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# WELCOME

Welcome to this issue of Woof.

March seems to be another fun-packed month. There is the Ockley Society's Spring Quiz (P13), a read through for an up coming play in June (P35), a jumble sale in Capel (P15), village teas (P20), Mother's day at the Inn on the Green (P36) and a Lent course (P44).

During 2022 Bill Maguire & Colin Seelig could be seen filming at all our events to record a year in the life of Ockley. We are now in the final stages of editing the film and we are pleased to announce the screening of this work on Friday March 24<sup>th</sup> and Saturday March 25<sup>th</sup> in Ockley Village Hall (P34). Come along and see yourselves on the big screen.

For May we are already planning our celebrations for the King's Coronation (P17). Another full day of events including a dog show, cricket match, afternoon teas, BBQ, mini Ocklympics and much more. As these are all in their initial planning stages things may well change before our next issue. Please check social media (see bottom of page 16) for more up to date news. We are looking for donations of £50 to £100 to go towards the cost of the day, if you can help out please contact me at [amh@amhi.co.uk](mailto:amh@amhi.co.uk)

At the beginning of this year, the village paid their final respects to Dave Waugh who had been a major force in Ockley for many decades. At the request of many people who could not make the service we have printed his eulogy (P9).

Are you looking to get more involved in village life? Oakwood Hill village hall is looking for volunteers of all abilities and availability (P18), the bell ringers (P24) and Ockley Speedwatch are looking for new members (P31), Ockley Dramatics Society are looking for anyone, actors and helpers alike (P35) and finally the Ockley Housing Association are on the lookout for people (P40).

*Alan Hardy*

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# WOOF NEEDS YOU!



Woof is in need of one or two people to join our band of volunteers.

Currently the team consists of Gordon who looks after the finances, Susie who liaises with the advertisers and takes care of revenue and Iain who is our designer and layout wizard.

There are two voluntary roles that now need filling. These could be taken on by two people or quite easily looked after by one person as it is now.

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Neither of these roles require huge amounts of time, but they do need commitment as each issue is timed and these processes must happen by certain dates.

There will be plenty of training and help for the new team members. If this is something you would like to help with, please contact Alan – [amh@amhi.co.uk](mailto:amh@amhi.co.uk)

Woof cannot continue without the help of our wonderful team of volunteers.

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# DAVID WAUGH (1943-2023) Eulogy by his son Nathan

Dad. Dave. Woofy. Uncle Dave. Gruncle Dave (that's short for Great Uncle by the way). Gramps, Papi. Known by many names my Dad was many things to many people. But all those who knew and loved him will have experienced the same with him.

The same rock-solid core of total reliability. The same unwavering loyalty. That same youthful, often rebellious spirit of fun and adventure. And, of course, that same 'can do' attitude and energy which carried him and those with him throughout his life. Never was a task too much for him.

Confronted with a problem he'd sit quietly, often in his workshop, figure out how it needed to be done and then go and do it. There have been many times when faced with a problem or challenge that I've thought to myself 'what would Dad do' and it's always helped me find the solution.

The sadness in the days after he passed was alleviated greatly by the many many fond memories, stories and testimonies from those who knew and loved him - friends through the decades in the many communities that he was an integral part of.

One of those earliest and longest-standing communities was the group of sport parachutists my dad and mum were both part of in the sixties and seventies - which he remained close friends with through the rest of his life.

That was in the very earliest days of sport parachuting and, together with this group of pioneers, my Dad was instrumental in forming the Duck End Farm parachuting club, using his considerable artistic talents to design the club logo amongst many other things. With this club they formed a close band of...more than friends really, friends who became family...and travelled the world for competitions.

One testimony in particular from an old parachuting colleague of Dad's stood out and I'd like to share it, as I think it sums him up perfectly. "In a time when the skydiving attitude of UK officialdom was distinctly military, I remember Dave being completely the opposite. He stood way out from everyone else in his thoughtfulness, consideration, kindness and focused, intelligent attitude. It was impossible not to like him".

Dad continued with the sport until it became clear that parachuting, particularly considering the somewhat basic equipment available in the sport in those early days, wasn't necessarily conducive to starting a family! So Dad gradually moved away from the sport and he and Mum settled in Ockley.

When they first moved to Ockley, within a few years Dad had spotted a problem with the path which led down to the Doctors Surgery on the green. A narrow pavement beside a busy and fast main road. In 1984, with a group of local residents, he organised a community initiative to fund and

build a safe and secure path so the elderly and mums with babies could walk safely down the village to the doctors.

Both the path and the society which the initiative led to, the Ockley Society, remain to this day.

The Ockley Society was a key part of Dad's life - working with close friends to deliver, year after year, fantastic and engaging community events which brought everyone together and was instrumental in making Ockley such a wonderful community to live and grow up in.

The community initiatives Dad was involved with - such as Cricket Sevens, Ocklympics, the Bonfire and many others - have really stood the test of time.

Many of us will recall the sight of the OckSoc marquee going up on the green or for the village bonfire and Dad would inevitably be right there in the middle of this mass of canvas, heaving away on the heavy central poles with the rest of the team to get it upright.

The OckSoc marquee was another great example of Dad's unmatched talent for making the most out of things for which others had no further use. It had been utilised for a work function he was responsible for and when it became clear that it was simply going to be discarded, Dad liberated it and it went on to become a mainstay of OckSoc events for decades...and even remains so now.

The same was true of his woodworking. Where others might see an old warped and discarded piece of wood he'd be able to envisage and then create a beautifully made and lovingly polished oak shelf. Much of the built in furniture in our family home was made this way by Dad and almost all of it from discarded pieces of wood and offcuts.

Dad's involvement in the community extended also to the Dramatic Society where in early and later years Dad was involved in set building, of course creating his iconic and instantly recognisable banners, and a few memorable turns on stage in pantomimes!

Friends and, in particular, close and meaningful friendships were incredibly important to Dad. Yet large crowds and multiple people were never really his thing, preferring instead at parties or gatherings to have thoughtful conversations with a handful of people.

Fortunately, he had in Mum, his wife of 46 years, someone who was more than willing to take on his share of chatter as well as her own!

Complementing each other's strengths in this and so many other ways was what made that marriage such a strong and lasting one. It was Mum's love for Dad, her strength, dedication and support in the last years of his life which helped him so much and ensured that despite his strength failing he remained comfortable right until the end.

Another of his enduring loves throughout his life was Leith Hill - where

Dad could often be found running in rain or shine. He never ever tired of the scenery and got to know the area and all the trails like the back of his hand. It's where he wants his ashes to be scattered and I can think of no more fitting place.

I remember when running with music became a thing. Walkmans were pretty new and some of the other runners around the village had started listening to music whilst running and were encouraging dad to try it too. So he reluctantly gave it a go - putting on the theme to *Last of the Mohicans* on a Walkman as he set off on another fast-paced romp up the hill. Well that experiment lasted about ten minutes when he realised he much preferred the sounds of nature, birdsong and the wind rustling through the trees - and that was the first and last time he ran with headphones.

Strength fitness and activity were incredibly important to Dad. Which is why being robbed of his energy in later years seemed particularly cruel. But he never once complained, preferring as always to focus on the positives. Recalling with pleasure the achievements he had made like the 35 marathons and half-marathons he completed.

A superbly talented artist, Dad was always generous and thoughtful with his sketches and paintings. When he painted someone familiar, or even when he had created something he thought someone would like, he'd go off, get it framed and then present it to the person. No fanfare, nothing ever wanted in return - Dad just genuinely loved making people happy by sharing his gift with them. As a result, I'm sure many people here today are happy to have a 'David Waugh Original' on their wall at home.

So many fond memories of time growing up with Dad and what I learned from him. One in particular always makes me smile. And it's really indicative of Dad's character, his practical attitude and his ability to find solutions and always see the positives in everything. I was doing my GCSEs and was behind in my design technology practical coursework. And when I say behind...of course I hadn't started it. As luck would have it I happened to get myself a day or two suspension from school for some minor transgression. Expecting a telling off from Dad - and I did get that - but also he immediately saw that this gave him and I the opportunity to work together to get the project done. He took a couple of days off work and we spent hours together in his workshop doing the project from start to finish.

He really lived for his children, me and Emily, and nothing was ever too much for him. He was a truly devoted and loving dad. Fiercely protective and always supportive. Looking back now it's clear to see how much that dedication brought to us both and how well it set us up for our own lives. Latterly that same devotion and love was given to his grandchildren - Echo, Flash, Harry and Gabriel. Sadly his gradually decreasing health meant he just didn't have the energy to play with them as actively he'd have liked to



have done, and how he certainly would have done before. But he absolutely loved having them around and drew such joy and pleasure from them.

Quite recently, mum told me how he was looking for something in his wallet and he turned out an old photo he had tucked in there, years before, of Emily and me. He said to mum "I was a good dad, wasn't I?" Yes Dad, you were. You were the best.

I wish I'd told you this more while you were alive – but I love you. I'll always miss you. I learnt so much from you and I am so proud to be your son.

Sleep well Pa.

*Nathan Waugh*

## **From Dave's widow**

Another initiative of Dave's was the Christmas tree lighting, a firm fixture annually with the addition of Carols on the Green. Thus reminded that another given name was 'Reindeer' ...he pulled the home-made sleigh carrying Santa, dressed as a reindeer! The elf helper, now an adult, still fondly called him 'Reindeer'.

I was truly overwhelmed to experience the wealth of feeling for Dave at the Thanksgiving service. Thank you all for your support and help in making the tribute beautiful.

*Jane Waugh*

## **On behalf of the community**

We will remember David Waugh. He was at the centre of village life for many years, always with characteristic energy and imagination in everything he did.

I shall remember him for a lot of things, but probably most of all for his journalistic flair. Following the 2004 Indian Ocean earthquake and tsunami I discussed with him how my own organisation should respond to it. I was trying to write something to appeal to the management to influence that response. He gave me two pieces of advice about how to get attention.

First, he said, your words must pass the bus stop test. By this he meant using the kind of language that you would use when speaking to a stranger in a queue for the bus: simple, uncomplicated words uttered with passion work best. Nobody wants a lecture in a bus queue.

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Whenever I write, I shall think of David.

*Colin Seelig*

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A Royal Visit  
Mini Ocklympics  
Cricket Match  
BBQ

We are still in the early planning stages so no timings are available, please check the following social media & website for more details closer to the day.

**Facebook - The Ockley Society OR Ockley Village**  
**Website - [www.ockley.org.uk](http://www.ockley.org.uk)**

Do you have an idea or something you would like to bring to the day?  
Please contact Alan Hardy below.

We are looking for sponsors (£50 - £100) to help fund this event and keep it free for villagers to enjoy.

Please contact Alan Hardy on 01306 628059 or [amh@amhi.co.uk](mailto:amh@amhi.co.uk) if you can help.

# OAKWOOD HILL VILLAGE HALL

Owned by the Diocese of Guildford, Oakwood Hill Village Hall was quite literally re-built from the ground up around a decade ago. It was an amazing feat by a dedicated committee and volunteer supporters led by Barry Thomson and with many others taking very active roles. They have put in much time and effort over the years, despite lockdown and the sad deaths of two other key committee members. The time has come for them to stand down and there are now the beginnings of a new committee ready to carry on the good work.



Jane Hurst, Yvonne Staines and Nigel Bingham responded to the call for new volunteers and they are now looking for more people to join them. This does not necessarily mean joining the committee but there are other ways to help that don't need you to come to meetings

The hall is currently in need of cladding repairs and the team are starting fund raising for this and applying for grants to help meet the cost. A village hall website is under construction and will hopefully be live by the time you read this at [www.oakwoodhillvillagehall.org](http://www.oakwoodhillvillagehall.org) The website will include the ability to take bookings online.

Currently, the hall is used for some regular weekly events such as Pilates on Tuesday mornings and band practice on Wednesday and Thursday evenings. There are also annual events such as the Summer Fair and Flower show on the second Saturday in August and a Macmillan Coffee morning in September. The team are working on ways that this valuable and vital village asset can be used more widely. It's a brilliant facility, in a lovely location, with a well-equipped kitchen and wonderful inside and outside space. The committee believe that the village hall has the potential to play a greater role at the heart of our community and beyond, bringing people together to learn, create, exercise, and get out and meet neighbours and make new friends.

If you have any ideas, skills, experience, time or simply enthusiasm that you could contribute to the running of the Oakwood Hill village hall, please get in touch with us at [info@oakwoodhillvillagehall.org](mailto:info@oakwoodhillvillagehall.org) or by phone on 07754 525827

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*From all at Ockley Cricket Club*



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# THE EARLY SPRING GARDEN

We've certainly been on a temperature rollercoaster this winter, with a range from about -8 to a few degrees above at night-time. And on many days in a row, it was 0 degrees all day. Your plants and gardens, perhaps like ours, may be recovering slowly yet with several fallen comrades who succumbed to the onslaught a very determined Jack Frost. Defoliated and denuded pittosporum balls; brown-leaved ceanothus; fuchsia and penstemon that look decidedly more sorry for themselves than normal. So, whilst the azure skies and recent sunshine, together with a host of bulbs peeping expectantly through frozen soil, lead us to believe that winter's grip is in decline, we know from past experience that spring can be a fickle friend for a few months yet. But there are hints to enjoy. Bright purple crocus, lemon-yellow winter aconites and alabaster snowdrops are already bejewelling our green spaces, alongside the sweet-smelling delicate Daphne. In late Feb and March, there are further treasures to discover including muscari, anemone blanda, iris, chionodoxa, primula, narcissi and hyacinths. And we mustn't forget the canary-yellow of forsythia and the candy and carmine pinks and reds of camellia and Japanese quince (chaenomeles) that bring vibrancy to the garden. As we move through April, the kaleidoscope of colours well and truly heralds that spring is very much upon us.

**Prepare.** If you haven't already done so, it's time to turn the soil on veggie beds - removing stubborn weeds - and work in well rotted manure/garden compost. Remember, don't put manure down for root crops (carrots, parsnips), which prefer the addition of sand to encourage deeper growth. Give a good covering of compost to raspberries, and also blueberries (who prefer the ericaceous variety). 'Chit' early and maincrop potatoes to encourage stem growth, in old egg boxes on a windowsill or in a greenhouse, ready to plant out in April. Prepare bean trenches and collect or buy supports for beans and peas ready for May planting.

**Propagate** flowers from seed for a glorious summer display in late March and April, making sure half-hardy varieties are started off in a heated greenhouse, propagator or on a windowsill. Some of you might like to try include Cosmos, Cleome, Antirrhinum (snapdragons) and Zinnia. Alternatively, buy plug plants and grow them on. Sow tomato, cucumber and pepper seeds indoors, and broad beans, carrots, parsnips, beetroot, onions, lettuces, radish, peas, spinach in pots in a cold greenhouse or cold frame. Label carefully if you have a lot on the go!

**Prune** Wisteria and grape vines (no later than March); and with sharp secateurs, start or continue to prune shrub and English Roses back by a third, removing all dead wood, and give Hybrid Tea roses a much tougher prune. If you're unsure what rose you have, cut back by no more than a

half! Cornus and Salix, with stems grown for winter colour, need cutting back by the end of March. Almost all hydrangeas should be pruned in early Spring (with the exception of climbing hydrangeas). Prune mop head and lace caps lightly as they produce flowers on older wood. Paniculata and arborescens (including the popular 'Annabelle') can be pruned harder to a lower pair of healthy buds.

**Plant** lily bulbs and other summer bulbs, such as begonias tubers; bare root roses can still be planted, and it's a great time to add new perennials to your borders. Early March is a good time to divide perennials (not yet in active growth): choose a day when the soil is dry and dig up the plant with a fork; split into smaller parts using a knife or spade; make sure the 'new' plants are replanted in a border or pot and watered straight away. Plant sharing with neighbours and friends is a really cost-effective way to expand the plants in your garden (just ensure they don't come with any invasive weeds such as ground elder!) Early potatoes should be planted out in late March, second earlies in the first half of April then main crop in the second half. It's also the right time to plant onions, shallots and garlic.

### **Plants of the Season**

Willow trees, such as Salix caprea Kilmarnock, whose drooping branches are festooned with soft yellow catkins, provide interest in gardens of all sizes. Later on, Clematis Alpina, with its delicate bell-shaped flowers, is an asset to any garden, as are the beautiful heart-shaped flowers of Lamprocampos (previously Dicentra!) spectabilis.



**And finally**, make sure that the **Okewood, Ockley & Forest Green Summer Fair and Flower Show** is firmly in your diaries! It's on **Saturday August 12<sup>th</sup>**. Why not start planning what to plant to produce prize winning vegetables and beautiful flowers to fill the show marquee. There is a website with lots of information about the show at [www.okewoodhillflowershow.co.uk](http://www.okewoodhillflowershow.co.uk)

*Martin Smith & Emma Treeby*



# NEWS FROM THE BELFRY

## Learn to Ring - for the King

A year on from our plans to ring for the Queen's Platinum Jubilee here we are again with a number



of events being organised to celebrate the coronation of King Charles III on 6th May. Many of these events will include the ringing of church bells. At St Margaret's in Ockley we expect to do our bit, just as last year.

Following the pandemic however bellringing is experiencing a marked shortage of ringers in that a number of them have not returned after the lockdowns, for various reasons, coupled with being prevented from recruiting normally for nearly 3 years.

Across the country we are actively seeking to train new bell-ringers who will be able to Ring for the King when he is crowned on May 6th and after that. There has been a lot of interest generated in the press and on television resulting in a huge number of enquiries nationally.

Bell ringing is a wonderful hobby for people of all ages and there is something of interest to everybody, including:

- Teamwork – working as a team to ring changes together
- Physical and mental exercise – ringing is a technique that doesn't involve brute strength but coordination and technique to control the bell in split-second timing
- Music – creating the changes and permutations bell-ringers call music
- Social – bell-ringers are very sociable people and can often be found in a pub or coffee shop after ringing sessions.
- Friendship – bell-ringers have friends all over the UK and the world where bells are rung English style

For more information and a flavour for what's involved visit the website [www.bellringing.org/learntoring](http://www.bellringing.org/learntoring)

Contact Sue, Ockley tower captain, and come along to watch and get an idea of what is involved. Learning to ring church bells is a structured process that takes a number of one-to-one sessions to be competent at 'handling' a bell. You don't have to be a churchgoer, there is no compulsion to stay for services. While almost anyone is capable of leaning to ring, it is not easy and requires a lot of dedication to master. Are you up to the challenge? You too could be taking part in this unique occasion in a quintessentially English way.



Practice nights at St. Margaret's, Ockley, are on Wednesdays from 7.45 to 9.15, but if these do not suit there are practices at other towers locally, on different nights.

For more details call Sue on 01306 627168 or email [ockleybellringers@btinternet.com](mailto:ockleybellringers@btinternet.com)

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## WALKING GROUP

- Thursday March 9<sup>th</sup> 10am Bulls Head, Ewhurst  
Thursday March 23<sup>rd</sup> 10am The Pheasant, Buckland  
Thursday April 13<sup>th</sup> 10am Ranmore Common NT car park  
Thursday April 27<sup>th</sup> 10am Rhododendron Woods NT car park

### **Thursday March 9<sup>th</sup>**

Meet at the Bulls Head, Ewhurst at 10am moderately difficult walk of 5.7 miles around Sayers Croft and up to Canfold, across to Cornhill and Sherbourne Lane towards Holmbury and return via Lukyns, back to the pub.

### **Thursday March 23<sup>rd</sup>**

Meet at The Pheasant, Buckland at 10am for a moderately strenuous 5.5 mile walk around the outside of Buckland Lake and church, then up to the North Downs Way and along to Cliftons Lane, dropping down to Reigate Heath and back to the pub.

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

Meet at Ranmore Common NT car park (marked with a viewpoint on the map) at 10am for a moderate 6.6 mile walk out to Denbies Hillside and the Pilgrims and North Downs Way then up Hogden Lane and back across Ranmore Common

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

Meet at Rhododendron Woods NT car park at 10am for a strenuous 4.5 mile walk up to the tower and over to the Landslip, down through Mosses wood bluebells to Broome Hall and Buckinghamhill, then back across to Hartshurst Farm and Leith Hill Place before climbing back up to the car park.

# CAN YOU NAME THIS WILDFLOWER?

It can often be seen scrambling in the woods; scrambling over hedgerows... and it can climb up to 3 metres and more.

May I add that it likes edges and scrubby grassland as well!

Birds love its seeds and as a wildflower, it produces a mass of scented white flowers and is pollinated by bees...

Goldfinches and Greenfinches are among the many birds that are enticed by this wildflower for nourishment.

Throughout the winter, it displays feathery, wispy seed heads. It is common in Southern England and its habitats include grassland, farmland, coastal, woodland, heathland and even gardens.

It is much more than just a climber in our habitat!

*Dianne Sunda*

*Answer on page 50*

## Are you under pressure financially?

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... or you know of someone else in need of assistance, please contact the Chair of Trustees of Abinger Consolidated Charities, Kim Clark on [kimclark50@gmail.com](mailto:kimclark50@gmail.com). All applications and referrals are treated sensitively and in absolute confidence.

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# VILLAGE EVENTS 2023

## March

-  **1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday 9.00am–12pm - Pavilion Café**  
Ockley Cricket Pavilion - Every Wednesday
-  **1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday 6.00pm–7.00pm - Yoga**  
Walliswood Hill Village Hall - Every Wednesday
-  **2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday 9.30am–11.30am - Ockley Toddler Group**  
Ockley Village Hall - Every Thursday, see p6 for details
-  **2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday 11.00am–12noon - Senior Bootcamp**  
Walliswood Hill Village Hall - Every Thursday
-  **6<sup>th</sup> Monday 10.45am–11.45am - Senior Bootcamp**  
Walliswood Village Hall - Every Monday
-  **7<sup>th</sup> Tuesday 9.15, 10.30am, 6.15, 7.30pm - Pilates in the Pavilion**  
Ockley Cricket Pavilion - Every Tuesday
-  **9<sup>th</sup> Thursday 10.00am - Walking Group**  
Bulls Head, Ewhurst - See page 25 for details
-  **11<sup>th</sup> Saturday 7.00pm - The Ockley Society Spring Quiz**  
Ockley Village Hall - See p13 for details
-  **14<sup>th</sup> Tuesday 8.00pm - Ockley dramatic read-through**  
Inn on the Green - See p35 for details
-  **16<sup>th</sup> Thursday 8.00pm - Ockley dramatic read-through**  
Inn on the Green - See p35 for details
-  **20<sup>th</sup> Monday 3.00pm - Village Teas**  
Ockley Village Hall - See page 20 for details
-  **23<sup>rd</sup> Thursday 10.00am - Walking Group**  
The Pheasant, Buckland - See page 25 for details
-  **24<sup>th</sup> Friday 7.00pm - Ockley - a year in the life**  
Ockley Village Hall - See page 25 for details
-  **25<sup>th</sup> Saturday 7.00pm - Ockley - a year in the life**  
Ockley Village Hall - See page 25 for details

# MARCH 2023 VILLAGE EVENTS – SEE PREVIOUS PAGE FOR DETAILS

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 Pavilion Café Yoga	2 Toddler Group Senior Bootcamp	3	4
5 Messy Church	6 Senior Bootcamp	7 Pilates in the Pavilion	8 Pavilion Café Yoga	9 Toddler Group Senior Bootcamp Walking Group	10	11 Ockley Society Spring Quiz
12	13 Senior Bootcamp	14 Pilates in the Pavilion Ockley dramatic read-through	15 Pavilion Café Yoga	16 Toddler Group Senior Bootcamp Ockley dramatic read-through	17	18
19	20 Senior Bootcamp Village Teas	21 Pilates in the Pavilion	22 Pavilion Café Yoga	23 Toddler Group Senior Bootcamp Walking Group	24 Ockley - a year in the life	25 Ockley - a year in the life
26	27 Senior Bootcamp	28 Pilates in the Pavilion	29 Pavilion Café Yoga	30 Toddler Group Senior Bootcamp	31	

# APRIL 2023 VILLAGE EVENTS – SEE NEXT PAGE FOR DETAILS

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1 Easter Fun Day
2 Messy Church	3 Senior Bootcamp	4 Pilates in the Pavilion	5 Pavilion Café Yoga	6 Toddler Group Senior Bootcamp	7	8
9	10 Senior Bootcamp	11 Pilates in the Pavilion	12 Pavilion Café Yoga	13 Toddler Group Senior Bootcamp Walking Group	14	15
16	17 Senior Bootcamp Village Teas	18 Pilates in the Pavilion	19 Pavilion Café Yoga	20 Toddler Group Senior Bootcamp	21	22
23	24 Senior Bootcamp	25 Pilates in the Pavilion	26 Pavilion Café Yoga	27 Toddler Group Senior Bootcamp Walking Group	28	29
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# VILLAGE EVENTS 2023


## April

 **1<sup>st</sup> Saturday 10.30am–2.30pm - Easter Fun Day**

Walliswood Village Hall - See page 16 for details

 **2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday 4.00pm - Messy Church**

Walliswood Village Hall

 **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 p6 for details

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

Walliswood Hill Village Hall - Every Thursday

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

Ranmore Common - See p25 for details

 **17<sup>th</sup> Monday 12.00pm - Village Teas**

Ockley Village Hall - See p20 for details

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

Rhododendron Woods - See p25 for details

## Further ahead

### May

 **7<sup>th</sup> Sunday - Ockley celebrates the King's Coronation**

Ockley Green - See p17 for details



## Report for 2022

In 2022 our Speedwatchers participated in 178 hour-long sessions at the roadside to monitor traffic on the A29 in Ockley.

During these sessions 63,234 vehicles passed by, most of them respecting the 30-mph speed limit.

Nevertheless, our Speedwatchers recorded an average of fourteen offenders per hour, or in other words 4% of the traffic was exceeding the speed limit.

Yet, the A29 in Ockley remains dangerous. With no pedestrian crossings, no streetlights to illuminate the road, pedestrians and drivers are at risk and we must continue our efforts to make Ockley a safer place.

Data source CSW online



If you would like to join the Ockley Community Speedwatch team, or to find out more about it, please contact

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Friday 24th March  
and Saturday 25th  
March in Ockley  
Village Hall

We are pleased to announce the screening of "Ockley, A Year In The Life – 2022" to be held on Friday March 24th and Saturday March 25th in Ockley Village Hall.

In 1997, the Ockley 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 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 show the new video which documented Ockley in 2022. With the advances in technology, almost everyone has a device to film events spontaneously and were invited to contribute. This is the result.

Doors open 7pm, screening will be at 7:30pm.

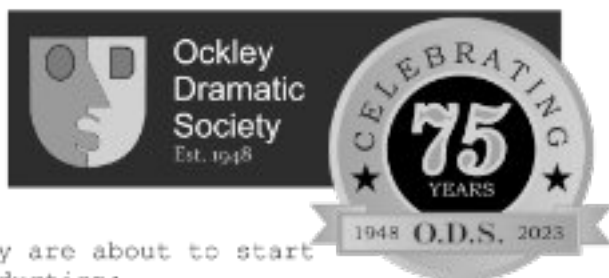
There will be a bar, popcorn and hot dogs to purchase beforehand and during the interval.

Tickets available from The Cricketers Arms, The Inn on the Green, The Ockley Mini Mart, Village Greens, The Pavilion Café and on the night at £2 per person.

At the end of the evening you will be able to order a DVD of the 2022 and 1997 film.

**The Ockley Society**

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Ockley Dramatic Society are about to start work on their next production:

## **Jake Revolver, Secret Agent For Hire,**

To be performed Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> to Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> June 2023 at Ockley Village Hall.

- Private detective Jake Revolver fights against conspiracy, double cross and self-reference to uncover the killer of his own narrator. Meant to be performed as the premiere episode of a nineteen-forties live radio broadcast, complete with foley artistry and on-stage stand-up microphones, this is a parody packed with puns, play on words, oodles of self-referential absurdity.
- There are 12 parts, some of them quite small (so ideal for the beginner or those with limited availability).

Rehearsals start in April on Tuesday & Thursday evenings with some Sundays. (Not all parts require attendance at all rehearsals).

**We don't just require actors, we need other people** to help design and construct the set. Artists and painters to make the sets come alive. We will need a prompter, someone who can attend all rehearsals and performances to keep the actors on the straight and narrow. Experience unnecessary.

On the night we will need a team front of house, running the bar and kitchen (if we decide to do a meal).

**Interested?** On Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> March and Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> March we will be reading the play at the Inn on the Green from 8pm.

**If you can't make either read through but would still like to get involved please contact Alan Hardy (director) on 01306 628059 or [amh@amhi.co.uk](mailto:amh@amhi.co.uk), or Martin Pratt (society chairman) on 01306 628155 or [chairman@ockleydramaticsociety.org.uk](mailto:chairman@ockleydramaticsociety.org.uk)**

Extensive society history can be found at [www.ockleydramaticsociety.org.uk](http://www.ockleydramaticsociety.org.uk)

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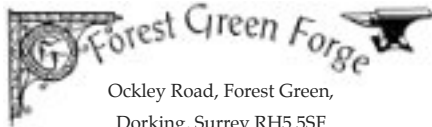
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January was certainly a long month with dark days and icy cold weather. I was at the Queen's Royal Memorial Woodland nearly every day in December including Christmas Day when I visited and enjoyed the tranquility for a couple of hours and throughout January. My daily visits to the woodland have helped me enormously having lost my brother early in the month after a very long battle with Cancer. Our woodland is indeed a therapeutic place to sit and reflect.

Throughout January we were also pleased despite the bitter weather to have a number of visitors to the woodland, some of whom had never visited before and brought friends to Surrey Hills with them. I have to say the Memorial Woodland looked quite spectacular at times when the frost was really biting! Debbie took some fabulous pictures which we shared on our Facebook page to the delight of our many members who enjoy seeing pictures of the woodland and keeping up to date with our activities. Now we are looking towards the Spring when the woodland comes to life once more. The spring bulbs are popping up all over the place and some have buds almost ready to burst.

The many birds at the woodland are immensely busy building nests and singing their heads off in an attempt to attract a partner and create a warm home for a new clutch of eggs to be laid, hatch and thrive. Our male and female pheasants are back with us and eagerly wait for us to arrive in the morning to feed them. I did check our postbox this week which has been home for Great Tits for the past three years, there's no new nesting material in there yet but I will keep an eager eye out for one of these lovely little birds to pop out of the letter box as I arrive in the car, it's a delight to see.

Debbie our Charity Secretary is very busy this month preparing for our annual Easter Egg Hunt which will take place on Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> April at 12.30. This is a hugely popular event and to avoid disappointment please contact ***Debbiehornblow@yahoo.co.uk*** to register the children. For £6 the children can enter the Easter Egg Hunt and receive a goodie bag, then enter one of the Egg and Spoon races with prizes for the winners. We also have egg and spoon races for the Mums and Dads too which can be quite competitive! It's an excellent family fun day with something for all ages. A raffle with great prizes, an Easter Egg Stall at exceptionally cheap prices, a lovely craft stall and Easter bunny soft toy stall plus the BBQ will be on the go with hot dogs and burgers and hot and cold drinks for sale. So do come with some cash (the card machine doesn't work in the Woodland). All monies raised go towards assisting our Veterans who are down on their luck.

We really look forward to seeing you on 2<sup>nd</sup> April, plenty of parking and hopefully warmer weather. Of course if you wish to visit before then everyone is welcome, the woodland is open 24/7. If we are not there you can park at the front and walk through the gate but if we are there then the Visitors Centre is open and the kettle is always on!



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The Ockley Housing Association is committed to providing quality affordable housing to those who most need it in the village of Ockley. Founded in 1973, we have two developments in the village: Prideaux Gardens and Cricketers Close. We are a charitable Housing Association, registered with the Financial Conduct Authority.

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The committee meets quarterly and our role is that of a landlord, directing activity, ensuring the Association is well run and delivering the outcomes for which it has been set up. Our management committee comprises volunteers from a range of relevant backgrounds and disciplines and we are keen to expand this further, to grow the committee and bring in further expertise.

If that person could be you, please call our chairman, Tom Chambré on 07718 902345 or email ***[ockleyha@gmail.com](mailto:ockleyha@gmail.com)*** for further information.



# ARCHERY IN OCKLEY?

Would you be interested in taking up archery? In conjunction with Team Sagittarius we are considering setting up an archery club in the village. If you might be interested please contact Alan Hardy - [amh@amhi.co.uk](mailto:amh@amhi.co.uk)



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# ELVIS PRESLEY SPOTTED IN THE CRICKETERS

Party goes at The Cricketers in Ockley on New Year's Eve were "All Shook Up" when the King of Rock 'n' Roll seemed to be making a double appearance at the event.

Dressed as the great man himself, Tony Hicks cut a debonnaire figure in his rhinestone attire, but it was the face in the froth of the beer glass that caused "A Little Less Conversation" in the pub as revellers exclaimed: "The Wonder of You" is reflected in your glass.

While there may well be "Suspicious Minds" out there, those who witnessed the frothy "Guitar Man", "Just Can't Help Believin'" that "Like a river flows, surely to the sea," something happened that night ... "It was, it really was such a night."



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Venue for the course will be in St John the Baptist Church, Capel, on Tuesday afternoons 3-4.30pm.

Led by Revd Liz and Revd Jane Schofield, the course is open to everyone.

Session dates are Tuesday Feb 28<sup>th</sup>, March 7<sup>th</sup>, 14<sup>th</sup>, 21<sup>st</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup>.

The course will also run on Monday evenings 7.30 - 9pm at Capel Church

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For further information on bookings contact 07754 525827 or email [info@oakwoodhillvillagehall.org](mailto:info@oakwoodhillvillagehall.org) or visit us on Facebook.

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Please see the Ockley Society Facebook page for further details and contact information. We are always interested in hearing from anyone who has time or resources



to contribute to any of events each year.

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.

Contact the Chairman Alan Hardy for further information at [theoockleysociety@outlook.com](mailto:theoockleysociety@outlook.com)

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**Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> March 2023: 'IN PAYNTED POTS IS HIDDEN THE DEADLIEST POYSON': ENGLISH DELFTWARE DRUG JARS with Briony Hudson at 2.00 pm**

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Shrines, stupas, cave temples, colonial grandeur and modernist architecture – a look at the history of this beautiful island through its intriguing art and culture. For much of Sri Lanka's past Buddhist and Hindu have lived alongside each other peaceably and much of its culture is evidence of this spirit of tolerance and generosity. This talk examines the fascinating story of Sri Lankan art and the original minds, talents and spirits that created this unique visual world.

**Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> May 2023: CINEMA FROM THE RUBBLE – THE POSTWAR POLITICS OF EALING STUDIOS – with Benedict Morrison at 2.00 pm**

Ealing Studios is often hailed as the most quintessentially English of all film studios. Run by Sir Michael Balcon for decades, the studio reached its zenith in 1949, its annus mirabilis, releasing *Passport to Pimlico*, *Whisky Galore!*, and *Kind Hearts and Coronets*. Now most celebrated for these and the similarly magnificent comedies that followed, Ealing's films have a reputation for cosiness, whimsicality, and an ever-so gentle subversiveness. This talk revisits these films and reads them again, this time in the light of the post-war new waves that were beginning to emerge across Europe.

Meetings are held at Cranleigh Arts Centre. Non-members are welcome to join us at a talk as a guest. No commitment, but a donation is appreciated!

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# CAPEL CHORAL SOCIETY

[www.capelchoralsociety.com](http://www.capelchoralsociety.com)

## Festival Fever!

With the Leith Hill Music Festival just over six weeks away, rehearsals of the set music are well under way at Capel Choral Society. The singers have also been taking part in the 'Combined Rehearsals' with five other local choirs with which it will be performing the works in concert on the 15<sup>th</sup> April. The Choir has also been rehearsing three pieces of its own choice which it will be singing in the Competition part of the Festival. It hopes that a full complement of singers will take part - in contrast to the 2022 Competitions when due to COVID infections, just eleven sang on the Dorking Halls stage!

Before the Festival itself, the LHMF's season will include a performance of Verdi's dramatic Requiem. This will be given by singers from all the Leith Hill choirs, including some from Capel, plus invited singers. The concert is on Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> March in Dorking Halls, with full orchestra and soloists, under conductor Jonathan Willcocks. Book through Dorking Halls 01306 881717 or [www.dorkinghalls.co.uk](http://www.dorkinghalls.co.uk)

The Festival music on the 15<sup>th</sup> April is Elgar's The Music Makers and Vaughan Williams' Toward the Unknown Region. Contralto Diana Moore is the soloist in the Elgar, and she will also be performing Elgar's Sea Pictures. On the previous day another group of Festival choirs will be singing in Haydn's Nelson Mass, and Laudate, a work by local composer Cecilia McDowall. Dorking Halls will be taking the bookings for these concerts.

Please contact Capel Choral's Secretary for more details about the Choir and how to join.

The Choir Secretary is Rosemary Goddard:

[rosemary.goddard25@gmail.com](mailto:rosemary.goddard25@gmail.com) , or telephone 01306 711259.

Rehearsals Mondays 7.45 to 9.30pm, Capel Memorial Hall.

Capel Choral Society Registered Charity No. 1094126

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# Bus Timetable Mole Valley Villager - 50, 433, 522

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<b>TOWARDS REIGATE</b>	M/Th	W	Tu/W	F	M/Th	W	Tu	F	Sat
Horsham Bus Station/Carfax							13.10	13.20	11.15
Broadbridge Heath Tesco							13.17		
Ockley, Cricketers Close	9.25	9.25							
Okewood Hill, Punchbowl	9.28	9.28						13.43	
Walliswood, Oakfields	9.30	9.30			12.49	13.09	13.35	13.45	11.39
Okewood Hill, Punchbowl					12.51	13.11			
Mayes Green	9.32	9.32						13.47	11.41 R
Forest Green, The Parrot	9.34	9.34					13.49	13.49	11.43 R
Cricketers, Ockley					12.54	13.14			
Ockley, Inn on the Green	9.40	9.40			12.55	13.15	13.55	13.55	11.49
Ockley, Kings Arms Court	9.41	9.41			12.56	13.16	13.56	13.56	11.50
Capel, The Street		9.45 R							11.54 R
Coldharbour	9.44				12.59	13.19	13.59	13.59	
Dorking High St	10.00	10.15	12.20	12.20	13.15	13.35	14.15	14.15	
Leigh	10.15		12.40	12.40					
Newdigate			12.50	13.02					12.00
Reigate, Morrisons	10.30								Leigh Plough ↓
Redhill, High Street	10.40								12.10
	<b>522</b>	<b>522</b>	<b>522</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>433</b>	<b>522</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>50</b>
<b>TOWARDS HORSHAM</b>	Tu	W	F	Th	F	M/Th	W	M to F	Sat
Redhill, High Street						11.40			
Reigate, Morrisons						11.50			
Newdigate	9.50	9.50	9.50						
Leigh	10.00	10.00	10.00			12.05			8.12
Dorking High Street	10.15	10.15	10.15	10.15	10.15	12.20	12.20	16.55	
Coldharbour				10.30	10.30	12.32		17.07	
Capel, The Street							12.54 C		8.27
Ockley, Kings Arms Court				10.33	10.33	12.38	12.58	17.13	8.31
Ockley, Inn on the Green				10.35	10.35	12.39 R	12.59 R	17.14	8.32
Ockley, Cricketers Close								17.15	
Forest Green, The Parrot				10.41	10.41	12.45 R	13.05 R		8.38
Mayes Green					10.43	12.47 R	13.07 R		8.40
Walliswood, Oakfields				10.55	10.45	12.49	13.09 R	17.20	8.42
Okewood Hill, Punchbowl					10.47				
Kennels Cross Roads					10.49				
Northlands					10.53				
Broadbridge Heath Tesco				11.14 R					
Horsham Bus Station/Carfax				11.20	11.10				9.04

C = Serves Capel at request of passengers set down there on outbound journey.

R = Operates at request of passengers already on board.

This is an edited version of the timetable - to see the full timetable visit:

[www.buses4u.org.uk/documents/MoleValleyVillagerLeaflet-17Jun2019.pdf](http://www.buses4u.org.uk/documents/MoleValleyVillagerLeaflet-17Jun2019.pdf)



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## SCHEDULED RUNS

**IMPORTANT:** Ring 07802 460069 to confirm date & timing

### **1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday each month to Tesco, Broadbridge Heath**

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)**

09.40	Holmbury St Mary
09.50	Gomshall
10.00	Peaslake
10.10	Shere

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

14.10	Holmbury St Mary
14.20	Peaslake
14.25	Gomshall

# USEFUL CONTACTS

ALZHEIMER'S SOCIETY	Dorking	Pauline Hall	883425
ANGLING SOCIETY	Ockley	Rob Wyatt	627471
CHORAL SOCIETY	Capel	Ian Moir	889817
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CITIZENS' ADVICE BUREAU	Cranleigh	Jackie Gaskell	01483 273378
	Dorking		876805
CRICKET CLUB	Forest Green	Malcolm Clayton	621225
	Oakwood Hill	Dave Bishop	01306 627524
DIAL-A-RIDE			740505
FRIENDS OF SCOTT BROADWOOD SCHOOL		School Office	711181
GATWICK AREA CONSERVATION CAMPAIGN		Peter Barclay	01293 862821
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GP SURGERY - Capel	appointments/enquiries		711105
	repeat prescriptions		713010
HOSPICE SUPPORT GROUP		Janet Stenson	713319
LOCAL SAFER NEIGHBOURHOOD TEAM			01483 630370
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NATIONAL CHILDBIRTH TRUST		Helen Burling-Smith	731511
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OKEWOOD, OCKLEY & F.G. FLOWER SHOW		Cheryl Barclay	621140
OCKLEY TODDLER GROUP (Thursdays, Village Hall)		Gill Christie	711917
Parish Councils			
Abinger: <a href="http://www.abinger-pc.gov.uk">www.abinger-pc.gov.uk</a>		Beccy Anderson	07716 928430
Ockley: <a href="http://www.ockley-parishcouncil.co.uk">www.ockley-parishcouncil.co.uk</a>		Samantha Bell	clerk@ockleypc.co.uk
POLICE (Non-emergency)			101
OKEWOOD HILL RESIDENTS ASS'N.	Nick Standen	uppersent@yahoo.co.uk	07787 573549
SPEEDWATCH CO-ORDINATOR	Ockley	Maureen Newman	627001
SURREY WILDLIFE TRUST			01483 795440
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TWO COUNTIES art/craft		Janet Mitchell	627322
VILLAGE WEBSITES			
Ockley: <a href="http://www.ockley.org.uk">www.ockley.org.uk</a>			
Forest Green: <a href="http://www.forestgreenvillage.co.uk">www.forestgreenvillage.co.uk</a>		David@forestgreenvillage.co.uk	
Walliswood: <a href="http://www.walliswoodvillagehall.org">www.walliswoodvillagehall.org</a>			
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## 1. Switch on the defibrillator

- Remove or cut through clothing and wipe away sweat from the chest if necessary

## 2. Stick on the pads

- Attach the pads to the casualty's chest in the positions indicated on the pads



## 3. Follow the instructions

- Follow the voice and/or visual prompts given by the machine.

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- Forest Green Village Hall RH5 5RZ
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- Plough Pub Coldharbour RH5 6HD
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