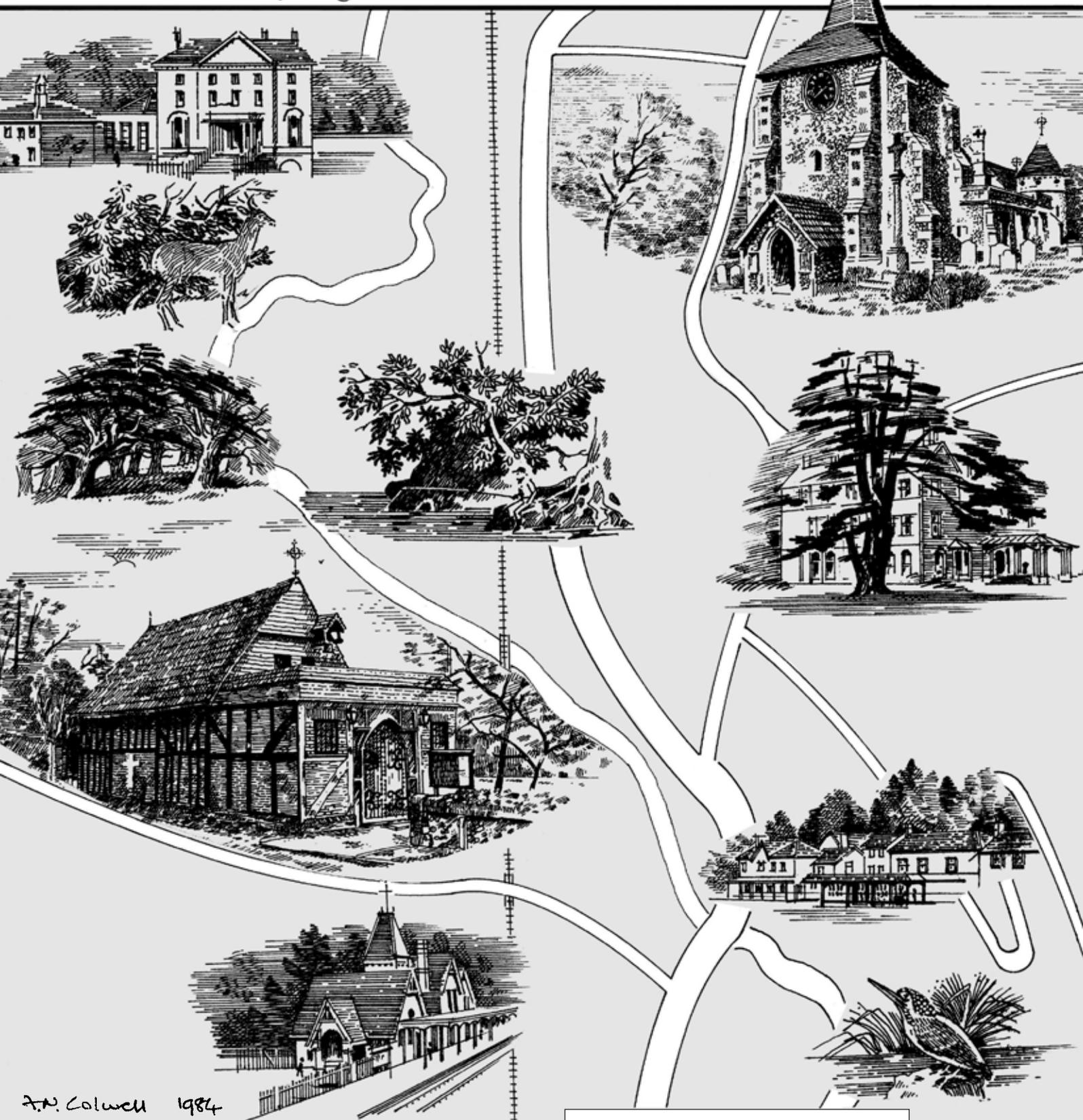


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Mickleham Rectory

Dear friends

The diary for July/August is looking rather thin as regards church and community events, but once the Village Fête has happened (and we hope it will be a great success, well attended by many from the community) then we take a well-earned rest over (hopefully) the summer weeks. Church services, of course, continue as normal even though numbers are usually lower because of holidays, and you are more than welcome to join us Sunday by Sunday if you are around. If you are going off on holiday, we hope you have a most enjoyable and relaxing time.

'Don't worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will bring its own worries. Today's trouble is enough for today.' You may recognise these words of Jesus from his 'Sermon on the Mount'. One of the problems many people face today is that they constantly focus on things that have not yet happened; constantly focus on future events. No wonder we find it hard to focus on God's presence with us day by day.

Jesus' words remind us that today is all that need concern us, for we have no power whatsoever to determine what the future will bring – even tomorrow. So over the coming weeks which will, hopefully, be a little more relaxing than usual, why not make a real effort to live 'in the present'. A few thoughts ...

- 1 Become aware of the world around you. Notice the small and often beautiful things of life, things which so often go unnoticed.
- 2 Slow down and enjoy what you hear, smell, see and touch. Approach every task, great or small, with a sense that God is present.
- 3 Smile as you make your way through the day. It may not work on the London Underground, but a smile in our community is more than likely to draw a warm response.
- 4 Commit random acts of kindness by becoming aware of the environment around you. It may be something as simple as picking up litter or replacing a vase of flowers in the churchyard which has blown over. You might even bake a cake for someone who is unwell.
- 5 Be active, not passive. Not watching TV all day will not be disastrous.

Let us be thankful people – thankful for all that we have; thankful for the many positive things in life which we so easily take for granted; thankful to God for his many blessings. And may that thankfulness lead to a greater degree of enjoying the present and not focussing too much on tomorrow.

With best wishes

We will be holding our HARVEST FESTIVAL SUPPER in the Village Hall on Saturday 1st October. Apart from a good meal we will be entertained by a professional comedian who is really excellent. Do make a note of the date in your diary – further details in due course. If you want to make an advance table booking (for 8 people) do email our Parish Priest (rm.raby007@btinternet.com).

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# A Tribute to Her Majesty the Queen

## Reflections on the National Anthem

*Richard Siberry presented the following tribute to the Queen during the Thanksgiving Service for the Queen's 90th Birthday at St Michael's Church on Sunday 12th June*

It occurred to me, very early one morning last week, that it might be appropriate to consider how apt the words of our National Anthem are as applied to Queen Elizabeth II. It is an anthem the tune of which has been around since at least the early 17<sup>th</sup> century. The words have been sung in honour of many British monarchs, perhaps starting with King George II in about 1745. But I think that those words are particularly appropriate when sung in honour of her Majesty – though time will only permit me to consider the first verse!

### **God save our gracious Queen**

Her Majesty has discharged her onerous duties as our Head of State, as Head of the Commonwealth, and as Supreme Governor of the Church of England, with great grace, dedication, dignity and kindness.

She has done so drawing strength and inspiration from her strong Christian faith, from the life and message of Jesus Christ, as she has said on many occasions, notably in her Christmas broadcasts. God has indeed saved and guided her throughout her long life of service.

As she said in one of those broadcasts, '*Christ's example has taught me to seek to respect and value all people of whatever faith or none*' – a message we should all strive to follow.

### **Long live our noble Queen**

This weekend we are of course celebrating her Majesty's longevity: Our prayers and anthems continue to be answered as we celebrate her 90<sup>th</sup> birthday.

Our Queen is indeed a most noble Queen – by birth, but more importantly, because of the nobility of spirit, and the humility and dedication to duty, with which she has served and continues to serve our Nation, and the Commonwealth, so very well.

### **God save the Queen**

In a 2002, broadcast the Queen said this:

*'I know just how much I rely on my faith to guide me through the good times and the bad. Each day is a new beginning. I know that the only way to live my life is to try to do what is right, to take the long view, to give of my best in all that the day brings, and to put my strength and trust in God... I draw strength from the message of hope in the Christian Gospel.'*

### **Send her victorious**

Unlike many of her predecessors, Her Majesty is not a warrior Prince. But she was a source of strength to her father George VI during the Second World War, and she has lived through many conflicts since then. She has always shown great interest in and support for our armed forces, holding numerous military titles and honours, including that of Commander in Chief of the British and of many Commonwealth armed forces. She has drawn inspiration from the dedication of those who serve in our forces, and from visits to the wounded, for example from a visit a couple of years ago to Headley Court, and she has in turn provided inspiration and comfort to all.

She has of course borne personal and family losses, trials and tribulations, not least in her *Annus Horribilis* of 1992, the death of Diana, Princess of Wales in 1997, and the loss of both her mother and sister in 2002. She has borne these losses and troubles with great dignity. Drawing on her faith, and with the unfailing support of the Duke of Edinburgh, whom she has described as her rock, and to whom she has now been married for nearly 69 years, she has indeed been victorious over adversity.

### **Happy and glorious**

Jaques Rogge, the President of the International Olympic Committee, borrowed those words from our National Anthem most aptly to describe the London 2012 Olympics in his closing speech at the Games. Who could forget those memorable moments

when James Bond came to collect Her Majesty from Buckingham Palace to take her to the Opening Ceremony, and when she appeared to parachute out of a helicopter to make her entry to the Olympic Stadium. I remember thinking at the time, as perhaps many of you did, what other current or past Head of State would have had such a sense of fun to participate in that way. Her Majesty has communicated that joyous and sometimes mischievous sense of humour, and has shared her family happiness and her many and varied interests, with the Nation and the Commonwealth, for example in recent documentaries celebrating her Diamond Jubilee and her 90<sup>th</sup> Birthday, and in the events of this weekend of celebration. It is indeed one of the glories of her long Reign that she has inspired and spread happiness among so many ordinary citizens whom she has met in her busy schedule of Royal visits and other engagements, communicating an infectious enthusiasm for and interest in whatever she sees and learns about during those encounters.

### **Long to reign over us**

As I am sure you all know, after celebrating her Diamond Jubilee in 2012 (as our plaque commemorates), on 9 September 2015 her Majesty became our longest reigning monarch, surpassing the record set by her great-great-grandmother Queen Victoria. During that long reign, of over 64 years and counting, she has been the advisor and confidante to 12 British Prime Ministers. She has, as David Cameron has said, been the '*Golden thread running through the generations*'. Queen Elizabeth the Queen Mother survived to the grand old age of 101, so perhaps Her Majesty will have to write a birthday card to herself in just under 10 years time! But at all events, we wish Her Majesty both a very happy 90<sup>th</sup> Birthday, and many happy and healthy years to come.

**God save the Queen!**

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# MICKLEHAM CELEBRATES THE QUEEN'S 90TH BIRTHDAY



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Mickleham's Street Tea Party to celebrate The Queen's 90th Birthday on 11th June was a wonderful event attended by at least 200 people including local residents, parishioners and families with children at St Michael's School and Nursery – and the rain held off until the end of the party! There were mountains of sandwiches and cakes set out on flower-bedecked tables and all sorts of entertainment. The bouncy castle was a particular favourite with the younger children while the older ones tried their hand at table tennis and a treasure hunt. Many of the adults made for the bar where a whole barrel of beer was consumed as well as many bottles of Prosecco. We enjoyed the procession of the Nursery children in their crowns and a song by children from St Michael's School. Later the Choral Society accompanied by drum and castanets serenaded us with a very lively song from South America. The event was very ably compered by David Ireland.

Many, many thanks to Juliet Hornby whose idea it was and to everyone who made it happen – your hard work paid off. It was a marvellous and memorable afternoon for everyone.

# All Things Royal Quiz Night

One of several local events celebrating the 90th birthday of HM Queen Elizabeth II was a lively quiz night on the subject of 'All Things Royal'. This took place in the Village Hall on the evening of Friday 10th of June, under the supervision of Malcolm Raby, the master of ceremonies (and experienced quizmaster).

The 90+ participants, fortified by a generous supply of nibbles and snacks, competed in 12 teams which were named: 'King Willy', the 'PMQs' (Parish Magazine Quizzers), 'Box Hill School', 'Parish Council', 'Local Friends', the 'Not A book group' group, 'Waltzing Mootildas', 'Heir Heads', 'Heirs & Graces', 'Royal Corgis', 'Sparks' and 'The Dragons'.

The questions covered a wider range than one might have supposed. Some were about events that had occurred during the 90 years of the Queen's life so far, some were about television quiz show hosts we may (or may not) remember, and some were about Queen (the band).

However, most questions were specifically about our head of state. For example:

Question: 'Where was QE2 born?'

Answer: 'In a Chinese restaurant in Mayfair'.

*[Actually, the officially correct answer was 'Mayfair, London'. In truth, 17 Bruton Street, Mayfair was not a Chinese restaurant at the time of her birth, it was then the home of her uncle,*

*the Earl of Strathmore.]*

After a hard fought battle, the 'Heir Heads' won the royal contest by a narrow margin and walked away with the Royal Prize. Also, there were many other prizes for the lucky raffle ticket holders.

It was a cheerful and entertaining night, and we all added something to our knowledge. Did you know that, like Samantha Stewart in 'Foyle's War', our Queen worked as a mechanic and truck driver during World War Two?

Many thanks to everyone who donated the magnificent prizes, and especially to Malcolm Raby for a splendid evening.

Richard Roberts Miller



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# Mickleham Choral Society's

## Concert to Celebrate The Queen's 90<sup>th</sup> Birthday

What a perfect end to a day of celebration and village festivities. Mickleham Choral Society, led by their talented Musical Director Juliet Hornby, took us on a musical journey through The Queen's life from the nineteen twenties to the present day. After a truly 'electric' rendition of the National Anthem on his guitar by Max from Box Hill School, we looked back on the music of the Coronation. Soloists Tracy Kennington and Lynda Chang announced the *Arrival of the Queen of Sheba*, followed by the Choir's powerful performance of *Zadok the Priest* and audience participation with *The Old Hundredth* and *I vow to thee My Country*.

Moving onto the '20s and '30s, pianist Lynda Chang gave us a charming *Marigold*, particularly poignant as this will be her last performance before leaving Mickleham Choral Society after ten years as an expert accompanist. Mark Eagers then brought a smile to our faces with *Mad Dogs and Englishmen* before we danced *Cheek to Cheek* with our very own 'Harmonettes'!

The era of the '40s and '50s transported us back to some old war time favourites – *We'll Meet Again* and *Lily Marlene*, sung by the men of the choir. We were feeling nostalgic with very few dry eyes in the house by the time Natalie Mackworth Praed had sung the final notes of her emotional *White Cliffs of Dover*.

The irrepressible Martin Cox took us through the proceedings with his usual aplomb, along with some truly cringe-worthy jokes. Now we all know that the difference between the England football team and a tea bag is that the tea bag stays longer in the Cup! We forgave him though, after he led the choir in Noel Coward's *London Pride* and introduced us to the 'children' of the *Sound of Music* with 'So Long Farewell'. After the choir's prize-winning *Oklahoma* a particular favourite of Her Majesty, it was time for the interval and a welcome glass of wine in the summer evening air. The '60s, '70s and '80s delivered talented solo and duet performances of *Ladies in Lavender* from Clare Kennington on the violin and *Brush Up your Shakespeare*

from the suave and sophisticated Andy Diamond and David Kennington. Martin's 'inner hippy' was in full voice for *Rhythm of Life* and we were treated to *Ob-La Di, Ob-La Da* from the choir ensemble before Emily Heuvel and the ladies received enthusiastic applause for *Please Mr Postman*. We were left in no doubt of the Mickleham Choral Society's success at this year's Leith Hill Musical Festival, with their seven out of eight category wins resulting in a slightly 'updated' and very enthusiastic version of *We are the Champions*. The perfect vocal blend of the 'Harmonettes' with *Dancing Queen* rounded off the decade before we found ourselves brought up to date with Poppy Parfitt's lovely opening solo in *You Raise Me Up* and the Choir's performance of the theme from *The Lion King*.

In true patriotic style we all wished Her Majesty the greatest of birthdays with *Land of Hope and Glory* and *God Save The Queen*. Our village could certainly be proud to celebrate a wonderful evening of musical talent fit for royalty.

Lin Singh

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**D**reaming spires is what I think of when I look out over my vegetable garden. Every year brings its own self-sown crop of foxgloves, multi-stemmed (because the soil is so fertile), much taller and more impressive than anything I grow in my flower beds. My preference is for *Digitalis purpurea alba*, with pure white flowers that really do gleam. *D. purpurea* with its purplish pink flowers always looks more at home in a shady woodland setting. In the veg garden these spires rise in their full glory from toe to top but they are equally at home among herbaceous plants such as geraniums or paeonies where they rise from a cover of green. At the back of a border they make an attractive backcloth early in the summer before other plants or climbers grow to take their place.

The jury seems to be out on whether foxgloves are a short-lived perennial or a biennial. I find they are better treated as biennial so that you cosset the rosette in the autumn of one year and reap the reward of its flowers the next. A careful examination of the leaf stem very near the ground can usually

alert you as to whether it will be white or purple. The purple foxglove has a definite tinge of purple to the leaf rib while the white form is a pale green. I have not found this method foolproof, sometimes it is very hard to tell and a count of the foxgloves in my veg garden reveals 5 purple and 3 white, but I do like a bit of a mix, and those in the flower beds, more carefully chosen, are all white. I do not have to sow mine as they have been around in the garden for so long but it is exceedingly easy to collect or buy seed and sow it in a tray of compost. You will harvest millions of the tiny seeds! Alternatively, they are not deep rooted and transplant easily. Planted out, the rosettes will soon establish and that is all you need to do to achieve your own dreaming spires.

While I am writing about the veg garden, I need to make the admission (if it is not already obvious) that I am far from a purist. I do grow the usual vegetables, an assortment of peas, beans, spinach, courgettes and so on but they do not grow in ordered rows, the way you always see vegetables grown in France, where minds are more



regimented. Mine have to skip around flowers and take little shortcuts but they are none the worse for that. If I had less room it might be a different matter. As it is, they are currently sharing the space with *Hesperis matronalis* (sweet rocket, a white form), many opium poppies that I hope will be paeony-flowered, a few vast yellow mulleins of the kind that are meat and drink to a moth called *Cucillia verbasci* whose caterpillars you pick off and transfer to a wild plant if you can find one which luckily you mostly can if you live on chalk. There are others but enough is enough!

Judy Kinloch

Mickleham and Westhumble Horticultural Society

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# A Card for Her Majesty

*Anna Maria Darnell, daughter of Deanna of Mickleham, works in Leatherhead for a creative agency, and was responsible for producing a special birthday card for Her Majesty the Queen's 90th birthday. It was to be the official card from the Honourable Corps of Gentlemen at Arms, 30 officers and gentlemen who form the Queen's bodyguard. Anna Maria explained how this came about:*

One of the Gentlemen at Arms (Colonel the Reverend Dick Whittington, Harbinger of the Corps and Chaplain of the Chelsea Hospital) is a director at one of our agency's clients and he was pointed towards us by someone as we are the 'go to' creative house, he had an idea of what he wanted which was to make Her Majesty chuckle! He did us a drawing and my boss asked me to take it from there. He wanted two guards (an Officer and a Gentleman) to be guarding the gates and when opened he wanted all of the serving guard (30) lined up in the dining room (which is a room Her Majesty would recognise) and a selection of the retired guards (60) in frames on the wall with little name plaques and with a calligraphy message to appear somewhere.

We drove up to the Honourable Guards' Mess at St James' for a shoot with

lights, green screens and filters all in tow and took pictures of the gates, the dining room and all of the photographs of the guards from the scrapbooks in which they are displayed as most of the images predate digital. Some were from as far back as the 1800s and they had the most fabulous moustaches and body armour.

I then organised a shoot at Gieves and Hawkes, No 1 Saville Row, to photograph one of the Gentlemen, axe in hand, in full dress for the front of the card. I also liaised with the calligrapher who wrote the greeting and designed a wax seal stamp based on the logo which we had handmade by a company in Shropshire.

As we are a digital agency we added one final element before printing which was a QR code to scan with your phone where the greeting would appear on screen along with the serving guard and most importantly the Honourable Guards' March called *The Nearest Guard*, a piece of music specially composed for them.

Once we had all 40 copies printed (one for the Queen, one each for the gentleman and some left overs) I had to fill all 40 envelopes and hand seal them with hot wax!

Four of the Gentlemen in full uniform presented her with the card in the private apartments at Windsor. (See Col Whittington's letter below).

To say 'thank you' we were invited to St James' Place to the annual cocktail party for the Yeomen of the Guard and the Gentlemen at Arms in the Throne Room. I was with both of my bosses and their wives. The canapés were incredible and the champagne glasses kept getting refilled.

*Extract from Colonel Whittington's letter:*

'The presentation of the card at Windsor Castle as Her Majesty and Prince Philip returned to their apartments after their morning walk-about was, of course, a private moment and no photographs were possible. I can report, however, that The Queen was absolutely delighted, and Prince Philip too, and they were particularly amused when I demonstrated the QR code reader and played the Corps March on my iPhone.

You can be sure that The Queen's 90th birthday card will find its way into the Royal Archives and, as such, will quite possibly outlive anything else you may produce in your lifetime.'

*Many congratulations to Anna Maria.*

## Footpath success

I am pleased to report that Surrey County Council has approved an application for official maps to be altered to show a public footpath running between Stane Street and Mickleham Downs.

The footpath has been in public use for many, many years, but the matter came to the attention of local residents when Longshot, the owners of Cherkley Court and the new golf course, proposed siting two of their golf holes across it and moving the footpath some distance into the woods to the south. The new footpath would not have had the views north to Wembley and Windsor that can be enjoyed from the existing footpath. The footpath also passes Churchill's yew, a famous local landmark where, local lore has it, Sir Winston Churchill and Lord Beaverbrook used to drink whisky and chuck the empty bottles into the tree!

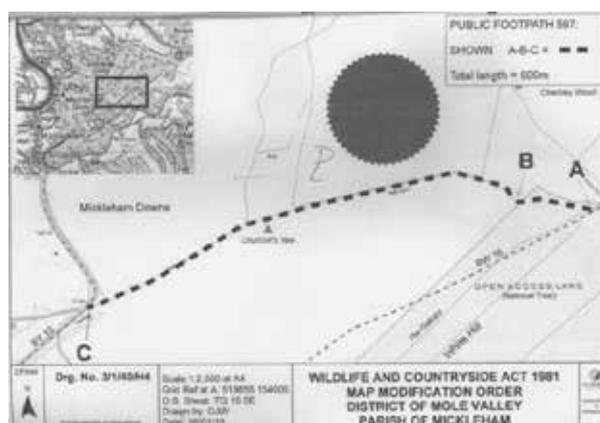
A group of local residents led by Juliet Hornby put together a portfolio of evidence showing the history of usage and this was accepted by SCC, who interviewed some residents and looked into the matter carefully before giving it the green light.

Longshot have now resited the golf holes in question, so we hope everyone is happy. They have planted some trees to the north of the top end of the footpath which may interfere with the view if allowed to grow too much. However, given that Longshot undertook in their original planning application to preserve all footpaths and all views therefrom, we trust they will keep these trees under control such that the view can be enjoyed by

all going forward, as it has been for many years.

A map of the footpath is above. It is easy to find as there are locked gates and large notices saying DO NOT TRESPASS. Do not worry, go round the gates where there is a clear path, keep to the path and you will not be trespassing. You may even get to see Andy Murray playing golf, as he is reportedly a member of the new golf course!

Will Dennis

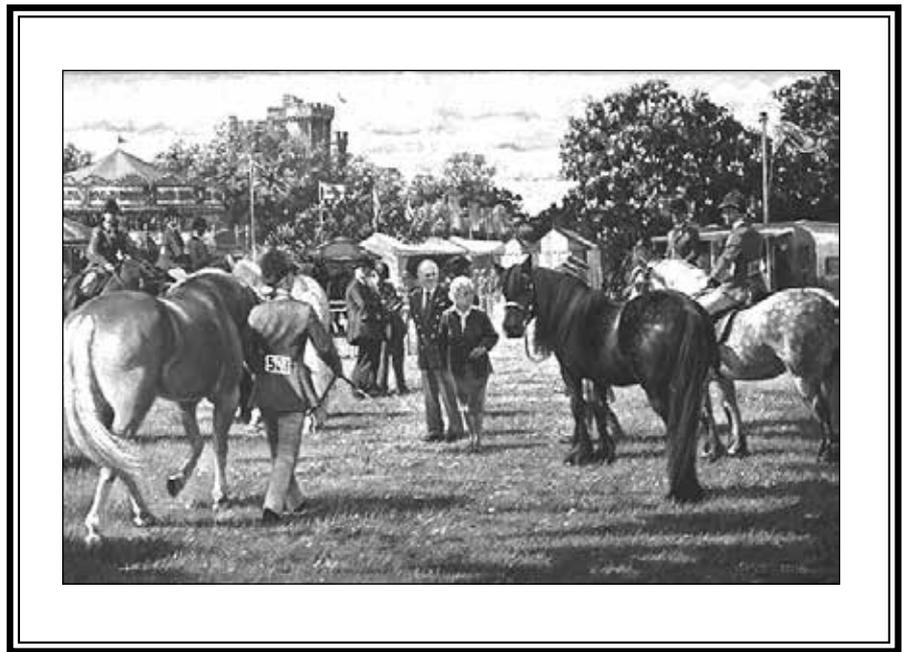


# Sherree's painting for the Queen

Two years ago local artist Sherree Valentine Danes was approached to undertake a painting for the Queen's 90th birthday. Apparently Her Majesty only wanted one present and a horse tournament to celebrate this special occasion. The painting was to have the horse show as its setting and Sherree was asked to include the Queen's favourite horse (Balmoral Emma – which she still rides) with Windsor Castle in the background. The original now hangs in the Queen's private drawing room at Windsor. (Most portraits are for institutions and companies, so this one is quite personal.)

Sherree was invited to Windsor to present her painting personally to the Queen and as a result has been given two further royal commissions and several invitations regarding her work. She says she feels very lucky to be given this recognition.

Of the twelve copies of the painting that have been made, eleven were given to other members of the Royal Family. Sherree very kindly displayed her copy at the Friday quiz night and in St Michael's on the Sunday of the Queen's 90<sup>th</sup>



birthday weekend. Also available to see was a small limited-edition book showing the painting's progress, from blank canvas to finished work. The first copy of this book was given to the Queen and the rest (except for Sherree's copy) were handed out to guests staying at

Windsor during Her Majesty's birthday celebrations.

Sherree added that this was a really memorable occasion for her family, as her daughter, Lettice, was invited to play at the Queen's birthday party which was shown on ITV.

***Readers might be aware that Sherree has donated one of her prints (not of this painting!) to be raffled at the Village Fête on Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> July – see page 15.***

## Defibrillators

Automated External Defibrillators (AEDs) have been installed at Mickleham Village Hall (to right of the porch) and on Platform 1 at Westhumble Station. Available 24 hours a day, seven days a week., they are now fully operational and can be used by any member of the public in the event of someone suffering a

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*The AED at the station*



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# Derek Edwards 1920 – 2016

Derek Edwards was born in 1920 in the then sleepy village of Cheam, Surrey. His mother Kate was the youngest of 8 children, and his father Frank the eldest of 13. In 1933 he won a scholarship to Cranbrook School, Kent, which he loved, and his life-long passion for amateur dramatics was kindled when his headmaster paid for him to take part in a 10-day course on the production of Drama, Musical Comedy and Opera held at Tonbridge School. The instructors included Tyrone Guthrie (the famous drama producer) and John Christie (the founder of Glynebourn Opera). It was then that he discovered that he wanted to direct plays and musical shows, rather than take any active part on stage.

He had volunteered to join the Queen's Royal (West Surrey) Regiment in early 1941, and married Margaret Angus on the 9<sup>th</sup> July 1942 at St Andrew's Church, Cheam, before being posted overseas with the rank of Lieutenant that October. He left from Liverpool in the large Cunard liner R.M.S. Franconia heading for Cape Town. He wrote: 'A journey of two-and-a-half weeks under normal conditions took between four and six weeks, as there were about 30 ships of various sizes in convoy and we had to take zigzag routes to try to avoid the German U-Boats. Quite often a ship that had been, say, on our port side for several days, was suddenly missing, and we knew it had gone, together with all those on board.'

On the Franconia, Derek was asked to start a ship's concert party, which the army top brass on board welcomed as something important to keep the troops' morale as high as possible. Being excused all other regimental duties, he teamed up with a semi-professional actor and wrote, produced, and directed an entertainment, performing for the men and officers on every Thursday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday. On the Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday they would then start writing, producing, and rehearsing the next week's show!

After a short time in Cape Town, they continued on to Bombay, Poona, Basra and Bagdad to the Iraqi desert near Kirkuk. Then, early in 1943 the Division moved 3,500 miles in only three weeks

through Trans-Jordan, Palestine, and Egypt, right up to Enfidaville, Tunisia – and straight into action. He was wounded just near the left eye, and evacuated to hospital in Tripoli. There he met another Queen's officer, John Rustad, and they formed a pair of entertainers who were soon asked to appear at various army units nearby and their convalescence thus became a little less boring!

Derek re-joined the Queen's in time to prepare for the Salerno landings. They landed near Salerno on 3<sup>rd</sup> September 1943 – he was Platoon Commander and fought with the battalion throughout the Italian campaign.

'We were the first troops in Venice. Although they say the New Zealanders took it, it wasn't so – and my battalion was somehow put onto river buses and we went down the Grand Canal. And on each side of the Grand Canal there were crowds and crowds of people, all waving flowers and throwing them at us, and cheering. It was absolutely marvelous to have this reception.'

After Venice, they had all heard of the end of the war in Europe, but were very browned off when posted to battle positions north of Trieste – however, time again for Derek to form another concert party, and after a week's performance in the little town's theatre, he was ordered to cover the whole Division area. They had a portable stage constructed by the Pioneer platoon, placed into two 3-ton trucks and for about fifty consecutive nights they toured all the units of the Division.

Finally, back in the UK, Derek joined the Stationers, Harold Wesley Ltd, in the autumn of 1946, and worked for 26 years learning the business and rising through various departments to become Sales and Marketing Director and Assistant Managing Director. In 1972, he was headhunted by G H Wood & Company of Toronto, Canada, to set up their business in the UK and internationally.

After 13 years (and 10 on the Board of the parent Company in Canada) he retired in 1986. During this period with GH Wood he spent a year as President of The Canada/UK Chamber of Commerce in London, where, as Chairman of their Council, he made contact with 'captains



of industry' in many fields, and he was sworn in as Freeman of the City of London on 5<sup>th</sup> January 1984.

Derek was always gregarious and quick to make friends, and was a brilliant raconteur. He had many interests, including Big Bands (a passion of which he had an encyclopaedic knowledge), tennis (which he played into his late eighties) and gardening.

He and Margaret had three children, Carol, Ian and Katie, and their final move was to Pilgrim's Close, Westhumble in the late 1980s. Margaret died in 2002 and Derek remained fit and healthy until 2012, when Parkinson's Disease slowly robbed him of his mobility. He died peacefully on 2<sup>nd</sup> May, 2016.



## A momentous time for Steven Banfield

Many congratulations to Steven Banfield who was appointed a Member of the British Empire (Military Division) in the recent Queen's Birthday Honours List.

Steven, son of Mary and John Banfield of Old London Road, will be promoted to Commander Royal Navy on 30th June and is due to return from the Falklands where since January he has been Commanding Officer HMS Clyde.

# Mollie Wilkins 1920 – 2016

Many friends as well as family gathered at St Michael's on 31<sup>st</sup> May to bid a final farewell to Mollie Wilkins who died recently at the age of 96.

Mollie was born in rural Berkshire where her father was the village schoolmaster. She was an excellent cook and had hoped to use these skills professionally, but a six-month spell in hospital at the age of 16 put paid to this ambition and she joined the Civil Service instead. In 1951, after marrying Edgar also a civil servant, Mollie gave up work to look after the family: she continued to use her culinary talents and was particularly good at cakes and puddings!

Upon Edgar's retirement in 1983 they moved from Ewell to a bungalow in Burney Road and became active in the community in various roles and were stalwart members of the church. When not doing that, they would play tennis, go on long walks, day trips to the sea and holidays. After Edgar's

death in 1999, Mollie continued to support community activities in her own quiet, self-effacing way. For some years she helped at the Cathedral Shop in Guildford with her great friend Joan Carter. There was always time afterwards for a chat over lunch or tea. Despite her small stature, Mollie had a huge appetite!

Along with Beryl Icke, Mo Chisman and Vi Bullen (all widows) Mollie made up a group who went out for Sunday lunches, and in time this developed into cinema trips and even holidays in Europe. They called themselves rather unflatteringly 'The Old Tarts' (certainly not a name Mollie would have suggested). At some stage they were joined by Rose Spence who, although not a widow, was accepted as any honorary member. Mollie retained a love of the natural world throughout her life and was especially fond of horses, including those to be found being exercised near Newbury and Ascot. For some years

she was a member of the Surrey Union Hunt, but despite the rumour that she 'rode to hounds' her true role was that of follower. She also loved dogs and cats and the visits from the next door cat in her last few months brought her much needed comfort.

Mollie was particularly drawn to the sea and, latterly, enjoyed several holidays in Eastbourne. She also loved going to stay with the family in Devon where a walk along the sea front was only a 30-minute drive away. Living as Mollie did well into her 90s, there was a period of a few years where there were four generations of women in the family alive simultaneously – all attended her funeral.

Mickleham Church and its position at the foot of Box Hill had a special place in Mollie's heart and there is a headstone in Edgar's memory in the churchyard and in due course Mollie's ashes will rest there too. She was a lovely lady and we will miss her very much.

## Wallander for PM?

By the time you are reading this, you will know the referendum result – and will be in a state of anxious relief, acute depression, hopping madship or excited celebration, depending on your views.

However, I want to ask you about a different matter. Did you watch the first of a new series of Wallander programmes on the BBC? – the one called *The White Lioness* about a Swedish women disappearing in South Africa? It was exciting, fast moving, and infinitely puzzling. At the end Elizabeth and I discussed at least three non-sequiturs in the plot where I could not follow the logic of the script. Had I missed something? Elizabeth thought that anyone of a younger generation than us might not have had my difficulty.

Pondering over this, it occurred to me that many modern TV dramas followed the same approach – lots of activity, a good car chase, a hint of sexual excitement, and so on – and do not worry if the plot is impossible to follow.

And then it was that I realised that there is a strange parallel between the Wallander type of programme and the recent referendum campaign. Make politics exciting and do not worry about truth or logic. I can just hear the strategists telling the campaign leaders: 'this campaign is going to be won or lost according to whether voters are more fearful about their jobs or about their neighbours. Make sure that you grab the headlines and do not worry about the accuracy or truth of your statements.'

Somebody said that this style of campaigning impoverished political debate. I feel the same about the style of TV programme which the new Wallander series represents – it impoverishes literature.

I can hear you asking: so why did I choose the headline 'Wallander for PM' for this little piece? I answer: to illustrate my point. It is headline grabbing (I hope) but there is no substance or logic behind it. At least it got you to read this far!

Barry Moughton

## COMMUNITY NEWS

Welcome to Jon and Kelly Portelli, recently married, who have moved to Burney Road from Epsom.

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Mickleham & Westhumble Local History Group

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how Westhumble has developed over the last 250 years before we begin our walk. The walk will be mostly on the flat and under two miles long with about two dozen stops to talk about the buildings of interest. We plan to

finish at the *Stepping Stones* pub in time for those who would like to have lunch or a drink there. We hope that you will come along on this walk and share your knowledge of the history of Westhumble.

*Booking is essential as numbers are limited to 25. The event is free for members, £3 for non-members. To reserve a place, or for further information, please contact Judith Long: [judith.long2@btinternet.com](mailto:judith.long2@btinternet.com) or 01372 375206*

## Would you like to own this lovely picture?

Once again the hugely popular local artist Sherree Valentine Daines has generously donated a limited edition print to be won in a draw at the Village Fête on 9<sup>th</sup> July. The scene is entitled 'English Elegance'. It is hand embellished on canvas board, signed by the artist and framed.

There is a limited number of tickets to be drawn, with only 120 tickets printed. A proportion will be for sale only at the fête but if you would like to buy tickets in advance some are

available from David and Angela Ireland at St Michael's Lodge, Old London Road, Mickleham.

Tickets cost £5 each. The winning ticket will be drawn at 4.30 p.m. at the fête.



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## MATCH REPORT:

### MCC Vs Nick Richards' X1 Sunday 29th May played at Box Hill School

MCC won by 54 runs: MCC: 179-8 (30 overs); NR: 125 all out (25 overs)

MCC continued its remarkable start to the 2016 season with a convincing win over fellow clubman Nick Richards' X1. MCC won the toss again for the third time this season. Extraordinary times indeed.

MCC elected to bat opening with Nick Presley and Giles Pritchett. Charlie Richards soon did for Prezza but then a very good 65-run partnership between Fred Evans and Giles, both scoring at a good rate, put MCC on top. Both batsmen looked in very good form and played some lovely shots. However when both were out: tight bowling and fielding from NR's side saw a steady fall of wickets with batsmen getting in

and then out trying to push the score along. Elliot Awin 18; Chris Presley 12 and Woody Woodall with 25 (and not out). The Skipper is also happy that he scored more than his son. With Ex Tras, scoring 24 to make our score 179 off 30 overs. A good score but was it enough? For Nick's side, Charlie bowled well (2-29 off 8); Curtis from the Runners got 3-29, and it was great to see Greg Ayton back in action this season.

Opening with Woody and Jebinator, NR's team were soon behind the rate. Shock came after 10 overs when Steve J fielded a ball off his own bowling and found the top half of his little finger hanging off. This resulted in Sage Dillon coming on and bowling well, picking up 2 quick wickets (2-26), including that of Charlie R. Meanwhile Woody was steadily picking off oppo batsmen and

keeping the runs down, finishing with a fine 3-17 off 6. Mash Eagers bowled very well picking up two wickets (2-10) as did Elliot (2-15). Mention should be made of the excellent keeping of Giles P including a lightning stumping and a sublime catch from Sage. Both 'Juggler' Jonny Sowton and Fred E picked up good catches and NR were bowled out for 125. Mention must be made of an excellent captain's innings from Nick R who got a quick fire 48, ably supported by Tom Harvey-Jones (27) but it was not enough in the end.

Thanks must go to our umpires Mark Day and Jim Evans for keeping order and decorum. Thanks also to Jan Richards who produced an excellent tea spread. Well done MCC: four from four. Blimey.

Will Dennis

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# Weeks away from new playground installation!



## Mickleham Children's Playground Association

It has been a bit of a whirlwind year for the playground committee and hard to believe that in just 12 months we have been able to achieve our goal of raising sufficient funds to make a new playground a reality. Work is scheduled to begin at the end of July and over the course of three or four weeks the old playground will be taken down and removed and the new play equipment and fencing erected. It is a genuinely exciting time and we hope that our community's children will be as excited by the finished result as we are about the plans! As part of the project, new grass safety matting will be installed around the equipment and grass seed sown. At the risk of wishing a wet summer on us all we are desperately praying that some rain will allow the new grass to establish by the new Autumn term! Any bright ideas on a solution for watering the area if not would be welcome.

On the subject of growth, we must say a major thank you to Alison Wood for making possible such a brilliant fundraising event in the shape of May's plant sale at Mickleham Village Hall.

We are hugely grateful to everyone who contributed plants to the event but in particular Alison Wood who single-handedly provided more than 200 of them, the results of many, many weeks of hard work. She and her team did a wonderful job of selling and providing advice on purchases resulting in a massive total of just over £712 raised from plant sales alone. As the photos show, our cake stall was equally well stocked thanks to the kindness of many individuals, and with the further £421 taken from this and refreshments plus £60 gifted in donations, the morning's event raised a whopping £1,133 for the playground.

May we take this opportunity to say how very grateful to everyone who has helped us to raise funds over the last year. This has included donations large and small from many individuals as well as sums from Box Hill School, Exxon Mobil, generous grants from MVCD, Surrey CC and Ride London plus sums generated from fundraising events such as the Plant Sale, Village Party, Charity Cricket Match and Pub Quiz. We hope you will continue to support us in further fund raising events over the next 12 months as we look to ensure the long term maintenance of the playground.

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## Box Hill School

Mickleham Village and the surrounding community to celebrate with 'swimming, music and tea on the lawn'. We were delighted that nearly 70 members of the local community and their children joined us to sample delicious cream teas and cakes, baked by our dedicated catering team, and listen to our talented musicians performing a wide range of musical styles. As the sun shone, keeping the rain at bay, children of all ages enjoyed making use of the school pool whilst fitting in games of giant Jenga on the lawn! We held a charitable collection on the day, which raised £305 for the Brain Tumour Trust, a fabulous effort from everybody attending, it was a very successful and enjoyable afternoon.

We were also pleased to see some of the village join us at Denbies Wine Estate, where Box Hill School were sponsoring an exhibition of paintings by two local artists Mike Coleman and Fred Masters. The work, often colourful and dynamic ranged from complete abstraction to large figurative compositions was on show for a week in June.

Fred studied Fine Art at Manchester and Sunderland and had his work shortlisted for the Royal Academy this year.

Mike is a Goldsmiths graduate and has exhibited at the Royal Academy, The Mall Galleries and The Camden Arts Centre and with The London Group at the Royal College of Art and the Barbican.

What made the event so unique is the teaching connection both artists have with Box Hill School. Mike is currently Head of Art at the school and has been in the position for nineteen years and Fred was his predecessor for twenty one years.

Between them they have taught and inspired generations of students and lots of them have successfully gained entrance into prestigious art colleges and now practice themselves. A small selection of the Box Hill School student artwork was also on show throughout the week.

A huge thank you for your support at both of these events.

Alex Ayton



*Top: children in the pool; a splendid tea; art at Denbies.*



## Surrey Wildlife Trust - Norbury Park

As mentioned in the last article, Norbury Park is hosting a few events this summer and the first of these took place over the weekend of June 11th and 12th. This was run by The Little Welly, encouraging children out into the countryside by means of a fun obstacle course and then lots of more informative activities including some run by SWT's own Education Department. It was efficiently and professionally organised by the Little Welly team, with our help and input as necessary and was a hugely successful weekend with more than 2,800 visitors. The aim of course is twofold – not only to educate, involve and inspire future generations, but also to bring in much needed funds to help us manage our countryside, for wildlife and people.

As far as wildlife is concerned, locals who walk from the Westhumble

Crabtree Lane area may have been disappointed recently to find that access has been blocked into the fields at the top, just beyond the car park, and from the bridleway. There is no actual public right of way through the fields and we are trying to protect some of our other 'locals' – the ground nesting skylarks that use these fields. Skylark numbers have dropped almost by half since the 1980s mainly due to loss of habitat and changes in farming practice. These fields are now being managed, by SWT, as traditional hay meadows and because of the skylarks, will not be cut for hay until July/August by which time any young will have fledged and left the nests. Hopefully with fewer disturbances from walkers and dogs the numbers will increase, and other species will benefit too.

With recent bursts of heavy rain the hay

crop is growing well, as is vegetation across the rest of the Park. Rangers and volunteers have been busy trimming the many paths and bridleways whilst dodging showers. Volunteers have also put up two 'rabbit exclosures' on Fetcham Downs, to help monitor what damage/good the rabbits do – we shall see what comes up in the exclosures that usually gets nibbled off by bunnies. With the help of volunteers and in partnership with the Mole Valley Orienteering Club we will soon be reinstating the permanent orienteering course across the Park. The work of a volunteer is very varied!

Norbury Park Volunteers meet monthly on the third Friday of the month. For details please contact the Ranger: [Andrea.neal@surreywt.org.uk](mailto:Andrea.neal@surreywt.org.uk) 07990582291

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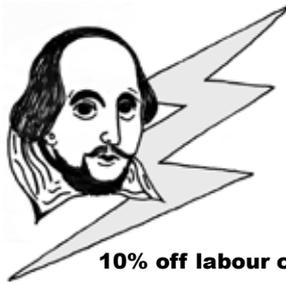
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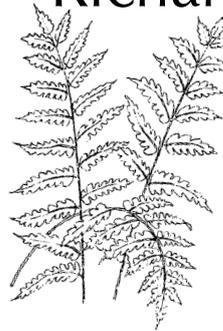
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We will shortly be saying a fond farewell to our older children, as they now leave us to join the reception classes of local schools. The majority of our children go to St. Michael's, some to other Dorking Schools, Ashted, and North Downs. We always love to hear how they are getting on, and really enjoy seeing them when they return for nursery or community events. The children who were in nursery when I first joined St. Michael's are now about to start senior school, how time flies!

Talking of flies, well there are no flies on Mootilda, our Cow Parade mini moo! She has metamorphosed and will soon be seen in the churchyard (we just have to work out how to make her less 'portable')

When Mootilda arrived she was a blank canvas and the children started to make up her story. They decided that Mootilda had lost her colours. The rain had washed them away, and so Mootilda needed new colours. Whilst we came up with our design, Mootilda played dressing up, was fed mud pies from the kitchen and enjoyed joining us for a story.

Our design process started with the children. They each had a blank template and different media (pastels, paint, felt tips, chalks etc) to design with, each child created their own design. The adults looked through the pictures together with our artist Becci. We noticed many designs had lines or stripes, and so we used this idea as a base to work from. There were also lots of colours, and this is where we had to make a decision. We knew that Mootilda was for the children to paint: inevitably given lots of colours to paint with, Mootilda would have been brown, very brown. So we did limit the palette, choosing the blue of our uniform and tones that mixed well with that.



*Clockwise from top left: Mootilda stories; Mootilda and Edith; Mootilda masking tape practice; Mootilda mud pies; Mootilda Becci.*

And so the design began, we gave her a base paint, and then used masking tape which when removed would give us the lines of the children's original drawings. Mootilda was clearly a very engaging canvas, some children spending almost an hour on their turn to paint. If you do meet her, please do touch her. She has a sense of an oil painting about her: in some places the paint is so many layers thick! Lots of attention was given to her ears, and her 'boobies' (being a farmer's daughter I did keep trying to correct them - 'teats, on a cow we call them teats', but now they are orange and apparently orange juice comes out of them. I've decided to not to limit their imagination!) We are in the process of creating a book using the pictures we have taken during Mootilda's creation, the children's comments and their ideas of Mootilda's story.

Mootilda is very much an art piece created by nursery children. This experience has been enriched by also viewing 'Boxhilda', the Cow Parade cow created by students at Box Hill School, and 'yet to be named' a cow that the children saw being painted by Charles Rowbotham. The children have also been creating their very own miniature



moo's that they will take home and keep as a memory of Cow Parade coming to Surrey.

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Hilary Budd



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# A View From a Mum's Perspective



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*It is always interesting to have a perspective from different stakeholders in the school. This month, Cheryl Standley, mum of Charlie in Owls Class (Year R), has kindly put her thoughts on paper to share her experience as a St Michael's Mum:*

In September 2015, my son Charlie started St. Michael's Infants School. He was clearly ready to move on and being one of the eldest in the year he was ready to begin his school journey. Being based in Dorking I assumed that Charlie would attend a Dorking town school, so it was certainly a surprise when we found out that Charlie would be going to St. Michael's. I knew that he would take it in his stride even without knowing anyone.

Sure enough, a mere few days in, Charlie was in his element. He was making friends, enjoying the lunches (and even reciting the menu each day!) as well as reeling off new phonics sounds and short words. However, his highlight was playing with the 'big children'. Everyday he would come home and tell us about the various Year 1 and Year 2 children whom he had played with and I thought at that point what a lovely little school this was. All the children were accepting of the new recruits and there was no hierarchy; just simple playing and integrating between friends.

As a first-time school Mum, the prospect was quite daunting for me too! I had graduated from the simple life of a nursery Mum to the responsibility of a Reception Mum. Every morning, packing Charlie's bag felt like a military operation. Journal – check, water bottle – check. Spare clothes – check. Oh wait! Have I labelled everything? Is his coat too warm? Should I send him in with a coat in balmy September? I was quickly reassured in the playground by fellow first-time Mums and the Mums who had seen their older offspring go through the ranks earlier on. Now it is the summer term, there is the added chaos of sun lotion and hats and packing his football kit for Thursdays and of course the never ending birthday party invites. I never knew how busy Charlie's social life would be and I how insignificant mine would become! Thank goodness

for Google Calendar and the odd occasion when the Mums get together for a glass of wine (or two) and share the funny tales from the children.

One of the best parts about being a parent at St. Michael's has to be putting our culinary skills to the test (whilst raising vital funds for the school at the same time). We volunteered at the School fete in March and flipped our homemade burgers. Marketed from our stall as 'gourmet burgers', the signature burgers were the 'Chilli Billy and triple B' amongst the regular favourites. It was hard work but such a rewarding day, pulling together with other parents to raise money and have fun. We will be once again providing the food options for the school quiz in October. Early requests welcome.

I am so pleased to be a Mum of a very happy little boy. I look forward to playing a bigger role as a parent (and burger flipper) and enjoying the 'school Mum life'. St Michael's has already changed Charlie's life for the better and I could not imagine or want him to go to a school anywhere else.

## Village Fête Saturday 9th July - see page 2

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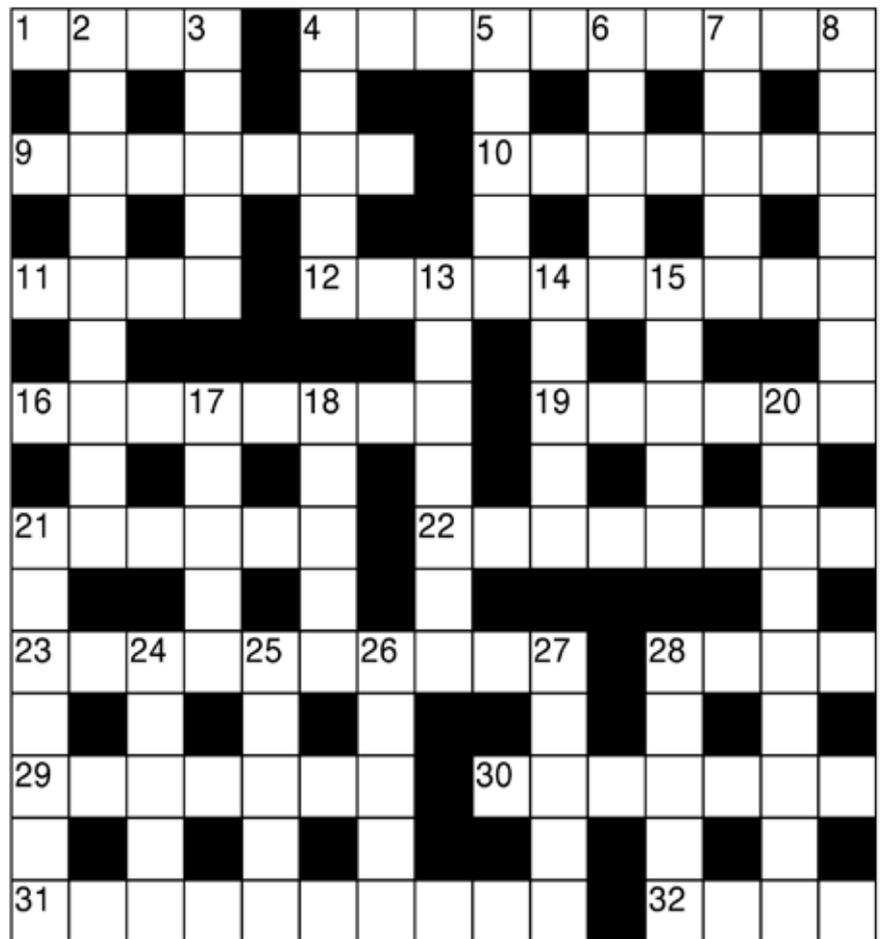


## Across

- 1 A detailed study of pedigree animals (4)
- 4 Well read old boy is first to get smash (9)
- 9 Inspiring sort of mini bug (7)
- 10 Sailor's across a foil (7)
- 11 A nasty effect of local infection (4)
- 12 Sort of government tragically rated comic by some 30? (10)
- 16 Bengalis ordered to live in Brussels (8)
- 19 Cyril's pop record contribution? (6)
- 21 Property of European government? (6)
- 22 Require smaller amount to spur steamer (4,4)
- 23 The basics of hard rock: the bass tracks (5,5)
- 28 Top of the tic-tac men (4)
- 29 Chopped parsley may follow contentious results! (7)
- 30 Marines at sea who oppose Brexit (7)



An intriguing doorway in Dorking



- 31 Inadvertent substitution of oranges for apples in the west (10)
  - 32 One entertainer or many? (4)
- ## Down
- 2 Typist with her hair down is hard to resist (9)
  - 3 A stone fruit may be said to sag (5)
  - 4 Admitted to having property (5)
  - 5 I was had up in northern Iowa, so went further west (5)
  - 6 A three-way anaesthetic? (5)
  - 7 A huge sailor's order to stop! (5)
  - 8 What 2 does to specialist doctor with lollies (7)
  - 13 Mother and boy in charge of lodge (7)
  - 14 Left in cave to give birth (5)
  - 15 The first calendar girl of the year? (5)
  - 17 Necessary in coach carrying a large Arsenal squad (5)
  - 18 Bond: allow to mature and book? (5)
  - 20 Windows program menaces this heartlessly (9)
  - 21 Ban therefore includes business degree (7)
  - 24 Savoury content of a spicy mould (5)
  - 25 Draws up plan for a lawn (5)
  - 26 Page left church house to start a fire (5)
  - 27 Magic moment (5)
  - 28 Embarrass a lively party (5)

## SOLUTION TO JUNE CROSSWORD

### Across

- 1 Espouse 5 Tedious 9 Bridle
- 10 Footstep 11 Sway 12 Last Chance
- 16 Capybara 19 Engage 21 Slimed
- 22 Lingerie 23 Magna Carta 28 Bash
- 29 Neurosis 30 Ground 31 Red Tape
- 32 Freedom

### Down

- 2 Screwball 3 Oddly 4 Spell
- 5 Trout 6 Ditch 7 Often
- 8 Supreme 13 Stapler 14 Clean
- 15 Argue 17 Yemen 18 Asdic
- 20 Glissando 21 Seminar 24 Gourd
- 25 Aroma 26 Abide 27 Augur
- 28 Broke

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# CALENDAR OF EVENTS

## July - August

### July

#### 3 6th Sunday after Trinity (Thomas the Apostle)

	8 a.m.	Holy Communion (Order 2)
	10 a.m.	Worship Together
6 Wednesday		Burial of Ashes (John Lawrence)
7 Thursday	from 6 p.m.	Setting up Village Fete. Any help welcome!
8 Friday	from 6 p.m.	Setting up Village Fete. Any help welcome!
9 Saturday	from 2 p.m.	VILLAGE FETE (details page 2)

#### 10 7th Sunday after Trinity

	8 a.m.	Holy Communion (Order 2)
	10 a.m.	Holy Communion
	11.30 a.m.	Morning Prayer CHAPEL
11 Monday	8 p.m.	PCC meets
13 Wednesday	8 p.m.	Fete Committee meets
14 Thursday		Horticultural Society Garden Visit
16 Saturday	1 p.m.	Wedding
		Westhumble Guided Walk

#### 17 8th Sunday after Trinity

	8 a.m.	Holy Communion (Order 2)
	10 a.m.	Holy Communion
21 Thursday	1.30 p.m.	St Michael's School Leavers Service
22 Friday		Fortissimo Concert at Juniper Hall
23 Saturday	2 p.m.	Wedding

#### 24 9th Sunday after Trinity

	8 a.m.	Holy Communion (Order 2) CHAPEL
	10 a.m.	Holy Communion

#### 31 10th Sunday after Trinity

	8 a.m.	<b>RIDE LONDON EVENT</b>
	10 a.m.	<b>NO SERVICE</b>
		Holy Communion (for those who can make it!)

### August

#### 7 11th Sunday after Trinity

	8 a.m.	Holy Communion (Order 2)
	10 a.m.	Worship Together

#### 14 12th Sunday after Trinity

	8 a.m.	Holy Communion (Order 2)
	10 a.m.	Holy Communion
	11.30 a.m.	Morning Prayer CHAPEL

#### 21 13th Sunday after Trinity

	8 a.m.	Holy Communion (Order 2)
	10 a.m.	Holy Communion

24th

10 a.m. Building/Churchyard Group meets

#### 28 14th Sunday after Trinity

	8 a.m.	Holy Communion (Order 2) CHAPEL
	10 a.m.	Holy Communion

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Saturday 3rd September

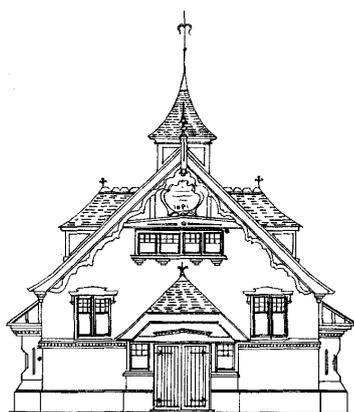
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Saturday 10th September

Flower Show

Saturday 1st October

Harvest Festival Supper



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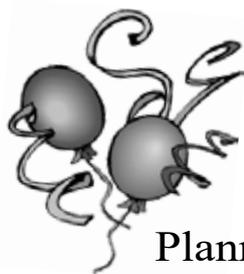
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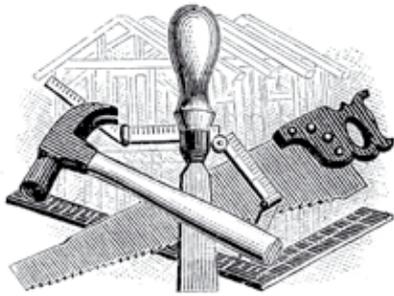
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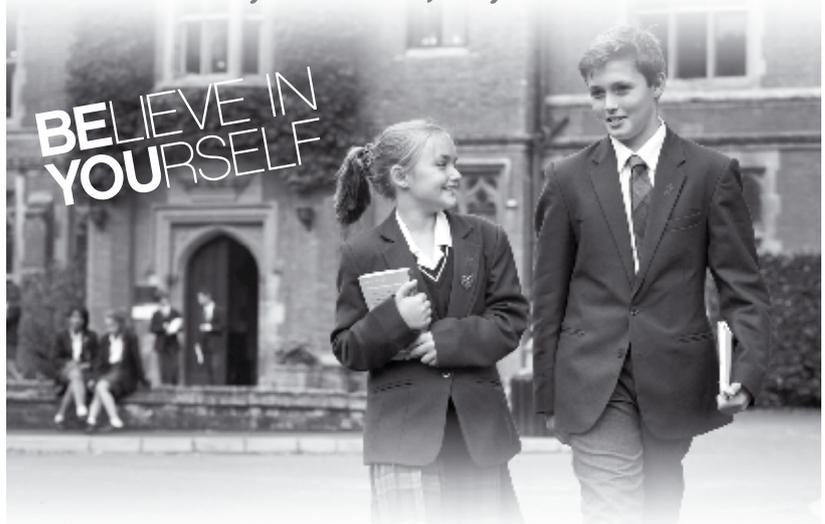
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