

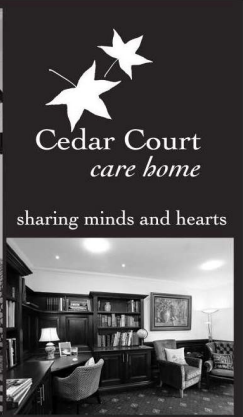
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from the Churches in Ewhurst

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**From the Editor .....**

Welcome to the Winter edition of **nEWs and viEWs magazine**, which is packed full of interesting articles and information on seasonal events to enjoy. The weather is already cold so it will be good have some cheerful distractions!

I am always happy to receive items for publication in **nEWs and viEWs**, so if you have anything of interest please either send it to me at [p.henry@metrics-consulting.com](mailto:p.henry@metrics-consulting.com) or give me a call on 01483 275380. Any comments you may have on the magazine would also be much appreciated.

We hope you will support all of our local advertisers. If you wish to place an advertisement in the Spring edition please contact Val Henry at [val.dixon.henry@btinternet.com](mailto:val.dixon.henry@btinternet.com) or on 01483 275380 by early February.

*Season's Greetings and Best Wishes .. Phil Henry*

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*We are sure you'll meet up with folk you know - and are bound to make lovely new friends living in and around the village.*

*Doors open at 10.30 am through to lunchtime (and the cost is a small donation towards more coffee!)*

**HOPE TO SEE YOU SOON!**

## Ewhurst Evening WI

In September The WI celebrated its 40th Birthday. We were lucky to have present the founder President, Marian Heathcote, still one of our members, and she chaired the meeting along with more recent Presidents, Sue Handley, Jane Harry and Lyn Southgate. Founder members had everyone laughing at their memories of past meetings. One of the highlights of the evening was identifying "Who's Who" from the photos of members taken as a child. A fun night was had by all.

In celebration of our 40<sup>th</sup> Birthday and the Centenary of the WI a tree has been planted on the hill next to the village car park. We hope you will enjoy watching it grow. In October Rupert Matthews gave us an entertaining and fascinating talk on Ghosts of Surrey. It was our AGM in November when we reviewed the year's events and selected our committee, and we are now planning our Christmas Party where members are renowned for their delicious buffet food. That night Paul Weakley will be coming to entertain us with A Trip Down Memory Lane (Songs from Shows).

If you are new to the area or just want to improve your social life then we would be happy to welcome you to our meetings. They are held in the village hall on the second Thursday of each month at 8pm. We aim to make our meetings informative and enjoyable with a wide range of speakers, and also leave time for refreshments and a friendly chat. If you would like to find out more about our popular WI then just pop in and pay us a visit or, if you would like any further information, then please contact Elisabeth Fischbach on 276904.



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## ST PETER AND ST PAUL'S CHURCH



Are you looking forward to Christmas? The season is fast approaching and preparations are underway, presents being bought and wrapped, decorations being readied (organised people probably have theirs up already)! Plans are being made to visit granny or have the family round. Your Christmas may even include a visit to church, maybe to see the children in the nativity service on Christmas eve or to attend a carol service or the traditional Christmas midnight service. The story of the birth of baby Jesus is simple and beautiful, and mixed together with the other narrative of Father Christmas bringing jollity and gifts to children and grown ups alike it all adds up to a happy, festive occasion.

Of course it is not so happy for many people; some are lonely, some are consumed by memories of loved relatives now deceased, some just can't stand the blatant commercialism and forced jollity of 'the most wonderful time of the year' (*if I hear Andy Williams sing that wretched song ONCE more I shall....*). Hotels that provide an 'escape' from Christmas are doing great business as people seek something more simple and peaceful.

And lots of people who enjoy the Christmas occasion find themselves feeling a bit isolated by the Christian story that lies at the heart of the season; that of a virgin giving birth to the Son of God in a stable. Can we believe that? in this modern, scientific age? really? So for many people Christmas becomes a celebration without a heart, whose hollow centre has more to do with tales of a bearded fat man, flying snowmen or a mid-winter festival than the extraordinary wonder of God's love for the world. Even people who have a sense of faith in God can find themselves put off by the sentimental children's story that is the nativity: fluffy sheep, chorusing angels, weary parents, exotic wise men, donkeys, wicked kings all combine to provide a lovely, saccharine fairy tale background to a busy family season.

The Bible doesn't recognise that story. The Christmas story we have laid our romance and our traditions upon is now almost unrecognisable. The story of the incarnation of God told in the Bible is an earthy, dangerous and dark one which speaks of the huge risks of innocent love when faced with the brutal reality of human ambition. We don't



often read 'the massacre of the innocents' in Mathew's account when we are busy with beaming shepherds clustered around a rustic manger (which is simply an animal feeding trough). Tales of virgin births attended by three smiling kings are romantically embellished accounts of the astonishing moment in human history when God chose to spend a brief time on earth as a human being; to experience for himself the reality, pain, joy and suffering of the human condition, including what it feels like to die the painful death of a convicted criminal. It is this death and resurrection that lies at the core of Christian faith that Christ has gone to prepare a way for us to an afterlife 'in my Father's house' says Jesus.

That we have a God who cares enough for his creation that he should intervene in this way is astonishing enough and cause for all the praise and worship we can muster at Christmas or at any time. God is not distant from the joys and sufferings of humanity, but deeply acquainted with all we go through; we can come to God knowing we will be received in our weakness with tenderness and love by a God who understands. As my old friend Mick says: 'God has changed – God has got holes in his hands!'

This Christmas can I invite you to celebrate the incarnation of God with us? Maybe the story of baby Jesus is a little sweet for your taste – but bear with us – because in there somewhere is the astonishing truth that 'God so loved the world that he gave his only son'.

We would love you to worship with us over the Christmas season; service times for the Church of England and Baptist church are shown elsewhere in this magazine. And do have a very happy Christmas.

*David*



**FROSTY PHOTOS FOR CHRISTMAS CARDS 2016**

If we get some frosty or snowy weather, please get out with your cameras to take photos we could use for our church Christmas cards in 2016.

We will be asking for suitable photos next September.

## ***What about Advent?***

In case you hadn't noticed, Christmas will soon be here. Looking round the shops, Christmas seems to have been coming since the middle of October. It is rightly a time for rejoicing, a time when we remember the birth of a little baby who changed the world forever. However, the season of rejoicing now lasts for most of December and well into January. Are we really celebrating the birth of Jesus or is it just an excuse for commercial gain, for over indulgence and for having a good time? I don't want to sound like Scrooge but I do think we all need to remember why we are celebrating. At least Christmas cards in this country mostly make some reference to Christ (even if it is just using the word "Christmas") but, in America, seasonal cards often have the inscription "Happy Holidays" with no mention of the significance of the celebration. Is it political correctness gone mad? Or is it just me?

And there is hardly any mention of the season of Advent – the church's season which starts on Advent Sunday (usually the last Sunday in November) and lasts right up to Christmas Eve. What is the season of Advent all about?

Advent is the first season of the church calendar and Advent Sunday (this year on November 30<sup>th</sup>) is the first day of the church's year. The season of Advent is a time for preparation – not just in the practical sense of buying presents, getting the food ready and all the other tasks that need to be completed before Christmas Day – but in the sense of preparing the mind and not just the body. The word 'Advent' means "preparation" and for Christians it should be as much a period of preparation as the 40 days of Lent which precede Good Friday. However, the inevitable busyness of the lead-up to Christmas means that this period of preparation does not lead itself to quietness and contemplation. Indeed, the opposite is true.

If you walk into a church during Advent, you will usually see that there is purple in evidence. This is the "liturgical colour" during Advent; the front of the altar will have a purple cloth, the hanging from the pulpit will be purple as well the markers in the bible on the lectern. You will see the same colours used at Lent which is also a time of preparation. This is not

peculiar to Ewhurst; the same liturgical colours are observed by most Church of England churches and many other denominations as well. These colours help us to remember the church's season. If you come into our church on Christmas Eve, you will see that the colours will be changed to white in readiness for the Christmas season which lasts for twelve days. This is followed by the season of Epiphany when we celebrate the arrival of three kings (sometimes called three wise men) to see the baby Jesus who had come to earth for everyone – not just for followers of the Jewish faith.

We wrote more extensively about “liturgical colours” and their meaning earlier in the year. Suffice to say now that you will see the colour change to green at the end of the season of Epiphany before changing back to purple on Ash Wednesday marking the beginning of Lent.

*John White*

*Lay Minister, Ewhurst Parish Church*

### **NOTICE**

The Rector, Churchwardens and Parochial Church Council of St. Peter and St. Paul's Church, Ewhurst, are seeking permission to erect a memorial wall and form a Garden of Remembrance on the east side of the churchyard.

Part of this work entails the re-siting of gravestones erected to the memory of the following:

Susanna Maria Harper (died 1840), Phoebe Jenner (d 1849), Richard Jenner (d 1864?), William Jenner (d 1877), Mary Ann Jenner (d 1904) and Emma Ann Worsfold (d 1852).

We wish to contact any descendants of the above persons and ask that they write to The Church Office, c/o The Rectory, The Street, Ewhurst, Cranleigh, GU6 7PX or e-mail [ewhurstchurch@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:ewhurstchurch@yahoo.co.uk) before 4<sup>th</sup> January 2016. Please note that no buried remains will be disturbed.



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#### Thursday 3rd December

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#### Friday 4th December

Cranleigh Folk Group starts 8pm

#### Monday 7th December

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#### Friday 18th December

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Our gifts help in many ways to support people who are homeless or whose lives are in crisis. Ex-Services personnel who joined the forces at a young age are taught independent living skills such as how to cook for themselves. IT skills essential for everything from applying for jobs and benefits to getting in touch with friends and family are given high priority. At Vaughan House new IT equipment has been provided as well as tools to help residents develop the garden there.

Tickets for the very popular Quiz will be on sale in January. Regulars will be pleased to hear that Geoff Harry will again be the question master. More details on page 40.



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### TODDLER GROUP

***This term ends 18th Dec. New term begins 15th Jan.***

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**We are here every Friday in term time  
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**Pam, Rosie and Jan**

**Pam Childs (01483 277511) Rosie Smy (01483 351386)**



## Saint Peter and Saint Paul Ewhurst



### Treasure Seekers Club

A club for children which takes place on the 2<sup>nd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> Sundays in the month. Children can be dropped off at the Wilson Room for a 10:30 start. Activities include art, craft, music and games and children of all ages are welcome – though under 3's need to be accompanied by an adult. The session ends at approximately 11:45 when parents are welcome to join us for refreshments.

There is no charge for the sessions. All new *Treasure Seekers* members receive a welcome pack and their very own *Treasure Chest!*

So, come along and join! For more information contact Kathryn Pyper on 277460 or at [pypers@btinternet.com](mailto:pypers@btinternet.com)

### ..... **FROM THE PARISH CHURCH REGISTERS**

#### **Baptism:**

18<sup>th</sup> October                      Matthew Brazier

#### **Weddings:**

26<sup>th</sup> September                  Katie Haile & Christoph Fuchs

10<sup>th</sup> October                        Kate Wright & Michael Milne-Holme

#### **Service of Thanksgiving:**

2<sup>nd</sup> September                    Jessie Ward

#### **Funeral:**

6<sup>th</sup> November                      Brian Galbraith



## **Christingle Service**

***St Peter and St Paul's Church  
Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> December at 4.00pm***



The Christingle service is in aid of the Children's Society. This Society transforms the lives of over 48,000 children and young people each year working with those children in the greatest need, including young runaways, disabled children, young carers and looked-after children. Many have no-one else to turn to. We need to make childhood better.

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We would be grateful if you could take home a special Christingle collection box, fill it and bring it to the Christingle Service. These will be available at the back of the church from early December

If you are unable to attend the service, the box can be handed in to the Wilson Room Office.  
For more information, please contact Amy Geoghegan, 01483 277925

***We do hope you can take part in this fundraising and the  
Christingle Service***

## **Women's World Day of Prayer**

***Ewhurst Churches Together***

**Friday 4<sup>th</sup> March 2.00pm**

**Ewhurst Parish Church**

*The service this year is compiled by the women of Cuba*

*The theme is*

*"Receive children. Receive me."*

**PLEASE COME AND JOIN US  
Children and men are invited too!**

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Women's World Day of Prayer is a when women all over the world hold the same service. The service is designed by the women from a different country each year and reflects the culture and needs of that country. The services are always very outward looking with a lot of music, readings and congregational participation.

The money from the church collections is donated to charities who work to help women and families, based both locally and worldwide. These charities are especially focused on education, health and promoting women within the community.

**FORTHCOMING SPECIAL PARISH CHURCH EVENTS**

Sun 6 <sup>th</sup> Dec	6.30pm	Advent Carol Service
Sun 13 <sup>th</sup> Dec	4.00pm	Christingle Service
Mon 14 <sup>th</sup> Dec	5.45pm	Ewhurst School Candlelit Service
Sun 20 <sup>th</sup> Dec	6.30pm	Festival of Nine Lessons and Carols
Thurs 24 <sup>th</sup> Dec	4.00pm	Crib Service
	11.00pm	Midnight Communion
Fri 25 <sup>th</sup> Dec	10.30am	Christmas Day All-Age Family Service
Sun 27 <sup>th</sup> Dec	9.00am	BCP Communion Service with Carols
Sun 3 <sup>rd</sup> Jan	10.30am	Epiphany All-Age Family Service

**PATTERN OF CHURCH SERVICES**

WEEK	8.00 am	9.00 am — 10.30 am		6.30 pm
1		9.00am 10.30am	BCP Communion 20:20	BCP Choral Evensong
2	BCP Communion	10.30am	Holy Communion - Common Worship (Treasure Seekers)	
3	BCP Communion	10.30am	CW Morning Prayer	Evening Worship
4	BCP Communion	10.30 am	Holy Communion - Common Worship (Treasure Seekers)	
5	BCP Communion	10.30 am	Morning Prayer (Treasure Seekers)	

*N.B. Check service details by looking in the weekly church news sheet or on the church website*

## **BRITISH HUMANITARIAN AID CLOTHES APPEAL**

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Meetings are at 2.30pm unless otherwise stated, **on the second TUESDAY in the month.**

**Dec 8<sup>th</sup>**

Members' Christmas Lunch, 12.30pm

**Jan 12<sup>th</sup>**

A talk by Jan Jesson on the Olave Baden Powell Society

**Feb 9<sup>th</sup>**

A talk about Cuba, the country planning the Womens' World Day of Prayer Service on March 4<sup>th</sup>

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### **START SAVING for the EASTER MARKET!!**

The Easter Market in 2016 will on **Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> March**, in time for you to do some Easter shopping, as well as treat yourself. As before, The Parrot, Forest Green, will host the event.

As you sort out this autumn and after Christmas, please put aside any good as new items that can be sold on the "Going for a Song" stall (*sorry, no clothes accepted*).

### **MORE DETAILS in the MARCH edition of nEWs & viEWs**

### **Bereavement Group Coffee Mornings**

Although Rev. Tricia Hislop is no longer attached to the Parish Church she is going to continue to help with the Bereavement Group. If you would like help and support following a recent bereavement please telephone either Julia on 01483 271419 or Tricia on 01483 274359. You do not have to be a Church-attender to come to this group.



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## **Ewhurst Baptist Church**

### **A Life Changing Event**

Happily married and in my twenties, with our first house and a secure happy future ahead I thought that I had life all 'sewn up'. That was until I met another young lady (Lynn) and through her something happened that changed my life forever.

We were both expecting our first babies and Lynn thought it would be good if we got to know each other. It seemed like a good idea to me until I found out that she was a 'Born Again Christian'. Usually one would not know whether acquaintances had any faith as they kept it personal. However, Lynn boldly gave thanks to her Lord Jesus before our lunch together and was not interested when I asked her what star sign she was. I took pride in the fact that I knew a great deal about star signs. I could often guess which sign people were born into; so I was a little put out by this disinterested attitude from Lynn. I also noticed that she would look hurt when my language, often interjected with profanities, contained words to do with her beliefs - like Jesus, God or Christ. Being with her made me feel uncomfortable because I became aware of how different I was to her but she did not seem to be put off by me.

I was not a believer in the God of Christians or church goers. I chose to believe in other spiritual enlightening things instead. I thought Christians were deluded and Lynn as over-the-top, fanatical and a "bible basher" (although Lynn never spoke to me about the Bible – not initially anyway).

Then, after some weeks, something strange began to happen to me. I found that whenever I came upon any mention of God or anything to do with the Christian belief (mainly from the television or advertising boards), I would have to fight off tears welling up from inside of me. I found this very disconcerting, uncomfortable and unexplainable. Over time, this became so bad that I decided I would have to talk to Lynn about it and ask her advice. The strange thing was, that whenever I had an opportunity to speak to her, I could not because I could feel those tears ready to flow. Then one day when we were together it just happened – embarrassingly, without saying a word, I just dissolved into tears. Lynn had been ironing and she looked up at me in astonishment and said "Carol, has God been speaking to you?" I didn't know whether he had or not – I just nodded and she rushed off to get me a little book to read. It was a small paper back with the words "A man from outside" on it. I didn't know at the time that it was John's Gospel with explanatory notes alongside.

I took the book home and started on it straight away. I found it fascinating; some things I recognised from school days but most of it was a complete revelation to me. What a surprise I had when I reached John Chapter 19 which has the account of Jesus crucified on the cross. I never understood that I was a 'sinner' and I never before had acknowledged that some of the things I had done in the past were wrong. As I pictured



Jesus on the cross, things I had done wrong travelled before my mind's eye as if on a conveyor belt. I felt feelings of being ashamed and sorry, only for them to be overtaken by immense feelings of love from God. I knew that although I had done things wrong I was forgiven because of Jesus's sacrifice on the cross - I knew Jesus had died for ME! The verses that I had read previously in Chapter 3 v16-18 became real for me. *"For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life. For God did not send his son into the world to condemn the world but to save the world through him. Whoever believes in him is not condemned, but whoever does not believe stands condemned already because he has not believed in the name of God's one and only son."*

I was overwhelmed; no one had spoken to me, only God himself through his word. I was alone in the room but not alone, for God was with me. I was in my own home and yet I now realised that I had been lost and had only just arrived at my real home!

I finished the book and said the prayer of commitment to God at the end. I added a few sentences myself – things like "but don't expect me to go to church" and "I don't want to be a 'Bible Bashing Christian'" and God accepted me there and then, with my conditions and all.

My life changed that day. So many things have happened in the 35 years since then. But my testimony is this – Jesus is my good shepherd, He knows me and I know Him, I listen to his voice and he gives me peace and love beyond human understanding and he never gives up on me. This is something that is available to everyone!

Jesus has instructed those whom he has saved to go into the world and proclaim the Good News so that others might also be saved. This is why I occasionally call on people in the village; to give those that want to, the opportunity to hear the Good News about the forgiveness of God through Jesus Christ and the available love and peace that only He can give.

I look forward to meeting people and I am always ready to chat about my experiences of being a disciple of Jesus. If you are interested in how God has been real in my life or how you can know God for yourself then do take the opportunity to ask me if I call on you. Or, if you would like to, you can email me at [carol-higgs@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:carol-higgs@hotmail.co.uk) to find out more, request a visit or ask for prayer.

**Carol Morley**



**Member of Ewhurst Baptist Church and an Outreach UK Associate Evangelist**



## **Ewhurst Baptist Church**

***invites you to join us at any of our  
seasonal events this Christmas***

**Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> – Carols by Candlelight Service at  
6.30pm, preceded by a tea for  
all at 5.15pm.**

**Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> – Babies & Toddlers Christmas  
Party @ 10.15 – 11:45am.**

**Monday 21<sup>st</sup> – KIKS Club Christmas tea  
from 2.00-4.00pm.**

**Friday 25<sup>th</sup> – Christmas Morning Service  
at 10.30am.**

**Friday 25<sup>th</sup> – Village Christmas Lunch  
@ 12.15 for 12.30pm**

**Do visit our website [ewhurstbaptistchurch.org.uk](http://ewhurstbaptistchurch.org.uk) for  
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## Ewhurst Baptist Church Carols by Candlelight, 2015.



on Sunday 13th December



Do join us for tea at 5.15pm  
and our  
Carol Service at 6.30pm

If you are coming to the tea it  
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our gift to the village.

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## **BABY AND TODDLER GROUP at Ewhurst Baptist Church Wednesdays from 10:15 to 11:45**

Our aim is to provide an environment in which you and your children can make friends, chat, play and have a good morning out!

Everyone is welcome - mums, dads, grandparents and carers.

Refreshments are available for adults.  
A fruit snack is provided mid morning for the children.

A variety of activities are available at each session.

For more information please contact: Jackie Bodington  
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## **KEEP INTERESTED**

## **KEEP SOCIALISING!**

### **KIKS club - @ Ewhurst Baptist Church**

Our Monday afternoon social club, which meets in our church hall, on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Mondays of every month, between 2 and 4pm, has a new format for the winter months of 2015-16.

From October to March, on the first Monday of the month, we will be running a **film afternoon** where we will be showing a popular film selected from a list of titles we have available and chosen by those in attendance on the afternoon.

The third Monday of the month will remain in the club's existing format of providing an opportunity of friendship, chat, crafts and various board games alongside tea and cake.

Don't stay home this winter, wishing you had a bit of company, but put your coat on and come and join us.

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# News from Ewhurst Parish Council



The Parish Council has decided to change the time and day of its Planning Committee meetings following the receipt of feedback from residents who mentioned that 5.30pm is too early for most who are working to attend. The meetings will, from the New Year, be held on the first and third Tuesdays of the month at 7pm in the EYSC. The first possible meeting on a Tuesday, therefore, is 5<sup>th</sup> January 2016 subject to their being any planning applications to comment upon. Until then the Planning Meetings will be at 5.30pm on the first and third Thursday of the month as before.

Waverley Borough Council have replaced the bench at the junction of Plough Lane and Horsham Road. Our thanks to the WBC Ranger, James Caldwell, who organised this.

The tennis charging system is to be changed in favour of the 'old' honesty box to be situated on the gate leading from the Recreation Ground Car Park through to Kitanaka, to the left of the EYSC. The payment is £5 for an hour. Children under 16 when playing together are free. The 'padlock and key at the shop' system has proved to be untenable from an audit requirement point of view. The idea behind the new system was to help generate more income from the tennis courts for the Parish Council to be able to resurface the courts sooner rather than later. However the Parish Council now believe that if they focus their efforts on obtaining grants this may be achieved faster than anticipated. Those who have purchased season tickets for the use of the courts, whose details are held with the Parish Council, may still continue to use them and they will have no need to contribute to the honesty box until their tickets run out.

Val Henry has been 'on the case' with regard to the fly-tipping of garden waste and other debris occurring on the footpath between Downhurst Road and The Glebe. She has organised that Waverley Borough Council will check it out. Fly-tipping is an offence and the prospect of it attracting rats is not a happy situation.

Mike Turner has been in touch with Surrey County Council Highways regarding the puddle that has recently started accumulating at the bottom of Mapledrakes Road. It seems that subsidence has occurred near the drain such that it is now higher than the road and no longer effective. Surrey County Council have promised a visit to ascertain the work needed to remedy the situation.

Surrey County Council have also carried out a traffic survey in the main part of the village and, although one vehicle was recorded as travelling at 63mph, the majority do seem to conform to the speed limit. The speed enforcement team will be visiting from time to time over the next six months.



A reminder that there is now an AUTOMATED EXTERNAL DEFIBRILLATOR situated in the Village Stores in Ewhurst. Let the Clerk know if you are interested in familiarisation classes for the AED and if we have sufficient interest we will run another class.

Please do e-mail [clerk.epc@btinternet.com](mailto:clerk.epc@btinternet.com) or telephone on 01483 267646 if you have any queries for the Parish Council. If you would like to receive the Parish Council E-Bulletin then please let the Clerk have your e-mail address. The Parish Council's E-Bulletin is a brief newsletter on current events and urgent matters which is sent out as often as needed. For copies of Minutes of Parish Council Meetings please visit [www.ewhurst.org](http://www.ewhurst.org).

*Jane Bromley - Parish Clerk*

## **EWHURST HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY**

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We have the Quiz Supper evening arranged for Tuesday 26th January. Glebe Centre 7.30pm. For details contact Ann on 271812.

On Tuesday 9th February we have talk with slides "Japanese Gardens" - An Appreciation by Stephen Morphew. Glebe Centre 8pm with refreshments and raffle. Stephen, a professional tutor with 35 years of experience is also a qualified horticultural designer, consultant and pruning specialist. Having travelled widely in Japan, he has gained a deep insight into Japanese horticulture along with other aspects of their culture.

### BEST ROADSIDE GARDEN

Have you heard of the competition which is open to all Ewhurst Residents? **The Best Roadside Garden** is a competition run by the Ewhurst Horticultural Society in which all front gardens in Ewhurst are viewed from the roadside (pavement) where possible, and judged by a member of the EHS committee as being the best throughout the year. Judging is carried out in Spring, Summer and Autumn.

Gardens need to show the effort taken to produce a strong seasonal display, be colourful, weed free, have seasonal variety and display, an amount of expertise in plant mixes, border control and smartness. The lucky winner will be presented with the Arthur Pilborough Cup and £10.00 cash.

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November proved to be a seminal month for our Neighbourhood Plan. The Parish Survey results were being analysed, and local businesses as well as young people were also being surveyed separately about their views and hopes for the Parish. Meanwhile Waverley Borough Council is expected to announce the agreed total target for future housing numbers shortly.



### **Parish Survey**

The Neighbourhood Plan team received 453 completed Parish Surveys, the findings of which will guide us towards policies that reflect how you would like to see our community develop over the years. More than 20% of you responded to the Survey - considered a high response rate by experts in this field. So grateful thanks to everyone who took the time to participate.

The overwhelming majority of survey returns were completed on paper rather than online, which shows that we are not yet a fully digital and paperless society. Perhaps a point that politicians and administrators might care to reflect on! However the predominance of paper returns makes analysis of the results more labour intensive. Nevertheless we expect to have the full analysed results by the time you read this, and will, of course, publicise them as soon - and as widely - as possible.

Discussions on how best to do this are ongoing. We shall most certainly use the E-bulletin, articles and/or flyers in local publications where publishing dates are suitable. Those of you who requested email updates in your completed survey will get the results in your inbox. And we may well hold drop-in public sessions at convenient locations.

### **Business and Young People's Surveys**

The Business group's separate survey of 38 companies in the parish with five or more employees will help establish facts about the current business environment and also the views of local businesses on the future for our parish.

In addition, Allan Webber from the Steering Group has undertaken a separate survey of our young people, to establish how they see their future in our parish. Anyone aged 11 - 18 living in the parish who would like to have their say and hasn't yet received a survey, please email Allan at [thewebbers@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:thewebbers@hotmail.co.uk).

### **Other News from the Working Groups**

The Environment & Heritage group have identified all of the statutory designated ecological and heritage assets within the parish, and also a wide range of non-listed

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assets that enhance our neighbourhood. This comprehensive picture of our neighbourhood's rich ecology and heritage - which unwise development could threaten - is currently being shaped into a readable format for the NP website. It will also support the Housing group's site-screening process.

Over the summer, the Community Facilities group sent questionnaires to 42 clubs/societies in Ewhurst and Ellens Green (with a total membership of more than 2,100), seeking information about their current strength and likely future challenges.

The findings will be published in due course and confirm that, while the community is currently thriving it would be under pressure if disproportionate development were allowed. Ultimately, they'll be used alongside all the other evidence gleaned in connection with the NP to support potential policies and proposals for the Neighbourhood Plan.

### **Waverley's Housing Numbers**

Waverley is expected to announce the total target for new housing numbers across the borough around now. Specific targets for individual settlements will not be allocated immediately, but at a later date. However, contrary to what we believed, it turns out that even small settlements like Ewhurst will be set a specific target.

Needless to say, we will be pressing Waverley for these details as soon as possible and looking carefully at how they have been arrived at. We want to ensure our parish is not asked to take a much larger expansion than other comparable settlements.

Many of you will now know that a planning application has been submitted at Backward Point in Ewhurst, and there could well be more applications for other sites. We had been led to believe that any new dwellings consented before the Neighbourhood Plan is in place would count towards any target set by Waverley. But it is now not clear whether that is the case. Again we will be seeking clarification and will monitor the situation very closely.

For those of you who do look at the NP section of the Ewhurst website and the minutes from the Steering Group (on the data downloads page), we did not meet in September and October. However the real work is done outside these meetings and - with the help of many volunteers from the community - we continue to make steady progress.

Tim Bloomfield  
Chair, Steering Group and Housing Working Party,  
Ewhurst & Ellens Green Neighbourhood Plan.



## Pre-School News

We have welcomed fifteen new children to Rainbow's End this term and everyone has settled in wonderfully.

The children have taken great interest in the changing seasons with a host of Autumn activities as well as enjoying the ongoing success of our Forest School sessions. As the term started we made the most of the late summer weather with many outings to our surrounding footpaths. As well as the obvious benefits of some fresh air, exercise and exploration opportunities, the children will probably remember all the blackberries they ate or the muddy knees and bottoms they came back with. One particular route we take involves tackling three stiles. This adds about half an hour to any trip we take with the little ones who one at a time, determined not to receive any adult help, hurl themselves over with varying degrees of daredevilry.

Other Autumn specific activities this term have included planting out some bulbs for our outside area. The children love to get messy and commented how the bulbs looked like onions. Before we knew it a few of them were peeling off the skins as they must have seen their parents do when preparing dinner. We need picture proof for when the bulbs sprout and we can help the children make the connection between the bulbs they planted, and the beautiful flowers that will sprout when spring comes.

At the time of writing, Guy Fawkes night has just passed. We do what we can to recreate the fun of a bonfire night for the children. This year a makeshift campfire was the centre of our hot dog snack. With the blinds down and lights off, the children enjoyed an indoor "firework" display. Providing experiences like this for our children helps them to revisit and make sense of the world around them in their play as well as building confidence in new situations. It is a magical time for them and it has really sparked (excuse the pun) their enthusiasm for creative exploits, using paint, chalk, glitter and other materials to create firework and bonfire pictures.



Looking ahead, our big fundraising event of the year is coming up and we invite all in the village to join us for our famous Curry and Quiz Night. This year this will take place on Friday 4<sup>th</sup> December in the village hall. Please contact us for more info.

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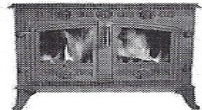
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## ***News from Ewhurst CE Infant School***

We have had a busy start to 2015 at Ewhurst CE Infant School. Our new Reception intake have settled in very happily, and are enjoying getting to know the school and it's routines. Our Year 1 and 2 classes have already enjoyed separate trips to Petworth Park. Year 1 discovered what life was like for Victorian servants, learning how to shine boots, make butter and the correct way to bow and curtsy; Year 2 discovered the work of JMW Turner, and took part in a creative workshop to learn the technique of watercolour painting.

The autumn weather provides plenty of inspiration for our Forest Schools activities. Years 1 and 2 visit Sayers Croft Field Centre to undertake activities that link with class topics – among other activities so far this term they have made wattle and daub walls, explored the woods to find natural musical instruments, made sculptures using different textures, colours and shapes, and woven crowns from twigs, leaves and feathers. Our Reception children enjoy their Forest Schools sessions in our Jubilee Garden.

Book Week was, as always, a very exciting and enjoyable time for the children. This year the theme was 'Traditional Tales' with all the classes taking part in cross-curricular activities relating to favourite tales and nursery rhymes. As usual, the most popular activity for parents was coming into school to work alongside their children for a morning, and the most popular activity for the children was Dressing Up Day, when they came to school as a favourite character from a traditional tale or rhyme, with some very original and interesting props! The children also enjoyed an interactive performance of Fairy Tales, by the Rainbow Theatre Company, which they thoroughly enjoyed.

The Miller Hut has been demolished in preparation for a new traditionally constructed building, with work starting in the new year. The Miller Hut was opened in 1952 by Sir Eric Miller, to accommodate the post-war baby boom.

The Parent Teacher Association continues to be very active. They are particularly involved in providing resources that support the new national curriculum requirements, and last year raised £11,000. The next event is the traditional Christmas Fair which is being held this year on Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> November from 2 - 4pm. There will be plenty of Christmas presents to purchase and Father Christmas is in residence for the afternoon. Please do come and

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support this village event.

Christmas is always a special time in an Infant school, as the delight and excitement of the children and their families is very evident. The children are currently learning parts, rehearsing dances, and singing at every opportunity for their Nativities. Year 2 will also be singing and playing hand bells at The Glebe Centre and for the residents of The Old Rectory. Our Candlelit Service this year is on Monday 14<sup>th</sup> December at 5.45pm in the church.

The school continues to be a very popular choice of school for prospective parents, and our Open Morning tours were very busy. The children are always delighted to welcome visitors to the school and we actively encourage parents to visit this outstanding provision. Please look at our website for further information [www.ewhurst.surrey.co.uk](http://www.ewhurst.surrey.co.uk) visits are organised by the school office (01483 277291) or email [info@ewhurst.surrey.sch.uk](mailto:info@ewhurst.surrey.sch.uk) to arrange a tour.

Mrs Jane Dyer  
Head Teacher

## **Charity Quiz Night**

In aid of Vaughan House and BHA

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*with Quiz Master Geoff Harry*

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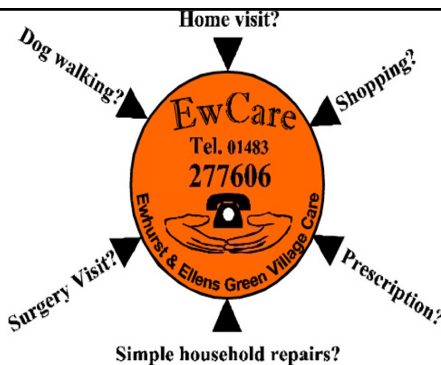
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## In Our Midst -- Bill Bruford A Life in Music



Any search of the Internet will quickly reveal the extent of Bill's work and achievements in over forty years as a world class drummer, percussionist and band-leader. In fact on his personal website he describes his career in a way which I could never match here - a heady mix of concerts and albums with top artists, lectures, teaching and travel, travel, travel. And yet, as those who know him locally will agree, Bill has a relaxed, approachable manner which makes you feel that somehow he has never left the village. I was not surprised when someone said to him recently "Bill, I had no idea you were so famous!". It is, he says, the very stability of these roots - his family, the church, the village, which have enabled him to survive for so long in the turbulent world of the freelance musician.

Born in Sevenoaks into a comfortable professional home, Bill remembers at a very young age beating time to the rhythm of his father's car windscreen wipers and listening to the longer cycles of the waves crashing on a Cornish holiday beach. He grew up with jazz and while boarding at Tonbridge School he would travel to the London clubs to listen to his drumming heroes of the early sixties. After a gap year in 1968, he took up his place at Leeds University but, to the concern of his parents, almost immediately dropped out to begin a professional drumming career. By 1974 he had toured internationally with Yes, the group he co-founded, and later King Crimson. Both groups had gained enormous critical and commercial success with a huge following and several massive selling albums. We had an unusual way of working, he says, in that the band *cared* what all its members could do and the drummer had input, allowing him to expand beyond the boundaries of conventional rock. They were pioneers of "progressive" rock.

Bill and Carolyn were married in 1973 between tours of the US with King Crimson. Originally from Cheltenham, Carolyn had moved to America with her family but returned to finish her schooling in England. They had first met at his cousin's house when they were still at school; "She was my childhood sweetheart" he says, and by marrying so young they were able to live and learn together through the experiences of his musician's way of life. They came to Ewhurst in 1980, looking for quieter skies after the roar of the overhead planes in Sheen, South London, and found themselves at High Broom together with a steep, rather overgrown garden and beautiful views to the South which they could not resist. Alex and Holly were already born and second son Jack was born here a few years later; all three having an excellent start to their education at the village school.

His early work might have given Bill world-wide recognition but he was keen to move on. He had built up a considerable network of contacts and respect in the industry and the session work that followed allowed him to observe and participate in making music with

a number of groups (including Genesis with Phil Collins) until finally, in 1977, he was ready to lead a group of his own, made up of young, like-minded musicians who would create and play the music which interested them. The years to 1980 were a time of frenetic activity with Bill leading and recording with his own band, Bruford, but also recording and touring in America with the rapidly rising group UK, then returning to record three further studio albums with Bruford. And of course further touring.

In the mid-80s came the digital interface (MIDI) which allowed Bill the opportunity to develop the melodic side of percussion. With a reformed King Crimson and later with his second band Earthworks, he pioneered the use of the electronic drum kit and explains his efforts to contribute to the art of percussion in general with his constant quest for reinvention - all very exciting. It was certainly cutting edge. I remember watching him demonstrate the "electronic pads" on *Tomorrow's World* with Raymond Baxter. Earthworks' first offering in 1987 was named the "third best jazz album of the year" by American newspaper *USA Today* and by 1990 the readers of the *Modern Drummer* magazine had voted him into their Hall of Fame. At the same time, a second period with former colleagues was about to start. They played under the moniker of Anderson, Bruford, Wakeman, Howe in 1989, but by 1991 he was teamed up with a second group performing under the name Yes. One can almost feel the frustration that resulted as he describes these events. "As if sleep-walking", Bill says, "I was astonished to find I'd re-joined the Yes behemoth, only now with 8 musicians - like the entire cast of 'Dallas' reunited. It was ghastly, macabre and over-blown, but also un-missable." There was something of a visceral pleasure in the roar of 20,000 people in a Philadelphia stadium drowning out the sound of the band.

An innovative four year period followed, working with a reformed King Crimson having the unusual arrangement of two drummers. Then the Earthworks II line-up appeared in 1997, an entirely acoustic set in which Bill again brought more young British players to the attention of an international audience. Previously he had mentioned how it was difficult to categorise the music he wanted to make. Was it rock? Was it jazz? Perhaps it fell between the two and for the critics it was "too jazz for rock and too rock for jazz". Now, with Earthworks II, make no mistake - this was jazz, straight ahead jazz. By 2000 Bill was manager, road manager, booking agent, composer, drummer, producer, publicist, husband and father and it was only with modern admin and communication methods, he says, could he have possibly handled the complexities of his professional and domestic life. Of course, as ever, Carolyn's support was essential. In the years to 2003 there were tours of the UK, Japan, America, East Europe, Spain, South Africa and South America. A high spot was a run at Birdland in Manhattan, watched by Carolyn and a group of friends from home. Other ground-breaking collaborations at the time included that with the World Percussion Ensemble - a fantastic mix of a Senegalese, a Cuban and two Western kit drummers, and a considerable partnership with top Dutch pianist Michiel Borstlap. On their first outing, Bill had met Michiel just the previous

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afternoon and, totally unrehearsed, performed on stage in front of 800 people. This was how he liked it - true improvisation, an open-ended musical conversation.

Bill retired from public performance and studio recording after 41 years in 2009. He had already been working on his autobiography and this was published in the same year to very positive reviews. It has just now gone to a second edition. He continues to issue new compilations of his work on his earlier established record labels, Summerfold and Winterfold Records, and still receives many requests to conduct drum workshops and give lectures worldwide. As you might expect with his continual need to move forward and to contribute to the industry, particularly in the cause of the drummer, in 2011 he began working for a PhD at the University of Surrey in Guildford. Entitled "Creative Music Performance and the Western Kit Drummer", he is able to use his massive experience, high level contacts and anecdotal evidence to inform his research. How do drummers and drumming fit into popular culture? What do drummers do? Why do they do it? Is there anything creative about it? And if so, how does that creativity inform practice? With the date for the submission of his thesis rapidly approaching, Bill is now working flat out to finish it. Maybe after that we will see more of him? Well there's always the possibility of another book ...

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## Update from Ewhurst Players

As this magazine lands on your door mat the 'Players' will have just completed the November production of Agatha Christie's 'The Hollow'. A huge THANK YOU to all who came to support us for a successful show which played to a full house every night. The success of the Ewhurst Players is, of course, down to the dedication, creativity and hard work of the whole team and most importantly - the support of our loyal audience - so THANK YOU!

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## LOCAL HISTORY CORNER, by Janet Balchin

### The Battle of Loos

At the end of September 1915, The Queen's (Royal West Surrey) Regiment took part in a major offensive at Loos. It was the first time Kitchener's 'New Army' had seen major action, following months of training.

Many Ewhurst men serving with The Queens took part in the battle. Two were already serving with the Queen's before the outbreak of the war. Capt Raymond Heath, son of Mr and Mrs Arthur Heath of North Breache, had been with the regiment since 1903. At the outbreak of the war he was stationed in South Africa. The regiment immediately returned to England, and, after just 24 hours leave, embarked for France in October 1914. Only a few weeks later Capt. Heath was seriously wounded, but after recovering returned to France, taking part in the Battle of Festubert in May 1915. Frank Sellings, whose parents lived at Mascalls, had enlisted as a private in 1911, aged 17. Initially in the reserves he transferred to the regular army a year later when he was 18. At the outbreak of war he was attending a training camp and was immediately recalled to The Queen's' HQ, at Bordon Camp, and, on 12<sup>th</sup> August, left for France with the BEF (British Expeditionary Force), probably one of the first Ewhurst men to go to France. His unit saw active service at Mons, The Marne, The Aisne, Neuve la Chapelle and Festubert.

Most of the others were volunteers in Kitchener's 'New Army', having enlisted in August or September 1914. Privates Albert Killick, of Coneyhurst Lane; Victor Lawrence, of Heathside Cottage; Harry Kilhams, of Maybanks; Joseph Parsons, of Lower Canfold; William Baker, a gardener at Malquoits [Cornhill Manor]; Victor Baker, a butcher's assistant at Milk Hill; Thomas Denyer, a bell ringer at Ewhurst church; Frank Dedman, of Horseblock Hollow; William Thompson, of Ewhurst Green; and William Haffenden. Other Ewhurst men in The Queens included Second Lieutenant Richard Joynson Hicks, son of William Joynson Hicks MP, who lived at Holmbury House; Harvey Field, of Winterfold; and also Frank Jenkins, of Ellens Green serving in the Royal Engineers; and Samuel Randall of the Royal Army Veterinary Corps. The 'New Army' recruits underwent training at Bordon and went to France in the summer of 1915, so the Battle of Loos was their first taste of action.

On the first day, 25<sup>th</sup> September, D Company, 2<sup>nd</sup> Battalion The Queen's, commanded by Capt Raymond Heath reached the second German line. An entry in the battalion war diary, by Captain Philpot, recorded *"Captain Heath sent a bombing party down the trench to the right, as some German bombers were causing trouble. The Germans eventually pushed on and got in our rear, whence they sniped into our backs, our stock of bombs at this time becoming low..... At about 2pm Captain Heath organised an attack on Cité St. Elie, and we entered the village, but as our own guns then started to shell the village heavily we returned to our former position. At about 3.15 pm Captain Heath was killed and I*

*assumed command”.*

At the north end of the line, near the village of Givenchy, two Ewhurst men, Privates Joseph Parsons, who was 23, and Victor Lawrence, aged 19, were serving with the 1st Battalion, The Queen's. They also reached the German lines, but were forced back due to a lack of ammunition. By the end of the day both were listed as missing.

On the second day of the battle another Ewhurst man, L/Cpl William Haffenden was attacking south of the village of Hulluch, with the 8th Battalion The Queen's. Believing Hulluch to be in British hands they expected the wire to be already cut, but they came under heavy machine gun fire and found the wire still intact, so were forced to withdraw. He had only been in France for three weeks and this had been in his first experience of being under fire.

The Surrey Times carried a report headlined - *“Queens in Great Advance” – “Twenty one officers killed or wounded”*. The attack on the first day had indeed made some advances, but delays in bringing on the reserve troops, together with problems in supply of ammunition meant the troops were forced back and by the following day had lost most of the ground gained. The losses were high with over 50,000 British casualties, of whom nearly 8,000 were killed. Of the fifteen Ewhurst men known to have taken part in the battle, four were killed - Capt Raymond Heath, Joseph Parsons and Victor Lawrence on the first day, and William Haffenden thought to have died the following day. None of their bodies were recovered. Six were wounded - Richard Joynson Hicks, William Baker, Victor Baker, Frank Sellings, William Thompson, and Harvey Field.

On the 2<sup>nd</sup> October, The Surrey Advertiser devoted a whole column to the loss of Raymond Heath. His parents had been living at North Breache, but had, just one month previously, moved into the Heath family home at Kitlands, Coldharbour. On 5th October, his family held a Memorial Service at Coldharbour Church, which was reported in The Surrey Advertiser on the 9<sup>th</sup> October, again in some detail.

News for the other worried parents was much slower in coming through. On Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> October, The Surrey Advertiser reported *“Although the parents have received no official information from the War Office, news from other sources points to the sad conclusion that that following have also fallen: J. Parsons, 1<sup>st</sup> Queens, son of Mr J Parsons of Canfold Copse; and Victor Lawrence, 1<sup>st</sup> Queens, son of Mr William Lawrence, Heath House, Ewhurst. The following are also unofficially reported wounded, Victor Baker of the Queens who was a butchers assistant in Ewhurst; Frank Sellings of the Queens, son of Mr and Mrs B. Sellings, The Bungalow; W. Thompson, son of Mr and Mrs Thompson, Ewhurst Green; and Harvey Field, son of Mr Edward Field of Winterfold Farm.”* In fact Mrs Parsons was to eventually receive the news of her son's death via a letter sent from a fellow soldier to his own mother. The following week, (16<sup>th</sup> October) The Surrey Advertiser confirmed *“We unofficially announced last week that J. Parsons, 1<sup>st</sup> Queens, son of Mr J. Parsons of Canfold Copse and Victor*

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*Lawrence, 1st Queens, son of Mr William Lawrence, Heath House had fallen in action. Although the parents have not yet received official intimation from the War Office, there appears to be little doubt of the sad fact of Parson's death. Pte T.W. Denyer, 1st Queens, son of Mr and Mrs Denyer of Ewhurst, writing home on September 29<sup>th</sup> says that Victor [Baker] got badly wounded and J. Parsons was hit through the head and died instantaneously."*

Fighting continued sporadically into October and on 2<sup>nd</sup> October, Sergeant Samuel Randall, of the Army Veterinary Corps, was killed. Aged 32, he was married and had been working as a groom in Sussex, but had been born and grown up in Ewhurst, and his parents still lived at Hazelbank.

### **Ewhurst History Society Winter Programme**

Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> January 2016 - Kathy Atherton – 'Literary Mole Valley'

Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> February 2016 - Quiz Night

Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> March 2016 - Carole Garrard – 'Maps for Local and Family History'

The Society meets on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of the month at Ewhurst Baptist Church at 8.00pm unless otherwise indicated. Non-members always welcome. For more information please contact Janet Balchin on 01483 277342 or email [janet.balchin@btinternet.com](mailto:janet.balchin@btinternet.com)



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With this wonderful end to the season we are raring to get going with our winter training. We would love to see lots of new faces at our evening sessions starting in the New Year. If you are aged 14+, can catch and throw a ball with some accuracy and would like to enjoy some light exercise and meet some fellow Ewhurstians(?) then please come along to learn the game.

**Winter Training 2016 will run on  
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The first of 10 indoor trainings will be on  
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The diversity of performers and many well-known songs and carols makes this concert appropriate for all ages and music lovers and starts at the earlier time of 6.30pm. The choirs will also invite the audience to join them in singing some traditional carols.

If you'd prefer a more sophisticated Christmas concert, then join us for our atmospheric late night candlelight concert on Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> December at 8pm at St Nicolas Church, Guildford featuring our adult choirs, the Surrey Hills Chamber Choir and Surrey Hills Singing. Nothing is more perfect than performing in this magnificent church and in addition to the songs mentioned above there will be other seasonal classics including "O Magnum Mysterium" by Laurisdén, "Carol of the Bells" by Leontovich, "My Lord has come" by Will Todd and "Rejoice Greatly" from Handel's Messiah sung by Carol Foussat.

Tickets for Saturday: £12 Adults and £3 for children 16 and under; Tickets for Sunday: Adults £12 and £5 for children 16 and under. Tickets include wine and refreshments and are available to purchase online at [www.surreyhills-choirs.co.uk/tickets](http://www.surreyhills-choirs.co.uk/tickets) until 9pm the night before the performance. After the online ticketing closes please email [tickets@surreyhills-choirs.co.uk](mailto:tickets@surreyhills-choirs.co.uk) or call 01483 892474. Please book early as the concerts are very popular.

**EWHURST MONDAY CLUB**

The Ewhurst Monday Club is a social club for Senior Citizens. We meet on the third Monday of the month at the Glebe Centre, Ewhurst, at 2.15pm from April to October and at 2.00pm in the winter months.

We have a presentation or a talk or a Member’s Meeting with a nice tea. Each November we go to the Bulls Head for lunch and a film. Our Programme is on the notice board at the Glebe Centre.

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If you would like further information, please contact Jean Dodd: 01483 278184.

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**25<sup>th</sup> November** - "The Victorian House around the World" - Roger Mitchell will show us examples of how houses were designed and built across the world during this inventive period of history.

**27<sup>th</sup> January 2016** - "From Magic Lanterns to Metro Goldwyn Mayer : the birth of the Silver Screen & the artists it inspired". An illustrated talk by Dr Geri Parlby to recognise the artistry of film making.

**24<sup>th</sup> February 2016** - "Romancing the Rails - Posters of British Railways" by Charles Harris. He will bring us examples from when passenger railways began to encourage people, through art, to take the train.

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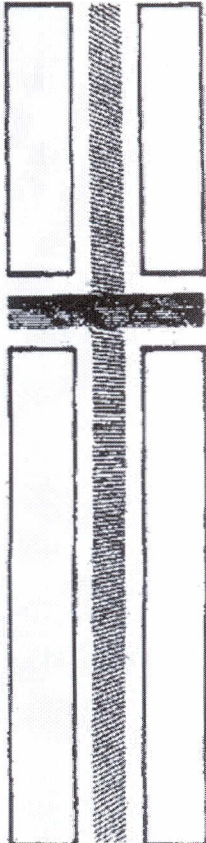
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