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SPRING

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LENT LUNCHES

This year's Lent Lunches will be held on Thursdays March 7th, 14th, 21st and 28th.



Everyone is welcome at the Wilson Room between 12.15 pm and 2.00 pm for delicious home made soup, rolls, cheese and fruit.

The cost is £5 and proceeds will be split between Shooting Star CHASE hospice care for children, and the Bishop's Lent Appeal this year for 'building bridges of friendship in Nigeria'.

We look forward to seeing you there.

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We are a non-profit making community pre-school in the heart of Ewhurst Village providing early years education for 2 to 4 year olds.

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ST PETER AND ST PAUL'S CHURCH



Church communities may not be as large or as influential these days as they once were, but in a society where people prefer to act as individuals Church leaders are seen often as Community Representatives – and that is part of what I do as Rector in Ewhurst – I represent a small but significant group of people who identify themselves in some way with Church and Parish, and hopefully others accept that and allow me to represent them too, in a broader way.

Some years ago a previous Government felt that it was important to 'listen to' communities more carefully, and in particular, to engage with 'faith groups'. I think their fear was that we faith leaders were 'radicalising' our youth. Which sounds a little extreme in a Ewhurst context, but anyway it led to local Government seeking ways of speaking specifically with faith leaders.

Not all Councils take this seriously, but Waverley Borough have gone to considerable length over the last few years to develop a quarterly gathering of faith leaders of all flavours from around the Borough in a setting where we can hear from and engage with Council Officers. I was invited to represent the Cranleigh Deanery of the Church of England on that body. Now it all sounds a bit – worthy I guess; Vicars and Rabbis and Imams sitting around discussing the merits of faith, but in fact it's not at all like that. The purpose of the Waverley Faith Forum is not to provide a cosy huddle for interfaith love ins, but it allows the Council Officers to hear from and disseminate important information through community representatives.

Our recent meetings have included leaders from the Bahai's, the Christian Science church, The Church of England, the United Reformed Church, Farnham Free Church and The Islamabad Community, as well as, interestingly, The Farnham Humanists!

At our Autumn meeting we heard from the Police and from Waverley's Planning Officers about the Gypsy and Travelling Community in our area, how the Council works to meet their needs and the challenges they bring, and how we as a

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community might understand such communication better should we come into contact with them.

This week we heard from Waverley's Housing Services Manager about Government Welfare Reform and its potential impact on our community. We were able to ask questions about housing benefits and quiz Council Officers about homelessness in the Borough. Equally we get the opportunity to raise local issues – while not discussing individual cases.

Next month, for the first time, this meeting will go 'on the road' from Godalming Council Offices to visit one of the communities represented – they hope to do this in 2 of our 4 meetings each year and have asked me to host this first one in Ewhurst. It gives me a chance to show them something of our special part of the Borough and I'm looking forward to it.

One almost incidental aspect of this meeting is that we do get to know leaders of other faith groups locally, and understand their unique challenges and perspectives.

I suspect that none of us there went into our respective work with a view to becoming Community Leaders; I became a priest because I felt called to share the love of God with others, and I guess that we all have a similar story to tell regardless of our faith (I have no idea about the humanist!)

What comes through the meetings is that we all, as people of faith, share a sense that God cares for all people and the communities in which they gather. God will be in the very human stories of suffering and pain and the responses we make as a community – of hospitality, support and love and care for one another in both good and hard times. I became a priest in order to represent our community to God, and God to our community - but a word with Council can sometimes help too.

David

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SONNY'S CAFE

is open in the Wilson Room at St Peter & St Paul's church on school term mornings.

Just drop in on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday or Friday from 8.45am until mid-morning. We serve Fair Trade tea and coffee, soft drinks and biscuits in the wonderful surroundings of our new room, in the heart of the churchyard.

There are toys for the children and a warm welcome for everyone—stay as long as you like and make new friends!

St Peter & St Paul, Ewhurst Toddler Group



Toddler Group

Toddler group continues as normal - that is; during term time. Half term will be February 18 -22nd, therefore no meeting on the 22nd February.

Easter holiday will mean there is no meeting on the 29th March and 5th April.

We will return on the 12th April.

New members are always welcome on Fridays at 10.00 am 'til 11.30 am

Pam Childs(01483 277511)Tricia Hislop(01483 274359)

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**DIARY OF EVENTS
AT ST PETER AND ST PAUL'S CHURCH**

Sunday March 3rd	BCP Holy Communion 20/20 Service Choral Evensong	9.00am 10.30am 6.30pm
Mothering Sunday March 10th	BCP Holy Communion Mothering Sunday All Age Service Sunday Afternoon Music	8.00am 9.15am 3.00pm
Sunday March 17th	BCP Holy Communion Breakfast Service Morning Prayer	8.00am 9.15am 10.30am
Palm Sunday March 24th	BCP Holy Communion Palm Sunday Walk with Donkey From Parish Church All Age Palm Sunday Service	8.00am 10.00am 11.00am
Thursday March 28th	Maundy Thursday Communion	7.30pm
Friday March 29th	Walk of Witness from Parish Church Joint Service at Baptist Church Stations of the Cross	10.00am 11.00am 2.00pm
Sunday March 31st	Sunrise Service on Pitch Hill BCP Holy Communion All Age Communion	6.40am 8.00am 10.30am
Sunday April 7th	BCP Holy Communion 20/20 Service Choral Evensong	9.00am 10.30am 6.30pm
Sunday April 14th	BCP Holy Communion Holy Communion	8.00am 10.30am
Thursday May 9th	Ascension Day Communion	7.30pm
Sunday May 19th	Pentecost Sunday Service	10.30am

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EASTER SERVICES AT ST PETER AND ST PAUL'S		
Monday March 26th	Compline	7.30pm
Tuesday March 26th	Compline	7.30pm
Wednesday March 27th	Compline	7.30pm
Thursday March 28th	Maundy Thursday Holy Communion	7.30pm
Friday March 30th	Good Friday Walk of Witness	10.00am
	Joint Service at Baptist Church	11.00am
	Stations of the Cross	2.00pm
Sunday March 31st	Sunrise Service on Pitch Hill	6.40am
	BCP Holy Communion	8.00am
	All Age Communion	10.30am



Bereavement Group Coffee Mornings



If you want to talk and meet up with those in a similar situation, please ring Tricia on 01483

DID YOU KNOW?

Our church now has its own website with information about our services and other events, and look out for your face hidden away in the photos!

Go to saintpeterandsaintpaulewhurst.org.uk and see for yourself.

We are also on Facebook : Saint Pater and Saint Paul, Ewhurst.

You can e-mail us on ewhurstchurch@yahoo.co.uk

EASTER MARKET

Ewhurst Parish Church charity event

Tuesday 19 March

10am to 2pm

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at

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ENJOY a break and a chat with friends

- Parrot Inn refreshments available – tea, coffee lunch etc.

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CHARITIES REPORT FOR 2012

EVENTS HELD IN 2012

	Collections in 2012	Collections in 2011
Christian Aid House to House Collections	1007	894
Humanitarian Aid Lunches		350
Quiz Evening in the Village Hall for CMS	500	447
and for Vaughan House	503	500
Lent Lunches for Bishop's Appeal	125	128
and for Shooting Star CHASE	328	352
Summer Tea for USPG	250	240
Wendy 's and Richard's Garden Bible Society		252
Harvest Supper for Phyllis Tuckwell	293	327
George Yates' Evening of Magic for CHASE	400	
and for Phyllis Tuckwell Hospice	400	
British Legion Collection on Remembrance Sunday	212	300
Winter Warmer Lunches for CMS		200
and for Bible Society	350	207
and for Send Women's Prison		200
US previously called USPG	162	
Christingle Service for Children's Society	278	135
Choir Carol Singing Crisis/Marie Curie	255	321
TOTAL	5063	4853
DESIGNATED CHARITIES		
Vaughan House	503	500
CMS including a collecting box in 2011	500	747
Bible Society	350	459
US	412	240
Phyllis Tuckwell Hospice	693	327
Shooting Star CHASE	728	352
TOTAL	3186	2625

The above table summarises the activities of the past year. Organisers and helpers were thanked for all their hard work . Once again we were reminded that the events were as important as social occasions as for fund raising with the emphasis on keeping prices low.

CHARITIES PROGRAMME FOR 2013

1st May Another Evening of Magic with George Yates for CHASE and Phyllis Tuckwell Hospice

11th June Summer Tea in the Rectory Garden July Garden Event still to be decided

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FROM THE PARISH CHURCH REGISTERS

Baptisms:

10th February Joshua Thompson
 17th February Poppy Olney

Wedding:

28th December James Deekie and Nicola Marshall

Funerals:

3rd January Douglas Stacey
 7th January Phyllis Weller
 4th February Graham Cole
 21st February Anne Riley

PATTERN OF SERVICES

WEEK	8.00 A.M.	DAYTIME	6.30 P.M.
1		9.00 am BCP Communion 10.30 am 20:20	Choral Evensong
2	BCP Communion	10.30 am Holy Communion - Common Worship (Treasure Seekers)	
3	BCP Communion	9.15 am Breakfast Service 10.30 am 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 in the church porch

BRITISH HUMANITARIAN AID

At Harvest we collect for the British Humanitarian Aid Charity and we have decided that we will try to support them more in 2013.

“Together we can help”

It is the mission of British Humanitarian Aid (BHA) to actively seek and prompt monetary and material donations in order to ease the suffering of people in Chernihiv Region, Ukraine, where the collapse of The Soviet Union, and the disaster at Chernobyl, have led to the impoverishment of families, and to cancer and sickness in all ages.

British Humanitarian Aid started their work in Ukraine in 1995, alongside the convoys of humanitarian aid that they were running to Romania and The Balkans. Since 2000, all BHA’s efforts have been directed towards alleviating some of the hardship, for the poor and handicapped, in the Chernihiv Region of Ukraine.

See www.britishhumanitarianaid.co.uk

IT’S COMING BACK !!!

EWHURST BIG DAY OUT

Saturday 13th July 2013

at Hurtwood Park Polo Club

11.30am – 4.00pm

and ...

THE BIG NIGHT OUT

6-11pm

Put the date in your diary

You won’t want to miss any of this!!

Church Stewardship - what does it mean?

Stewardship means to take care of something held in trust for another person.

In our village, we hold our church building and the work that we do in trust for future generations. Some of us may just want to know there is a church in the Village where our children and grandchildren can be baptised, married and finally buried.

Others may want to be able to experience more than just a lovely old building that is there for special occasions; they may want to play an active part in a church community that has worshipped here for over 900 years. Throughout that time our Parish Church has played an important part in village life, working to care for and bring together everyone in the village. All of this requires a commitment to Stewardship from all of us who want to see the church and its place in the community live on.

You can play your part in the Stewardship of our church in a variety of ways. One is by giving money for the upkeep of the church buildings and its surroundings. Another is by supporting the work that the church does, either with money, or giving your time and talents. Help like this, as the need arises, is always appreciated; the church could not exist without these gifts of money, time and talents.

In order to safeguard the church's future, we need to plan ahead. This is much easier if we know in advance, how much money we have coming in. Regular giving, known as Planned Giving, helps this. Planned Giving is agreeing to give the church a set amount of money (decided by you) each month/quarter/year. This makes managing the church's future less of a lottery.

Please think carefully if you could be part of the Planned Giving scheme – it does make a real difference to how the church can continue and develop. The scheme is completely confidential and under your control.

To find out more about planned giving, please contact the Planned Giving Officer;

Phil Henry, Broadstone Cottage, Gadbridge Lane, Ewhurst, GU6 7RW Tel 01483 275380

WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP—All Ladies Welcome

Women's Fellowship:- this is a very friendly group. We meet once a month and our programme covers a variety of subjects. From January 2013, Meetings are at 2.30pm unless otherwise stated **on the second TUESDAY in the month.**

Tuesday 12th March	A talk about the work of the Motor Neurone Association
Tuesday 9th April	Outing to Tillings Restaurant
Tuesday 14th May	A talk by Glenda Law on "The Beauty of The Swiss Alps"



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 **JUST A NOTE**

Firstly, a big THANK YOU to all who made carol singing around the village such a wonderful success – The Bull’s Head, The Glebe Community Centre, The Village Club and The Old Rectory Nursing Home. £255 was raised for Marie Curie Cancer Care.

It was a hectic time for the singers and supporters in the hurly-burly rush of Christmas but well worth the effort.

After a well-earned break, THE CHOIR is back into the flow of things exercising their vocal muscles in preparation for the demands of this year.

March is a bizzi month – Lent leading into Easter, incorporating Mother’s Day and the first wedding of the year. There are lots of opportunities to express various styles of musical expression, Lent certainly doesn’t have to be boring or gloomy.

Singing is a wonderful way to express oneself and choral singing, in particular, is pleasurable, energizing, a team sport with many therapeutic properties. If you are looking for something new to engage in – come and join THE CHOIR. Check out the website for details of when we meet – you would be most welcome. The musical bill of fayre through the year is engaging and wide ranging – whether you are a new comer to singing, a touch rusty or a real follower of things choral – you would be most welcome.

Ewhurst Parish Church is affiliated to the Royal Schools of Church Music and the training programme, *Voice for Life*, is the teaching tool and role model with ribbons and medals; an excellent vocal education for the young and the young at heart.

Come on, get singing!
Val Henry. Spring 2013

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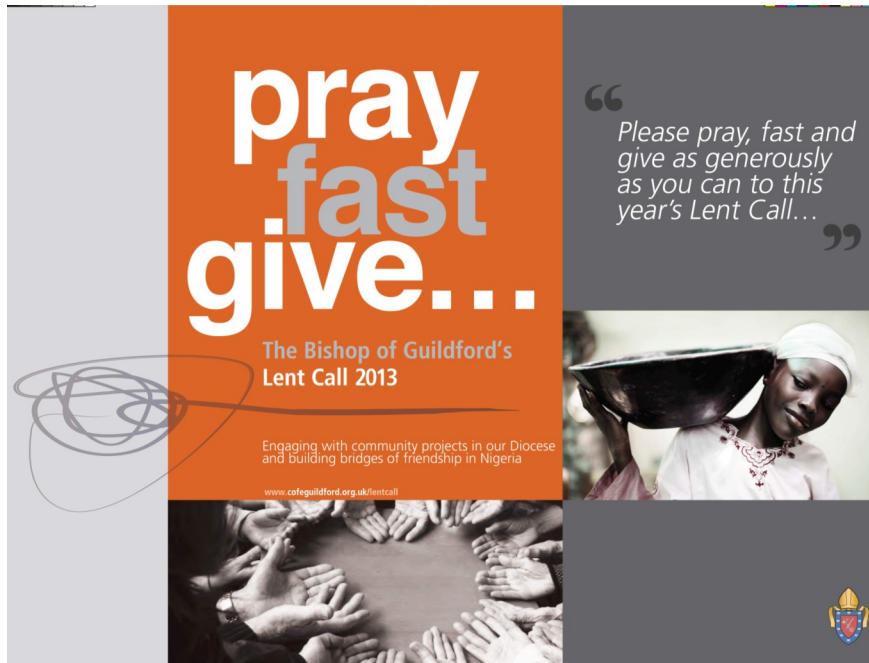
***HAVING A CHRISTMAS CLEAR OUT??***

Please keep any Good-as-New items (not clothing) for the  
“Going for a Song” stall at the **Easter Market**  
on **Tuesday 19th March.**

Helpers on the day are also required

Please contact Jane on 275047

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This year's international focus is work for reconciliation between Christians and Muslims in Nigeria.

"I am all too aware of the effects of violence between historically distinct communities that, sadly, have also become estranged through religion," confirms Bishop Christopher. "I ask for your prayers for the people and communities most affected.

"Nor should we forget our own local communities supported by the Bishop of Guildford's Foundation. But Lent Call is not all about giving. It is about our keeping of Lent together as a diocese in the traditional way, an annual call to repentance, made real by praying and fasting as well as giving."

Internationally, your donations will be used by Bishop Justin Welby, our next Archbishop of Canterbury, who has done so much to foster reconciliation between divided communities in Nigeria, where ethnic and religious hatred has led to intolerance and violence. Our money will support local community projects and build bridges of friendship across ethnic and religious boundaries. Projects will also be identified in consultation with our link dioceses in the Church of Nigeria

### The Royal Maundy

Holy Week is a crowded schedule of services for Christians and the week begins with our commemoration of Christ's entry into Jerusalem on Palm Sunday. St John makes clear in his gospel that Jesus was controlling events and knew what was to happen. During the last week of his life on earth, Jesus taught his disciples by clear examples and tried to make them understand his message. One of the important events was when he washed the disciples' feet, including those of Judas Iscariot. Usually this service was the duty of the lowest servants and so it was a graphic demonstration of humility and service. It was followed by Jesus' instruction "a new commandment I give you: love one another. As I have loved you, so you must love one another".

I have had two contrasting experiences of foot washing. The first is quickly told. It was during my training placement at Bramley when on Maundy Thursday I found it impossible to keep a straight face because of the sensitivity of the soles of my feet. The second occasion was during a service of Holy Communion held on the evening before I was Ordained. Bishop Ian, who would lead the service the following day, copied Jesus' example by wrapping a towel around his waist and washing each Ordinand's feet. This simple but very moving and meaningful act had an enormous impact on me. It will stay with me always as a reminder that all Christians are called to service and acts of humility for everyone.

In England the instruction, or *mandatum*, to love one another has been commemorated at least since 1213 when King John ceremonially washed the feet of 13 poor men and gave each 13 pence while visiting Rochester. Traditionally gifts were given as well but over the years they were replaced by additional money. In the 15<sup>th</sup> century, Henry IV began the practice of relating the number of recipients to the monarch's age. Records indicate that James II was the last king to wash feet of the poor in 1685 and William III stopped attending the service in 1699. It was not until 1932 that King George V revived the involvement of the monarch in the Royal Maundy. Today the service is held in a different church each year and our Queen distributes the small silver coins (legally the Queen's Maundy Money). Like all our coinage, these

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have a portrait of the Queen on one side, but it is the same likeness that was prepared for the first coins that were issued in 1953. All the recipients are pensioners who are chosen from the various Christian churches in the locality of the church (usually a Cathedral) hosting the service. We are told that the Queen views this service as an important part of her devotional life.

The Maundy Thursday service is such a part of Holy Week in the UK that it came as a surprise to me to discover similar services have been held elsewhere. During a brief holiday in Vienna, Jennie and I visited the Hofburg Palace and saw examples of the many treasures the Habsburg family have collected. In one cabinet there is a small gold bowl and jug. They were used by the Emperor to continue the centuries old tradition of washing the feet of poor men and women, who were given money and other gifts. There are pictures dating from the end of 19<sup>th</sup> century of a ceremony conducted by Franz Joseph and the account gives and interesting insight into the occasion and its organisation. Twelve men and twelve women were chosen, their ages ranged from 88 to 92. They were medically examined and thoroughly cleaned before being dressed uniformly in black. The ceremony consisted of a procession to church and a public banquet of four courses. The food was not eaten then but shared out into painted wooden tubs that were taken home. The feet of each person was washed by the Emperor, assisted by at least two priests, and they were given gifts. They received 30 silver coins in a white leather pouch, a jug filled with white wine and a beaker of green stoneware. Then they were driven home in a court carriage. In Austria the ritual continues as needy people are given symbolic gifts of money.

Our visit showed that we do not have a monopoly on this particular Maundy Thursday service. In various forms it is celebrated throughout the Christian world and is a reminder of the sacrifice that Jesus made for us all during Holy Week. He was humble and submissive to God's plan even though it cost him enormous suffering. He did not place himself above others, but showed that he was servant to everyone. Paul wrote in his letter to the Philippians "and being found in appearance as a man, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to death, even death on a cross". This is example we are called to follow. Tim Seller

### **Ewhurst Baptist Church**

2013, a new year and a change for us all here at the Baptist Church. I took up my position as a “Minister in Training” of the church here in Ewhurst in September 2010 and have since been living a dual-life, one half being here in Ewhurst and the other at Spurgeon’s College in South Norwood, London where I have been benefiting from the formal side of my training.

In June of this year my three years of training come to a close and I am set free from college! This being the case the Baptist Church here in Ewhurst and I have been considering what happens next; do I remain in Ewhurst after my training or do I go to minister elsewhere in the UK.

Changing jobs in ministry is not like changing jobs in more secular roles as it does involve both the church and the minister seeking to discern what God’s will is for them both. One listens to those around us, one listens to God in worship, prayer and through holy scripture and these together over time give us a clearer understanding of the way in which we should go. For me the matter was resolved when one day last November when, after much prayer, I became profoundly aware that I actually belong here in Ewhurst, it was the right place for me to live and minister in. Though I was convinced from that point, I then needed to wait and see whether the wider church, both deacons and congregation came to the same understanding.

Well, on Sunday January 20th the church met and voted on whether to call me to remain as their minister. The outcome of that meeting was a very resounding “Yes” which was a great encouragement to us all.

You may know that during my training period I have continued to live in my own house in Farncombe (Godalming) but now our hope and intention is that in the late Summer we will be able to take up residence in the village itself, though the details as to how this will work in practice still need to be worked out.

Jackie and I are looking forward to living in the village and locally to the church. We shall endeavour to ensure the church remains focused on its local community, which we believe it is there to serve.



## **nEWs and viEWs from the churches in Ewhurst**

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So I just thought I would take this opportunity to share our good news, looking forward to the prospect of continuing to minister amongst everyone here in this community around and about Ewhurst.

Although the Church's message is timeless, the ways in which it expresses it to every generation need not be. I personally believe that an awareness of the spiritual dimension of all of our lives is very significant when considering the well-being of all that we are as human beings. So here at Ewhurst Baptist Church we will continue to seek ways of ensuring that we present the Good News of Jesus Christ in ways that the men, women and children of Ewhurst can benefit from in 2013 and beyond.

God Bless

Simon Bodington  
(Minister)



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Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> – Maundy Thursday Supper & Easter meditation.

Friday 29<sup>th</sup> – Good Friday. Walk of Witness commences from the Parish Church at 10:00am, followed by an ecumenical service back at the Baptist Church at 11:00am.

Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> – Sunrise Service on Pitch Hill @ 6.40am. Followed by Bacon butties at the Wilson Room, Parish Church.

Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> – Easter Sunday Morning Service at 10.30am which is also includes a baptism.

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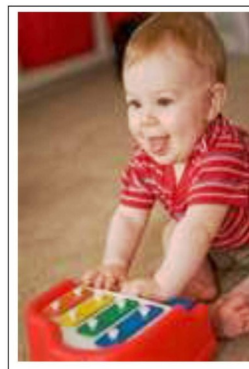
Everyone is welcome - mums, dads, grandparents and carers.

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at Ewhurst Baptist Church

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### BOOK REVIEW

Book : Heaven is for real

Author: Todd Burpo (Pastor of crossroad Wesleyan Church)

This is a book that most people will read and wish they had read it years ago. It is a little boys amazing story of his birth to heaven and back. A beautifully written glimpse into heaven that will encourage those who doubt, and thrill those who believe.

Colton Burpo was not even four years old when all this happened, but in every detail he talks about is substantiated by the Bible, although one must remember he could not read, so he could not have read about it before hand or since.

I have enjoyed every minute of reading this book and I trust you will be encouraged and delighted in what we have in front of us as Christians, I have managed to get one of my non-Christian friends to read it and she had to admit that it has certainly made her stop and think about who God is.

“Colton’s story could have been in the New Testament but God in his wisdom has chosen to speak though the unblemished eyes of a child, revealing some of the mysteries of heaven. The writing is compelling and the truth astonishing creating a hunger for more.” (Jo-Anne Lyon. General Superintendent, Wesleyan Church).

My copy was sent to me through Amazon so I know you can order it there.

Happy & joyous reading.

Brenda Buchanan Ewhurst Baptist Church

### **Fireworks & Tulips**

Recently I underwent major surgery and had a short stay in hospital, where although the staff were very helpful and friendly I was nevertheless desperate to get home, or rather to my daughter’s home where I was going to convalesce. I had my daily short Bible readings with me and flitting through the pages the heading ‘Freedom & Fireworks’ leapt out at me this was on the 1<sup>st</sup> July. Sure enough I went home on the evening of 4<sup>th</sup> July! “Thank you Lord” I kept saying on my way there, and couldn’t believe it when after being in bed for about ten minutes suddenly the sky was alight with bright flashes together with bangs, whizzes and crackles-a neighbour was celebrating American Independence Day!

Another of God’s gifts came a few days later when my lovely Grandson, all 6’3’ of him, was standing beside my bed with a large grin on his face and an even larger bunch of mixed coloured tulips in his hands! |He had no idea how upset I was at missing springtime this year having been housebound since early February, but God did!

Since then I have had many similar ‘gifts’ from a loving God who cares about everything that upsets or pleases us however great or small – what a wonderful confirmation of His constant presence and love for us all.

Marion Hockley



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**The Ewhurst Playground Project  
Retail Therapy Fashion Show, Friday 1<sup>st</sup> March**

Please support The Ewhurst Playground Project fundraising efforts, to complete phase 2 of the play park refurbishment. We need to raise around £45,000 and although a large part of this target will be achieved through grants and fund raising trust applications we need your help to raise as much money as we can ourselves.



Through 2013 we'll have a diary of events for you and your family to enjoy. Please save the dates and look out for further information and posters around the Village or Like us at [www.facebook.com/ewhurstplaygroundproject](http://www.facebook.com/ewhurstplaygroundproject) to get updates on your Facebook page.

Friday 1<sup>st</sup> March Retail Therapy Fashion Show, Ewhurst Village Hall – only £5 a ticket Ticket hotline: 01483 267020

Everyday High Street collections and boutique brands at up to 50% off - if you enjoy grabbing a bargain *and* having a good night out, this is a great opportunity to raise funds for your local play park.

Our fashion show will be staged by local image and colour consultants, with a dedicated compere to introduce the show and guide you through the collections. You'll be given general advice on colours and body shapes whilst the clothes are modelled, so you can see which clothes can work for you and afterwards get the chance to try before you buy.

**Tickets are limited and on sale from 7<sup>th</sup> February - Call 01483 267020**

**Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> June Quiz Night, The Bulls Head, Ewhurst**

The Ewhurst Playground Project was formed in 2012 to raise funds to build a challenging, exciting and fun playscape where children can unwind, be creative and make friends. With the generous help of the Parish council, many Village organisations and the Carnival Committee, along with many personal donations we have upgraded nearly one third of the play area already and it's been a pleasure to watch children and families enjoying the new play equipment.

## nEWs and viEWs *from the churches in Ewhurst*

# News from Ewhurst Parish Council



This winter the Parish Council have not been idle. It has taken a great deal of patience this year to finalise the Precept for the Parish which is the small charge added to your council Tax Bill to finance the up keep of the Village. This year it has been a particularly onerous task as central government were altering their share of funding of local government which in turn affected what financial support local government were able to offer us. Whilst our precept from you has increased slightly our overall funding has decreased. Richard Cleaves, our Chairman, redrafted his figures many times before final information was received mid January from our Borough council.

At our recent Parish Council meeting we were fortunate to have two speakers. The first speaker was invited by our Planning Councillor Valerie Dixon Henry; Lizzie Utley a Rural Affordable Housing Enabler was able to enlighten us as to what function she performed within Surrey Community Action. She facilitates a survey within a community of resident's thoughts on Rural Housing. The second speaker a resident of Larkfield, Steve Wells, who took us through the work that had been carried out on Larkfield Pond in the autumn. The Parish Council along with a lot of other organisations had provided some funding for this project and all at the meeting agreed it was money well spent. The project is not complete yet as a wildlife information board is to be erected near the pond.

Councillor Ruth Reed has noticed the poor state of the telephone and post boxes throughout the Parish and you may have noticed unusual activity around the telephone boxes when the BT assessor was recording the work needed to be done to bring these boxes up to scratch. The work is to be carried out in the spring and will involve re glazing, painting or just a good wash. Similarly although yet to be confirmed, it is hoped the post boxes will be given a spring clean. On the subject of cleaning the state of the road signs have been mentioned to Surrey Highways whose responsibility it is to ensure they are clearly visible.

The Village Hall is continuing to prove a popular venue for residents and is used for performances by the Ewhurst Players. It has caused some disquiet amongst the residents of Mount Close in that the audiences park along their road rather than in the village car parks. The Parish Council has noticed that there is some long term parking of residents in the Village Hall Car park and would ask that if it is necessary to use extra parking away from individuals homes by residents that they use the Recreation Ground Car Park where car park space is not at such a premium.

You will shortly see posters around the village asking for your help with maintaining the rights of way. Councillor Chris Lyth is to manage this scheme for the village and anyone interested should contact the Clerk [clerk.epc@btinternet.com](mailto:clerk.epc@btinternet.com) 01483 267646.



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Councillor Victoria Helstrip chairing our Playground Committee has received quotes for the next phase of renewing and updating the playground. She is now looking for funding for this project and plans a fashion show next month which we hope will be well attended. This will be well advertised nearer the time.

Councillor Rob Matthews has arranged the planting of a tree at Deblin's Green which was the suggestion of a resident to commemorate the Queen's Diamond Jubilee. The tree is an Amellanchier Lamarkii and it was chosen by the residents of Deblin's Green as one resident had an example in their garden which all thought appropriate. Ewhurst Horticultural Society arranged some funding for it and a plaque is to be put at its base.

Concerning Broadband, at a meeting with Alan Young, Openreach and BT + two representatives from SCC, we heard that as Cranleigh (& Ewhurst) has been a commercial development from Openreach, the chances of getting further monetary assistance for our outlying subscribers is currently nil.

This is because of the EU State Aid Provisions that prevent public money being spent on areas which have already benefited from private investment. There is a further challenge in the European Court, but unlikely to be in the near future.

Meanwhile, this does not mean that the outliers will be ignored because constantly improving technology is enabling up to 15Mbps broadband to be pushed further down the copper wires and therefore there is still hope - if necessary, we may have to raise some matched funding from those who require the service in order to enable it. When Openreach first connected us to fibre, the fastest speed available was 40 Mbps and within weeks this was raised to 80 Mbps for example. They are now trialling up to 10 Gbps!

The myth long propagated about capacity was also put to rest - there is no reason why every subscriber in Ewhurst should not be connected to "Fibre Broadband" if they should so wish. The Cabinets that we have are all upgradable to cope with the total number of subscribers in the village and surrounding areas.

It is worth stressing that the scale of the problem with outliers is not yet fully identified and cannot be until more outliers have applied to upgrade.

Please report any difficulties to the Ewhurst Broadband site <http://www.ewhurst-broadband.org.uk/> or to Mike Turner, [turner13@btconnect.com](mailto:turner13@btconnect.com) and best endeavours will be made to resolve them.

This includes results from the BT Wholesale Broadband checker <https://www.dslchecker.bt.com/pls/adsl/adslchecker.welcome> - should it tell you that you cannot get fibre broadband.

Finally we hope to see as many of you as possible at the Annual Parish Meeting to be held in the Village Hall on Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> April 7.30pm. There will be drinks and nibbles after a brief talk by the Chairman and a series of speakers from the community.

Can we remind everyone that the Parish Council sends out an e-newsletter. This publicises dates of events and circulates information which affects parishioners.

Please send [clerk.epc@btinternet.com](mailto:clerk.epc@btinternet.com) the e-mail address of where you would like such a bulletin sent to you if you are interested in receiving this.

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**EWHURST HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY**

[www.ewhursthortsoc.org.uk](http://www.ewhursthortsoc.org.uk)



With 2013 starting off “wet” we can only hope for sunshine this year.

For “Techniques, Ideas and Advice on vegetable growing” join us at the Glebe Centre on 12<sup>th</sup> February for talk with slides by Mr Barry Newman. Having grown the veg we then have a talk by Mr Geoff Peach on “Hints and Tips for vegetable and flower showing” 12<sup>th</sup> March Glebe Centre The meetings commence at 8pm with refreshments and raffle. Visitors very welcome.

The Spring Show on 6<sup>th</sup> April will be held in the village hall. Open to the public from 2.30pm. Classes include varieties of spring flowers, floral art, photography, homefare and childrens classes. We always welcome “new faces” and plenty of help is available if you are not sure how to go about things. Details available from the website or call Hilary on 276713.

Bedding plants can be pre-ordered with a 10% discount to society members. These will be available, together with a selection of other plants at the plant sale on Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> May at the Village Hall, 10.00am – 12 noon. Order forms will be available nearer the time. For information call John on 271812. Any surplus plants you have would be appreciated for the members table.



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In aid of Rainbow's End Pre-School

(registered charity number 298620)



**Friday 15<sup>th</sup> March 2013**

at Ewhurst Village Hall

Doors open 7.30pm, 'eyes down' 8pm

Tickets £10 each (includes all bingo books).

Bring your own refreshments and glasses.

Raffle taking place on the night

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**EWHURST MONDAY CLUB**

We meet at the Glebe Centre, Ewhurst on the third Monday of the month at 2.00pm for a 2.15pm start.

Monday

18th March      Members' Meeting—Holiday Reminiscences  
Bring along your photos etc

Monday

15th April      "Rowleys"      Christine Napthine

Monday

20th May      Cranleigh Celebrities      Michael Miller

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### **News from Rainbow's End Pre-school**

This term is such a busy one for us at Rainbow's End. We started the year with a music and performance theme. On a make-shift stage and microphone stand the children could be rock stars for the day giving us their best renditions of Twinkle, Twinkle. We made our own instruments and got to have a go on a full size keyboard!

Off the back of money raised at our famous curry and quiz night we were lucky enough to book tickets for the pre-schoolers to go on the coach to see The Gruffalo's Child at G-Live. Before they went we all spent the week making shadows in the Gruffalo's cave, made Gruffalo Crumble and went on a hunt for the Big Bad Mouse. We made tracks in the snow with our wellies and while we were there we made a huge snowman that the children called Rudolph?!

To finish off the half term we learnt all about China. The children looked amazing when they all dressed up on Chinese New Year and we all shared a Chinese feast of stir fry and noodles.

It's been a busy term so far for all our staff as well with lots of training courses booked and diplomas to work towards. Trainings include supporting quiet children, two year old specific training, enhancing communication provision and forest school training.

Coming up this term is our fundraising Bingo Night which is taking place on **Friday 15<sup>th</sup> March 2013** in Ewhurst Village Hall. Tickets will cost £10 and include all bingo books. Doors will open at 7.30pm ready for "eyes down" at 8pm. There will be a raffle on the night and attendees are asked to bring their own refreshments and glasses. Please spread the word to your family and friends. It promises to be a good evening out if last year is anything to go by. If anyone would like any further information please speak to Paula (01306 627204).

The children will be fundraising too when they take part in our annual sponsored event. This year the children will be taking part in a sponsored thread! Sponsored per stitch or for taking part we are hoping to raise money for a new set of play panels to enhance our much loved role-play area.

Anyone interested in registering their child is always welcome to call or pop in to arrange a visit.

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

We are now seeing the first signs of spring which is very welcome after so much rain, wind and snow. The children never the less have been very busy visiting places of interest that support their class Topic. It is always great fun going on a school trip and through first hand experiences deepening knowledge around a particular subject or interest. Young children learn best through this kinaesthetic approach. The children are raising money through a Readathon for additional library books. The library is so well used by families each day. Reading is a life skill and is it vital for families to support each child through the different stages to becoming a fluent reader. Parents are encouraged to establish a routine for home learning and to read on a daily basis. At times perseverance and practice is required. However, it is well worthwhile to be involved with your child's learning- it can make such a difference.

Our wonderful Jubilee Garden is being used to support the Forest Schools ethos; learning in the outdoors a range of skills including developing how to manage and take risks. Mrs Macey, our reception class teacher is training to become a Forest Schools Leader. We are delighted to be able to offer such opportunities to the children who love learning from opportunities outside the classroom.

This term the children will be holding their annual Young Enterprise event where they make and sell a range of items. As a result the pupils are gaining an early understanding of using money, buying, designing, marketing, packaging, pricing and selling through collaboration and team work. The School Council have decided to donate the profits to our link school in Tafo, Ghana. Last year we managed to raise enough money to enable a set of swings to be installed in the school. This year we hope to provide a slide in their playground.

As we look ahead to the end of term the children will begin to plan and make a bonnet or hat for our Easter Bonnet parade. It is a wonderful sight to admire the many creations that have clearly taken so much time and effort as we walk to church.

Please look at the updated school website [www.ewhurst.surrey.sch.uk](http://www.ewhurst.surrey.sch.uk) In the PTA section you will find events to which everyone is welcome. A Quiz night is arranged for Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> March. To request tickets please contact the school office 01483 277291. If prospective parents would like to arrange a tour to view the school, again please contact the office.

Jane Dyer Headteacher

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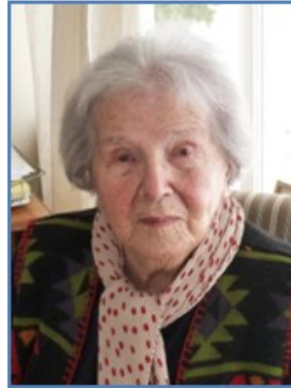
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**In Our Midst**

**Mrs Dinah Couchman**

**From 5-IT to Rumbeams via a Thames Barge**


Sitting talking to Dinah in her sunroom, on one of the few sunny mornings of this winter, it is difficult to believe that she was born in the same year that the Titanic sank and two years before the start of the First War. Indeed one of her first memories is of her brother aged 18 going off to war. He never returned.



She was brought up with her two sisters in Shrewsbury and after what she describes as a quite uneventful school career she gained admission to the Royal Academy of Music in London to study the piano. This led to a teaching job at the Edgebaston High School together with very interesting work at the BBC studios. Radio was in its infancy and 5-IT Birmingham, as it was known, had been second only to London in broadcasting to the nation. “Very amateur it was” she says. A porter let you through a door into a narrow passageway and up some stairs to the studios which were over a motor showroom. Everyone did a bit of everything. Not only did she play the piano and sing but read plays, took part in discussions and helped with any of the live programmes going out. She most enjoyed her work with Children’s Hour where she accompanied the singing and on one occasion even did some whistling! All this finished in 1939 when programming was moved to Bristol.

Moving to London she married her first husband, a doctor, who tragically died when his ship, HMS Hood, was torpedoed off Scotland in 1941 with the loss of 1,415 men. Determined to keep busy, she joined the WRNS and had what she describes as five very interesting and active years. As a Second Officer she travelled widely throughout the country in charge of companies of women working to “free a man for the fleet” as the slogan went. Soon after the end of the war, Dinah married Arthur Couchman and they moved to a Thames barge moored near Faversham in Kent. Many of these large boats were taken by ex-servicemen and there was plenty of space on board to bring up her two daughters while Arthur travelled to work in London. By 1958 they felt the need to set down more permanent roots and to find good schools for the girls.

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Rumbeams Farm, Ewhurst Green was the perfect place. Like many of us, once she had moved to Ewhurst, Dinah has never wanted to live anywhere else.

Rumbeams is a beautiful farmhouse built of Ewhurst stone and overlooking the Green and cricket pitch. At that time the farm consisted of over 150 acres of good pasture and Arthur installed a manager to run the farm whilst he continued to travel to London. They built up a considerable Jersey herd and sheep were also brought in to graze during the winter. For many years Dinah had regular customers coming to the house for the free range eggs which were in constant demand. Much of the everyday needs were provided by shops in Ewhurst. There were three general stores, local milk deliveries, at least two bakers and of course Miss Pam's shop where the children would run across the road from the school to buy their sweets. Dinah quickly joined Cranleigh Choral Society and involved herself in charity work, Save the Children, the RNLI, and with the Reverend Benson's wife, started a social group which brought people in from far and wide. It was the first of its kind and still continues today as the Monday Club held in the Glebe Centre. Arthur will be remembered by many for the work he did for the church as treasurer to the PCC which he continued for many years.

Eventually much of the farm land was sold off and some of it, after a second change of ownership, has a new life as the Hurtwood Park Polo Club. Nowadays Dinah enjoys the view from her windows across the garden and fields where the sun shines all through the day. She continues to play the piano with two friends from Cranleigh who make up the trio with cello and violin. Regular Scrabble games with her Ewhurst friends keep the mind active. Her 100<sup>th</sup> birthday has recently given her celebrity status and the party at the Polo Club brought her second daughter and grandson and their families from Australia, which meant both daughters, the five grandchildren and the great-grand children were all together. "I think everyone had a good time" she says, "and it was lovely to see the family and Ewhurst friends all together exchanging stories and memories". Dinah is certainly an inspiration to us all.

*Geoff Harry*

**LOCAL HISTORY CORNER by Janet Balchin**

**Baynards and the Head of Sir Thomas**

**More.**

A recent episode of the TV programme 'Restoration Man' featured Longhurst Lodge, one of the old lodges to Baynards Park. The building had been empty and derelict for over 40 years when Nick and Vanessa took it on and they have spent over two years painstakingly restoring it to its former glory.



Baynards Park lies to the south of Ewhurst village. The house burnt down in 1979, but the home farm and around 20 estate cottages still survive. Baynards house was in Ewhurst parish,

but part of the park and some of the cottages, including Longhurst Lodge, are in Cranleigh parish. There is a boundary stone in the garden of the Longhurst Lodge with 'CP' for 'Cranleigh Parish' on one side and 'EP' for 'Ewhurst Parish' on the other'.

The earliest reference to Baynards is in 1447, when William Sydney was granted a license to empark 800 acres at Baynards. In the early 16<sup>th</sup> century it was owned by the Bray family.

In 1588 the estate was acquired by George More, son of Sir William More of Losely [no relation to Sir Thomas More] and he rebuilt Baynards House in the style of his family home. During the 17<sup>th</sup> century the estate passed through several owners including Richard Evelyn, brother of John Evelyn the diarist and by the 18<sup>th</sup> century it was part of the large estate owned by Sir Richard Onslow of Knowle in Cranleigh.

Then, in 1832 it was purchased by Rev. Thomas Thurlow, second son of the Bishop of Durham, who commissioned Thomas Rickman to restore and enlarge it. Under the Thurlows it became the most important house in the parish. The 1851 Census shows the Thurlows to have 13 live-in servants and employ 37 men on the estate, many of whom would have lived in the estate cottages with families of their own.

One of the historical notes picked up by the TV programme was the story that Sir Thomas More's favourite daughter Margaret, known as 'Meg', had bought his head to Baynards after his execution.

Sir Thomas More was Lord Chancellor to Henry VIII. However he opposed the Kings separation from the Catholic Church and was imprisoned in 1534 when he refused to take the Oath of Supremacy and the oath required by the First Succession Act. In 1535, he was convicted of treason and beheaded. After his execution his headless body was buried in the Church of St. Peter ad Vincula in the Tower of London. As a traitor, his head was placed on a spike on Tower Bridge for one month. His daughter, Margaret was able to obtain the head,

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probably by bribing the bridge guards, and was said to have taken it to Baynards.

Margret Roper was an exceptionally intelligent woman and devoted to her father. She has been described as probably most learned woman of sixteenth century England. She had married William Roper in 1521. On her death in 1544 she was buried in the Roper family vault at St Dunstan's in Canterbury and her father's head was later interred there too.

What the programme did not explain was how Baynards was connected to the story. There do not seem to be any historical references to the head of Sir Thomas More being taken to Baynards. The first published mention is in Brayley's History of Surrey published in 1841. Margaret and William Roper had five children and their daughter Elizabeth married Sir Edward Bray who owned Baynards in the 1530s. The Ropers lived in Canterbury, but their daughter's home at Baynards may have been considered a safer place. Also this would have been the medieval Baynards house. The Tudor house was not built until 1588, some 43 years after More's death in 1535.

Since the programme has been aired the owners have found a well in the garden. Their next project is to restore the magnificent entrance gates which, like the lodge, are grade II listed and so we can look forward to a follow-up programme in the future.

### **EWHURST HISTORY SOCIETY –SPRING PROGRAMME**

**Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> March 2013 - “A Drop of the Hard (and the Soft) Stuff” David Rose**

We welcome David Rose for a return visit. David will tell us about Guildford's brewing and mineral water industries.

**Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> April 2013 - ‘The Making of Guildford Blue’ – Matthew Alexander**

Former Curator of Guildford Museum, Matthew Alexander, will tell us about the importance of the woollen industry and wool trade in South-West Surrey, from its medieval origins through to Tudor times.

**Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> May 2013**

**ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING,**

*followed by ‘Restoration of Old Stone Buildings’ – John Dodwell*

John Dodwell, a specialist in stone conservation, will tell us about his work. He has worked on a number of historic buildings, and this talk will look particularly at restoration work on the Royal Ballet School in Richmond Park.

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### Ewhurst Players delight with 'Cinderella'

Director Graham Taylor and his Assistant Jeannie Metcalf brought joy and great entertainment to Ewhurst with their production of 'Cinderella' by Alan Frayn. Sophie Shickell made a delightful Cinders as she sparkled her way through the show with her friends, frightful sisters and a



cast of surprising characters who brought magic and mayhem to packed houses for all 8 shows. Barry Harrison-Fudge, as Buttons, wooed audiences who happily joined his gang. He set the pace for a noisy, fast-moving production with lots of audience participation combined with endless puns and jokes. The up-to-date script

gave plenty of opportunity for local knowledge to be included in the chaos and fun.

A cast of all ages, in fabulous specially made costumes took to the stage to offer energetic and often hilarious performances. This superb pantomime boasted everything from Hagan the dancing horse, played delightfully by Felix Cuthbert and Daniel Williams, to Victoria Arnold, a young ballerina who brought some tangible magic to the stage. Nicki Payne, as the sparkling fairy godmother waved away any winter blues which might have been lurking in Ewhurst and the surrounding villages. The desperately ugly sisters, Gertrude and Griselda, played by Chris Lyth and Barrie Heathcote, were a perfect pair. Every detail of their costumes was hilarious; from their laced bloomers to their startling wigs. The two calamitous builders, Bodget & Legget - Chris Dews and Felix Yates - made disastrous attempts to redevelop Hardship Hall and brought huge laughter from the audience but failed to get planning from Waverley! Prince Charming, Catherine Van't Reit, and side-kick Dandini, Julia Allan-Patel, were a truly dashing double act and Tony Money as Baron Hardup was a charming gentleman with his new wife, Baroness Hatty, played by Marian Heathcote. Tony Gauvain as Chambers, the Palace Chamberlain announced all the the formal proceedings with military precision.





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The tremendous chorus kept great pace and energy throughout the show and the children were particularly charming as forest animals and as fairies in the Land of Wishes. All of the music was played live by a three piece band made up of Leighton Davies and Jane Biggins on keyboard, supported with great gusto by Nigel Sanctuary on drums. A great show like this takes huge commitment from all and the excellent cast were supported by a team of around 38 helpers back stage and front of house. Well done Ewhurst Players, just fabulous! were supported by a team of around 38 helpers back stage and front of house. Well done Ewhurst Players, just fabulous!



Written by Mary Creswell  
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**Coming up**.....our next production, 'The Dresser' by Ronald Harwood. A perceptive and subtly humorous play set in 1940's war-torn Britain looks set to shine with performance dates scheduled for 15-18th May. Another very important date in 'The Players' calendar is fast approaching. Our AGM will be held at 7.30pm on Wednesday 20th February at the Ewhurst Village Hall. This is a great chance for anyone thinking of joining the group to come along and meet some friendly faces. If you or anyone you know has thought they might like to join this dynamic group and be part of building our future then please don't be shy.


We are celebrating 40 glorious years next year!! If we are to enjoy another equally glorious 40 years to come, new active members will be needed. It goes without saying that we always welcome new talent on-stage but there are also numerous equally important backstage and off stage rolls to fill for each production. If you have got something to offer - please do get in touch.

Email - [secretary@ewhurstplayers.com](mailto:secretary@ewhurstplayers.com) or find further information and contact details on our website [www.ewhurstplayers.com](http://www.ewhurstplayers.com) or find us on facebook. Thank you!!

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The link between eggs and Easter derives from the Christian tradition of fasting through Lent, the 40 days before Easter Sunday.

According to Christian tradition, Lent begins on Shrove Tuesday, or Pancake Day as we know it today. In past times, Shrovetide celebrations lasted for four days, beginning on the Saturday when eggs were given as gifts to children. 'Egg Saturday' was followed by Shrove Sunday, Collop Monday and finally Shrove Tuesday, when the remaining fat and eggs were used up to make pancakes.

During Lent the eating of animal products, including eggs, was strictly forbidden. However, hens continued to lay throughout the fast, resulting in a large stock for Easter Sunday.

The custom of exchanging decorative eggs was prevalent in many of the world's ancient civilizations. Eggs were regarded as a symbol of the universe or a creation of God. They also represented fertility, resurrection and new life.

In some parts of Europe, scarlet Easter eggs are planted in the fields and vineyards to protect crops from thunder and hail.

Easter egg throwing was a popular pastime in medieval times. The event was held in church, with the priest throwing a hard boiled egg to one of the choirboys. The boys would toss the egg between them and whoever held the egg when the clock struck 12 was the winner and could keep the egg.

Egg tapping is an Easter game in which two players face each other, holding a hard boiled egg in their hands with one end showing. The aim is to crack the opponent's egg without damaging your own.

Pace-egging is a traditional Easter game dating back hundreds of years. In the UK, it is usually played by rolling hard-boiled, decorated eggs down grassy hills. Pace-egging competitions are held across the country during Easter.



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### ***Ewhurst Evening W.I.***

In November Ewhurst WI held its AGM. A sad farewell was said to some of the old committee members and a warm welcome was given to the new members. We were pleased to welcome Pam Childs as our new president. A report of our meetings during the year were read out which reminded us just how informative and fun our meetings have been.

In December we held a quiz and games social evening. This gave members a chance to chat and learn a little more about each other. The Christmas Alphabet quiz revealed some amazing vocabulary skills from members and guests. A delicious buffet was provided by members.

Dennis Champion, a volunteer from The Surrey Air Ambulance Service gave us an interesting talk on their amazing work. This charity helps to save lives providing a 12 hour, 7 day, 365 days a year service while relying solely on voluntary donations.

Throughout the year members have continued to enjoy monthly "lunching Ladies" meals at local pubs, theatre outings, craft events, walks etc.

We meet at 8pm in Ewhurst Village Hall on the second Thursday of the month. If you would like to attend any of our meetings we will do our best to give you a warm welcome. Either come along on your own or bring a friend.

If you would like more details please contact Lyn Southgate on 01483 548966. Topics covered by speakers in the forthcoming months include Rainforest in Ecuador, Global Warming and 25 Jobs and 1 Career of an 11+ failure.

### **Cranleigh Choral Society**

For their next concert, Cranleigh Choral Society will combine with Cranleigh School to perform Mozart's sublime *Requiem*. In the first half of the concert, children from Cranleigh Preparatory School will augment the choir to sing Rutter's *Mass of the Children*. This will be the Society's debut performance in G-Live, a spectacular 1,000-seater concert venue.

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### Final Note from the Editor:

It's good to be putting the magazine together as the nights draw out and the first crocus and daffodils are flowering. Details of Easter events in the village are to be found in this edition, so go out and enjoy them.

I am happy to receive articles and information to publish in nEWs and viEWs, so if you have any items of interest please either e-mail them to me at :

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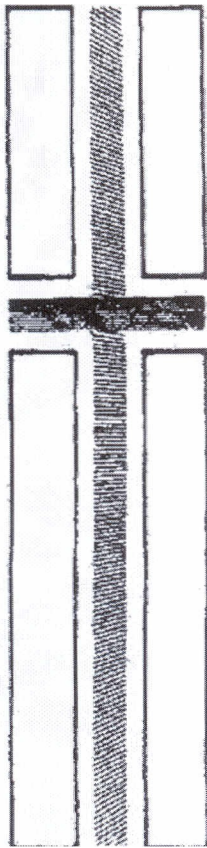
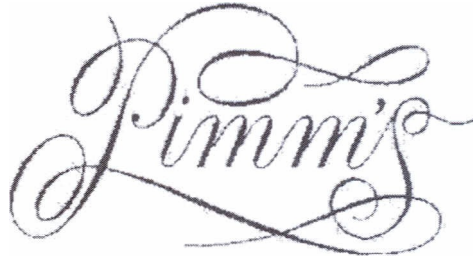
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| : Ewhurst C of E Infant School (Head Teacher Mrs Dyer)  | 277291                                                                                                                                             |
| : Cranleigh C of E Primary School                       | 273286                                                                                                                                             |
| : Glebelands Secondary School                           | 542400                                                                                                                                             |
| : Rainbows End Playgroup                                | 07821 010918                                                                                                                                       |
| : Sayers Croft Field Centre (Mr D Quoroll)              | 275541                                                                                                                                             |
| : Cranleigh Health Centre (24 hour service)             | 782478                                                                                                                                             |
| : SW Surrey Mobile Physiotherapy Service (Linda Haynes) | 01306 730074                                                                                                                                       |
| : Waverley Borough Council                              | 523333                                                                                                                                             |
| : Waverley Borough Council (locality office)            | 267654                                                                                                                                             |
| : Ewhurst Parish Council (Jane Bromley)                 | 267646                                                                                                                                             |
| : Police Station (24 hours)                             | 08451 252222                                                                                                                                       |
| : Report Criminal Damage                                | 571212                                                                                                                                             |
| : Cranleigh Library                                     | 272413                                                                                                                                             |
| : Citizens Advice Bureau, Village Way, Cranleigh        | 273378                                                                                                                                             |
| : Cranleigh Arts Centre                                 | 278001                                                                                                                                             |
| : Cranleigh U3A (Mr Keith Atkins)                       | 267040                                                                                                                                             |
| : The Old Rectory (Mr C Geoghegan)                      | 267195                                                                                                                                             |
| : Ewcare                                                | 277606                                                                                                                                             |
| : The Glebe Centre Social Club (Mr Derrick Liddicott)   | 277295                                                                                                                                             |
| : Ewhurst Village Society (Mrs S Handley)               | 277458                                                                                                                                             |
| : Ewhurst Village Club (Mrs C Cranfield)                | 276301                                                                                                                                             |
| : Ewhurst Village Hall Bookings (Wendy Bollon)          | 01403 252954                                                                                                                                       |
| : Ellen's Green Memorial Hall, Katy Rapley,             | 01403 823460                                                                                                                                       |
| : Waverley Borough Council                              | <a href="http://www.waverley.gov.uk">www.waverley.gov.uk</a>                                                                                       |
| : Ewhurst Parish Council                                | <a href="http://www.ewhurst.org.uk">www.ewhurst.org.uk</a>                                                                                         |
| : Cranleigh Health Centre                               | <a href="http://www.cranleigh.gpsurgery.net">www.cranleigh.gpsurgery.net</a>                                                                       |
| : Cranleigh Arts Centre                                 | <a href="http://www.cranleighartscentre.org">www.cranleighartscentre.org</a>                                                                       |
| : Ewhurst/Cranleigh Police                              | <a href="http://www.surrey.police.uk/neighbourhood/neighbourhood.asp?area=WVCE">www.surrey.police.uk/neighbourhood/neighbourhood.asp?area=WVCE</a> |

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