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# WELCOME

Welcome to the first edition of the 2022, and what a year it's going to be.

We kick off with the Ockley Pantomime (P9 & P10) at the end of January and beginning of February, fun for all the family regardless of age.

March sees the return of the Ockley Society Quiz (P26) after a break of nearly 18 months and April there is to be a race night in aid of the Ockley Cricket Club (P17).

Have you ever heard of the Battle of Ockley? Well even if you have we have the story on P22, it is an interesting read.

Please read the Ockley Parish Council report (P31) – there is information on the new Community Hub project as well as the Neighbourhood Development Plan which affects us all.

Later in the year there will be the Queens's 70th Jubilee celebrations (P6), there are plans for a whole village day on the green. Watch out for more information in the next edition of Woof.

And don't forget, this is the year of the 'A Year In The Life' Ockley video (P32 & P33). Anyone can take part, you all have smart phones so start recording and help us document our wonderful village way of life.

*Alan Hardy*



**The Ockley Village Facebook page** is here to encourage local businesses, charities, societies and clubs to share their news with the villagers of Ockley as well as keeping the community connected. Please message the Ockley Village Facebook page to post your news. We have an excellent response rate and a loyal following. We look forward to hearing from you.

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For more information and to DONATE please visit [www.foth.co.uk/the-queens-green-canopy](http://www.foth.co.uk/the-queens-green-canopy)

From the funds raised Friends of the Hurtwood will purchase, plant and maintain trees in the specific site (s) around the Hurtwood. A roster of contributors will be acknowledged on our website.



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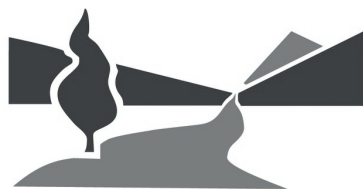
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# NEWS FROM THE BELFRY



## A Happy New Year to Everyone!

2022 has the promise of being the start of a return to more normal times, though probably not on 1st January.



Even so, you may have decided that it is now time to get out more, perhaps to be more active, acquire a new skill or make new friends. If so, why not consider bell ringing? Learning to ring church bells ticks all those boxes and more, occurring regularly, for an hour or so a week with instruction and equipment provided free of charge and can be a very absorbing pastime for all. Many new ringers take it up as a hobby later in life when they have more time and a common lament is 'I wish I had started sooner!' and 'I never knew there was so much to it!'

Ringling is well within the capabilities of most people but is a universal truth that the older you get the more difficult it is to acquire a new skill. Research shows though that there are many benefits to learning something new and keeping the mind and body active. Ringling is also a very sociable activity where many new friendships are made. The band of ringers have to collaborate to achieve a common goal and fit together particularly in terms of the sound heard outside and being considerate of the neighbours.

Anyone interested in finding out more is welcome to come along and have a go, under supervision, or just to watch. Under current circumstances please contact Sue first as there are still some restrictions in place at the time of writing and may be for some time yet. If you decide to take it further then individual sessions are arranged at a mutually convenient time and handling a bell can be achieved in as little as a few hours.

There is a clear path of progression when learning to ring, with some overlap: first, bell handling such that you can ring independently without a helper standing nearby, then bell control to keep the bell striking in the right place. Once these skills are mastered there is the added difficulty of ringing with others, keeping your place ringing in rounds and then to be able to follow simple call changes. At this stage we move on to the building blocks for method ringing.

Not all ringers want to go beyond call changes but the keener ones will find there is always something new to achieve and a supportive community ready to assist those willing to make the effort.

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Thank you to the village children for their beautiful pictures, Mr Gordon Lee-Steere for the history of the village fallen of WW1 and a special thank you to John Woods and Bea Milne for their invaluable help on the day.

*Iris Spruce*

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## WALKING GROUP

The diary dates for the Walking Group in January and February are:

10am Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> January Surrey Oaks, Newdigate

10am Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> January Cricketers, Ockley

10am Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> February Kings Head, Rudgwick

10am Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> February Sidney Wood Car Park, Alfold Rd GU6 8HU

The details of the walks are as follows:

### **Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> January**

Meet at 10am at the Surrey Oaks, Newdigate for a moderate, level 6.3mile walk to Henfold Lakes and Lodge Farm returning via Ewood Farm.

### **Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> January**

Meet at 10am at the Cricketers, Ockley for a slightly challenging 6 mile walk across Jayes Park to Hartshurst and Leith Hill Place, returning from Forest Green via Gosterwood Manor.

### **Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> February**

Meet at 10am at the Kings Head, Rudgwick for a moderate 6.2 mile walk to Hermongers and Roman Woods, across to Dedisham, following the River Arun to return via the Downs Link.

### **Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> February**

Meet at 10am at Sidney Wood Car Park for a moderate 5.8 mile walk along parts of the Wey and Arun Canal, the Wey South Path, through Sidney Wood to Gennets wood and ponds, returning along Sachehill lane into Sedgheurst Wood. Lunch at the Three Compasses, Lakers Green afterwards.

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# UNITED CHARITIES OCKLEY

The correspondent and trustees of the charity have changed. Tim Pryke has retired as Treasurer having been a trustee for 19 years and David Ansell a trustee for 24 years stalwart service.

Dick Thomas joined the Trustees last year and has kindly taken on as Treasurer.

The majority of the income each year comes from the Henry Smith Charity and is mostly used to give Christmas boxes to the deserving with Ockley connections. Henry Smith was born in 1548 and was a wealthy London businessman who lived in Wandsworth, then in the County of Surrey. During his life he amassed large landholdings which he transferred to a Charity. After his death in 1628 the Trustees allocated the income of the various estates to Parishes, mostly in Surrey. Ockley receives 6/156 approximately 3.8% of the income from the Worth Estate. Abinger gets 8/156 and Betchworth 10/156. The Worth estate was sold, but the proceeds kept separate, wisely invested and the Worth Estate income is nearly £200k.

In his will, he instructed his executors to invest £2,000 in agricultural land and they bought a farm of 116 acres in Kensington. 200 years later this was developed as Onslow Square and the surrounding area (Lord Onslow was chairman of the trustees at the time). The objects of that charity were the relief of poverty of his poor kindred (the descendants of his sister) and the rescue of Barbary slaves (people captured by pirates of the Barbary coast, being the African coast of the Mediterranean. The pirates raided the Cornish and Devon coast as well as ships!). The object of the rescue of Barbary slaves was a common charitable object of the time.

A few years ago, the two charities (London and Estates) were amalgamated, they already had the same Trustees,

and the Charity makes over £20million of charitable donations a year. The objects of the Charities were widened over the years, there are few Barbary slaves, but donations only go to charities within the United Kingdom.

The Ockley Charity has its own trust deed. An earlier trust deed suggests that the relief of the poor includes provision for the elderly, apprentice fees for young men and dowries for young ladies. At one stage Ockley provided warm flannel to the elderly for making garments or bed clothes, later this changed to a delivery of coal which slowly transmuted into cash payments as fewer and fewer people burnt coal.

A mistaken rumor about Henry Smith, to explain the uneven amounts of money distributed to the different parishes, is that Henry Smith toured

Surrey as a vagrant and where he was welcomed gave more to the Parish! This is totally untrue, there was a 'Dog' Smith who did tour as a vagrant but had no connection, unfortunately the story is still proclaimed on an old Surrey map which is available from Surrey County Council!

GEL-S

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## OCKLEY CRICKET CLUB 2022

A very warm and happy new year to you all. First thing to say is a very big thank you to all the people who made our members Christmas party a wonderful success, with special mention to Ruth, Katy & Tracey for their marvellous food and generosity.

At this point, on behalf of Ockley Cricket Club we would like to wish Sue McGovern & Michael Pearson every success with their new venture at The Cricketers Arms. Good luck from all of us.

Cricket in 2022 will be more of the same! Last year was the laying of the first stepping stones towards our ultimate goal which is to cement Ockley Cricket Club as the heartbeat for all the village. So with that firmly in our minds, 2022 will have more fixtures, more events, more improvements and of course lots more fun for everyone to enjoy.

A new season means new players are very welcome. We aim to accommodate all age groups and all levels of ability with Saturday - Sunday 2020 throughout the season. It kicks off with winter nets in Jan/Feb, outdoors from Mar/Apr, then every Wednesday evening during spring & summer. Please come and join in, you'll be most welcome.

If you don't want to play cricket then join as a social member instead and make new friends whilst supporting our many events or by just having a drink at the bar!

### **Date for your diary:**

2<sup>nd</sup> April 2022 - Adult Charity Race Night at Ockley Village Hall. Proceeds of this fantastic event will go to Cancer Research and Ockley Cricket Club. Get involved by being a sponsor/horse owner/naming it. Ring me on 07791 520003 for details, and check out the next edition of WOOF for more info on this event.

Have a great year!

*John Woods*

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Dear All in our Community,

We sincerely hope that your Christmas Festivities were warm and bright and beautiful, thinking about loves ones lost and helping, wherever it was possible, those less fortunate than ourselves. At school we certainly gave thanks for all that we were so lucky to have and share.

We also hope you managed to welcome the New Year in fully rested and at peace. Filled with aspiration and ambition. Ready and armoured with resilience and faith to work together to see us through the challenges our community will undoubtedly be faced with.

There is much to be thankful for. There is much to celebrate. There is much within our reach to change and make anew as we enter the warm spring months ahead...however far they may seem to be away in the bleak midwinter.

Our School community wish to reach out to you all and offer our warmest wishes as we look to work with you all in so many different ways to engage and collaborate and get to work on the things that are hard...because that goal will serve to organise and measure the best of our energies and skills, because that challenge is one that we are willing to accept, one we are unwilling to postpone, and one we intend to succeed in.

We look forward to the New Year and wish you all hope and warmth and light.

Kind regards

*Mr Simon Coles, Headteacher*

Please see below some recent highlights of life in school:

## School Choir



In December, the School Christmas Choir entertained a large audience at the Wescott Reading Rooms. They sang a collection of Christmas carols with great enthusiasm, including their own arrangement of *Away in a Manger*, with a solo and keyboard performance. This was followed by yummy cake. Thank you for the invitation.

## Butterflies Class

Butterfly class have been learning all about the Great Fire of London this half term. We made Tudor houses for homework and then built a London street scene. There was great excitement when we actually recreated the Great Fire and burnt the whole street down!

We were also lucky enough to have a visit from the Fire Brigade to teach us about fire safety.



## ROAR Project



Recently, our children in Year 6 have been taking part in a programme for Primary Schools designed to give a platform to young people to 'think big and positively change the world'. Over several weeks, in groups, they created a life changing concept: producing a poster, model and jingle to promote their product. The Lions Club have supported Surrey Hills

over many years and they helped to choose the entry that will be representing the school in the virtual final on 8th December. This was a very difficult decision as there were many fantastic innovations, such as an app to alleviate loneliness 'Match Me Happy' and 'Holo-Nav' where arrows are projected onto the road (thereby keeping a driver's eyes on the road ahead at all times. Our winning team's idea was a robotic 'toy' turtle 'Turtle Dude' that could help to rid our shores of plastic waste. We wish them the best of luck for the final!

Please don't forget to follow us on Twitter and Facebook. Here you can see daily life at Surrey Hills All Saints and can share in the amazing learning opportunities the children experience each day. We wish our local community well and hope everyone is staying safe. Twitter @SurreyAllSaints, Facebook @Surrey All Saints.

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# A LEGEND OF SAXON TIMES – THE BATTLE OF OCKLEY

**An abridged version of a story by prominent Surrey Historian Mr W.H. Chouler FRSA, ACP written in the late 1960's.**

There has been one famous battle fought in Surrey, a battle that took place so far back in the mists of time, that few people have ever heard of it for it seldom receives even the slightest mention in any history book. One book gives it three lines, telling us that the battle took place in A.D. 851, at Aclea or Ockley in the Wyld. That book is the Anglo Saxon Chronicle, begun about the middle of the twelfth century. The Chronicle, "the earliest and most venerable monument of English prose", was written in the monasteries by generations of monks.

In the ninth century England was attacked by the Vikings, the most daring set of invaders yet seen upon the seas, who came from the mountainous fiords of Norway and Sweden. According to the Anglo Saxon Chronicle, the spasmodic raids of single boat loads of pirates gave place to highly organised forays of anything up to fifty boats after A.D. 825.

In A.D. 850 the largest band of all set sail. They crossed the North Sea in open boats each about seventy feet long, with high prows carved to resemble dragons. In each boat were sixty men, whose painted shields hung over the sides. Without maps or compasses, and using only oars and sails, these men crossed the rough North Sea until they reached the estuary of the River Thames.

Ethelstan, the King, hurried to drive off the invaders, but his army was utterly defeated, and he was cruelly murdered, while Canterbury, his capital, was burnt to the ground. The whole of Kent was plundered, and great riches were taken to the Danish Camps. From Monasteries and Churches, warning bells rang out, while monks and abbots prayed unceasingly for help against the invaders: "A furore Norman norum Domine libera nos" (From the fury of the Northmen, Good Lord Deliver Us).

Their prayers were in vain. Stimulated by their success and encouraged by a fine spring the Danes sailed up the estuary of the River Thames towards London. The Merceans offered little opposition and their leader, Borthwolf, the King, was soon defeated. London was captured, the houses set on fire, the gold and silver from the churches carried away in triumph, and innocent householders cruelly butchered. Only Winchester, the capital of Southern England, remained in Saxon hands. Ferocious, treacherous, but tremendously daring and full of energy, the Danes, determined to rush on to take Winchester. Leaving their ships behind, safely anchored in the Thames and carrying their stolen goods on rough English carts, they began the long march



out of London, over the Thames and into Surrey. They came by the Old Roman Road, the Stane Street, leading from London to the Sussex Coast. Meanwhile, in Winchester, Ethelwulf, the King of Wessex, with his many sons, and his leaders, was attending morning Mass in the great church. All was calm and peaceful. If there was a great war cloud over England, it seemed far away from here. News came from London of burnings, murders and of the imminent dangers to all at Winchester. Then followed weary anxious days. The fate of England hung in the balance. The great bell of Winchester Church rang out without pause day and night, sending out its dreadful warning. Young and old hastened to join the King's army.

Already, the "Comrades" Or special fighting men, who followed the King everywhere, were in Winchester. He sent out for the Freeman and the Thegns, and the Royal servants scattered over his kingdom of Wessex. Each in turn brought his own servants, many of whom were fighting men. Soon mighty and determined army was gathered and the march began. The burnings and sackings and cruel slaughter in London seemed to weld the Saxon Army together as no amount of training could do. All this time, the Danes were marching steadily through Surrey leaving behind them the villages of Wimbledon, Epsom and Leatherhead, razed to the ground. Finally, they reached the towering white cliffs of Dorking while beyond, they saw mile after mile of dense forest, almost impenetrable. The tiny settlement of Dorking was left a mass of blazing ruins and they marched on a further three or four miles to a camp high above the trees and here it was decided to spend the night. Anstiebury Camp proved an excellent resting place, just as it had been for many tribes of Ancient Britons in past centuries. Fires were lit and tents were pitched and the great Danish banner, with the huge black raven, floated high overhead. All around was thick forest, pines, firs, heather and bracken on the high ground to the west, huge oaks and dense hazel bushes to the south. About two miles away was a small clearing, covered with thick wiry grass. No sign of life could be seen. The wind dropped as darkness fell and the mists floated over and through the branches of the trees. There was a deathly silence everywhere. In the Danish camp, the splendid mail shirts were laid aside, the horned helmets tilted back or taken off, while the dreaded axes were placed lovingly by the sides of their owners, who lay flat on their backs, gazing quietly at the stars above. The Viking warriors had expected to meet the Saxon Army long before this. They were not used to this kind of warfare. Brave and bold in the open, where the enemy could be seen and attacked ruthlessly, in this unearthly atmosphere of dampness and darkness they were becoming tired, restless and afraid, something which no amount of fighting had ever done to them. The way to Winchester certainly seemed long and hard at this moment. Down below, in the forest, unbeknown to the Danes, lay the Saxon host, gathered round the grassy enclosure. They slept upon the bracken beneath the trees. Earlier, they

had seen the twinkling lights of fires on Anstiebury. They had said their prayers and had sung the Latin Chants once more, careful lest their voices would carry too far in the still night air. Their weapons were already prepared for the morrow. At the first sign of light in the early morning, the Danes packed up their tents and prepared to march. A silent host of tired, hungry warriors left the camp and resentfully marched away down the slope. On their shoulders, they carried their huge double-headed axes and by their sides were sharp swords still stained with blood.

In the Saxon camp all was ready. Ethelwulf and his son Ethelbald, with their picked fighting men, were in the centre. Across the grassy clearing the Saxon bowmen were hidden in the trees. Clad in brown homespun tunics, they formed a perfect camouflage against the brown tree trunks and the rich bronze of the bracken. The younger warriors were at the edge of the forest to cut off the retreat. Many a youth of fifteen years waited impatiently for his first glimpse of the hated Pagans. All eyes were on the dusty road. In the still morning air, the tramp of feet could be plainly heard.

The Viking warriors, filled with dismay, looked at the dense forest ahead, then turned angrily on their leaders. At that moment, a bugle call rang out from the woods, and the Saxon host, thirsting for revenge, fell upon their enemies. In vain the Danish leader shouted, in vain the Danish bugles called. Warriors in their hundreds were now massed together in the clearing, and the Saxon arrows poured into their midst. The Danes called to their Gods repeatedly. Some regained courage and wielded their two edged battle axes. They remembered what they had been told by their forefathers. "If you are killed fighting bravely, you will ride across the rainbow, to Valhalla, the hall of the Gods, there to feast with Odin, the Father." A solid wall of picked Saxons fought relentlessly round their King. Suddenly the Danish leader fell, and the huge black standard crashed to the ground. There was a ghastly cry of anguish, and the ranks broke. From all sides, the Saxons rushed in for the kill. The way of escape to the north was closed fast, so the terrified Danes rushed headlong down the narrow road to the south, not knowing where they were going. The slaughter was terrible. Bodies were piled up in great heaps, over the roadway and all over the clearing, being thickest round the fallen Danish leader. Danish blood flowed like water until the fighting ceased. Every prisoner was killed without mercy, and the wounded left to die, their calls of agony passing unheeded.

The fight continued all the afternoon. It was a terrible struggle "Warriors thick as ears of corn charging upon either side and rivers of blood rolling away the heads and limbs of the slain" According to a later Saxon Chronicle "The king and his men made a greater a slaughter of them than had ever been made of the pagans, and gained the victory." The victorious Saxons left the scene of battle and went towards the slopes of Leith Hill, where

they lit their watch fires and while resting, they told their gory tales of the fight late into the night.

A Saxon poem, written about the year A.D. 900, describes this battle. Translated, it reads as follows:

"And death doomed fell the ship men,  
the field streamed with warriors' blood.  
When rose at morning tide the glorious star,  
The sun, God's shining handle, until sank  
The noble creature to its setting.  
There lay many a northern warrior struck with darts  
Shot from above the shield.

The Saxons had one more task to perform. As the sun rose once more, the English dead were laid in a long trench somewhere on the slopes of Leith Hill, with their feet towards the rising sun. This great victory saved Southern England for Christianity and for over twenty years no heathen invaders came south over the River Thames.

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# VILLAGE EVENTS 2022

## January

 **2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday 4.0pm - Messy Church**

Walliswood Village Hall - See p12 for details

 **3<sup>rd</sup> Monday 10.45am–11.45am - Senior Bootcamp**

Walliswood Village Hall - Every Monday

 **4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday 9.15, 10.30am, 6.15, 7.30pm - Pilates in the Pavilion**

Ockley Cricket Pavilion - Every Tuesday

 **5<sup>th</sup> Wednesday 9.00am–12pm - Pavilion Café**


Ockley Cricket Pavilion - Every Wednesday

 **5<sup>th</sup> Wednesday 6.00pm–7.00pm - Yoga**

Walliswood Hill Village Hall - Every Wednesday

 **6<sup>th</sup> Thursday 9.30am–11.30am - Ockley Toddler Group**

Ockley Village Hall - Every Thursday, see p9 for details

 **6<sup>th</sup> Thursday 11.00am–12noon - Senior Bootcamp**

Walliswood Hill Village Hall - Every Thursday

 **11<sup>th</sup> Thursday 10.00am - Walking Group**

Surrey Oaks, Newdigate - See page 13 for details

 **27<sup>th</sup> Thursday 10.00am - Walking Group**

Cricketers, Ockley - See page 13 for details

 **28<sup>th</sup> Friday 8.00pm - Panto, Sleeping Beauty**

Ockley Village Hall - See page 9 for details

 **29<sup>th</sup> Saturday 2.00pm - Panto, Sleeping Beauty**

Ockley Village Hall - See page 9 for details

 **29<sup>th</sup> Saturday 8.00pm - Panto, Sleeping Beauty**

Ockley Village Hall - See page 9 for details

# JANUARY 2022 VILLAGE EVENTS – SEE PREVIOUS PAGE FOR DETAILS

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2 Messy Church	3 Senior Bootcamp	4 Pilates in the Pavilion	5 Pavilion Café Yoga	6 Walking Group Toddler Group Senior Bootcamp	7	8
9	10 Senior Bootcamp	11 Pilates in the Pavilion	12 Pavilion Café Yoga	13 Toddler Group Senior Bootcamp	14	15
16	17 Senior Bootcamp	18 Pilates in the Pavilion	19 Pavilion Café Yoga	20 Walking Group Toddler Group Senior Bootcamp	21	22
23	24 Senior Bootcamp	25 Pilates in the Pavilion	26 Pavilion Café Yoga	27 Toddler Group Senior Bootcamp	28 Panto - Sleeping Beauty	29 Panto - Sleeping Beauty
30	31 Senior Bootcamp					

# FEBRUARY 2022

## VILLAGE EVENTS – SEE NEXT PAGE FOR DETAILS

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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# VILLAGE EVENTS 20212

## February

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Ockley Cricket Pavilion - Every Wednesday

 **2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday 6.00pm–7.00pm - Yoga**

Walliswood Hill Village Hall - Every Wednesday

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 **5<sup>th</sup> Saturday 8.00pm - Panto, Sleeping Beauty**

Ockley Village Hall - See page 9 for details

 **10<sup>th</sup> Thursday 10.00am - Walking Group**

Kings Head, Rudgwick - See page 13 for details

 **13<sup>th</sup> Sunday 4.0pm - Messy Church**

Walliswood Village Hall - See p12 for details

 **24<sup>th</sup> Thursday 10.00am - Walking Group**

Sidney Wood Car Park - See page 13 for details

## Further Ahead

### March

 **5<sup>th</sup> Saturday 7.00pm - Ockley Society Quiz**

Ockley Village Hall - See page 26 for details



## **OCKLEY PARISH COUNCIL**

### **Draft Mole Valley Local Plan 2020-2037**

Many thanks to those of you who copied in the parish council to their responses to the above. Councillors took note of these responses when considering the parish council response. The following information was taken from the MVDC website (November 2021):

Now the publication period has closed, we will collate all the representations and, in February next year, we intend to submit the Plan and the representations to the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government who will appoint a planning inspector. The Inspector will consider the Plan and the representations in an Examination-in-Public and there are likely to be public hearings on the Plan next year. The Inspector will issue a report on the Plan which will set out whether the Plan is legally compliant and sound or how it can be made so. If we agree with the Inspector's findings, we will adopt the Plan.

### **Points of note from the November meeting**

Work is continuing on the Community Hub project and the Neighbourhood Development Plan. A reminder that a team has set out on a quest to set up a Community Hub in the Ockley School buildings. Please contact Gill Christie at [gill@c21mediagroup.com](mailto:gill@c21mediagroup.com) if you are interested in hearing more information. A village meeting will be held to discuss ideas. Further meetings have been held with other organisations (MVDC, Surrey Community Action) regarding the Neighbourhood Development Plan. A Character Appraisal of the village is being carried out. This involves walking around the village and gathering data. A public meeting will be held when the draft appraisal is available so that your views can be heard. Parishioners will be asked to complete a further survey in the New Year. Important sections of the plan will include transport and parking, natural environment, demand for housing and type/mix/design on houses wanted in the village.

### **Dates of meetings 2022**

10 January, 7 March, 9 May, 4 July, 5 September, 7 November.

### **Reminders**

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# OCKLEY SOCIETY

## Help make a movie

Ockley has a proud tradition of recording its fascinating history. Ever since photography was invented, there have been records of people and events that have shaped the village and led it to the place we know today. The advent of moving pictures brought us the first film of Ockley in 1953, Coronation year.

In 1997, the Society supported the production of a video documenting a year in the life of Ockley. This video took us month by month through the year with its festivals and celebrations including, its defining event The Ocklympics which showed us serious people being given silly things to do, providing great entertainment for the appreciative crowd.

The intervening 25 years have brought many changes to the village and its way of life, whilst many traditions like the annual quiz, the Cricket Sevens and the winter events of Bonfire night and Christmas are still enjoyed by all.

It is time to plan a new video which will document Ockley in 2022. With the advances in technology, almost everyone has a device to film events spontaneously thus democratising its production and enabling us all to own it. We intend to post guidelines on the Society's website for all who would like to contribute to what will be a great movie and eventually an important historical document.

You can register your interest in contributing to this historic video, by emailing the Chairman of the Ockley Society Alan Hardy:  
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# OCKLEY VIDEO 2022

## Guidelines for contributors

### 1. Topics to consider

- i** *if you have time, do look at the 1997 Ockley video. It will give you an idea of the range of topics that were covered. It may prompt you to think of things that have changed and subjects that it did not cover but which you think are important.*

*As well as the regular village events such as people centered activities like quizzes and Cricket Sevens and the Ocklympics, if they are held in 2022 and there will be lots of spontaneous opportunities to capture if you have your device handy. For example, the natural world, and individual interviews can be very interesting. Nothing is ruled out.*

### 2. Material format

- i** *Although MP4 will be standard, footage in any format will be considered. If you are using a smart phone, do remember to shoot in landscape format. Individual clips should normally not exceed four minutes. Please consider editing your material yourself before submitting it.*

*You will be able to upload material into a designated dropbox.*

### 3. Time scale

- i** *Please submit material as soon as it is ready. The final editing will be done at the end of the year and obviously the final date for submissions is 31<sup>st</sup> December 2022.*

### 4. Context

- i** *We are already well into a new century. Ockley, like other villages is impacted by a number of changes to our national life. Just as the 1953 film was made with the Coronation as its context and the 1997 video had the background of a general election, this video will have both COVID 19 and climate change as background themes. There may be opportunities to reflect how the village has coped and responded to these unprecedented issues.*

### 5. Editorial and release

- i** *The editors will consider material and its content, the voice-over commentary and music where it is used. You will be able to make suggestions about every aspect of the material you submit.*

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# ANOTHER YEAR AT QRMW

As we draw close to the end of 2021 its time to take stock of the last 12 months in the life of QRMW:

2021 started off with another lockdown which meant our first fund raising event at the Memorial Woodland had to be cancelled or the second year, shame for the children who love our Easter Egg Hunt in the Woodland not to mention our enjoyment especially the Dads egg and spoon race! As we went into Summer it became apparent that we would also have to postpone our annual Anniversary event which is always the first weekend in June. But with restrictions slowly lifting we put into place a strict Risk Assessment and were able to hold albeit a somewhat lesser anniversary celebration than had been planned but certainly not from the point of view of the Commemoration Service which took place for 11 Ex-Queensmen whose families came and planted trees and scattered the ashes of their loved ones on 3rd July. It truly was a memorable occasion and we were honoured to have the presence of The Chief of Surrey Fire and Rescue who planted a tree in honour of all those brave men and women who served for their country. Throughout the rest of Summer we saw many visitors to the woodland, some from many miles away, old friends and new acquaintances, it was a joy to meet up with them all.

Our plants, trees and shrubs most of which have now been at the woodland for over seven years are looking wonderful. The Buddleias having matured encouraged even more butterflies this summer and Henry our resident pheasant brought with him his two females at the beginning of the year but to our great enjoyment very recently came with 6 females, we are not sure if the four additional ones are the offspring of his two ladies he was parading around the woodland earlier in the year! They all now wait for our arrival in the mornings and follow us up into the woodland to be fed. Its delightful.

November seemed to be upon us before we knew it and with it our annual Remembrance Service which is always held on 11th of November. This year we were so pleased to have a fantastic turn out of Queensmen, some representatives from other services and local residents plus the children from Year 6 of St John's C of E Primary School who sang their hearts out and read remembrance poems with confidence and clarity.

After two years of not being able to hold our very popular Christmas at the Woodland we were thrilled to go ahead with it this year on 5th December. The event was opened by a short speech from The Hat followed by the children's treasure hunt and enjoyed by 46 children. Rodney Dell (Ex-Queensman) sung his heart out all afternoon and got us all well and truly into the spirit of Christmas with an excellent selection of songs. Father

Christmas (Mickie Bennett also Ex-Queens) arrived on time joined by his Elf helper Chloe and met all of the children when they came into his grotto to receive their presents. The excellent selection of stalls included a Christmas tombola, Bottle Tombola, Crafts, Soft Toys, lucky dip, Cakes and Jewellery and were manned by Martin our Treasurer's whole family as well as Trudy, Sharon, Lynn and Lynn's two daughters and Son-in-law. The Grand Raffle was run by Trustee John and his son and drawn by our Trustee Monty. Thanks also go to Ali the Community Champion at Tesco's store in Sandhurst who not only donated items for the children's treasure hunt bags but also attended and helped Debbie on the Registration desk and handing out the goodie bags to the children.



We must of course never forget those who help us raise funds in various different ways throughout the year for instance Stu our marathon man, who has run his socks off this year so far 5 Marathons in 7 weeks and despite getting Covid himself and quite ill during November will be completing his mammoth marathon challenge (5 Marathons since September) in the early part of 2022 raising funds for QRMW. Dawn Lockwood (daughter of Ex-Queensman Eric Lockwood) did her first sponsored walk ever and for QRMW which was a great achievement for her and an amazing lady, Elizabeth Sands, who is a tremendous supporter of QRMW donated many unique items to QRMW during 2021 which we have auctioned throughout the year to raise funds for our Veterans plus she has donated some excellent items for our museum. We have also had some incredible donations from those who would prefer to remain anonymous but to our Chairman and Trustees are amazing people. Without the support from these wonderful people QRMW could not fulfil our Charity Purpose to help our Veterans when they really need it, so our grateful thanks to ALL OF YOU.

We also had a host of help with the maintenance of the woodland which is very important. These wonderful people came to the woodland throughout the year; Roy who cuts the grass, Martin who is an expert bonfire builder, Sharon who works hard planting and weeding, Rob, Colin and Peter who have done numerous DIY jobs, and not forgetting Treasurer Martin and his mate Peter and colleagues from Amex who have spent hours spreading wood chips. Lyn Blanchett for her donations and her family who have spent hours tidying up the woodland and so it goes on, far too many to mention all by name, we are GRATEFUL to ALL OF YOU.

God Bless and we sincerely thank you all for your support . All of us at QRMW Wish you a Very Happy Christmas and Healthy New Year and we look forward to seeing you at the woodland in 2022.

*Paul Cooling, (Chairman) Martin (Treasurer), Debbie (Charity Secretary), Keith (Trustee), Kriss (Trustee) and John (Trustee) – The Quick Response Memorial Woodland.*

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## THE GARDEN IN JANUARY AND FEBRUARY

The start of the new year provides a quieter and more sedate 'pause' in the gardening year. January is a wonderful month for all us gardeners – both amateur and professional - to **take stock of the green spaces** we nurture. Whether sitting indoors in front of a cosy fire or escaping into the fresh air to work off some Christmas cake, it's a great time to **reflect** on the past year and to **start making plans** for the gardening year ahead.

More importantly than ever, the start of **THIS** new year is a perfect time for us all to make some **environmentally responsible** new year gardening resolutions. These might include:

- cutting back (or stopping) buying compost containing peat (and buying it by the load rather than individual bags if you have the space to store it).
- recycling and reusing garden plastics wherever possible.
- creating wildlife havens within our gardens, from putting up a nesting box in a small garden to developing a 're-wilded' area if you have more space to play with.
- collecting water wherever you can, in water butts or any other suitable large containers (that can also be used by wildlife).
- building new or improving your compost area to maximise garden waste recycling, including building a simple wire structure for collected leaves to rot down.



There are many other ways we can do our bit so use this early part of the year to google ideas, read gardening magazines and ask gardening friends for suggestions.

Winter is a good time to **plan** which vegetables you are going to grow and where you are going to grow them. Make sure to choose veg you will actually eat! Plan a rotation system to ensure the same crops are not grown in the same beds to help prevent disease build-up.

This winter hiatus provides a perfect opportunity for a good **clean** and sharpen of tools, as well as a **tidy and sort** of that green house and potting shed you've been meaning to do all year. You can get pots and seed trays ready for **sowing**, starting with sowing seed indoors (or in a heated greenhouse or propagator) for early crops like lettuce, summer brassicas (e.g. cabbages and cauliflowers), spinach, salad onions and turnips. From mid-February onwards, sow tomato and cucumber seed for greenhouse growing. Source your seed potatoes if you have not already done so. Save egg boxes as they will come in handy for chitting a little later on. You can also start to sow sweet peas indoors or in a greenhouse.

For when you do want to **get out and active** in your garden, there are always some jobs to do at this time of year. Many plants benefit from a **winter prune**, including established wisteria (shortening shoots that were summer pruned back to two to three buds). Also prune apple trees (not cordons), and currants and gooseberries need to be trimmed by about a third, cutting out crossing branches.

Moving through February, **prune** *late*-flowering (group 3) clematis, grasses, cornus and shrub roses. And unless the ground is frozen or waterlogged, January and February are good months to **plant** dormant deciduous shrubs and trees. Buying bare root plants at this time of year is often a good value option.

Finally, it's not too early to think about what you might want to enter for the **Okewood, Ockley and Forest Green Summer Fair**. Returning to the cricket ground in Okewood Hill on **Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> August 2022** after a two year 'pause', let's all help to make this year's show blooming marvellous.

**Plant of the month** – Hellebore (remove old and brown leaves that might hide emerging flowers)

*Martin Smith & Emma Treeby*



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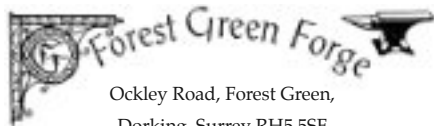
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I would like to take this opportunity to say a huge THANK YOU to Alan, Barry, Catherine, Colin, Deborah, Gillian, John, Liz, Sophie, Tania, Vicki, and Victoria for volunteering their time to support the Ockley Speedwatch Group, you have **all** been truly AMAZING.

The following summary shows our teams efforts up to 3<sup>rd</sup> December 2021.

Summary for the period 01/10/2021 – 03/12/21

1. Sessions – 24
2. Total vehicles exceeding limit – 346
3. Maximum Speed recorded – 58 mph
4. DVLA valid vehicles – 313
5. Vehicles without MOT – 7
6. Vehicles without TAX – 13
7. Vehicles with SORN – 0
8. Pending - 13

If you would like to be part of the Ockley Community Speedwatch team, or find out more about it, please contact either Maureen Newman [maureenen@outlook.com](mailto:maureenen@outlook.com) or Colin Seelig [colinseelig@btinternet.com](mailto:colinseelig@btinternet.com)

# WOOF MAGAZINE 2021

We completed another successful year of WOOF. Because of Lockdown we were not able to print and deliver the March/April issue, but it was available on the website. So, we saved one set of printing costs.

The accounts for the year with the comparison for 2020 are as follows:

	2021	2020
INCOME	£	£
Advertisements and flyers	7164.74	7466.66
Postal Delivery	20	35
EXPENDITURE		
Printing and Design	4903	5255
Selling commission & postage	314.8	325.9
Website	198	72
SURPLUS	1768.94	1848.76

The long-term aim is to have 12 issues a year as for the previous magazine. The advertising rates have been increased by 10% this year and we have sufficient reserves for 4 extra issues making 10. If the income from advertising holds up, we may have sufficient money to increase to 12 issues in 2022. Are our volunteer deliverers willing to make the extra deliveries? We will keep the position under review, though the charge for posting the magazine would have to increase but the magazine is available on the website!

*GEL-S*

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The Club is somewhat smaller than it used to be but still manages to assemble a side for at least one day per weekend during the summer months. In common with several other village cricket clubs we do struggle at times for players, so if you fancy playing the game, don't be shy and give it a go!

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Please see the Ockley Society Facebook page for further details and contact information. We are

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We currently host two quizzes (March & October), The Cricket Sevens (September), The Ockley Bonfire, Firework and Torch Parade (November) and Carols on the Green (December), plus one or two extra events per year.

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# JANUARY QUIZ

- 1 January Jones is an actress best known for portraying Betty Draper in which American TV series?
- 2 Which astrological sign is between January 21st and February 20th?
- 3 In Roman mythology, January is named after which god of beginnings and transitions?
- 4 On the 15th of January 1559 who was crowned monarch of England?
- 5 What is January's birthstone? (Hint: the name comes from the 14th century English word meaning 'dark red')
- 6 What is the common name for *Galanthus nivalis*, which flowers between January and April?
- 7 Which date in January is the traditional date for the feast of Epiphany?
- 8 January replaced which month as the first month of the Roman year?
- 9 Which American federal holiday is observed on the third Monday of January each year?
- 10 Margaret Thatcher Day is the 10th of January in which part of the world?

10	Falkland Islands	5	Garnet
9	Martin Luther King Jr. Day	4	Elizabeth I (daughter of Henry VIII and his second wife, Anne Boleyn)
8	March	3	Janus
7	January 6th	2	Aquarius
6	Snowdrop	1	Mad Men

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# RIDDLE ANSWER FROM P25

Which plant am I? *POINSETTIA*



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# CAPEL CHORAL SOCIETY



## Welcome new singers!

Capel Choral Society thanks all those who joined it for 'Carols & Cakes' in Capel church on the 5<sup>th</sup> December, also to those who made the trip to Horsham at the end of November for an early Christmas concert at St Mary's Church Horsham. The choir joined forces with Horsham Harmony, one of our conductor Stuart Longley's other choirs to swell the ranks along with members of the Slinfold Concert Orchestra.

To paraphrase the words of Lord Kitchener YOUR LOCAL CHOIR NEEDS YOU!

Capel Choral Society is now 117 years old and is the only remaining Founding Member of the Leith Hill Music Festival; the Choir took part in the inaugural concert in 1905 and has participated in every Festival since. This is something the choir is very proud about and would like to carry this tradition forward. However, if it fails to replace retiring singers it will face extinction! The Choir urgently needs to recruit new singers, in all voice parts, and would welcome budding singers to come and give choral singing a try. There are no auditions and ability across the choir is mixed, all that is required is enthusiasm and a love of singing! Singing is well known as being thoroughly enjoyable and uplifting, not to mention a healthy activity. You will be heartily welcomed and given every assistance to make beautiful music!

After its Christmas break Capel Choral Society resumes rehearsals on Monday 10<sup>th</sup> January in Capel Memorial Hall from 7.45 pm.

Please contact the Choir's Secretary, Rosemary Goddard, if you are interested in helping Capel Choral Society continue its long history.

*rosemary@stylehurstfarm.com* , or telephone 01306 711259.







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13.50	Holmbury St Mary
14.00	Forest Green
14.10	Walliswood
14.15	Okewood Hill

### **2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday each month to Cranleigh**

09.45	Holmbury St Mary
09.50	Abinger Hammer
09.55	Gomshall
10.00	Peaslake

*Around 12.00 noon for the return*

### **Twice/month on Thursdays to Sainsbury & Waitrose, Godalming (ring to confirm dates)**

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10.10	Shere

### **2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Monday of each month to the Library, SHERE**

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14.25	Gomshall

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