glue the edges together to make a cone shape.

HARVEST
is a time to
REMEMBER that GOD
made the world; our land,
our air, our water, our food.

HARVEST
is a time to say
THANK YOU to GOD for
giving us all that we need.

HARVEST
is a time to **SHARE** with
others all that GOD has
given us.



COME ON DOWN!

Sounds like a quiz show on the TV doesn't it 'Zacchaeus, come on down...' But Zacchaeus wasn't sitting in a TV studio. He was not very tall and had climbed into a tree in Jericho to see the new teacher that they were all talking about.

Jericho had lots of trees (it was known as the city of trees) and Zacchaeus thought that he could hide in the leaves to see over the heads of the crowds and hear what Jesus had to say and that no one would notice him. But Jesus noticed, he looked straight up at Zacchaeus (who was so used to being looked down on) and said 'Come on down, Zacchaeus, because I'm coming to your house!' That was amazing because Zacchaeus was a tax collector and not a very popular person. The people of Jericho muttered under their breath about Jesus going to be the guest of such a dreadful character (Luke chapter 10, verses 1-10). But Jesus changed Zacchaeus' life when he called him that day.

TREE-MENDOUS

All the answers to this quiz begin with the letters TRE. Can you say which TRE is...

1. What pirates bury?
2. A small earthquake?
3. What you get when you are ill?
4. A wooden lattice for plants?
5. Dug in the garden?
6. Written on a piece of music?
7. A clover leaf?
8. Wobbles or shakes?
9. Goes boldly to the stars?
10. Very large?

Answers at the bottom of the page.



What tree are deck chairs made from?

A beech tree.

What swings from a tree in a suit and tie?

A branch manager.

This is a dogwood tree.

How can you tell?

By its bark.

ANSWER: 1.treasure 2.tremor
3.treatment 4.trellis 5.trench 6.treble clef
7.trefoil 8.trembles 9.trek 10.tremendous

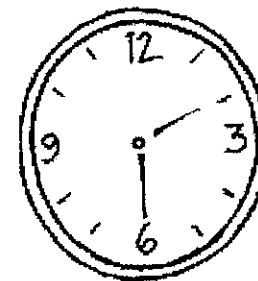
Rainbow Rhymes

Poems and Promises to cut out and collect.

Time

School time,
Assembly time,
Work time,
Friendly time,
Play time,
Dinner time,
Games time,
Fun,

Reading time,
Painting time,
All the class
Is waiting time,
Story time,
Favourite time,
School's all
Done.



There is a time for everything and a season for every activity under heaven.
(Ecclesiastes 3:15 NIV)

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