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**BENEFICE MAGAZINE – August 2020**  
**Edition for the Parishes of Herriard with Winslade, Tunworth,**  
**Upton Grey and Weston Patrick**

**Letter from the Ministry Team**

This morning the clergy team met to finalise plans for our first services back in church since the beginning of lockdown way back in March. The logistics to manage things safely are quite considerable and so there was, of course, plenty to discuss; the energy in the room was palpable. Once some of us (me!) had mastered the new technical skills required, leading worship online has been a wonderful journey of learning and discovery. Most of all, it has been pure joy to hear from so many of you that you have followed weekday online services and/or



one (or even both) of the Sunday services, most of you at the time of its ‘première’, for others at a moment later in the day. Amongst the team there was this morning, a sense of relief coupled with excitement that we can meet again in our magnificent church buildings to worship as a gathered community of followers of Jesus Christ. This same Jesus Christ who said, “And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age” (Matthew 28:20).

During this long period of lockdown some people may have felt isolated and cut off from their communities, including church communities. Perhaps some have felt as if they were alone, as if Jesus was not with them, as if they were somehow forgotten, and they may have longed for things to go back to the way they were before lockdown started. As churches begin to open much is being written about how we should do this, what it means, and whether we can ‘return to normal’. I wonder if anything in any walk of life can return to exactly the way it was before, because so much has changed and on top of that we have to adjust to new restrictions and regulations in order to keep ourselves and others safe.

I have family in Suffolk and Norfolk, so I often hear what's happening in that part of the country. Recently the Bishop of Norwich commented: "During lockdown I sense that Church of England communities have asked less, 'Will you come to this?' or 'will you buy that?' and have asked more, 'how can we help?' and 'what do you need?' and 'can we pray for you?'" And he goes on to say that, "far from being absent we have been more present serving our neighbour". Then began an online discussion about the delicate balance between the church worrying about falling numbers and how to pay its bills (the Bishop's first two questions above), and whether it could at the same time serve its communities faithfully (his next three questions). An interesting and relevant discussion that perhaps we will be drawn into as well as time goes on in relation to our own network of churches.

Over the last few months, we have found new ways of relating to one another, and of worshipping and praying together. As we go forward, what is to stop us holding on to what we have learned and are now doing, and even to continue to look for other new ways to put our energy and hopes into? Sometimes the time is right to make a move to something new and different and perhaps that right time is now. Perhaps now is just the time to collect and take with us the best of past traditions in all aspects of our lives, and to add some new and innovative things that we have discovered and learned during this period of lockdown and have found fruitful and helpful.

In the Jewish tradition there is a collection of ethical teachings - Pirkei Avot: Sayings of the Fathers - and in one of these the rabbi says, "It is not your responsibility to finish the work of perfecting the world, but neither are you free to desist from it". (Pirkei Avot 2:16) I hear those words as an invitation to truthfulness, authenticity, honesty, integrity and creativity. They hold a vision of the work before us and, as we take our tentative steps towards collective worship again in whatever its form, I hope that these words will lead us to the joy and peace of a life lived knowing that Jesus is with us always, to the end of the age.

With best wishes and every blessing.

**Revd Linda Scard**

## **FROM THE REGISTERS**

**Funeral** Trevor Hart at Basingstoke Crematorium on June 29th

## CHURCH NEWS

### **Public worship restarting**

Public worship in churches is now possible again, and in August there will be Sunday services in six of the twelve North Hampshire Downs churches (mainly the larger buildings) - a mixture of contemporary and traditional, formal and less formal, communion and non-communion. Congregational singing is not yet permitted, but most of the services will contain music - including live organ music or recorded music before and after the service.

Generally the Holy Communion services will be the standard Common Worship (in modern language) but there will be the following Book of Common Prayer communion services (in traditional language): in All Saints Odiham on August 2nd at 9.00am (said) and August 16th at 9.00am (with music), and in St Mary's Mapledurwell on August 23rd at 9.00am (with music).

The non-communion services will be a mixture of contemporary worship (with recorded modern songs) and more traditional services with recorded hymns.

In this group of four churches there will be services in Herriard and Upton Grey: in **Upton Grey** Holy Communion on August 2nd & 16th at 9.00, and a more informal service on August 9th & 23rd at 11.00; in **Herriard** Holy Communion on August 9th & 23rd at 9.00, and a more informal service on August 2nd & 16th at 11.00.

On August 30th, being a fifth Sunday, there will be a single service in the benefice - venue to be confirmed.

Please see the website [moretolife.church](http://moretolife.church) for details of services in other churches.

A further service schedule will be published for September (it is hoped that an expansion in the nature and quantity of services will be possible).

### **Requirements to keep everyone safe during public worship**

In order to comply with social distancing guidelines, seating capacity in all churches is much reduced. Spacing in this group of historic churches is as close to 2 metres as is reasonably practical, but as a result of space constraints it may at times be closer to 1 metre. Mitigations being taken include hand sanitising on entering and leaving the building, the congregation mainly facing in the same direction during the service, and optimum ventilation. There are reports that face coverings will soon be mandatory in churches, but at the time of writing they are optional.

In order not to have to turn anyone away while there is significantly reduced seating capacity, everyone wishing to attend a service is asked please to **pre-register** (no later than the day before the service) **by sending an email to [nhdbchurchservices@gmail.com](mailto:nhdbchurchservices@gmail.com)** to say:

- Name, address, and telephone number.
- Which service you would like to attend (e.g. August 2nd 9.00am Upton Grey).
- How many adults and children will be attending from your household.

It is hoped that everyone wishing to attend each service can be accommodated, but if capacity has already been reached when your email is received you will be informed and will be offered ‘first priority’ at the following week’s service.

At Holy Communion services only bread will be distributed (the logistics for receiving communion will be clearly explained).

For the time being it will not be possible to offer separate children’s groups at services, but families are invited to feel free to bring books, toys, games etc, and the clergy will of course be endeavouring to engage children directly as much as they can.

### **Services online**

Recognising that some parishioners are not in a position to attend services in church, online streamed services are continuing.

The traditional Sunday streamed service is now available from 9.00am - please see the links on the News page of [moretolife.church](http://moretolife.church) or search YouTube for “North Hampshire Downs Churches”.

The weekday morning streamed services of ‘Morning Prayer’ or ‘Thought for the Day’, and the previous 11.15am streamed informal Sunday service, are being discontinued for the time being, but an equivalent informal service open to the public now takes place on Sunday in All Saints Odiham at 11.00.

In addition to streamed services, the Church of England has established ‘Daily Hope’, a telephone line offering music, prayers and reflections as well as full worship services from the Church of England. The line, which is available 24 hours a day on 0800 804 8044, has been set up particularly with those unable to join online church services in mind.

### **Churches open for private prayer**

Most of the 12 North Hampshire Downs churches are open for private prayer and quiet reflection at some point during the week.

**St Mary's Upton Grey** is open for private prayer from 10.00 to 5.00 on Wednesdays and Sundays (though noting that there are public services on August 9th and 23rd at 11.00). On most Wednesdays the Revd Simon Butler is in church between 4.00 and 5.00 to pray with, and for, anyone who would like to.

**St Lawrence Weston Patrick** is open for private prayer on Thursdays from 3.00 to 4.00pm.

**St Mary's Herriard** and **All Saints Tunworth** are traditionally kept locked, but access for private prayer is now possible again in the same ways as before lockdown.

Please see [moretolife.church](http://moretolife.church) for details of the opening times of other churches.

If you would like to pray with someone or ask the clergy team to pray for someone, please email: [prayer-requests@moretolife.church](mailto:prayer-requests@moretolife.church).

### **Local Village Help and Support Contacts in this Crisis**

Most of you are familiar with the support systems in your villages initiated at the beginning of lockdown. If not, check with the Church Wardens or Parish Council (numbers on the inside front cover).

### **Odiham Foodbank – Please Help in this Crisis!**

Emergency food and support for local people in crisis. If you could do with help or if you can support us by donating food, please contact us - [odihamfoodbank@gmail.com](mailto:odihamfoodbank@gmail.com), 07387 116947. The new Foodbank is open Mondays and Thursdays 1.30-3pm at the Church Offices, Ostlers Place, Deer Park View, Odiham RG29 1JY. Donations welcome at the Foodbank at these times, or at the Coop in Odiham High Street any time.



# KidsZone

## From Helen Chatfield, Youth Pastor

It might be Independence Day in The US, but here in The UK July the 4th will now for ever be known as the day the parks opened up!

It's been so lovely to hear the laughing voices of so many children enjoying their first swing, slide and hang for over three months - for some for the first time ever! I know so many of you have missed being able to play with your friends on the climbing frames and trim trails and it's been really hard to walk past them day after day, and not be able to have a go...

As we gradually come out of lockdown, I wonder what else you've missed... Grandparents, holidays, school...?

Looking back, I wonder what we will miss about lockdown? Sunny afternoons in the garden, long walks, **no school...!?**

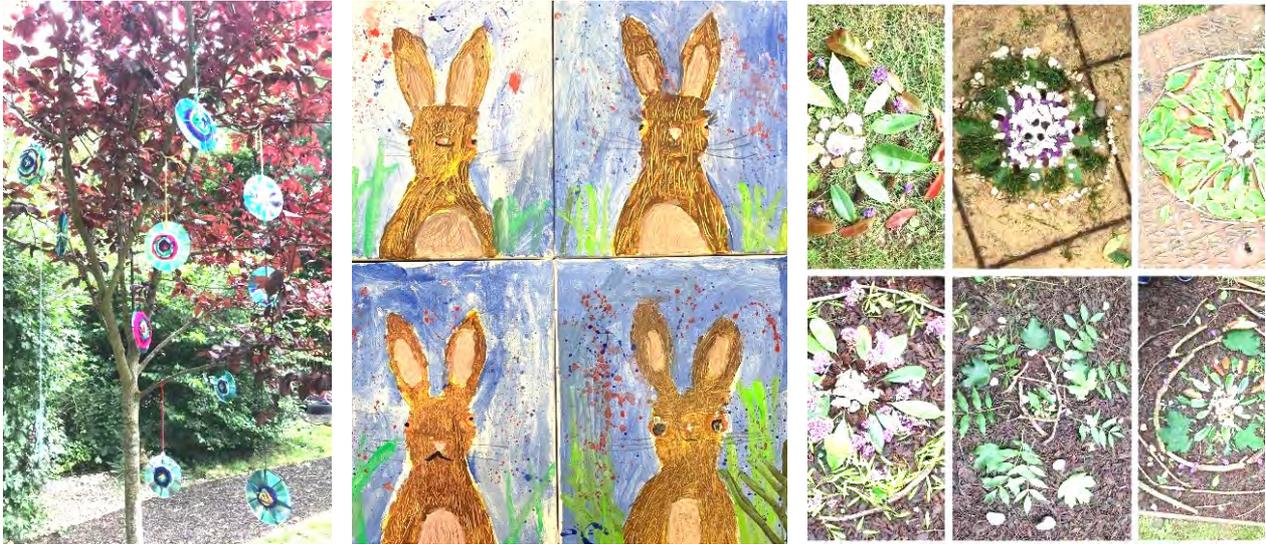
One of the things I will miss most is how generous people have been. How many times I have seen people looking out for their neighbour, going shopping for a friend, writing a note to check someone is OK.

Ollie and Freya delivered home-made banoffee pie, made as part of one of our Zoom bakes, to neighbours who they thought would appreciate them.



Well done, guys!

Another thing I'm going to miss is how peaceful the world has been. Without so many cars, airplanes and people, nature seems to have slowed right down. As part of Art Week, children from Long Sutton School created pieces of art using the natural world, to remind them just how precious God's creation is.



The thing is, just because lockdown is changing, I don't want these things to change! In The Bible, God tells us to love our neighbours as ourselves, always putting others before ourselves, and to care for creation, because it was His special gift to us.

So, this summer I've got some very special challenges for you!

- ♥ Remember to be kind to others. We can never know what other people are going through, so always share a smile and a kind word.
- ♥ Enjoy the natural world. Take time to go for long walks, listen to the birds sing, feel the breeze on your face.
- ♥ Take care of our planet. We've seen how beautiful our world is when we don't spoil it. Recycle your rubbish, don't waste electricity, leave the car behind.

**Helen Chatfield, Youth Pastor**  
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## NEWS FROM THE VILLAGES

### The Upton Grey Shop

#### *Fruit and veg in the Upton Grey Shop - fresher and cheaper*

From today on, fresh fruit and veg is delivered to the village shop THREE times a week, on Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday mornings. Suki has secured a new supplier, meaning not only that the produce is fresher, but in many instances it is cheaper too. That means you'd often pay more in a supermarket. So why not do all your shopping in the village? Thanks so very much for your support.

**Hugh Chevallier, Chair, UG Village Hall**

PS From Friday 24 July, you will need to wear a mask in all shops (including the village shop). Please continue to enter via the village hall, wash your hands before touching any items, and leave down the ramp.



### **46 NHS Hampers Delivered - Time to take a break!**

Just a note to thank you all once again for your donations to the NHS tuck hampers.

With the announcement that Basingstoke Hospital is now officially Covid-free, and the mood reported to be 'calmer and normalising', it seems the right time to 'pause' our provision of tuck, in the knowledge that we can 'resume' should a second wave hit North Hampshire.

To date we have collected and delivered 46 boxes of goodies: 28 to the hospital, 13 to GP surgeries, 3 to a local care home and 2 to the hospice. This afternoon I delivered one to the Whitewater Surgery in Hook (who have housed the HantsDoc out of hours service during the pandemic) and they specifically wanted me to pass on their thanks and appreciation. I also delivered one to the Odiham Health Centre - where our tuck deliveries are not only gratefully received but have given us a rather wonderful reputation amongst the staff!!!

Your generosity has touched many, only last week this was sent to me from a member of hospital staff:

*A quick note to say "Thanks" to the all the kind hearted folks from Upton Grey and the surrounding villages to all our NHS staff. This note should have been sent earlier... I've voiced it several million times but never actually sent a personal note. I hope you get the time to convey our heartfelt gratitude for all their various donations to see us through those difficult times.*

**Millie White**

### **Police Report from PC Andy Reid**

Dear Residents, I am seeking any information in relation to a burglary between 01:30 and 02:00 am on June 23rd 2020, at the building site in Weston Road, near L.HUNTS in which a road sweeper vehicle, the one seen in pedestrian areas and not the lorry version, was stolen and driven around the site before tipping over onto its side. I am aware from CCTV that two people were seen to be walking in Weston Road about this time, one had a pedal cycle. If anyone can assist, please give me a call direct and as always, all calls treated in strictest confidence. This has the hall marks of local involvement.

Fortunately, there are no other reported crimes of notes within the parishes of this magazine. We are however investigating a burglary to a farm building at Ellisfield about midnight on July 5th in which a quad bike was stolen and abandoned on the A339 on Police arrival. This is part of a series of similar crimes in North Hampshire involving the theft of quad bikes and similar all-terrain vehicles. If you own such equipment please keep it secured and in an alarmed building, consider a tracking device as these do work and we have successfully managed to recover stolen property using them.

On June 21st in the car park of The Hoddington Arms, two men were seen in a black Suzuki Vitara FD53 \*\*\* their presence caused concern to a member of the public. The men in the vehicle were also seen talking to men in a blue Peugeot GU54 \*\*\*. Both vehicles and the

men inside caused concern to a member of the public who reported their presence. Please be aware and report any suspicious vehicles / incidents that you may see in our area.

As you may also be aware there has been an increase in illegal RAVES across the country. Sadly, in Upton Grey we have experienced such events in the past, as such I ask residents to please report any possible events taking place. Signs include material tied to trees as an indicator, large numbers of vehicles coming through the area in the early hours, loud music and groups of people walking around the area not wearing suitable walking attire.

Finally, since the easing of the lockdown situation we have experienced an influx of illegal cold callers to homes across the North Hampshire area. These are young men, usually from the north east of the country with large holdalls of household cleaning items such as wipes, cloths etc. To carry out visits to homes they need to have possession of a Police issued Pedlars Certificate, this has to be obtained from a Police Station and is only provided if the applicant is of good character and has no previous criminal convictions. If someone calls and produces a 'Hawkers Certificate', it is NOT a lawful document and the caller is carrying out an illegal practice. In the past some have been rude and abusive when told no by residents. I ask if they call at your door please let me know. If available, I will come and if I see them calling, I will deal with them. Frequently these people will say they have been released from Prison, ex-Forces, unemployed etc. However, what they are doing is illegal and it is my experience that everyone that I have dealt with has various previous convictions for various offences. The items they are selling can be purchased lawfully considerably cheaper elsewhere. Many thanks for your support as always.

**Andrew REID**, Local Constable, PC 3746, Tel: 01256 389050, Mob: 07768:776844, [andrew.reid@hampshire.pnn.police](mailto:andrew.reid@hampshire.pnn.police)

### **Help a Child Maintain Their Education in the Next School Year**

As parents, many of us know the importance of our children having access to computers in order to keep up with education. More and more assignments are completed and submitted remotely and children without regular access to technology are disadvantaged compared to their peers. Covid-19 and its restrictions have only exaggerated this disadvantage.

Fleet Lions Club had begun an initiative to collect, refurbish and donate computers to families whose children do not have access to them. Their efforts have continued during lockdown and have now extended

into the Basingstoke area via the Basingstoke Volunteer Association and local Lions Clubs. Since lockdown, the initiative has been able to donate over 300 computers to families to assist children with remote learning. However, there is always a need for more technology.

Every year, millions of still-usable, surplus PCs are sent to landfills or put into storage. Getting the maximum use out of existing computers - through programs that support donation, refurbishment, and redistribution of used PCs - is also an environmentally responsible choice. These refurbished PCs help make technology accessible to people and organizations that cannot afford new computers.

If you would like to donate any old technology to help a child achieve their potential, please email Sarah Williams at [swilliams@bvaction.org.uk](mailto:swilliams@bvaction.org.uk) who will arrange collection. Alternatively, please email [it@fleetlions.org.uk](mailto:it@fleetlions.org.uk) for more information and to donate. Thank You.

### **Farming This Month**

June has brought a start to harvest for us at Hyde Farm with the Hybrid Rye being forage harvested in the middle of June. The crop ripened about a week earlier than expected and the yields showed that the extreme wet weather over the Winter has had an effect on the crop, with a significant drop in yield. This crop is harvested with a forage harvester that cuts the plant off leaving around 15cm of stubble, it is then chopped into fine pieces enabling it to be digested more easily at the Bio-Digester plant. We have also managed to make some hay this month in one field in Upton Grey, which luckily, we haven't had any other Robins trying to nest in the machinery, so we managed to complete that job without upsetting our wildlife neighbours.

This month always has a sense of calm before the storm with regard to workload on our Arable farm, with main jobs of cleaning all the grain stores and prepping all the machinery ready for the off when the crops ripen. We hired in an industrial air compressor to blow down all the corn stores from last year's dust and grain residue and then use our grain store vacuum cleaner over the floors to clear up the debris and finally sterilise the barns. We do this to ensure that there is no contamination from last year's grain to this year's harvested grain and also to eliminate any bugs and mites that will affect the corn that we are going to store over winter. The combine harvester will be getting the once over as well, ready to start the harvest campaign serviced and clean ready for the long summer days. This month we have already started to

plan what we are going to grow for next harvest (2021) which seems strange when we haven't completed harvest 2020 yet, but this is a lot easier to plan ahead and get all the seed delivered on farm ready for Autumn planting that will start usually in mid September.

At Hyde Farm we are around 10 days away from harvest as I write this and will be hoping to start cutting either our Winter Barley or our Winter Linseed. Both these crops are situated along the A339 behind the Fur and Feathers heading towards Alton. Harvest for us always means a lot of road movements for our machinery and would like to thank everyone for their patience when following behind tractors and trailers and our extended working hours in the coming weeks. I can assure you if we could work from 9 till 5, we would! However when we work with mother nature it doesn't always go to plan and can only hope for a dry hot August to gather the harvest.

**Will Cheyney**

### **News from Long Sutton Church of England Primary School**

#### ***All Children Offered a Return to School before the Summer Holidays***

Since the Government announcement of the wider opening of schools, we have made it our priority to get as many children as possible back into school, whilst also adhering to the wide and varied COVID-related restrictions. We are incredibly proud of what we have been able to offer, especially as a small village school. It has been a true community effort. In line with Government guidelines, we prioritised places for eligible children first. This first phase of wider opening was only made possible by the commitment and 'can do' attitude of the school staff and the generosity of the 'More2Life' network of churches, who donated the time of Helen Chatfield (Youth Pastor), who conveniently happens to be a qualified and experienced Primary School teacher and knows the school well.

The Government then announced that, unfortunately, it was not safe to open schools more widely before the end of the summer term, as had originally been the aspiration. Schools were, however, given the option to open to non-eligible year groups (Years 2 to 5), if they had capacity to do so within the safety guidance. Most schools simply did not have the staffing or space to make this happen (indeed, many had not been able to offer places to all eligible year groups) and it was made clear that there would be no additional funding for schools in order to enable any wider opening.

Despite the restrictions and challenges, we came up with some possible solutions and quickly set about talking to the wider community

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to explore whether any of these ideas were workable. Adam Williams, Headmaster of Lord Wandsworth College, was keen to help and made the offer of sole use of their Junior Boarding House. Being within walking distance, this has been an ideal location for housing 2 additional bubbles of children for two days per week. In addition, my determined and flexible staff changed or increased their hours and made whatever arrangements they could so that we could staff more 'bubbles' of children. I have enjoyed leading a bubble of Year 4 children at Junior House.

We have continued to provide Home Learning plans for part time children or those choosing to remain at home due to particular family circumstances. Many schools have had the staffing capacity to allocate different staff to 'in school' or 'Home Learning' roles, however my staff have taken on both roles, showing such amazing dedication to getting as many children as possible back to school, because they know what a great benefit face to face contact will be to them, and what a head start it will give everyone in September. This achievement will also benefit those children who are not returning until September, as it has staggered our return more gradually, meaning we can focus on supporting 'new returners' more fully in September.

Our little school has welcomed back 84% of children, which far exceeds the national figures. This achievement has not come easily. Not only has it taken many hours of planning, creative thinking and risk assessing by the Senior Leadership Team, but it has also cost the school in excess of £2000 in additional staff costs. Whilst schools were advised that no additional funding would be available, we believed it was worth the extra cost, in order to offer some time in school for all children before September. This cost has had to be covered by our current school budget; as you may already be aware, school budgets are already very tight. If you are in a position to support this wonderful community achievement with a donation to the school fund, please contact the school office via email [adminoffice@longsutton.hants.sch.uk](mailto:adminoffice@longsutton.hants.sch.uk) or by telephone on 01256 862238, or you can make a cheque payable to 'Long Sutton Primary School, School Fund' and drop it off at school. Donations can be Gift Aided, so please contact the school office if you qualify for a Gift Aid donation, as there is a short form to complete. Thank you in advance if you are able to support us financially to cover these additional costs.

**Hannah Inglis, Headteacher**

**UPTON GREY NEWS**  
**[www.uptongreychurch.co.uk](http://www.uptongreychurch.co.uk)**  
**[www.uptongreyparishcouncil.co.uk](http://www.uptongreyparishcouncil.co.uk)**

**Trevor John Powell Hart (1936 to 2020) and Upton Grey**



What an extraordinary man. Born in Bromley and attended the grammar school. He went up to Clare College, Cambridge where he developed his great love of literature and critical thinking. He spent his National Service in Cyprus, and Suez during the crisis. He was a Barrister, a Banker, an Accountant and a Company Secretary predominantly with Barclays Bank and BZW. Although undoubtedly a successful career, it is the other things that signify a life well lived.

Trevor and Sheila moved to Upton Grey in 1986. Yew Tree Cottage is a labour of love, and his craftsmanship can be seen in the fabric of the house, the oak beams, doors, floors, windows, conservatory and gardens. This old cottage is marked with love and is truly a home.

Trevor threw himself into village life, and nothing was too much trouble and performed with such kindness. He became the “history man” committed to preserving our heritage. Although an atheist, he was a true Christian in word and deed who supported the church. Peter Dyson, past Rector, said that “his depth and breadth of knowledge have proved invaluable not only in the production of the book, St Mary’s Church and The Community of Upton Grey, but also his advice on historical matters to the Rector and others who live in Upton Grey. In an age which is often focused only on the present, it is essential that we have people like Trevor who help us to get in touch with the past which is our roots.” He also wrote the history board displayed in the telephone box.

He produced the book, *Upton Grey and The Great War*, a fascinating insight into the village and its people affected by the WW1. This was to “give some idea of what our forebears endured for our tomorrows”. He has told the story of those who paid the ultimate sacrifice, and these painstakingly researched obituaries will preserve the memories of these men for generations to come.



Mindful that it is the next generation that must also be inspired to tell our story, he wrote a book for children, *Rufus of Hoddington: Dogged Warrior*. Rufus, his own beloved childhood dog, is a story of what might have happened to him if he had been alive during WW1. Most of the military events are true and the people that Rufus meets really existed in the places described.

He was dedicated to enriching the quality of life in Upton Grey. He spearheaded the saving of the village shop, raising money through the lottery and local donations. Over the years he led guided history tours around the village, researched the Hoddington Arms, gave talks, served on committees including the Village Hall, Drama Group, village fete (13 years on the White Elephant!), Millennium and Jubilee celebrations, Poppy Appeal, Hook History Group, Dummer Golf Club and ran a much loved annual quiz at the Harvest Supper.

So much of this leaves a lasting legacy.



### **From Sheila Hart...**

I wanted to write to thank you all for your support, and lovely words and cards since losing my dear Trevor. It was amazing to hear what an impact he had on so many of you. What a wonderful community with so many friends. Thank you, Love **Sheila**

### **TEA@3**

Dear Friends, we hope you are all well and managing to survive during this strange and difficult time. Let us hope it will not be too long before we can get together and have a really special celebratory tea! If you need any help or just want a chat, please give us a ring: Barbara 862627, Viv 862455 and Jill 862131

### **Upton Grey Harvest Supper: Saturday 26th September**

The Upton Grey Harvest Supper this year is a little earlier than usual, on Saturday 26th September, so do please make a note in your diaries, we will be serving cottage pie and apple crumble as usual, as well as a raffle and pay bar. Entertainment to be confirmed!

### **Upton Grey Autumn Festival: Saturday 31st October - Cancellation**

Unfortunately, we have decided to put off the Autumn Festival until next year. Those of you who regularly attend will realise how it would be impossible to impose any type of social distancing at such an event.

Apologies, **Roger and Fallon**

## **Upton Grey Safari Supper 2021 Diary Date**

Next year's Safari Supper will take place on Saturday 13th March 2021, so please put the date in your diary for a fun filled evening.

### **The Hoddington Arms is looking forward to Welcoming You!**

The Hoddington Arms is open and very much looks forward to welcoming you. To ensure everyone's safety the Team have adjusted working practices in line with the government guidelines.

***Making a Reservation is Essential:*** To ensure that the team can look after everyone in a safe environment and maintain social distancing it is essential that reservations are made in advance of your arrival. This will mean that the team stagger and control the volume of guests arriving at any one time. The Booking System is now live for Dining Reservations. If you would like to reserve a table for drinks please email [bookings@hoddingtonarms.co.uk](mailto:bookings@hoddingtonarms.co.uk)  
01256 862371 [www.hoddingtonarms.co.uk](http://www.hoddingtonarms.co.uk)

***Keeping YOU Safe:*** Keeping you and the Hodd family safe will continue to be the Team's top priority so they have introduced a few new procedures for everyone's safety.

***Entrance/Exit:*** There is a one way system in the pub. Entrance to the pub will be at the FRONT of the pub where one of the team will meet with you and show you to your table. EXIT will be at the back of the pub.

***Bar:*** The bar will remain closed for orders as the Hodd will be operating Table Service ONLY, though this may change.

***Tables:*** The tables have been carefully placed with the safe socially distanced requirements – please do not move them.

***Table Service:*** The Team will be offering full table service to limit the points of contact. Should you require anything please place the flag in the holder in a prominent position and one of the team will be over to help.

***Menus:*** The menus you see on your tables will be used only for your visit and will be disposed of on your departure.

***Hand Sanitiser:*** Please use the hand sanitiser on the table throughout your visit.

***Toilets:*** The gentlemen's toilet will remain closed and our ladies and disabled toilets will become unisex. Please use the sign on the outside of the toilet to show that they are in use and REMEMBER to change it back once you have finished. We ask that you wait outside the building if the toilets are in use using the markers on the floor. They will be cleaned frequently by one of the team in PPE.

**HERRIARD AND WINSLADE NEWS****www.herriard-pc.gov.uk****https://www.facebook.com/herriardexservicesclub****Herriard Village group on http://www.Facebook.com****There's no planet B**

In last month's July parish magazine, I introduced 'Greening Herriard', a new Climate Change Campaign initially working towards reducing carbon emissions. I gave a list of ten ideas that households can adopt. Here are seven more ideas to consider along with cash and CO<sub>2</sub> savings:

Action (Annual)	Average £ Saving/Yr	CO <sub>2</sub> Savings
1. Buy second hand furniture over new -1 item a year	135	50
2. Turn off all Standbys	30	60
3. Line dry clothes in summer	35	65
4. Install cavity wall insulation	150	620
5. Reduce normal shower time by 1 min (4 people)	7	35
6. Upgrade TV from A+ to A+++	18	35
7. Draught proof around doors and windows	20	90

Information on CO<sub>2</sub> saving has been obtained from independent, nationally recognised, sources such as the Energy Saving Trust. CO<sub>2</sub> and financial savings are valid as of November 2019.

The whole list of challenges can be found in the Herriard Village website under Greening Herriard. We are asking residents of Herriard and Winslade to vote on **their top 2 choices** so that a list of 8 most voted for challenges can be printed and sent out to everyone. Take a look at all the challenges and decide as a household which top 2 you would like our community to adopt. There will be a voting poll on Herriard Village Facebook page between 11th and 18th September or you can email me your vote at the address below, at any time. One vote per household.

An interesting recent development has been the Chancellor's announcement for plans to offer homeowners a grant in the form of green home improvement vouchers to help make properties more energy efficient. From September, both homeowners and landlords will be able to claim a grant of up to £5,000 to cover two thirds of the cost of green home improvements. Families making use of the scheme could save up to £300 a year on energy costs. Reducing our carbon footprint is an essential part in becoming a sustainable community. **Support Greening Herriard!**

For more information, comments on climate change issues and to vote for your top 2 challenges please email: [gill.hill@herriard-pc.gov.uk](mailto:gill.hill@herriard-pc.gov.uk)

## **WESTON PATRICK NEWS**

### **St Lawrence Church, Weston Patrick**

The Church is now open for private prayer every Thursday at 3pm. The church has been cleaned and prepared in accordance with the Covid-19 guidance and would welcome anyone who would like some quiet reflection. Sanitisers will be in situ. **Clare Garnett, Church Warden**

## **OTHER NEWS AND EVENTS**

### **Help and Support from Local NHS Volunteer Responders**

Local support is also offered by the NHS Volunteer Responders. If you, or someone you know, needs a hand with collecting shopping or prescriptions, or just wants someone to talk to, our NHS Volunteer Responders are here to help. Join the thousands of others throughout England who are already receiving support – even if it's just for a friendly chat. Call 0808 196 3646 or visit [nhsvolunteerresponders.org.uk](http://nhsvolunteerresponders.org.uk). Help is available if you have a medical condition which makes you vulnerable to COVID-19, especially if you are over 70. You also qualify if you are pregnant or have a disability.

### **Some Additional County and Nationwide Support and Help Contacts**

The following are some of the key nationwide support lines.

- ***Samaritans***: This is confidential support for people experiencing feelings of distress or despair. Phone: 116 123 (free 24-hour helpline). Website: [www.samaritans.org.uk](http://www.samaritans.org.uk)
- ***Citizens Advice***: for advice about money & benefits, call Helpline on 03444 111 444 Monday to Friday, 9am to 5pm. This a free call, however your service provider may charge.
- ***Domestic abuse***: Hampshire Domestic Abuse 03300 165112
- Hampshire County Council is acting as the main co-ordination point for all district community hubs in the county with a hotline ***The Coronavirus Hampshire Helpline*** – Hantshelp4vulnerable – that can be contacted on 0333 370 4000. The helpline is available seven days a week, from 9am to 5pm.

## Cardiac Rehab Alton and Basingstoke



Since our last update at the end of May, a lot has changed for us, as it has for you as the lockdown begins to ease.

The latest exciting news is that Government guidance has changed, and gymnasiums may now open from 25th July. Over the past month, we have been busy developing the protocols to be able to re-open the Centre safely but also increasing the range of online classes and setting up new outdoor sessions that are now being run.

On the events front, we are looking at what we can do in the autumn and will let you know more soon.

The road ahead is still uncertain but the support we have received over the past few months has been incredible and has ensured that the Centre can be reopened, as well as supporting the whole staff team through the lockdown – thank you so much for your generosity.

### *What have we been up to?*

Since the end of May we have developed a range of Online Zoom and Outdoor classes together with the exercise videos.



We are now running five online Zoom classes per week, for most levels of ability. We have also launched four outdoor classes, being held on Jubilee Fields two days a week, weather permitting. The interest in these classes has been excellent and we hope that everyone who wants to exercise with us is able to do so.

In early June we launched project 'Phoenix' with a work group made up of staff and trustees, to put in place what is necessary to be able safely to reopen the Centre, in light of the government guidelines. That work is progressing well and though it won't be "business as usual" we hope we can start getting people back using the Centre soon. We will continue with our online and outdoor classes to complement this.

Whilst we are not yet fully open, these classes have not been chargeable but we are grateful to everyone who has made donations to support this work – thank you.

Stay safe and keep well, **The Cardiac Rehab Team**

### **Virtual Open Garden: Rotherfield Park**



***Rotherfield Park a Hit from Home.*** Thank you to everyone who took a virtual tour of our Open Garden at Rotherfield Park. The home of our patron, Sir James and Lady Scott, was captured on a glorious spring day and helped to raise over £2,600 whilst the Centre was closed.

## North Hampshire Downs Mothers' Union



When the relationship between parents breaks down, the children often lose touch with one of their parents. This is very damaging for their long term mental health, and so Child Contact Centres have been set up to enable parents to see their children in a safe and welcoming environment. It is lovely to see how the relationships between the children and their parents grow over time, and usually the parents are able to move on to less formal contact arrangements.

Mothers' Union run two Child Contact Centres in the Basingstoke area – one in the centre of Basingstoke which runs sessions for two hours on two Sunday afternoons each month, and one in Popley which runs sessions for two hours on two Saturday afternoons each month. Both of these are run by trained volunteers.

Of course, these centres had to close in March along with so many other activities. We are still not able to open our centres for face-to-face contact, and at the moment we don't know when we are likely to be able to do this. Instead, we have been able to offer online contact sessions for our families. These have proved to be very helpful for some of our families with older children.

We usually hold a bring and share supper for our branch AGM in September, but it is unlikely that we will be able to do that this year. However, I hope we will soon be able to meet in person with suitable social distancing. If you want to find out more about Mothers' Union or our branch, please contact Sue Murphy on [sue@the-murphys.me.uk](mailto:sue@the-murphys.me.uk) or 01252 845011.

## National Garden Scheme - Hampshire



Since the commencement of some of our gardens opening once again to the general public, people have been taking the plunge and supporting the NGS. The steps our garden owners (with the advice of our head office) are taking are working extremely well.

Again, with advice from our head office, tea and cake are gradually being introduced with a few safety measures - you may not have a china cup and saucer, but the cake is still amazing. To reiterate: every Monday morning there will be a new batch of gardens, posted on the website - [ngs.org.uk](http://ngs.org.uk) which are open throughout the following ten days, and there you will be able to book your tickets.

Currently the following Hampshire gardens are opening during August:

***2nd & 3rd August: Bleak Hill Nursery & Garden, Harbridge, Ringwood, BH24 3PX***

Through the moongate and concealed from view are billowing borders contrasting against a seaside scene with painted beach huts and a boat on the gravel. Small adjacent Nursery.

***9th August: Bramdean House, Alresford, SO24 0JU***

Beautiful 5 acre garden best known for its mirror image herbaceous borders. 1 acre walled garden featuring prize winning vegetables - and so much more.

***9th August: The Thatched Cottage, Up Farrington, Alton, GU34 3EG***

A 1/2-acre garden hidden behind a C16 thatched cottage. Borders burst with cottage garden plants and a pond provides the soothing sound of water. Watch out for the chickens and ducks under the walnut tree.

***15th & 16th August: 21 Chestnut Road, Brockenhurst, SO24 7RF***

A mature plant lovers garden with a surprise around every corner. Wildlife friendly garden - handmade bug houses maybe still available for sale.

***Opening in August:***

***Old Camps, Newbury Road, Headley, Thatcham, RG19 8LG***

As featured on Gardener's World, a breathtaking garden set over an acre less than 30 minutes from our villages. Surprises await, ranging from traditional herbaceous borders, through desert/prairie planting and an enchanted knot garden - and so much more. The garden is built on the site of a Roman Camp and Bath House.

I am sure there will be more gardens as the month progresses, so please visit the website [ngs.org.uk](http://ngs.org.uk) to see more gardens - there maybe one really close to you.

Keep Safe and Best Wishes, **Pat Beagley** (Publicity), National Garden Scheme - Hampshire [pat.beagley@ngs.org.uk](mailto:pat.beagley@ngs.org.uk)

## SMALL ADS

### **Open as usual – Pick your own Fruit, Hartley Wintney**

West Green Fruits, Hartley Wintney RG27 8LP, opens from mid-June to September for a wide selection of PYO & ready-picked summer fruits, vegetables, honey, jams and free-range eggs. Christmas trees from end November. Call 01252 845772 or visit [www.westgreenfruits.com](http://www.westgreenfruits.com) for further information. During open hours you can call 07954 730143 to place orders etc.

## HALLS FOR HIRE

When Lockdown is lifted

**Upton Grey Village Hall** for hire from £8.50 per hour. Functions, meetings, parties, private and commercial. Full kitchen facilities, central heating and sound system, chairs, tables, crockery and cutlery available. Contact Elaine Lewington on 01256 862894.

**The Royal British Legion Hall**, Herriard available for hire: wedding receptions, functions, parties, meetings, and events. Fully licensed bar, full kitchen facilities, garden, tables and chairs, sound system, disabled access, central heating, pool table and darts.

The new keyholder is Betty Ball on 01256 381487.

Email [betball39@gmail.com](mailto:betball39@gmail.com), [herriardrbllhall@gmail.com](mailto:herriardrbllhall@gmail.com).

## **ADVANCE DATES FOR YOUR DIARY – From August 2020**

Please note all events are still subject to cancellation following Government advice and restrictions on events and public meetings due to the outbreak of Coronavirus. Please check with the Organisers if attending a specific event.

3rd-7th Aug	Summer Junior Tennis Coaching, UG	
26th Sep Sat	UG Harvest Supper	
14th Oct Wed	Herriard Harvest Supper RBLH	7.00pm
20th-21st Nov	UG Drama Group Production, UG Village Hall	7.30pm
13th Mar 2021	UG Safari Supper	

## **UPDATED TEMPORARY HOURS UPTON GREY VILLAGE SHOP**

8.00am–5.00pm Mon–Sat  
8.00am–1.00pm Sun  
Post Office closed

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