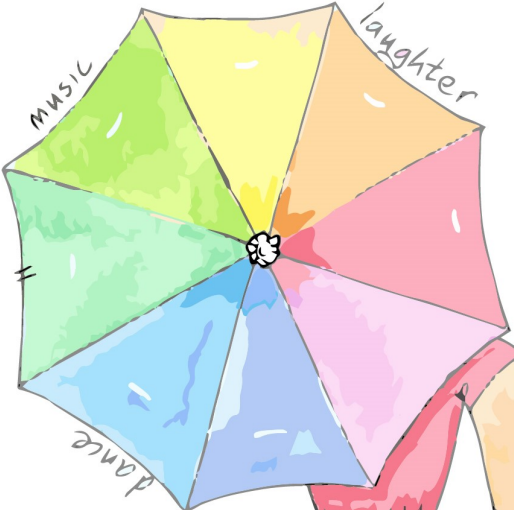


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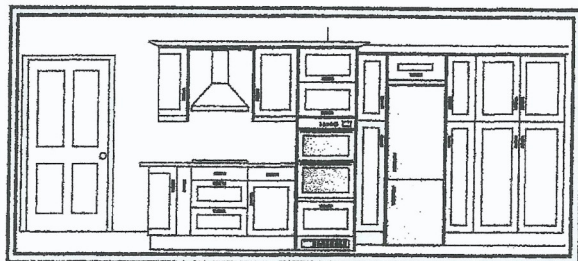
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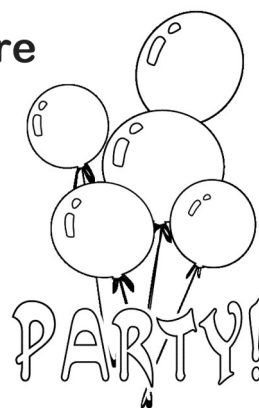
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April Diary Dates

5th PALM SUNDAY

9th MAUNDY THURSDAY

10th GOOD FRIDAY

12th EASTER DAY

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St. James' Songsters

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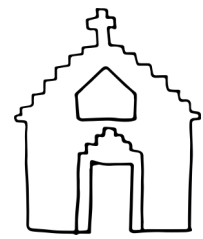
Music is an important part of our worship and so help us get the most out of it, we have a small group of 'Songsters' who get together once a month to sing together and get a preview of the musical content of our worship planned for the weeks ahead.

Our sessions include well known hymns as well as any new or less familiar items. This gives everyone a chance to polish up the familiar and prepare the new for use in our worship. No special skills are required, just a willingness to open your mouth and give it a go!

Songsters practices are normally held on the last Friday of each month, so if you would like to come along, do speak to Stephen or Martin and we will make sure you are included on our list.

Stephen Rothwell

ST. JAMES' CHURCH – NOTICES



St James' Church

JIMS PILGRIMS takes place every Sunday at 10.30am in the Church Hall (apart from when Messy Church is on). All children from the age of 3 are welcome to join us for stories, discussions, craft, singing and prayer.

MESSY CHURCH On the second Sunday of each month 'Messy Church' provides a way of being church for families involving fun and meeting at St. James' School, 10.00 – 11.30 am.

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April Flower Rota

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A View from the Pew

I am writing this as an "older person". For those of us nearer the end of our lives, we may need a wake-up call. So, is my life in order? Do I care enough to expend some of my time and energy on making life easier for those I love when the time comes for me to go? And, by the way, it's all very well saying "God has it all in hand" – that is true, but I believe He is concerned not just with our personal faith but also with the well-being of all those we love. It is all very well imagining that at our funeral someone will say "He (or she) had a good innings", but what about the rest of the team? To leave a mess behind us really is "just not cricket"! It is somewhat sobering to remember that we all start to be an "older person" from our very early days! However, there is no need to panic - just simply take sensible precautions thinking of the next generations and the new challenges they face daily. Being an active part of their future is our privilege, as "older persons"!

Bartimaeus

Letters or comments on the above article may be sent to the Parish Office stjameschurchalderholt@gmail.com

FROM THE VICAR

No-one likes living with uncertainty - whether its not knowing what your medical complaint is, or waiting for those school exam results, we'd all rather "just know", and then we can deal with it. I am writing this in early March, and we have no idea how big the coronavirus will spread, or how much it will impact ordinary life. The uncertainty makes some of us complacent and apathetic (it'll all be fine, why worry?), whilst others of us are hyper-anxious and afraid (I probably won't make it to Easter). It is unnerving because it is not normal, out of our usual experience. And here's where faith comes in. To follow Jesus is not to get a gold pass which means you never suffer or struggle. To pray to God doesn't mean that you'll win the lottery or that He's on your side. What it does mean is that we believe, or hope (interesting biblical word that, hope), that there is something bigger going on than just our day to day chaos, struggle and fear. That there is some order in the universe, some power greater than ourselves, and that no matter what we go through, as individuals or as a nation, God has promised to be with us. The story of the Bible (catch the audio files of the Lent course on - stjameschurchalderholt.com) tells us that this "God-being" is not angry or scary, or needing sacrifices or good behaviour to placate it, but that God actually made the world out of love. That he made humans in order to show his love to them (not as subjects who should obey, or minions whose worship he craves or needs). And its THIS God, the one who is nice and who likes us, who promises to always be with us. He was with the Israelites when they were in slavery in Egypt, he rescued them, and was with them during all their grumbling and turning away in the desert too. He was with Daniel in the lions den. He was with the people when they got taken into exile in Babylon, and he was with them when they came home. Psalm 23 says God will be with us, the good shepherd will be with us, when we walk through the valley of death, and afterwards will lay a feast at the table for us. This is the Big story of the Bible - and it is summed up in Jesus life. He spent his time with those at the edge, those rejected by society, those having a hard time through illness, bereavement, poverty, being the wrong gender, having the wrong job. And he went through the worst the devil could throw at him, even death, and came out the other side. He made a path, like Moses made a path through the Red Sea, that broke open death's gates and said anyone who follows me can have life, life everlasting, life in all its fullness. That's what Easter is about. So whatever happens with Coronavirus, the big story that I'm holding onto is that God will be with us through it all, and that there will be a way through in the end.

In the meantime, there is uncertainty about our Holy Week services, and even Recreate - keep watching the internet and posters and we'll keep you informed, and try not to worry.

And here's another part of my little story:

Last month found me in Peru, just a few months old, with my older sister and brother, and my Mum and Dad. Now here's the sad thing - 3 years in Peru, and then 2 years in Toronto in Canada, and I cannot remember a thing! My brother could remember Spanish, my sister remembered Canadian school - but me? Nothing. I'm told that I wandered up and down the beach in Lima, and was quite a celebrity owing to the unusual combination of dark hair and blue eyes. Whatever the reason I got fed lots of sweets from people, saying *porbrocito* (poor baby!) which set my teeth on a lifelong path to decay. There is the inevitable photo of me sat in my nappy in a tub of floor polish - but I don't remember it. You'd think I might even remember all the flying that we did. I'm told that on the flight up from New York to Canada, I was asleep on the floor, and as the plane turned, I rolled under the curtain and into the first class section (a tryer even then!). But no. My first memory is coming out of a giant packing case in our front drive, at my 5th home in 5 years, in Bedford, which is where we would stay until I was 19.

Revd Simon Woodley



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We are living through rather uncertain times at the moment aren't we? As I write, the government advice changes daily and it's tricky to know what to do. Can I go out? Should I stay in? Will this or that meeting be happening? Social media is awash with different opinions and it can be hard to know which way to turn because we've never been here before.

For direction in the current circumstances we need to look to medical advisors, but to find the right direction for our lives, the Bible that says: “I am the Lord your God, who teaches you what is best for you, who directs you in the way you should go.” How does God know what's best for us? Because he made us and he loves us. We live in a world that is broken and has lost it's way, but God hasn't left us on our own. The reason that Christians call the Friday before Easter GOOD Friday, is that God reached into our world to rescue us: through the death of his own son Jesus on the cross, taking the punishment for the wrong that we have done. If we trust in Him we're forgiven and set back in the right direction, in relationship with the one who made us.

I'm a huge fan of chocolate, but let's not get distracted from the reason we celebrate Easter. Jesus didn't stay dead, he came back to life and can bring us “back to life”, living in the way we were made to be, following the one who made us.

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“Heat or Eat?” That is the question many people face during the winter months. Foodbanks aim to alleviate hardship by providing emergency food for people in crisis.



One in five people in the United Kingdom (14.3 million) are defined as being in poverty and nearly half of these in persistent poverty. One in three children are in poverty. We live in a relatively affluent part of the country, but there are still people in Alderholt who are struggling.

The Ringwood Foodbank serves Alderholt through its Fordingbridge Distribution Centre. It is one of more than 400 Foodbanks around the country affiliated to the Trussell Trust.

The Fordingbridge Distribution Centre is open three days a week – Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays – between 12.30 and 2.30 in the United Reformed Church in Salisbury Street. In 2019 the Fordingbridge Distribution Centre saw a 67% increase in demand compared with 2018.

To use the Foodbank a client needs a voucher issued by a surgery, Citizens Advice Bureau, church, school or care professional. This will then be exchanged at the Foodbank Centre for three days’ worth of nutritionally-balance food, adjusted to meet the needs of each client. Despite the name, the Foodbank also offers essential non-food items such as toiletries, cleaning materials and other household products.

The Foodbank seeks to provide a friendly, supportive environment where clients can talk about their situation but only if they want to. They are offered a hot or cold drink while they wait for their goods to be packed. The supervisor will discuss their needs (special dietary requirements, children’s ages etc.)

Supplies for the Foodbank are donated by members of the public through donation points in supermarkets, churches etc. and through special collection days in local supermarkets, and special events such as Harvest and Christmas offerings. In Alderholt there is a donation point in the Co-op. Last year the largest Harvest donation received by the Ringwood Foodbank network came from the congregation at Alderholt Chapel.



Further information is available on the Foodbank website www.ringwood.foodbank.org.uk or the Facebook page, which also lists items that are currently in short supply.



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Tastes from a Country Kitchen

Everyone loves a bit of carrot cake. This is one I've made for a local coffee morning and was asked for the recipe so, here it is. This is quite a large cake, if you want to make it smaller reduce the recipe by 1 egg and 2oz of each of the other ingredients and bake in a slightly smaller tin.

Ingredients

- 10oz of caster sugar
- 10 oz of butter
- 5 eggs
- 10oz Grated carrot
- 12oz self-raising wholemeal flour
- 1 oranges
- 2 teaspoons of mixed spice
- 4oz sultanas (lightly chopped)



Orange butter cream

- 4oz softened butter
- 8 oz icing sugar
- juice from the orange

Cream together the sugar and butter.

Mix the eggs together in a jug and gradually add to the sugar/butter mix.

Stir in the flour, mixed spice grated orange peel, grated carrots and sultanas.

Line two 8 inch loose bottomed tins with grease proof paper.

Divide the mixture equally between the 2 tins.

Place in an oven heated to 180C. Check after 30 mins, if it doesn't look cooked check again in 5 mins. I forgot to record how long the cake takes to bake. I tend to check by gently opening the oven door and seeing if the mixture has set and shrunk away from the sides of the tin.

Turn out the cake on a rack to cool and mix the filling.

Orange Butter Cream - Beat together the ingredients and add extra icing sugar if the mixture is too runny. Whisk until light and fluffy.

Divide the butter cream and spread one half on each cake and sandwich them together. Decorate with icing carrots.

ANSWERS TO MARCH QUIZ

1. I am Liverpudlian but not Liverpool. What am I? **Everton Football Club.**
2. Name the French novelist and poet, born in 1802, who was exiled to Jersey and who wrote about a hunchback. **Victor Hugo.**
3. Who was the Hollywood star, born in 1928, who made her first film at the age of three, and who was famous for frilly dresses and ringlets? **Shirley Temple.**
4. Name the American actress famous for her violet eyes and voluptuous figure, who found fame as an Egyptian. **Elizabeth Taylor.**
5. Which type entertainment has cars but no roads, curves but no figure, and white knuckles? **Roller coaster.**
6. What has three classes, can be found underground or high up, and can be a target for ultra-modern hopes or lavish nostalgia? **Trains.**
7. I have a cake and a table named after me, and I'm used all round the world. What am I? **Coffee.**
8. Home to the Ross Sea and a species of flightless bird. Where is this? **Antarctica.**
9. Name the British lady who played a role in the Crimean War, and who received the Order of Merit in 1907? **Florence Nightingale.**
10. Name the Corsican who captured Toulon and who sold Louisiana to America. **Napoleon Bonaparte.**



OBITUARIES

Mildred 'Maisy' Lucas 5th November 1926 – 13th February 2020

Maisy's very good friend and neighbour, Val Swain, asked me to read this eulogy that she compiled from extensive notes written by Maisy in her last few years.

Maisy was born on Bonfire Night in 1926 in Balham, Wandsworth. Her family moved to Tooting a year later. Evacuated in 1939 with her school, found her in West Wittering in Sussex and again to Newport Pagnell in Buckinghamshire. Maisy started work when she was 15 years old, doing general office work, but in 1943 the Land Army called and Maisy was off to Norfolk and from Norfolk to Swanley in Kent. Amongst the many anecdotes Maisy told of her experiences was the one where the chap in charge of the girls; who had obviously returned to work after retirement due to the war; told her to milk the cows. Having thought (as she told him) that milk came from the milkman, he then instructed her to stand at the back of the cow, raise the cow's tail and move it up and down as one would with a water pump! I don't need to tell you what the result was; suffice to say, she told me, the smell, despite vigorous washing, followed her round for days.

Maisy returned to London in 1948 to bookkeeping jobs at various places of work until 1954 when she worked at Esso as a shorthand typist and secretary until her untimely retirement from there in 1977 due to her back problems, which were to follow her throughout her life.

Many organisations filled her life from Youth Hostelling, Hill Walking and Rambling to Rock Climbing, Badminton, which she enjoyed with her friend Olive Hall, Tennis and Table-Tennis; Folk Dancing which she said reminded her that she had two left feet and no sense of rhythm! and many more physical hobbies. Playing Bridge, and her lifetime favourite Scrabble, were her sedentary hobbies.

Maisy, with her dear friend Win, moved to Alderholt in 1987 where she was involved with many organisations within this village; helping to deliver Meals on Wheels for the W.R.V.S. , also at Luncheon Club, Flower Rota and the Trolley at Fordingbridge Hospital; Arthritis Care where she helped as Secretary and on the Sales Table, and at Friendship Club where she arranged for the Speakers, acted as Driver for those unable to get there unaided and also sent out the Birthday Cards to Members.

When Maisy's health deteriorated In 2016 she moved to Glynn Court Care Home in Fordingbridge, where she resided until she passed away. "A long and happy life" was how she described her life. God Bless M.

After the eulogy I continued with this brief address:

Back in the early 1970's, Maisy and her dear friend Win Champion, who some of you here today would have known, combined their resources with another friend, Daphne, and bought a home which they shared together. In 1977, when Maisy had to retire from work due to her disability, Win and Daphne continued to give her full support, both financially and as her carers. In 1987 Win's work necessitated her moving to this area, so she and Maisy moved to Alderholt and bought their home in Ash Close. That companionship continued until Win died in the early 1990s and her remains were buried in St James churchyard. After cremation, Maisy's remains will be buried in the plot with Win, so that they will be reunited in death as they were for much of their lives. I'm telling you this because it talks of a wonderful relationship that we all hope for but sometimes never seem to achieve.

Some of us are very open about the handling of our emotions while others prefer to be more reserved; expressing our feelings through actions rather than words. We heard in the eulogy, how Maisy was a very active person, participating in a variety of sports and hobbies, until the problems with her back left her pretty much disabled. Despite this, she remained active within this community right up to the time she moved from her home in Ash Close to Glynn Court Care Home in Fordingbridge.

Similarly, some of us are open with our religious belief while others have an inner faith that we prefer to keep private. Although Maisy was not a regular worshipper at Sunday services in church, she had a strong belief in God and lived out her life in a very Christian way, with love being her primary focus. Love of people, love of her garden – which she attended diligently despite her limited mobility – in fact a love of pretty much the whole of God's creation. It seems to me that Maisy's attitude to life does stand up well to St Paul's description of love – and God's love for mankind is the foundation of the Christian faith.

But now Maisy has gone and our Christian belief is that while death is an ending of our mortal life; it is also a portal into a new spiritual life in God's kingdom of love. and peace. So, we are saying not so much 'goodbye Maisy' but 'au revoir', or 'until we meet again'. It is my hope and prayer that Maisy will receive God's forgiveness for the things she got wrong in this life and will now be reunited with Win, resting in eternal peace. Amen.

Revd David Dennis

George Hitchman 2/5/25 - 26/10/19

Elsie Wilkinson - 17/6/21 - 6/5/11

Freda Hitchman - 26/3/29 - 22/5/00

The time is right to lay to rest not just George but also his beloved wife Freda and her sister Elsie.

This is also a chance to put right what went wrong at George's service at Poole crematorium. That can only be described as like the "goes wrong show" - this will be a time to put right, to mend and heal. And a time to let go. Without being too religious, this is a chance to redeem things.

George was born between the two world wars, in Balham London his father was a merchant seaman. George V was on the throne. His life had been defined by serving in the Royal Life Guards he had seen the regimental horses in the park as a child, he joined up in 1942 as many young men did. He saw active service and we have pictures of him in a tank in the Middle east.

He left the service in the 50's but was a member of the old comrades throughout his life, he enjoyed the camaraderie and special bond with other service members, he was often invited to events at both the London & Windsor barracks. Carrying the poppy wreath at the remembrance services he has also been invited to attend two Garden parties at Buckingham Palace and the remembrance service at the Royal Albert Hall.

After leaving the Life Guards he worked as a manager for Mars Confectioners and Hunters & Frankau cigars, the ones Winston Churchill smoked. we used to all the famous hotels in London but his favourite was always the Ritz. As Margaret was a teenager then we were often invited for afternoon tea at the Ritz.

Elsie and Freda were both born in Northumberland, their father worked as a coal cutter in the Blythe, the family moved south after the 2nd world war to be nearer their maternal grandparents as Mary their mother was suffering ill health the weather should have been milder, Initially they worked for Jones the Greengrocer in Holyport delivering firstly on a bike then in a van.

Elsie then joined the Inland revenue-Tax office in Maidenhead she had the same employer until she retired in 1984 although the Maidenhead office had since closed and she was based in Windsor.

Whilst Elsie never married, Freda's first marriage produced Mags, and Elsie was on hand nearby to offer much valued help and support while Mags was growing up. Elsie was a dear auntie to Mags, who was like a daughter to her. They cared for each other.

In 1973, Freda had met and married George and they still lived in Holyport nr Maidenhead Berkshire. Freda worked for the Commonwealth war graves commission in Maidenhead an interesting job especially with the military connections.

Freda and George moved to Alderholt in 1983, partly to be near to Freda's cousins, Lily & Arthur, John & Jackie, who then ran the post office here, opposite the Churchill Arms . They enjoyed life here in their retirement very much and were involved in village life, but after 17 years this came to a sudden end with Freda's death. It was a terrible blow and a shock for the family, Elsie thought it unfair as she was the elder sister, George spent the remainder of his life grieving her loss.

And so we have 3 people - and in this service, this is a chance to reflect on how we are shaped and formed our relationships. How we are given some people through circumstance of birth, how we choose others, how we make mistakes and make them right again, and the sadness that we feel when we lose something so good and precious in our lives. We might also learn that we all have opportunities to make the best, and to find the silver lining, and to have the courage to go for it even if the odds are stacked against us.

And this service is also an opportunity as George kept Freda's ashes, unable to part with them, so when he died there was a couple to be buried together. Elsie's wanted to be with her sister, waiting for the right place to set her to rest as well. So here is the circumstances of these 3, They are reunited as we lay them to rest in a peaceful spot, which will be undisturbed, and which will remain for future generations as a link to Alderholt.

USPG April 2020

I recently visited South Africa and would like to comment on some of the things I learnt, particularly in relation to what we already know about the work there of USPG and other missions over the years and which continues today.

Whilst there I took a "Township Tour" but only after I had researched this because it seemed almost obscene to go and look at poor people! However I had discovered that these tours are conducted by residents from the township who are keen to share their history, their culture, their pride in what they are achieving since their rise from the dark days of Apartheid and not least their gratitude to the rest of the world for the way in which they were supported in their struggles for freedom. One of the most surprising discoveries on this tour to the townships of Langa and Gugulethu was the way in which there are many signs of prosperity emerging within the townships. Many of the dwellings now have TVs, satellite dishes and cars parked nearby. Some residents have been able to rebuild within the townships and live in little bungalows such as we might find on any estate in this country. These are people who have risen from poverty but prefer to continue living within and helping their community....because COMMUNITY is a big word out there! One of the residents in Gugulethu showed us the museum they have created there and referred constantly to the 'missionaries' who over the years had helped them in their rise from oppression, and explained that they now work alongside them in their churches and communities. This gave me the opportunity to say that in the UK we no longer use the term missionary and I explained how USPG had renamed itself United Society Partners in the Gospel. He liked this a lot, wrote it down and used the term proudly later as we continued to talk.

We also visited Robben Island and the prison where Nelson Mandela was held. We were shown round by an ex-political prisoner who also very movingly thanked us for our country's part in overcoming Apartheid as he proudly showed us the prison kitchens where he worked as a cook for 8 years until his release. There were lumps in our throats and tears as he talked!

Such is the rise towards relative prosperity in South Africa that there is considerable pressure on the infrastructure of the country. Roads are crowded, there is a housing shortage, there are daily what we call power cuts. There it is called 'load shedding'. This is done on an almost daily basis when the majority can expect to have no power for 2 hours as the demand for power rises, related to the increasing prosperity and growth of industry, together with the government's lack of forward planning and maintenance of power plants. Water is also lacking and there was always a bucket in the shower to catch the used water for the garden or even to flush the loo!

Despite this I had an amazing adventure with my sister, travelling with a small group of 12 people plus leader from all over the world who rapidly became friends as we shared travelling, meals, hiking, canoeing, wine tasting, game-spotting and more together.

Christine Hensel USPG Secretary

APRIL QUIZ

1. Born in the 16th Century in Devon, England, his career was linked to tobacco and potatoes, and he was imprisoned in the Tower of London. Who was this?
2. I'm called thick when close to the ground, but people smile when I'm high. What am I?
3. Who created the animation for Monty Python?
4. Who, in 1806, became King George's favourite potter?
5. In the long-running British TV series, Coronation Street, what was the name of Minni Caldwell's cat?
6. What is painter and sculptor Michelangelo's full name?
7. Name the artist who was born in Milan in 1571 and was described during his lifetime as the most famous painter in Rome, despite having had a death warrant issued against him by the pope.
8. Whereabouts in London is the Stock Exchange?
9. What is the world's biggest spider?
10. Info.cern.ch is famous for being what?

PCC Update March 2020

Hello, everyone! As this is our first PCC update, I thought I would share with you what a PCC actually is! PCC stands for Parochial Church Council. According to Wikipedia, we are an executive committee responsible for the financial affairs of the church parish and the maintenance of its assets (i.e. the church building and the church hall). We are also responsible for promoting the mission of the church. Hopefully, this section will give you an update on what we discuss in our meetings, and any significant decisions that we make! Below, I've written a short update on what we discussed at our March PCC meeting.

Sadly, Christine Hensel will be handing in her notice next year as church warden, so we are looking for a deputy to be trained up this year, with a view to taking over from her in 2021. If you are interested in the role, or want to know more, please contact Christine Hensel or Roger Cutlack.

Vicar Simon informed us that we've been invited to display some signage to celebrate our Commonwealth war graves. These signs will be distributed freely by the Commonwealth War Graves Commission. We agreed that we will display the sign near our Commonwealth war graves, which are located towards the lychgate.

The team arranging the giant's tea party this year have been very busy, and gave us a update on what they have planned. Saturday 4th July will be focused more on the children, with face painting and mocktails. Then, the grown-ups will get to have their turn on Sunday 5th July with some live music from the Millstream Orchestra and the Flamin' Ukes. Make sure you save the date!

We've all been doing our homework to find out what the congregation's views are on hiring a children and families' worker. The overall feeling seems to be positive, but a lot of you had questions. This will be covered at the APCM on 23rd April, so make sure you come along to get your questions answered!

As we seem to be heading further towards becoming a cashless society, we've been looking into the possibility of purchasing a contactless collection plate. Nigel Cooke, our treasurer, will be attending a course on this soon, so we look forward to hearing about what he learns.

Finally, following Recreate's 'messy mornings', Messy Church will be moving to the first Sunday of the month and will be down at the village hall. This should give us some more space, so we can separate our breakfast and our activities. We hope to see you there on 3rd May!

Michaela Dale

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At Alderholt Parish Council's meeting on 9th March the following statement was presented by Councillors English, Godsall and Morris;

"We joined the Council keen to put time and effort into representing the views of local people. What we found was a complacent and failing organisation. Staff were over-worked because there was no effective time management. Some long-standing Councillors have done nothing but block progress on any new initiatives.

Most organisations recruiting volunteers will make them welcome and make use of their skills. Instead we faced open hostility. We have seen attacks on the Council chairman, members standing up and shouting at meetings, dishonest accusations and stubborn negativity.

In May the council unanimously declared a climate emergency, but every proposal made to support this declaration has been thwarted. An example is our proposal to plant trees around the recreation ground which was met with spurious objections. This is in stark contrast with the actions of Ringwood council which provided space for 500 trees in response to a request made by a local action group. Other proposals for enhanced recycling facilities have also been frustrated. Some long-standing members of the council appear to relish finding problems with proposals to support the climate emergency declaration, rather than finding solutions.

Alderholt Parish Council was failing long before we joined; problems in the relationship with Alderholt Recreation Association have festered for years. Despite Councillor Logan also representing the village on East Dorset District Council it seems that Alderholt was the last parish to find out about local plan proposals to build over 1000 new houses here. Parishes like Holt and Burton were taking action to fight inappropriate development early in 2018, whereas Alderholt PC claimed ignorance until there was a local outcry in September of that year.

We have put forward initiatives like a Neighbourhood Plan with an identified source of funding.

Unfortunately some people on the Council have done everything possible to find problems with this initiative in order to first prevent it and then delay it. Other parishes in Dorset have been effective at influencing local planning and are, in some cases, 2 years ahead with their Neighbourhood Plans.

We have made efforts to build bridges and foster teamwork within the Council, suggesting informal meetings to help resolve issues without taking up staff time. Requests for these meetings have been ignored. Some members appear to prefer to criticise proposals at council meetings rather than develop policies and actions. The friction caused has increased stress on staff and we are no longer willing to be part of an organisation which behaves like this. It is with great regret and concern that we resign from Alderholt Parish Council. There is a culture of "we know best" at APC which must change. We can only hope that by standing aside tension will be reduced and allow the new APC to function at some level and to take action on the projects that is urgently needed."



Apr 2020

In an Alderholt garden

Alexa, knowing my interest in gardening jokes told me this one 'How do trees feel in spring'? 'Relieved', and so am I.

Alexa, I'm off down the flower border: It's been soooo wet I haven't seen much of the garden at close quarters for months. Hopefully as soon as I'm able to get back out there the enthusiasm will soon erupt and time will just disappear. Sweet pea plants sown in the autumn can be planted out, the hole allowing plenty of room for their deep roots. Large clumps of anchusa can have their flowering period extended by cutting off some of the stems when they have reached a foot in height, back to ground level. These will then shoot again and flower after the first flush have died off. Evergreen trees and shrubs can still be planted. Weed borders before they seed, particularly removing bittercress, celandine and chickweed. Begin to spray roses against blackspot. Stake perennials when required. Continue to protect against slug damage. Trim up grey leaved shrubs to tidy and keep them bushy. Tidy up shrubs which have suffered winter damage like photinia. Cut back sambucus grown for its lovely foliage, rather than for its flower. At the time of writing our daffodils are still flowering prolifically, as seed heads develop they can be removed unless saving seed, in which case leave one or two. Source summer bedding for planting out after hardening off. Tie in the new shoots of climbers.

If you are behind, understandably, like me, complete last month's tasks if you need to!

Down in the veg. patch: Hoe rows around seed sown last month. Remove cloches gradually hardening off winter sown crops. The cloches can be used for tenderer veg. sown now, if required. New asparagus beds dug and prepared earlier, can be set up by seed or plants, if the latter, then take out a trench 9" deep and wide and spread the spidery roots evenly in the trench. If you place each one on the top of a little mound of soil, the roots spread out easily. The crown should be about 4" below the surface after filling in. Rows 4' apart and plants 18" to 2' apart in rows. Don't harvest in the first year. Sow broad beans, French beans, beet (at end of month), cabbage family, carrot, herbs, kohlrabi, lettuce, onion, peas, radish, spinach and turnips. Continue to plant potatoes (see last month).

Fruit: Feed fruit. If you haven't mulched recently, then do this now with well-rotted farmyard manure or compost. Plant new pot-grown fruit.

Under glass: Ventilate well when weather allows. Damp down paths on warm days to minimize red spider problems. Shade young seedlings on very bright days. Plant up plug bedding plants if required, but protect from frost on very cold nights. If you have space, hanging baskets can be planted up ready for putting out after hardening off next month. Sow half-hardy annuals. Prick out plants sown last month. Growbags or ring culture pots can be planted up with cucumber, tomatoes etc. Runner beans can be sown in 3 to 4" pots. Seeds, as listed last month can be sown for succession.

Lawns: Checking our back lawn this afternoon, it has been under pools of water a large part of the winter and yet there is very little moss. The front lawn which is much dryer is full of moss, as gardener, 'Old Don used to say 'Gardening is not an exact science Les'. Remember, if raking the moss, to rake into the centre of the moss to avoid spreading the spores, (not out from the centre). Begin mowing the lawn regularly, once a week. Feed established lawns. Repair bumps and humps by peeling back turf and removing or adding soil then replacing the turf. New lawns can be sown/turfed if ground was prepared last month, if not prepare well now and sow/turf next month.

Ponds: Can be cleaned out. Not easy if, like ours, you get frogspawn. Some experts say, "Don't clean them out, just clean the pumps and filters," but, with small ponds, the debris which blows in does build up over time and it's difficult to run the filtering system, if you have frogspawn, then tadpoles etc.

My racing snail was losing races by a tentacle so I took his shell off to make him sleeker and faster, but it just made him more sluggish. Hope the ground soon dries out. Les Sacre

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On 8th May 1945 Nazi Germany surrendered unconditionally marking the end of WW2 in Europe. The war had lasted for six years and cost the lives of millions of people and caused huge suffering in the countries involved. In London large crowds gathered in Trafalgar Square, The Mall and outside Buckingham Palace where King George V1, Queen Elizabeth and Winston Churchill appeared on the balcony.

There were similar scenes in cities, towns and villages across the country. The Salisbury Journal records that the streets in Fordingbridge were decorated with flags and bunting and at 3pm a peal of bells was rung by the bell ringers of St Marys Church. In the evening, "the largest crowd ever seen in Fordingbridge filled the streets. After the King's speech the crowds took part in the dancing which continued until the early hours of Wednesday morning. In the Market Place Mrs Greenland's dance band supplied the music for one party and in the High Street there was a radiogram and a piano."

The signing of the peace had been anticipated after Hitler's suicide on 30th April was reported so communities had time to prepare their celebrations. In his speech to the British people Churchill said, "We may allow ourselves a brief period of rejoicing," reminding them that Japan remained unsubdued. In Fordingbridge the Journal reports that, "during the evening a huge bonfire was lit on the island in the river" and that a service in the parish church was, "well attended". The paper reports that on Wednesday, "dancing by a large crowd again took place in the Market Place to music from a radiogram and a Mr. C Jefferies and the Grant Brothers kept the onlookers amused." It does not say who these people were and how exactly they were so amusing. The account goes on to say that the dancing was repeated on Saturday night and on Sunday a parade and united service was held. The parade assembled in Church Square and marched to the Memorial Gardens for the service. It was led by the Salvation Army band and included representatives from the town such as the British Legion, clergy, police, Home Guard and school children, many of whom carried flags.

One local man had a special reason to be pleased that it was VE day. The paper reports that Frank Brockway of North Gorley was fined twenty shillings for poaching game with eleven shillings and eight pence costs. The Chairman of the Bench, "remarked that on account of the day he had been treated lightly."

Celebrations in Fordingbridge were more dignified than those in East Grimstead. The paper reports that an effigy of the, "late lamented Adolf Hitler" was, "propelled by kicks and shoves by the lads of the village" along the village streets. The effigy was then, "strung up to a beam in the village hall." After this it was taken to the village green where it was burnt on a bonfire whilst, "the assembled company danced round the fire singing old and present popular ditties".

If you or your friends and relatives memories of VE Day in Fordingbridge or photographs or artefacts from the time please let Fordingbridge Museum know by ringing 01425 654322 or 01425 657850

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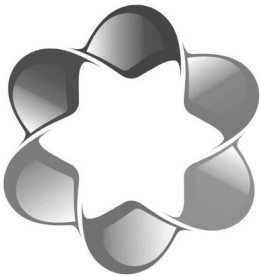
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Friendship Club	Cancelled for April and May	
Ladies Badminton	Wednesday 8, 15, 22, 29	2 pm – 4 pm
Keep Fit Classes	Thursday 2, 9, 16, 23, 30	10 am - 11:15 am
Skittles	Thursday 9, 23	2 pm – 4 pm
Pilates	Thursday 2, 9, 16, 23, 30	7.30 – 8.30 & 8.35 – 9.35
Short Mat Bowls Club	Friday 3, 10, 17, 24	2 – 4.30pm

VILLAGE HALL EVENTS

Monday 13, 27	BINGO	7:30Pm
Saturday 18	Saturday Craft and Produce Market	

Please check groups for meeting times!

More information : www.alderholtvillagehall.org.uk



Alderholt Craft & Produce Fair

The market is held in Alderholt Village Hall on the following Saturdays each month selling local hand-made crafts and local produce. Coffee, tea and cakes always available.

2020

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Groups and Organisations

Friendship Club

Our monthly meeting held in the Village Hall was not as well attended as usual. We were hoping, desperately, to elect a new Leader and Committee to run the Club and to prevent closure of this popular activity. Val, our Leader, has sadly decided to retire in order to spend more time with her husband, Ray, who is not as well as he used to be. Four long-standing members of the Committee have also decided to stand down. In order for our Friendship Club to survive we need new members to take charge of running the club. PLEASE HELP !

Yours sincerely, Elizabeth "E"

There will be no meeting on the 1st April due to the anxieties over the Coronavirus.

Good Companions

Last month it was lovely to spend a happy afternoon with our friends and catch up on news. This month our tea party will be on Thursday 16th at 2.30.

I hope you all have a very happy Easter. JB

Skittles Club

This report covers three meetings the first being on the 13th February. Ray W. scored a nine with his first throw then in two throws in his second go a magnificent twelve. Tony also did very well scoring a ten in two throws. Our second meeting on the 27th February wasn't so successful as nobody managed to score any higher than an eight. John and Bill had the joint highest score, however, on the 12th March Christine scored an eleven in one go and there were many members who scored eights. Lesley had the highest score.

Our next meeting (assuming we are not prevented from meeting due to Covid-19 strain) will be on Thursday 26th March at 2 p.m. as usual. If you enjoy a lovely social afternoon every other Thursday without having to be any good at skittles do join us, we would love to see you. V.S.

Alderholt Tennis Club



Find out more about tennis in Alderholt by coming along to the evening in Alderholt Sports and Social Club on April 2nd at 7.30. This is a brilliant opportunity for anyone who would like to find out about tennis in Alderholt as well as an opportunity for existing members to socialise and pay their subscription for 2020.

The evening will commence at 7.30 pm following our first club night play of the summer which commences at 5.30 pm. So please come along for a chat and find out more about the club or just to socialise with friends. All are welcome and if you are considering joining or would just like to try us out, why not come at 5.30 and have a game.

Junior Coaching

We will also shortly be publishing our junior coaching dates so if you have a budding player in the family come and talk to us about the summer coaching programme. Full details will be published on our website, Facebook page and on the club noticeboard.

Alderholt Tennis Club is a small friendly club and we welcome players of all levels and abilities so why not check out our web page www.alderholttennisclub.com, find us on Facebook www.facebook.com/alderholttennisclub

Groups and Organisations

FORDINGBRIDGE CAMERA CLUB

My 1913 book of guidance for husbands says, “Don’t always assume that it is always your wife who is wrong whenever you have a difference of opinion. After all, you are not infallible.” If she says she would like to go to the FREE Fordingbridge Camera Club Exhibition Friday 15th and Saturday 16th May 2020 in the Town Hall, she could be right!! This will be a display of Club Members’ work and some from local schools and organisations: Fordingbridge, Ringwood and Sandleheath Beavers, Forres Sandle Manor School and Burgate School are taking part and exhibiting some of their work. Our website, www.fordingbridgecameraclub.org.uk contains our programme of talks by visiting top photographers and experienced club members. These are coupled with opportunities to show your work on top quality equipment and have it commented on by experienced photographic judges. In addition to our regular meetings, we devote many evenings to those who want, as a group, to set themselves new challenges and then to review the results collectively. We meet at Avonway Community Centre at 7.30pm most Wednesdays. Visitors are always welcome to all our meetings for a small charge. This winter and spring weather has been hard for gardeners. I have a rock garden. Last week three of them died. Things you learn in life: Mistakes are part of being human; appreciate your mistakes for what they are: precious life lessons that can only be learned the hard way. Unless, alas, it’s a fatal mistake, from which, at least, other can then learn. And a final thought from my 1913 book of advice for husbands – “Don’t take the attitude that wives, like children, should be seen and not heard. No doubt you are a very clever fellow, and it is an education for her to listen to you, but she also may have some views worth mentioning”. Oh for the Good Old Days!

Fordingbridge Flower Club

We had a very enjoyable evening on Monday March 2nd.

An excellent talk by Pip Bensley entitled “Chelsea Secrets”, Pip showed us and talked it through how a garden was put together .

A lot of work goes into the design and planting first the trees and then the plants. Pip worked for Hilliers Garden Centers for 27 years, and has won 3 individual Gold Medals at Chelsea Flower Show, and been involved with many Gold’ Medals with Hilliers.

Thank You Pip for an excellent talk, it was lovely to see so many members and friends.

Our meetings are in St Mary’s Church Hall the first Monday of the month at 7:30, visitors welcome £5 per person, our next meeting is a Practical Without Oasis, on April the 6th do come along.

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ALDERHOLT PARISH COUNCIL

Report for March 2020

Acting Clerk

Following the resignation of Maria Humby, the Parish Clerk, Kate Mason will be acting Clerk until a new Clerk is appointed. The vacancy is currently being advertised.

Parish Councillor Vacancies

There are currently 3 vacancies on the Parish Council following the resignation of Cllrs English, Godsall and Morris. A notice of vacancy has been posted to the website and noticeboard.

New Parish Councillors

At the extraordinary meeting held on the 9th March, Steve Butler and Stuart Greenland were co-opted onto the Parish Council.

Planning Applications

[There were no applications received during February.](#)

Annual Parish Meeting

The Annual Parish Meeting date has changed and will now be held on **Monday 6th April 2020 at 730pm** in Alderholt Village Hall.

Somerley HWRC

Cllr Tooke advised the following in his March report to Council.

‘There are a lot of questions being raised regarding access to Somerley HRC, many prompted by an article in the previous edition of Ringwood and Fordingbridge News. I’d like to take the opportunity to reiterate that Dorset residents will not be charged to use the HRC. Dorset Council has come to an agreement with Hampshire County Council and the method of registration for Dorset residents will be announced by HCC in due course.’

In the meantime, if anyone is told they need to pay when they go to the tip then decline and advise Cllr Tooke so he can follow this up.

Parish Council Meetings

The next meeting of the Parish Council will be held on Monday 20th April 2020 at 7.00pm. The next Planning Committee meeting is scheduled for Monday 6th April 2020 at 6.30pm (Committee meetings are subject to change, so please check the noticeboard and/or Parish Council website for most up to date information).

Members of the public are welcome to attend. All meetings are held in the Committee room at the front of the Village hall. Please refer to the notice board or Parish office for agendas and details of the meetings.

Parish Office

Please note over the next few weeks, due to staffing problems, there may be a delay in the replying to emails and phone calls and office opening times may be altered.

Alderholt Parish Council office is open to the public on Monday mornings (with the exception of bank holidays), from 10.00 am until 12.00 noon. The Parish Council deals with a wide range of issues within the village. These include allotments, the recreation ground, highway maintenance, planning issues plus many more. Please call in to see us if you have any queries.

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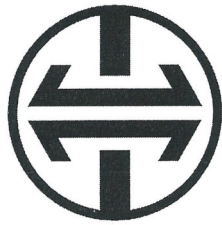
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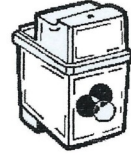
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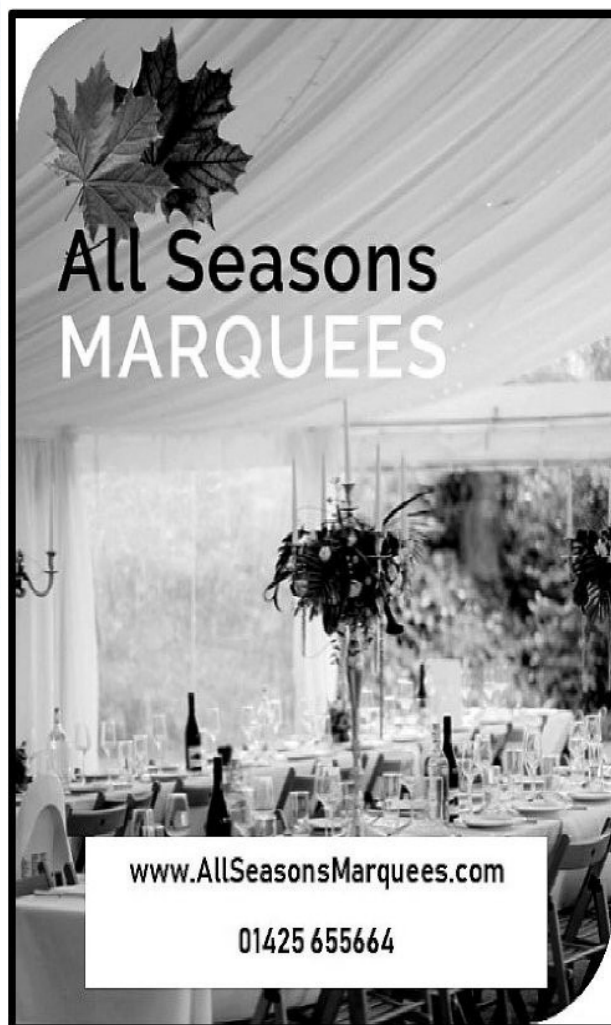
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