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From the Editor

Welcome to this edition of **nEWs and viEWs** magazine, which has lots of interesting articles and information on seasonal events for you to enjoy. The weather is still on the chilly side but snowdrops and daffodils are appearing, showing that Spring is well on the way to cheer us all up!

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 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 our local advertisers. If you wish to place an advertisement in the <u>Summer</u> edition please contact Val Henry at val.dixon.henry@btinternet.com or on 01483 275380 by early May.

Best Wishes .. Phil Henry

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To all our Friends in Ewhurst

We just wanted to drop you a line to say a big "thank you" for all your good wishes and support as we made our move to Gloucester Diocese. Our final service and reception were unforgettable and we were very touched by the affection you showed us. Thank you very much for all the kind cards, gifts and messages we have received. They have been a great encouragement to us and surround us in our new Rectory in Stratton.

We are busy settling into our new ministry in the Churn Valley Benefice, but we feel greatly blessed by the almost thirteen years we spent with you in Ewhurst. We had a lot of fun and shared a lot of life experiences with you that we will never forget. Though we are not with you, you will always be in our hearts and prayers.

Do look us up if you are ever in the Cotswolds.

With love and blessings, **David and Laura**

PS: if anybody is short of a cardboard box we have a few!!!

The Future of the Parish of Ewhurst (including Ellens Green)

The departure of our former Rector, David, has meant that the PCC (Parochial Church Council) of Ewhurst Parish has had to look very carefully at what level of ministry can be provided in the future within our resources. Any proposal has to be supported by the Bishop of Guildford (who has overall responsibility for the parish) and by the Diocesan Board of Finance.

It has become very clear in discussions that the Parish of Ewhurst does not have a viable financial or pastoral future on its own - either in attracting a full-time priest or in being able to grow and develop further. After careful thought about the nature of our parish, the PCC decided that the way forward would be a link with Forest Green and Okewood as both areas are, like Ewhurst, rural in nature. Children from Forest Green and Okewood come to our village school and these villages look towards us and Cranleigh, rather than Dorking, for social, educational and retail links.

The Rector of Ockley, Okewood and Forest Green (OOFG) has recently retired. In order to take this link forward, both the parish of Ewhurst and the parish of OOFG have to agree to appoint a priest-in-charge (rather than a Rector) for a period of up to five years. This is called "Suspension of Presentation". A fulltime priest-in-charge can then be appointed to the Parish of Ewhurst and to the Okewood and Forest Green parts of OOFG. Ockley would join the Surrey Weald group of churches which includes Capel, Newdigate and South Holmwood.

Ewhurst PCC has agreed to the Suspension of Presentation; initial discussions with OOFG suggest that their PCC will also approve the proposal. The priest-incharge would have responsibility for the three churches of Ewhurst, Okewood and Forest Green and live in Ewhurst Rectory. Initially Ewhurst will keep its own PCC and churchwardens, as will Okewood and Forest Green but if things work out well, the three churches could, in time, become a single parish with one PCC with Churchwardens from each church.

Okewood and Forest Green are currently in Dorking Archdeaconry and Dorking Deanery and they would join Ewhurst in Surrey Archdeaconry and Cranleigh Deanery if the link goes ahead.

These proposals mean that we would have a more viable financial future as we would share ministry costs with Okewood and Forest Green. It would also allow us to pool resources and make for a more attractive proposition for a new priest. The work and ministry of the church in this area would be safeguarded and we could look to a secure future for many years ahead, an important legacy for our parish.

Jane Harry and Jackie May Churchwardens (on behalf of Ewhurst PCC)

A notice confirming the "Suspension of Presentation" will be displayed early in March in the church porch.

Letting of The Rectory

The Diocese will be letting the Rectory to a private tenant during the Vacancy. This means that parking on the Rectory Drive will be limited to the three spaces adjacent to the hedge by the Memorial Garden.

For services, these spaces must be kept free for the Minister and those who need disabled parking.

At other times during the week, they will be available for the vergers, cleaners and flower ladies and those using the Wilson Room who have items to carry in. The area near these spaces can be used for "drop off" but NOT for parking.

Please respect the privacy of the tenants by parking in the village hall car park, The Glebe or the school when appropriate.

Jackie May, Jane Harry

Ewhurst Annual Parochial Church Meeting 2017 Tuesday 25th April in The Wilson Room

Refreshments from 7.30pm before the meeting at 8.00pm

This meeting is open to everyone in the parish but only people on the Church Electoral Roll will be eligible to vote in certain parts of the meeting.

The meeting reviews the work of the church during the past year and it's plans for the future. The Church Wardens, members of the Parochial Church Council (PCC) and sidespeople are elected during the meeting.

Nominations for these posts <u>must</u> be made prior to the meeting.

Women's World Day of Prayer

Ewhurst Churches Together Friday 3rd March 2.00pm Ewhurst Baptist Church

The service this year is compiled by the women of the Philippines The theme is: "am I being unfair to you"?

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

Refreshments available afterwards

Women's World Day of Prayer is 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 congregation 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.

Update on the Ceiling Damage in the Church

The damage has been assessed by the church architect and is due to water blowing in under the roof slabs and dampening the wooden lathes to which the plaster is fixed.

Most of the organ side of the ceiling was very insecure and a full false ceiling was put in to stop the ceiling falling into the chancel and to allow a fuller examination of the roof from the inside. Now this has been done and the ceiling secured, the scaffolding has been removed, so we can again use the chancel, organ, bells and the altar. The shrouding to the ceiling will remain until actual repairs can be done.

Examination of the outside of the roof shows many roof slabs have lost their mortar and major repair is needed here. The roof will need repairing before the plaster ceiling can be put back.

Close examination of the rest of the church roof shows that there is a similar problem in both the Nave and South Transept, with damage to the interior plaster and to the outside roof. There is also water damage to the stonework of the buttresses that support the bell tower.

The church is to be declared "At Risk" and the Heritage Lottery Fund will be approached once full details of all the work required are known but we can continue to use the church now the chancel ceiling is secured.

This is will be a long term project and will need Fund Raising as well as substantial Lottery Grants to complete all the work needed. Work on this aspect will begin as soon as all the information is accumulated and cost estimates are available.

However, the work we have had done to secure the ceiling will not be covered by any Lottery Grant as, if money is allocated, it cannot be used for any retrospective costs.

Jackie May, Jane Harry and Colin Stewart

Lent

On this year's calendar Ash Wednesday is March 1st, so the beginning of Lent coincides with the publication of this edition of News and Views. The question most often asked about Lent is: what are you giving up? Some years ago my son-in-law, rather uncharitably I thought, suggested that I should give up preaching for Lent. Do give up something if it helps you, but it is not essential and is only a small part of the call that is made to Christians each year during the season. More important is the Spiritual discipline of prayer and study of the scriptures that are possible because of the time that self-denial can give us. We should try to make extra time for God, open your hearts to Him and be inspired by the Spirit. An important sign of the beginning of Lent is given at the Ash Wednesday Holy Communion Service when the priest makes the sign of the cross on our forehead using ashes of a burnt Palm Sunday cross.

Other clear signs of the season are the Lenten candles. They can be seen as a continuation of Advent candles when we looked forward to coming of Christ, the light of the world. Then we lit a new candle each week as Christmas approached. In Lent a candle is extinguished each week as we think about the themes of that season. As in Advent, the Lenten candles are arranged in a ring of white with a central purple candle that represents Jesus the light of the world. Purple is the liturgical colour of Lent. It represents mourning, pain and suffering, to remind us of our mortality as well as being the colour of royalty for Christ our King. Although we do not have flowers in Church during Lent, the ring is covered simply with leaves when it is set up for Ash Wednesday.

At the end of our services each week, a prayer will be said as one of the candles is extinguished. This reminds us of the light of the world, who was taken from us on the cross. We are asked to think about Lenten themes that are sin in the world, our failure to follow the teaching of Jesus, cruelty and thoughtlessness, waste and envy, the light that comes from the passion of Christ, and the false praises and cheers of the crowd on Palm Sunday. Each of these reflects the problems of the world and our own shortcomings. The light of Christ may have been taken from the world on the cross, but it was the action of sinful people.

As Lent progresses the leaves that decorate the ring will fade. They will be removed progressively until none remain during Holy Week. Only one candle will be lit at this time. It is the central purple candle that is the sign of Jesus, alone. The candle burns alone and is surrounded by the remains of the partially burnt white candles that are no longer lit. The last, purple candle will be snuffed out on Good Friday at the end of the Hour by the Cross Service as we remember His great sacrificial death for us all on the cross.

However, the light that the world tried to extinguish cannot be put out. In the midst of darkness, there is light. On the third day the tomb was found to be empty, so all of the candles on the Lent ring will be lit and shine brightly on Easter Day. God bless you all.

Tim Seller

Vacancy

We are just 2 months into our interregnum (I still find it very difficult to use the correct term). It has been a particularly busy and challenging time already for our Church Wardens. We are very grateful to Jackie and Jane and all they are doing for us, also to John for his hard work. More significantly, it is very encouraging how everyone is helping and contributing and we are being drawn together in a real sense. I am sure that this will make our Parish an attractive proposition for whoever is called to lead us into the future.

Tim

LENT LUNCHES

Come and join us in The Wilson Room for the 2017 Lent Lunches. This year *FIVE* lunches – March 9th, 16th, 23rd, 30th and April 6th from 12.15pm until 1.45pm.

Enjoy homemade soups and Jan's delicious rolls with cheese and fruit.

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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



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St. Peter & Paul, Ewhurst



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Saint Peter and Saint Paul Ewhurst



Treasure Seekers Club

A club for children which takes place on the 2nd, 4th and 5th 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

Wills and Legacies

Making a Will is an important decision. Taking this important step will be of great benefit to your family and others that you want to provide for in the future. It makes their future more secure and settled at a time when they will be feeling such a sense of loss.

The organisation Will Aid offers to draw up your will for free in exchange for a donation to a charity. To find solicitors in this area who are participating, visit <u>www.willaid.org.uk</u>.

Over time, St Peter and St Paul has benefited from legacies given by both church-goers and friends.

Leaving a Legacy to the church in your Will means that you are helping future generations in the village to continue to have our beautiful church in their midst for weddings, christenings and funerals as well as somewhere quiet and peaceful to reflect when they need to. Your legacy can also ensure that the community life of the church within the village can be there whenever it is needed to support and guide people through life's journey.

For more information, please pick up a leaflet on this from the back of the church or visit our website www.saintpeterandsaintpaulewhurst.org.uk.

Holy Week Services Including Easter

Palm Sunday, Sunday 9th April

8.00am Holy Communion with the giving of palm crosses.

- 10.00am The Palm Sunday walk around the village with the donkey begins at the Parish Church. Palm Sunday crosses will be given out during the walk and the Palm Sunday story will unfold. It finishes at the Baptist Church. All ages welcome, and the donkey likes carrots!
- 11.00am All-Age service to celebrate Palm Sunday. This is a joint service at the Baptist church. Palm crosses will be given out during the service. Refreshments afterwards.

Monday 10th April and Tuesday 11th April

7.30pm Compline, a short service to mark the end of the day.

Wednesday 12th April

10.00am Morning Worship.

7.30pm Compline, a short service to mark the end of the day.

Maundy Thursday, Thursday 13th April

7.30pm Holy Communion, finishing with the stripping of the altar.

8.30pm Night Vigil until midnight. You can stay for as long as you like and come at any time during the night. There will be someone in church throughout the Vigil.

(Please sign the board in the church if you can be there for an hour)

Good Friday, Friday 14th April

- 10.00am Walk of Witness with people from the Baptist Church, starting at the Baptist Church. A cross is carried round the village and there are readings and song at various points along the way. The walk finishes at the Parish Church.
- 11.00am A joint service with the Baptist Church members at the Parish Church. Refreshments afterwards in the Wilson Room.
- 2.00pm An Hour by the Cross, a meditation service at the Parish Church.

Easter Sunday, Sunday 16th April

- 6.00 am Sunrise service at the top of Pitch Hill where we welcome in Easter Sunday with people from the Baptist Church. This is an informal service to celebrate Easter morning. Afterwards there will be bacon butties in the Wilson Room at about 6.45 am.
- 8.00am Holy Communion based on the Book of Common Prayer. This is a quiet formal service.
- 10.30am Family Communion service for all ages, children are very welcome. Afterwards, the children are invited to join in an Easter Egg Hunt in the churchyard. Refreshments in the Wilson Room.

PATTERN OF CHURCH SERVICES					
WEEK	8.00 am	9.00	6.30 pm		
1		9.00am 10.30am	BCP Holy Communion 20:20	BCP Choral Evensong	
2	BCP Communion	10.30am	Holy Communion – Common Worship (Treasure Seekers)		
3	BCP Communion	10.30am	CW Morning Worship	Evening Praise	
4	BCP Communion	10.30 am	Holy Communion – Common Worship (Treasure Seekers)		
5	BCP Communion	10.30 am	All-Age Worship		

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



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Mothering Sunday at the Parish Church Sunday 26th March 10.30am

Please join us for this traditional All Age family service. We will be joined by children from the village school with their thoughts and songs about mums, followed by the children giving out posies to all the ladies. Afterwards, everyone is invited to the Wilson Room for cakes with tea, coffee or squash.

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If we are to safeguard the church's future we need to plan ahead. This is much easier to do if we know, in advance, how much money we have coming in. Planned Giving, whereby people donate to the church by Standing Order on a monthly, quarterly or annual basis, according to their choice, is an important source of our income and helps us to achieve this.

If you are able to become part of our Planned Giving community you will make a real difference to how the church in Ewhurst continues and develops.

To find out more about the Planned Giving scheme please contact Phil Henry, telephone 01483 275380, or e-mail p.henry@metrics-consulting.com.

Ewhurst Baptist Church

On Sunday 9th January we closed our doors here at the Baptist Church and joined with the Parish Church for the farewell service of the Rector, David Minns, who was moving on from Ewhurst to new pastures near to Cirencester.

Over the seven or so years I have known David I have always been encouraged by the genuineness of his desire to develop and strengthen the ecumenical relationship between the two village churches.

As with people, churches can become very parochial and inward looking but David, whilst attending to the needs of his own congregation, also invested his energies into our regular meetings where we worked together in discussing and praying for the witness of all Christians in Ewhurst.

It is this shared witness that it is particularly appropriate to remember as we get into Lent and start to approach Easter, a time when we specifically recall Jesus's prayers for his followers in the final days of his life:

John 13:34 "A new command I give you: <u>Love one another</u>. As I have loved you, so you must <u>love one another</u>. 35: By this all men will know that you are my disciples, if you <u>love one another</u>."

Jesus taught that if there is one thing that should distinguish Christians it is their love. Not just some well meant words, nor some form of ecclesial political correctness but a "rubber hitting the road" love that is evident to others and lived out.

As churches of different denominational traditions we have different styles of worship, even in some respects different ways of interpreting the Holy Bible but if we focus on such things, important though they are, we can find ourselves focusing on lines that divide rather than unite us.

We also need to be mindful that churches can also find themselves competing against one another as though we are in some sort of race to put on the best show!

Jesus instead teaches us not to be legalistic but to put on love, an *agape* sacrificial love that is lived out between us. David and I expressed this as encouraging unity whilst respecting our diversity, an ethic that is very pertinent

for our times and not just within Ewhurst. It is this example, founded on the teaching of Jesus, that David and I sought to embody ourselves, as well as to encourage between our congregations.

Over the years we were both encouraged by the deepening of relationships between individuals from both churches which demonstrated to us a growing sense of love and shared Christian witness and mission in the village. If the ecumenical witness in the village had remained as just something the two church leaders held to then when one departed, as David now has, there would always be the danger that the relationship would falter.

But thanks to David and members of both congregations I feel confident that this will not be the case now in Ewhurst, in fact the temporary vacancy in leadership hopefully will create new opportunities for a deepening of Christian witness and love between members of both congregations.

In the meantime we will be praying for our brothers and sisters at the Parish Church as some bear greater burdens of leadership as well as for the new incumbent, that the right man or woman be found and appointed for the future witness of all Christians in this village.

So really for this edition of the News & Views I just want to close by being able to publicly thank David for all he has done for both the churches in the village in this respect.

I am sure you will join with me also in praying that he may be part of a similar shared witness to the love of God in Christ within his new pastures in Gloucestershire.

God Bless Simon Bodington

(Minister)



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PS: If you want details of the joint church services to be held this Easter then you will find a separate advert within the magazine entitled "Ecumenical Easter Events in Ewhurst 2017"





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Ecumenical Easter Events in Ewhurst 2017

The Parish and the Baptist Church come together for certain worship services and events across the Easter season.

You, your family and friends are warmly invited to join us.

Sunday 8th April – Palm Sunday 10.00am

We meet at the Parish Church (along with a donkey) and share in a walk of witness winding our way around the streets of Ewhurst. This ends at the Baptist Church by 11.00am where the two churches will share in a joint worship service followed by refreshments

Friday 14th April – Good Friday 10.00am

We meet this time at the Baptist Church and share in a similar walk of witness around Ewhurst. This ends at the Parish Church by 11.00am where the two churches again share in a joint worship service, followed by refreshments.

Sunday 16th April – Easter Sunday – Sunrise Service

06:00 - we meet at the top of Pitch Hill and share in a short Easter sunrise service after which we will retire to the Parish Church for hot drinks and bacon sandwiches!



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KEEP SOCIALISING!

KIKS club - @ Ewhurst Baptist Church

Our social club, KIKS, meets on the 1st and 3rd Mondays of every month between 2 and 4pm.

From last September we have ceased to run the monthly film so the Club has reverted to its original format of offering the opportunity for friendship, chat, crafts and various board games alongside tea and cake!

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A variety of activities are available at each session.

For more information please contact: Jackie Bodington on 01483 495426 or <u>Jbodington57@gmail.com</u>



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Old Bakery Court	9.34	10.34	11.34
Broomers Lane	9.36	10.36	11.36
Bulls Head Green	9.38	10.38	11.38
Arrival at The Parrot	9.55	10.55	11.55

Note – The Vintage Bus will not leave the Bulls Head until the 53 bus has arrived

THE PARROT to EWHURST

Location	Times		
The Parrot	10.05	11.05	12.20
Bulls Head Green	10.20	11.20	12.35
The Glebe	10.22	11.22	12.37
Williams Close	10.24	11.24	12.39
Larkfield	10.26	11.26	12.41
Gadbridge Lane Bus Garage	10.28	11.28	12.43

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Update, March 2017

A big thank you to everyone who took the trouble to take part in the recent site and housing criteria consultation for our Neighbourhood Plan.

Around one in four of the 1715 adults resident in this parish responded - a very respectable result for an exercise of this nature. There were 437 responses (25%) on the site Identification criteria and 439 (26%) on the housing development criteria. An overwhelming majority of you agreed with each set of criteria - 96% for the site criteria and 95% for the housing development criteria.

Many of you also offered further written comments on these topics which have all been recorded for the Steering Group to examine. We will look at all comments, record a summary of the main issues raised, and consider how we can address them in the Draft Neighbourhood Plan.

Next steps in keeping you informed as we move towards the final NP

(Note: further community consultation and a final local referendum will be needed - as shown in **bold** in the next steps list)

- All comments sent from the parish community on Neighbourhood Plan issues will be considered when building the draft Neighbourhood Plan.
- We will communicate the full outcome of the January 2017 community consultation via our regular communications process, including posts on the NP website http://www.ewhurst.org/ewhurst_np/ latest_news.html
- We will discuss the outcome and content of the January consultation with Waverley Borough Council.
- We will work with WBC to improve (tighten) the site and housing development criteria, based on WBC observations, WBC Local Plan and your comments.
- We will get help and advice from WBC to then generate the Draft Neighbourhood Plan, publishing it with all supporting evidence.
- We will go through the statutory 6-week consultation process on the Draft Neighbourhood Plan, - consulting with the parish community, statutory stakeholders and other relevant local councils, groups and organisations.

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- We will consider carefully all comments on the Draft NP and decide whether to amend the Draft NP in their light - recording the reasons for our decision and how the Plan has been modified as a result. Should the modifications to the Draft Plan prove to be 'material' then the 6-week Draft consultation process will need to be repeated.
- The final Draft NP, together with supporting documents, will then be submitted to Waverley BC for compliance checks.
- Once approved, Waverley will publicise the Plan over a 6-week period, and appoint an independent examiner to assess whether the Plan meets various conditions and legal requirements.
- Unless the NP fails to meet these conditions and requirements (when further modifications will be needed) it will proceed to a local referendum. If more than 50% of those voting vote 'YES', the Plan will be put before the WBC Planning committee with a recommendation for adoption as a "made" plan. The NP will then form part of the Development Planning Framework for WBC.

Henning von Spreckelsen, Chair, E & EG Neighbourhood Plan

Cranleigh Choral Society

Sunday 19th March. 7.30 pm in the Speech Hall of Cranleigh School. **Seascapes** – a concert of beautiful choral and orchestral music inspired by the power and majesty of the oceans! Elgar: Sea Pictures, Stanford: Songs of the Fleet and Haydn: 'Nelson' Mass.

Featuring the combined voices of Cranleigh Choral Society and Cranleigh School Choir together with the Merriman Concert Orchestra. Soloists Janet Shell (mezzo-soprano) and Timothy Dickinson (baritone). Marcus Pashley conducts.

Tickets are £16 (£13 concessions) and available from Choral Society members or 01483 273666 or email: <u>tickets@cranleigh.org</u>

DATE FOR YOUR DIARY

Surrey Hills Singing School's next concert is Saturday 20th May at 7.30pm at St Nicolas Church, Guildford.

The Surrey Hills Chamber Choir will be joined by the Waverley ensemble to perform the popular Haydn's Missa Brevis St. Joannis de Deo, better known as the "Little Organ Mass". There will also be a varied programme of folk, spirituals, classical and contemporary songs.

News from Ewhurst Parish Council 🐗

The speakers for the Annual Parish Meeting on Wednesday 5th April 2017 7.30pm in the Village Hall have been confirmed as Henning von Spreckelsen, Chair of the Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group, Catherine van't Riet who will speak about the Carnival 2016 and Co-Chairs of the School of Governors, Paula Elms and Sara Seal. After the speakers there will be a chance for a chat with the Councillors and speakers and refreshments will be served. The Parish Council hopes that you will be able to join them.

At the Parish Council meeting in February, Surrey County Councillor Alan Young spoke about the poor response time for the ambulance service in Ewhurst. Jeremy Hunt MP had been asked by Alan Young to look into means of improving this situation and factors such as the stationing of ambulances in locations away from their bases were investigated. The situation has recently been improved with a pilot scheme involving co-responders of the fire and ambulance service and has halved the response time. Alan Young will be organising some community events in Cranleigh and Ewhurst where the fire and ambulance services will speak and take questions from the community.

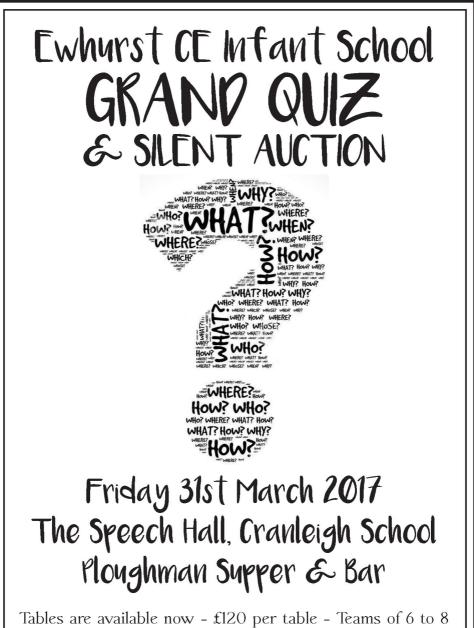
The Parish Council asked for comments from the community on suggested parking restriction lines to be placed at the junction of The Glebe and the end of Mapledrakes Road. The overriding feeling of the community and Parish Councillors alike was this would further urbanise the community's rural setting and prove difficult to enforce. The Parish Council have suggested white lines such as can be found at the entrance to Broomers Lane and possibly bollards on the verges at the two junctions where cars are often seen parked. Thank you to those who responded.

Henning von Spreckelsen, Chair of the Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group, has written in more detail regarding the Neighbourhood Plan in this publication but the Parish Council would like once again to pass on thanks to all the volunteers for their efforts during the recent Neighbourhood Plan consultation. One in four adults responded and an overwhelming majority were in favour of the Criteria listed in the Consultation Document.

The Parish Council has recently agreed to use Survey Monkey as a tool to gauge residents' opinions on matters arising. If you would like to be included in email surveys please register your email address with the Parish Council Clerk, (unless you have already done so for the e-bulletin), at clerk.epc@btinetrnet.com.

The next Parish Council meeting is Monday 20th March 7.45pm at the EYSC. Please do come along.

Jane Bromley - Parish Clerk



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News from Ewhurst CE Infant School

This term has been very busy from the beginning, with Science Week in January enthusing and inspiring the children with a succession of stimulating activities.

We had a visit from the Science Wizards, who came in for a day, inspiring everyone during assembly by using everyday items like hairdryers, cans, ping pong balls and even a hard-boiled egg to carry out amazing experiments. During the day the children experimented with each activity themselves and their fascination and engagement with the scientific processes and reactions were inspiring to see. We had many parent helpers in that day, and I think they enjoyed it as much as the children! We held another Working Alongside morning for parents during Science Week, when parents had the opportunity to undertake a scientific challenge with their child. The children are always very proud and excited to show their parents or family member their classrooms and work, and the feedback from parents for these sessions is always extremely positive. Eco Day on Friday inspired the children to reduce, reuse and recycle.

All the classes have school trips this term – Cherry class have already visited RHS Wisley to see the butterflies in the Glasshouse, which ties in with their topic on Rainforests, and Apple class will be visiting Amberley Museum at the beginning of March as part of their termly topic on 'Around the World in Eighty Days'. Holly class will be visiting Haslemere Museum, where they will be taking part in a workshop investigating the patterns in nature and science of colour.

The children benefit greatly from these visits, and we are always grateful for the high level of parental support on the outings.

Tables for our Grand Quiz and Silent Auction on March 31st are selling fast, so if you would like to join us for this fun evening to raise money for the Dove Centre, please email <u>governors@ewhurst.surrey.sch.uk</u> to book a table. The Quiz will also be the last chance to purchase raffle tickets for Rainbow, the CowParade "mini moo" decorated by the pupils last summer. Raffle tickets cost £10 and can be purchased from Ewhurst school office during the school day.

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Our Open Morning Tours have again been very busy, as the school continues to be a very popular choice for prospective parents. The children always enjoy welcoming them to their classrooms, and we are pleased with the positive feedback from our visitors.

Towards the end of term, the children will begin to plan and make their bonnet or hat for our Easter Bonnet Parade, which takes place at the End of Term service in the church.

It is wonderful to see the effort and creativity on display at such a traditional occasion.

Please take time to visit our school website **www.ewhurst.surrey.sch.uk** which is continually updated with news and information, or for any further information or help please contact the school office on 01483 277291 or email us at info@ewhurst.surrey.sch.uk.

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In Our Midst - Alex Creswell Renowned Painter, Historian, Traveller, Inventor

I walked down the steep steps from the Shere Road to the front door of the beautiful and unusual Italianate house which is home to Alex and Mary and their family. Their three children are the fourth generation of the Creswell family to live here. Mary showed me into the hall and then the lounge, both hung with large, magnificent paintings by Alex and other artists. From the kitchen we climbed some steep stairs to the studio at the end of the house where



Alex welcomed me. There, at the far end of the large, well lit space was his latest work in progress, mounted horizontally on a table, especially designed for purpose by the artist. This was not the flat canvas I might have expected but a structure of some considerable length, curved on its height to fit exactly the interior of a private plane; a cityscape positioned so that its horizon will meet the eye of the seated passengers. The opposite panel will feature a fountain. In acrylic, it has been an interesting and enjoyable challenge he said. In-flight murals!

Many will remember Sir Michael Creswell, Alex's diplomat father who was County Councillor for Ewhurst. Like many in those days he himself had been taught to paint well as a boy. He did not, however, consider painting to be a career for an aspiring young person so perhaps was disappointed when Alex did not want to go to university but to art school. Alex describes the foundation year at the West Surrey College at Farnham as interesting with a cross section of disciplines and trades, but the following art course in London was a disaster, hopeless, and he lasted less than a year. As a result he did the best thing he could possibly have done and started work in an art gallery whilst continuing to paint in his own time. At A-level he had studied the History of Art and a three week trip to Italy as part of the course gave him valuable practical experience. More so he was able to go back and stay at his tutor's villa to carry on while other students came and went. It was here that he began to understand how the history of a place should inform any representation of it. Not so much "hands-on" as "brain-on". He finally took the plunge and organised the first exhibition of his work in a function room. above a pub in Fulham. With friends inviting parents and their friends, it turned out to be a success and at the same time, convinced his parents that he could make a success of a career as an artist. From then he held an exhibition every year, and eventually the influential galleries started taking notice and began to invite him to exhibit with them.

Alex describes his work as an artist with enthusiasm and passion. In his search for ancient architecture, with its deep sense of history and culture, he has spent time in many countries and sites around the world, in particular Italy, France, the Middle East, Hong

nEWs and viEWs from the churches in Ewhurst

Kong and of course in this country. Perhaps one week in eight is spent at a site collecting material, sketching, painting, taking in the sounds, the smells and the activity all around. What contentment there is to sit and look properly at a building; the texture and colour of the stone, the reflected light and the moving shadows. Suddenly the architecture and the accuracy don't matter; the job of the artist is to record those things which nobody else notices and what a photograph can never reveal. It is the *spirit* of the place which is important. The previously unknown church of San Sebastiano in Sicily is a particular favourite. When he came upon it some years ago it was boarded up and ignored, but what a gem it is. He has been back several times and his painting here captures the beauty and grandeur he found.



Ruins have a particular fascination and a four year period spent dashing around the country researching and finding derelict houses in danger of disappearing, resulted in a published book. His exhibited work at the Spink & Son gallery in St James' had come to the attention of someone close to the Royal household resulting, in 1993, in a commission from the Royal Collection to depict, through a series of large watercolours, the ruins of the Chapel at Windsor after the fire. It would not be a ruin for very long and he started immediately, crunching around in the rubble with hard hat on, among firemen and builders wondering what on earth he was doing. The historical record was completed when he returned to paint the final restoration in 1997. His work is published in the book, "Out of the Ashes". Other commissions followed. In 1998 he acted as official artist during the Prince of Wales's tour to Slovenia, Bulgaria and Romania, recording the architectural scenes and presenting them in another book. Later he was commissioned to paint the lying in state of the Queen Mother and more recently he painted at the wedding of Prince William. To date he has 38 paintings in the Royal Collection.

Alex explained that the high-quality paper required for watercolour work nowadays comes in 5 foot wide rolls. The limit is 5 feet high but he is free to use any length and by designing and building a bespoke "easel" which tilts and swings he finds the opportunity to paint on such a scale hugely liberating. Consequently he is likely to have created the largest watercolour ever painted. Destined to hang on the ceiling of a New York collector's apartment, this was a challenging commission giving, with stunning effect, a view upward through classical architecture to the sky. This has led to other exciting work and upward views. In the future he hopes that one will adorn the ceiling of the new Grange Park Opera House at West Horsley Place where Mary is very much involved.

Recent projects have been quite varied in nature. A commissioned watercolour of the magnificent Rendentore Fireworks, Venice was completed during his time as artist in residence at the Watts Gallery, Compton and where he still maintains links. Two years

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ago he shared an exhibition there alongside lithographs by the Prince of Wales. Last year his "Frontier Cow" with its view from Newlands Corner attracted much attention and enabled him to make an artistic comment on what he considers to be one of the great views of Britain.

Several times a year Alex enjoys time with his family in Port Navas on the Helford River in Cornwall. It was here that he saw classic ocean yachts racing across the bay and for several years after, followed them to regattas around the world, capturing their majesty and sheer beauty in a series of paintings for which he became well known. Speaking of the future, he says he is desperate to return to Uzbekistan and the history that is the Silk Road. Iran, Jordan and Israel are also on the list for a revisit and what a pity that Syria is now no longer possible. However, living in Ewhurst is very precious to him and he would not want to live anywhere else. Not a day goes by, he says, that he does not thank his lucky stars that he lives here, looking out over these views and to be able turn one's back on London. "As an artist I am very lucky to travel to far flung parts of the world for my work, painting the world's greatest architecture and landscape, but returning home to the Surrey Hills always matches the beauty and energy which I have seen anywhere."

Geoff Harry

Advance Notice..... The Church Charities Group presents: A MURDER/MYSTERY EVENING Directed by Jeannie Metcalf Saturday 13th May at The Village Hall with Three course supper £18 In Aid of CHASE and Phyllis Tuckwell Hospice Tickets will be on Sale from Monday 10th April. Phone 277075 and 272814.

EWHURST PLAYERS: ALI BABA AND THE FORTY THIEVES

Just when we thought the fun and festivities were all over for another year, the Ewhurst Players' production of "Ali Baba and the Forty Thieves" entertained enthusiastic packed audiences at the Ewhurst village hall in late January and early February.

Director Marian Heathcote used an Alan Frayn adaptation of what was originally a rather blood-thirsty tale to transport her audiences to a pantomime version of Old Bagdad. The beautifully painted sets, colourful costumes, lively music and energetic cast gave us a feast of comedic talent.



From the opening number when the whole cast sang "Take the panto express; if your life is in a mess we will make you smile", it was a rip-roaring evening of action-packed fun and frolics. The audience shouted to galvanise the goodies, boo'ed the baddies and groaned at the gags. The dame strutted his stuff and sang (somewhat unconvincingly) "I'm a lady!" Mustafa-screw-loose proudly informed us he'd done a jigsaw in a mere 3 months when the box said "3 to 5 years". A stage full of man-size oil jars hid the thieves who sang "we're very good at being bad", Camelia the camel tracked down her beloved Ali Baba, and the princess and the slave girl both ended up "happily ever after" at the wedding feast finale.

As it all came to an end, the cast sang "Be our guest; a banquet here is never second best". That couldn't be more true of a Ewhurst Players panto!

SEE YOU ALL NEXT YEAR!

LOCAL HISTORY CORNER, by Janet Balchin William Russell, D.C.M., M.M., M.C., Bellringer

William Russell was a bellringer at Ewhurst church in the early 1900s. He was the eldest child of John and Catherine Russell and was born in Mickleham in 1887. By 1891 the family had moved to Ewhurst where his father got a job as a gardener for Mary Anne Ewart, at Coneyhurst, where they lived in the gardener's cottage attached to the house [now Mendip / Brakenlea]. He attended Ewhurst School until the age of 13, when he left to work as a gardener's boy.

As a teenager he was a keen ringer at Ewhurst Church and was elected to the Winchester Diocesan Guild of Bellringers in 1905. On 15 December 1907 he rang at Ewhurst for the visit of the Bishop of Dorking.

In 1908, he responded to an advert in 'Bell News' for a job at a nursery run by Charles Edwards at Frensham. Edwards was very involved in ringing and encouraged William to ring at Frensham. His work then took him to Standen in Sussex and then to Pasture Wood at Holmbury St Mary, during which time he rang in various towers and occasionally attended practice at Ewhurst, when home. In 1912 he was elected a member of the Ancient Society of College Youths, a society for church bellringers founded in 1637, and on 6th November 1912 he rang in a College Youths' peal of Stedman Triples at Ashtead.

William volunteered for the Royal Engineers at the beginning of the First World War and his name was proudly displayed on the Roll of Honour, which was pinned to the door of Ewhurst Church. 'The Ringing World' magazine published regular updates on ringers serving with the forces, and listed "J. W. Russell of Ewhurst, Surrey, Royal Engineers, now at Chatham" in October 1914. After his initial training, he was transferred to 24th Divisional Signal Company. At the end of the war he was one of the 152 men named on the Surrey Association of Church Bell Ringers Roll of Honour for the First World War.

On 15th November 1915, 'The Ringing World' published an article 'A Ringer's experiences in Belgium'. Writing from 'somewhere in Belgium,' Sargt. J. W. Russell says, that since he left England on August 31st 1915 he had spent a lot of his time in travelling up and down the Western Front. "My first action was what is known in the papers as the 'Great Advance,' and since that we have been in a different part of the front altogether. Of course you must understand that we do not spend the whole of our time in the trenches. Personally, I have only spent two whole nights in them during the whole time, although some of my men are in the trenches throughout the period we are 'up,' as it is called. I spend more of my time, nights especially, at headquarters, although even there we are often in the danger zone, especially if the enemy gets 'jumpy' enough to let loose his heavy artillery - then the safest place is a dugout.

It is difficult to describe the amount of damage done to the country by heavy gunfire. In some places whole villages are practically leveled to the ground, just a base wall standing here or there, but no semblance of a house, and of course the ground around it is nothing but a series of holes that may be anything from 2ft. to 30ft. in diameter and up to 10ft. in depth. Undoubtedly the enemy's guns are capable of doing an enormous amount of damage, although I think that now we have just about got their measure in that respect, and can hold our own easily.

How is ringing progressing? I suppose it is as quiet as ever. One thing I am pretty certain of and that is that a good many of the good bands will never meet again. I am afraid I am getting quite an outsider now, for I haven't seen a 'Ringing World' since coming out. We had his Majesty the King to visit us one day recently. I was lucky enough to be in the Guard of Honour."

William would appear to have been typically modest. Maintaining communications was essential and if telephone cables were broken they had to be repaired quickly, often in dangerous conditions or under fire. He was to receive four awards for bravery including a 'Mentioned in Dispatches', Distinguished Conduct Medal, Military Medal and, after being commissioned, a Military Cross.

The 'Mention in Dispatches' appeared in the London Gazette on 1 January 1916 and his DCM followed in the King's Birthday Honours, Gazetted on 3 June 1916, "For conspicuous and consistent good work on his system of telephone lines. He has shown tireless energy and resource, besides great gallantry, under fire." Russell then saw action on the Somme and in the spring of 1917 was involved in the attack on Vimy Ridge for which he was awarded the Military Medal, which was Gazetted on 21 July 1917. On the recommendation of his company commander he was commissioned as a Temporary Second Lieutenant on 2 September 1917. His two character references were Lady Mirrielees of Pasture Wood, Dorking (his last place of employment) and The Revd. A E Clark-Kennedy, the former Rector of Ewhurst. In the German Spring Offensive of 1918 he won what would have been his second Military Medal, but as he was now an officer, this time he was awarded the Military Cross. The citation read: "For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during operations lasting for several days, when he was continuously out laving telephone lines from divisional advance headquarters to brigade headquarters, frequently under heavy fire. On one occasion, when one of the brigades was nearly surrounded, he, although under heavy machine-gun and shell fire, succeeded in keeping through telephonic communication to the brigade, which greatly contributed to the ultimate success of the operation."

The 24th Division remained in Germany until the end of May 1919 and Russell stayed in the army until 1922. His discharge documents gave his address as Coneyhurst, Ewhurst, although he was, by this time, married with a child. He had married Rosetta Pickard, in August 1915 and they had a daughter, Olive, in 1921. After he left the army they moved to Hampshire.

His younger bother Charlie served in the Field Ambulance of the R.A.M.C. during the war and his mother, Catherine, was a V.A.D. at Oaklands Red Cross Auxiliary Hospital in Cranleigh.

Ewhurst History Society Spring Programme

Tuesday March 21st - Members' Evening - Martin Lockwood - *The life and work of Father Brown*

Tuesday 18th April - Paul Backhouse - Alan Turing - Guildford's Best Kept Secret

Tuesday 16^{th} May - AGM followed by Michael Miller – Heath Robinson and his circle

The Society meets on the 3rd Tuesday of the month at Ewhurst Baptist Church at 8.00pm. Non-members always welcome. For more information contact Janet Balchin on 01483 277342 or email ewhursthistory@btinternet.com.

The Society's website can be found at - www.ewhursthistory.com. The website also has a blog where you can follow the month by month progress of Ewhurst during the First World War- www.ewhursthistory.com/ewhurst-in-the-great-war.

Ewhurst Horticultural Society



www.ewhursthortsoc.org.uk

We look forward to our next event on Wednesday 15th March. Talk with slides by John Anderson.

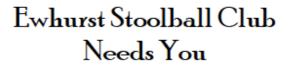
"Exbury Gardens - Heaven with the gates open". This will be held in the Village Hall, 7.30pm for 8.00pm. With refreshments and raffle. Tickets available from Anne 01483 271812 or tickets@ewhursthortsoc.org.uk £5.00 members/£10 visitors.

John Anderson studied horticulture at the Royal Botanic Gardens Kew and the National Botanical Gardens, Dublin and subsequently held the position of Head Gardener at Inverewe, Scotland and Mount Usher. He has 36 years of Horticultural experience and is a leading authority on rare plants and trees. In 2005 he became Head Gardener at Exbury which is owned by a branch of the Rothschild family and consists of 200 acres of informal woodland with very large collections of rhododendron, azalea and camellia -his topic for this talk.

Saturday 1st April brings us to the Spring Show. 2.30pm Village Hall. All details are available on our web site, or contact Lesley the Show Secretary on 01482 272488.

We look forward to seeing lots of entries in all classes. We hope the children will enjoy demonstrating a rainbow (any medium) - Pre school; decorating hard boiled egg - 8 years and under; 4 decorated cup cakes - 16 Years and under.

The Plant sale follows on Saturday 6th May, Village Hall 10am - 12 noon. Bedding plants can be pre-ordered with a 10% discount to members - order forms available nearer the time.





Pre-season training has started Join us on Monday nights, 7.45pm at Glebelands School in Cranleigh all through January, February and March. Newcomers welcomed to learn the game in a friendly but competitive environment

Opening night on The Green: Wednesday 19th April 2017

Please contact ewhurststoolball@gmail.com for more information



WEATHER REPORT RAINFALL Quoted in millimeters (1 inch = 25.4 mm)						
	Nov	Dec	Jan			
	76.2	10.2	60.9			
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putting competition

Ticket price includes one entry to £10,000 prize lottery

EWHURST CHARITY DINNER DANCE - 5th May

Cranleigh Golf Club

£50 per person

or £450 for table of 10

7.30pm to midnight

3 course meal

Prize Raffle

Ticket price includes one entry to £10,000 prize lottery Dancing to The Fabulous Nobodies, with a "Strictly" interlude

> Proceeds go to the Ewhurst Bell Restoration Fund Details & tickets: www.ewhurstbellfund.com 07769 349525 bells@ward.global

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.

Visitors are welcome and pay £1 for their tea.

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

Ewhurst Evening WI

All ladies would be made most welcome at our monthly meetings which are held in the Village Hall on the 2nd Thursday of each month at 8pm.

Forthcoming speakers are Mrs Claire Fescher telling us about Decorative Ribbons, Paul Whittle on "The Lady With The Lamp" and Janet Matthews will be giving us information about Guildford Cathedral. At our May meeting we will be holding a quiz.

At each meeting we have refreshments and take time for a chat with our friends. We also hold a luncheon each month at a local venue and various outings are arranged throughout the year.

We would be very pleased for you to join us. Please just come along to one of our meetings as a visitor or if you would like any further information please contact Lyn Southgate on 01483 548966 or Janet Templeman on 01483 548419.

We look forward to seeing you!

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Report Online	WWV	v.surrey.police.uk 272413	
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