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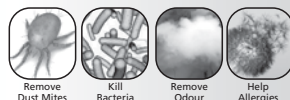
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The Monthly Letter

Offering back...

Dear Friends,

November is a month full of annual so-called 'awareness days', including All Saints, Remembrance Sunday, Armistice Day, BBC *Children in Need*, and so on.

30 November is St Andrew's Day, which we celebrate this year on Sunday 28 November. Andrew was the first disciple (follower) of Jesus. Having made up his mind to follow Jesus, Andrew invited his brother Simon (who became known as Peter) to come and see this man Jesus. As the St Andrew's vision states, we too seek to be followers of Jesus today, growing and serving.

On St Andrew's Day members of the church family review their commitment to God's work, a commitment expressed through prayer and the giving of our time and skills but also, importantly, through the giving of our money. Why? Because as followers of Jesus, we believe that everything we have is given to us by God and we are simply offering back to him what is rightly his. There is real joy in giving!

Did you know that all the money St Andrew's has comes from its members? We do not receive state aid, nor do we receive any money from the Church of England (although the C of E pays the salaries, pensions and provides most housing for clergy). In fact, the reverse is true: as your local church we pay an annual sum to the Diocese of Guildford for all the ways in which it supports the work of St Andrew's, for which we are so grateful. So, when we as a church contribute funds to projects (including schools, for example) we are using money given by our members.

As we begin this month, full of special days, please think of us and, if you pray, please pray that God will lead each follower of Jesus at St Andrew's clearly and that we will follow the example of Andrew, the first disciple, both in sharing the good news of Jesus and offering all that we have for God's use.

If you would like to know more, please look us up on our website: www.standrewsoxshott.org.uk or ring the office on 01372 842071.

Blessings,

Francis
Vicar



† Church News

Celebrating Harvest!

A big thank you to all the children and everyone who made a scarecrow as we celebrated Harvest at St Andrew's. Thank you, too, to everyone who contributed to the Harvest collection for the Foodbank - generously supporting local families in need...

We celebrated Harvest on 3 October in a busy service in church. There were excellent refreshments for all ages, and scarecrows galore!



*Like all of us,
scarecrows
come in all
shapes and
sizes!*

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*Mmmm...
scarecrows
and food!*



And the donations to the Cobham Area Foodbank were collected later from St Andrew's (see below) – thank you to everyone involved.



From the Registers



Funerals

We offer our condolences to the family and friends of:

22 September John Newton Moss (died 17 August 2021, aged 77)

Burial of Ashes

We also offer our condolences to the family and friends of:

4 October Anne Pamela Hillier (died 9 August 2021, aged 89)

Church Services in November

Mon 1 All Saints' Day

Tue 2 9am Pray Together, via zoom

Wed 3 10am Private Prayer in church
11.30am Holy Communion (said)

Thu 4 9am Pray Together, via zoom

Sat 6 9am Saturday Prayers, via zoom

Sun 7 The Third Sunday before Advent

Whole Life Stewardship: Abundance and Need (2 Corinthians 8.1-15)

10am Listen & Pray in church, with communion

3.30pm Annual Memorial Service

Tue 9 9am Pray Together, via zoom

Wed 10 10am Private Prayer in church
11.30am Holy Communion (said)

Thu 11 Armistice Day

9am Pray Together, via zoom

Sat 13 9am Saturday Prayers, via zoom

Sun 14 The Second Sunday before Advent

Remembrance Sunday Services (Isaiah 2.2-4)

10am Listen & Pray in church, with communion

12noon Service at the War Memorial, Oxshott Heath

Tue 16 9am Pray Together, via zoom

Wed 17 10am Private Prayer in church
11.30am Holy Communion (said)

Thu 18 9am Pray Together, via zoom

Sat 20 9am Saturday Prayers, via zoom

Sun 21 The Sunday next before Advent

What then is Apollos? What is Paul? (1 Corinthians 3.5-15)

10am Listen & Pray in church, with communion

Tue 23 9am Pray Together, via zoom

Wed 24 10am Private Prayer in church
11.30am Holy Communion (said)

Thu 25 9am Pray Together, via zoom

Sat 27 9am Saturday Prayers, via zoom

Sun 28 Advent Sunday

Commitment Sunday (John 1.35-42)

10am Listen & Pray in church, with communion

Tue 30 9am Pray Together, via zoom



Notes

- Our Services (on Sundays and Wednesdays) and Private Prayer (on Wednesdays) are held in church; places no longer need to be booked beforehand
- Pray Together (on Tuesdays and Thursdays) and Saturday Prayers continue on zoom, via the church website (www.standrewsoxshott.org.uk)

An update from the GRCT

The need for support in South Africa is greater than ever and despite many challenges and uncertainty, the Garden Route Children's Trust (GRCT), one of our Mission Partners, continues to evolve to provide help. **Nicki Galazka** brings us up to date...

One might think that with all the progress that has been made, that diet in South Africa is no longer be a core issue. The challenges remain and are complex. Millions have pulled themselves out of starvation, but they are not yet rich enough to eat healthy food. As a result, South Africa is faced with the triple burden of malnutrition among children under 5: 1) undernutrition, 2) hidden hunger and 3) overweight but still malnourished. And poor diets put them at risk of poor brain development, weak learning, low immunity, increased infections and death

The GRCT works across multiple locations to feed more than 7,500 children a nutritious e'Pap breakfast on each school day. Backed by years of scientific research, and using state-of-the-art nutrition chemistry to maximize absorption and bio-efficacy in the body, e'Pap includes 24 micronutrients, 4 macro-nutrients. The result: reduction in illness, improved concentration and better school attendance.

Hope in these times

The recent unrest and looting in South Africa following ex-president Jacob Zuma's arrest and imprisonment was a very unsettling and worrying time. However, we are so often reminded of the spirit of resilience and co-operation which still holds firm.

(continued overleaf)



The GRCT Vision:
Alleviating poverty amongst children in South Africa through the provision of food and education

e'Pap feeding following lockdown easing

Most of our projects are reliant on e'Pap being provided at schools and as some children have still not returned to school the level of feeding is still not back to what it was pre-Covid.

The GRCT continues to support where there is need, and many



centres have found alternative ways to distribute the e'Pap, and the GRCT trustees have agreed to fund e'Pap at two new locations, both between St Francis Bay and Plettenberg Bay. The first is at the Bright Future Creche, where most of the 35 children aged between 1 and 4 arrive at the school not having had breakfast and with no 'lunch box' for the day. The creche was struggling to afford to feed the children, and a meal of e'Pap makes all the difference. The second is the Rainbow Creche, where 53 children between the ages of 2 and 5 are fed.

The GRCT are delighted to be one of St Andrew's Mission Partners and thank them and many in the community for their continued support.

Please do join us for our Oxshott coffee morning and Christmas sale. This year it will be held on 25 November in the St Andrew's Church Hall. See opposite for more information.

Nicki Galazka

To find out more, support our work by way of one-off donation, a fund-raising event or by standing order, please go to our website www.grct.org.uk. Alternatively, do contact our chair Catherine Michell or deputy chair Ruth Burns at enquiries@grct.org.uk



Coffee Morning & Christmas Sale

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The Garden Route Children's Trust, Registered charity no. 1116278

Parish News & Notes

Thank you to those of you who kindly donated items for ABC, our new group for babies, young children, and their parents or carers. Your generosity and support are appreciated.



You can join us too – 9.15-11am every Monday in term time.

Any questions? Do email us at abc@standrewsoxshott.org.uk

Everyone seems to be enjoying the new furnishings in the church vestibule!

And we also have a new coffee machine!

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Big Questions??

To her slight surprise, **Val Beynon** recently found herself at an unforgettable meeting. Here she explains how it arose...



Some time ago, on arrival at church for the Sunday service, I found a card had been placed on every seat. The title - 'Big Questions' - to be answered by none other than Archbishop Justin Welby, who was doing a short tour in our vicinity - answering questions!!

Having been rather critical in my mind of the Archbishop, whom I felt had been rather quiet during Covid - our real time of need - I immediately said to Sue Jackson - I'm going to that!! So we booked. He was going to be at St John's School, Leatherhead on Saturday 25 September.

The day arrived and I was eager to see him and listen to him. Questions were invited through an 'app' or some such 'techy' device which I had no idea how to operate - but it didn't matter - there were questions enough!!

He was introduced warmly by a Curate from the Diocese, and then he spoke! I don't know what I had imagined - a businessman? - a Lord? - a grand figure in robes?! - all of which dissolved into the man himself - a true Man of God.

He told us a little about himself, his up-bringing, the death of his son in a car accident, his beliefs. He answered questions - which I won't detail - succinctly, honestly, thoughtfully - showing a wonderful sense of humour, a deep compassion, humility and integrity. He referred to the Baby in the Manger with such love and devotion, his belief that 'Jesus is God' - a phrase he used on several occasions - rang through my mind then, and has done ever since. He left after 50 minutes of questions and when he had gone, the chapel seemed to lose a little light.

The session was taken up by two young members of the church - one Jo Trickey, Frances' daughter-in-law - who picked up the thread and took us onward; both were excellent speakers, and told us a little more of the Archbishop's activities. In the meantime, Justin Welby was already preparing for a similar talk in Epsom and a further event was held in Woking the following day.

It was a session I shall never forget.

The Chapel at St John's was full and there was a wonderful 'buzz' as people left. We had all been 'fed' and I felt humbled. I had truly been in the presence of a Man of God with an unshakeable belief that 'Jesus is God' leaving me in no doubt at all as to the truth of his statement.

Val Beynon



Cricket: Howzat in Oxshott!

Despite a wet start to the day, two mixed and good-humoured teams played a close match on a Sunday in September. **Andrew Burns** reports...

Prayers were offered as heavy rain fell before the St Andrew's v Māori Oxshott Cricket Club match on 19 September, and there was a chance that hundreds of fabulous cakes would go to waste. But the clouds lifted in time for a prompt start and a good crowd gathered to watch two teams in traditional whites stride out for the traditional last match of the season.



The intrepid Oxshott cricketers - a thriller of a match!

The Cricket Club were put into bat in a 20:20 thriller – a little short on numbers, but long on talent. Their opening batsmen set about the business hitting boundaries and then taking quick singles when the ball was slowed by the wet, long grass of the outfield. The oldest on field was in his 70s, the youngest just 10 years. Both teams had some who play competitively every week while a couple of the Church team rarely play at all.

Leather on willow

But the atmosphere on and off field was wonderful and soon members of the community who had not seen each other for months were sharing drinks, chat, cakes and tea, while the sound of leather on willow echoed

around the beautiful grounds of the OVSC. Jeff and Moya showed what an excellent resource the OVSC bar and clubhouse are – somewhere for us to meet and greet and share fellowship (social membership available at very reasonable rates!).



Our reporter, Andrew Burns, enthusiastically enjoyed all aspects of the match...



Māori Oxshott scored an impressive 140 over their 20 overs before everyone enjoyed tea and the cakes quickly disappeared. The Church team made a positive start with Matty and Jolyon hitting out impressively, then lost a few wickets in quick succession including captain and brilliant organiser Gavin, whose star shone brightly but briefly. Some plucky batting

brought the scores level in the final over and the winning runs were hit by Guy Harper and Mike Jarrett (both also, of course, Māori Oxshott stars and so playing for the Church team with a measure of inner conflict).

The cakes were a huge hit with the players and supporters - warm thanks to Adele, each baker and helper. We all agreed that we should use the wonderful OVSC facilities to try to bring the village together and try new sports and so will try to make this a definite fixture for the 2022 community calendar.

Andrew Burns

Love your trees: 27 November – 5 December

National Tree Week is the UK's largest annual tree celebration, marking the start of the winter tree planting season (November to March each year). This year, it runs from 27 November to 5 December.

It is a good time both to celebrate your current trees, and to plant more trees in your area. You don't have to necessarily hug a tree to prove your appreciation; there are plenty of other ways to support them. Visit the Tree Council website: [treecouncil.org.uk](https://www.treecouncil.org.uk)



Silverdale Avenue

Photograph by Brian Cox, taken in October 2021

A view of Oxshott that we probably take for granted – mature trees and much greenery



Village News

Being alert in Oxshott!

As the days grow shorter and with Christmas on the horizon, now would be a good time to think even more carefully about the security of your home and your car. **Sally-Ann Todd** explains how...

Have you considered joining Neighbourhood Watch (NHW), the biggest and most successful crime prevention charity in England and Wales?

I am the NHW co-ordinator for Oxshott. We currently have 130 residents enrolled in roughly 49 of the roads in our village, and it would be great if we had more members. Each member receives weekly Vehicle Crime and Burglary reports which enables



them to consider actions to enhance their security. Many of our streets also have NHW signs, which have proved to be a deterrent.

Eighteen months ago, our local three-street area formed a WhatsApp group that allows us to discuss any security issues that arise, and this has been a huge success in pulling our neighbourhood together.

We are always looking for residents to join Neighbourhood Watch in order to develop greater awareness of community safety, a part that we all can so easily play. And it's free to join.

You can get more information by visiting www.ourwatch.org.uk or alternatively why not get in touch with me, Sally-Ann Todd, on bevres2017@gmail.com

You can take an active roll or just relax and receive information on what we do in an effort to keep our area safe and reduce crime locally.

Sally-Ann Todd



Happy Birthday!

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The current odds against winning a prize are 34,500 to 1. This has been described as “a gamble with very poor odds”. Nevertheless Bonds are held by more than 22 million people, or about 1 in 3 of the UK population.



What's On in Oxshott

November

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| Tue | 2 | 10am Ladies Friendship Group: Coffee and Chat, in the Small Hall, Oxshott Village Centre |
| Mon | 8 | 7.45pm Oxshott Trust Fund (Managers of Oxshott Village Centre): Annual General Meeting, in Small Hall, Oxshott Village Centre. All welcome. |
| Mon | 8 to Sun 14 | Oxshott Art & Crafts Society Annual Exhibition at Denbies Vineyard, Dorking (12 noon-5pm Monday; 9.30am-5pm Tuesday to Saturday; 10am-4.30pm Sunday). Entry is free. |
| Tue | 9 | 7.45pm Oxshott Art & Crafts Society: <i>Landscapes using Line and Wash</i> , with Anthony Nield, at Oxshott Village Centre |
| Wed | 10 | 2.20pm The Arts Society, Cobham & Oxshott: <i>Vermeer: Master of Delft</i> , with Hilary Williams, at Oxshott Village Centre |
| Sun | 14 | 10am Remembrance Sunday Service , at St Andrew's Church
12noon Remembrance Service at the War Memorial, Oxshott Heath |
| Tue | 16 | 8pm Oxshott Village Women's Institute: Annual Meeting, at Oxshott Village Centre |
| Sun | 28 | 11am-4.30pm Oxshott Art & Crafts Society Christmas Fair at Oxshott Village Centre |

If you would like to have details of your event listed here, let us know at oxshottmagazine@yahoo.co.uk



'Hallelujah' for live music!

During the pandemic, we all missed our normal rhythm of life - including enjoying live music. As **Mike Newman** explains, it is a huge step forward to know that (despite limited audience numbers) Oxshott Choral Society are singing for us again...

Our Christmas concert this year is “Hallelujah”, to be held on Sunday 5 December at 7pm in St Andrew's Church, Oxshott. The concert will include Part One of Handel's *Messiah* and a selection of favorite carols.

We will be joined by our three soloists Jane and Elizabeth Searle and John Upperton and our accompanist Matthew Rickard on the organ and piano.

Note that tickets at £15 each can only be reserved in advance and will be limited in number due to Covid limitations. Please call 01932 863082 to book.

There will be no tickets available on the night at the door!

After all the difficulties of the last eighteen months, where we have only been able to rehearse on zoom, it has been so good meeting together week by week.



Our last concert was . . . pre-Covid!

Our 2019 Christmas concert - Magnificat! - was held on Saturday 14 December 2019 in St Andrew's, Oxshott.

We sang J S Bach's Magnificat in D, together with a selection of Christmas music, old and new.

This will be our first concert for two years; our conductor Val Beynon said, “We are really thrilled to be singing again in Oxshott, and what better way to celebrate and launch the Christmas season than to be performing the *Messiah* Part One in our local church.”

Mike Newman

It's how you hold the brush that counts

With some relish, Oxshott Art & Crafts Society have resumed their in-person demonstrations, as **Miranda Fuller** reports...

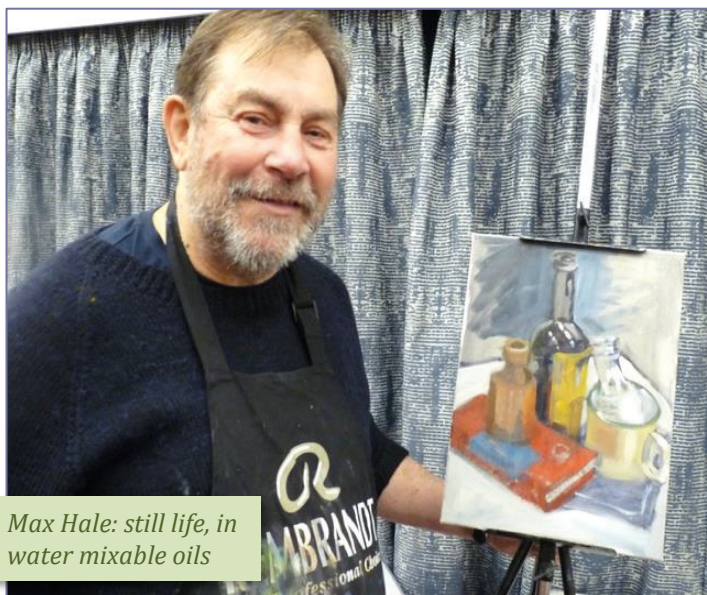
It was with great pleasure, on both our part and the artist's, that we were able to welcome back popular artist, Max Hale, on 14 September, to demonstrate a still life for us in water mixable oils.

Max has demonstrated for us for a number of years, now, and was an obvious choice for our first in-person demonstration since lockdown. Using a standard cotton canvas, pre-primed with oils, which he prefers to acrylic priming, he drew a charcoal cross, to centre the composition, and, working from the shoulder, rather than

the wrist, positioned the composition to left or right of and above or below the cross, taking care to place the colour and not overwork it.

He put his paints around the edge of the palette and mixed in the middle, using only enough water to loosen the colour. For straight lines, again, he used the shoulder rather than the wrist, placing the knuckles on the canvas and sliding the hand up or down. For circles and ellipses, he described several, using the arm, again. Max emphasised the need to stand well back and to avoid the temptation to look away from the subject and carry on painting and thereby missing important nuances. He recommended resting the eyes regularly and avoiding painting for more than four hours at a stretch. Among many pieces of advice, Max stressed the importance of showing the direction of light and, above all, not fiddling!

The evening was a great success and pictured here is Max (*above*), with his finished still life. It was good to have him back!



Max Hale: still life, in water mixable oils

Meanwhile, member Wendy Hale has been creating felt slippers and necklaces, also pictured here, from Merino wool tops, using the wet felting method.

Looking ahead...

In the next edition, we will report on our second exciting date – local artist, Hildegard Reid's *Still Life* demonstration in acrylic, on 12 October, and on our autumn workshop - a portrait in acrylic, by popular artist Keith Morton, on 22 October.

We also have our annual exhibition at Denbies Vineyard in Dorking, which, of course, was cancelled last year, due to Covid. It will take place from Monday 8 to Sunday 14 November; and coming up, too, is our Christmas Fair, at the Oxshott Village Centre, on Sunday 28 November from 11am to 4.30pm.

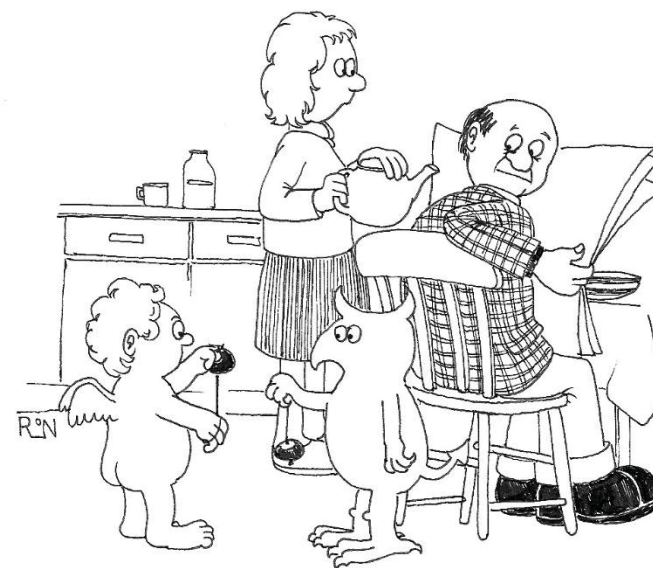
We do look forward to seeing some of our readers at these events.

Miranda Fuller



Wendy Hale's colourful felt slippers

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An epic struggle between good and evil took place in the kitchen

Intriguing history of West Horsley Place

On a recent visit to a very local attraction, **Nicky Orlebar** discovers that it is older than it might appear...

An ASCO (Arts Society Cobham and Oxshott) group gathered one sunny September morning in 2021 on a gravel drive. Before us stood West Horsley Place, a particularly attractive long, red brick country house with three Dutch gables spaced along the roof line. With a central front door and regular Georgian windows, two wings projecting forward and attractive brick ornamentation, we pondered on its history.



*West Horsley Place:
not what it seems...*

Our guide Claire arrived to lead us around a building that we came to realise is not what it seems. Our 'Nooks and Crannies tour' was to be full of intrigue, which required understanding alterations carried out by different owners over the centuries.

Constructed in timber about 1425, a more fashionable brick façade was added about 1645 and attached to the wood structure behind. Nearly five hundred years later, recent renovations have had to secure the top of the frontage, which was leaning outward by some five inches.

Inside, the Stone Hall with original flagstones was formerly double the height, having started life as the medieval Great Hall. However, the Georgians divided the room by adding a ceiling and pillars, and placing doors regularly around the walls, some leading to rooms, others to cupboards. After the Library we came across the Stone Kitchen. Again, research suggests this was also originally twice as high as there is an

original window with small panes which, when viewed from outside, extends upwards to the floor above. As we climbed the wooden main stairs, Claire prepared us for a surprise. She opened a door into a very, very large Drawing Room – the size of the Stone Hall below. Flooded with light from the south-facing sash windows the shabby-chic furniture, chair and sofa throws made for an attractive room with its rose-pink damask wall coverings. Portraits of former owners of West Horsley Place and their families hang around the walls

Next door was a much smaller room known as the Geraldine Room, thought to have been the Minstrels' Gallery when it overlooked the Stone Hall. Above us was an authentic Tudor ceiling, now supported by scaffolding as a preventative measure. Along a corridor was a large bedroom with a fireplace in a corner suggesting that the room was once much larger until possibly destroyed by fire.

Bequest to Bamber Gascoigne

In 2014, the estate was left to Bamber Gascoigne in the will of his aunt and godmother Mary, Duchess of Roxburghe. After the initial shock of receiving such a bequest, Bamber became determined to preserve the house and grounds for posterity so he created a Trust 'for the public benefit' to:

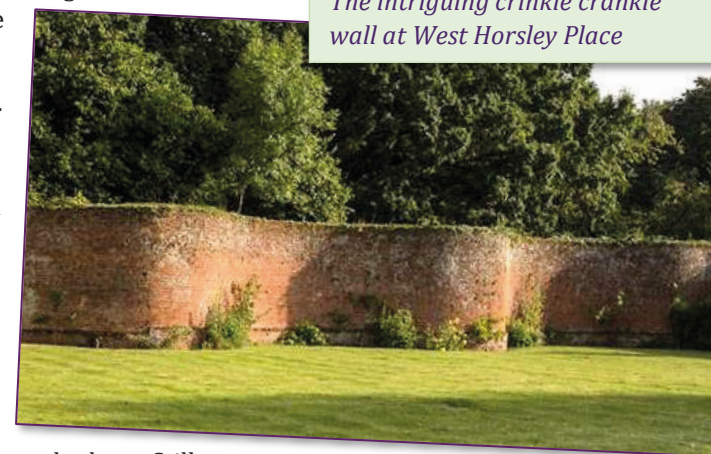
- restore the Grade One house and many listed outbuildings;
- create a centre to teach crafts;
- to encourage the performing arts.

After a Sotheby's sale to raise some initial income, restoration continues apace. Further separate fund raising (much from opera-loving aficionados) resulted in a theatre being built for Grange Park Opera beyond the orchard.

The grounds are extensive but the gardens are a delightful mix of lawns, rose and flowerbeds separated by yew hedges. Still standing in the old kitchen garden, is an unusual wavy crinkle crankle wall.

Keep an eye on the West Horsley Place website for further opportunities to visit (or volunteer) at this quite exceptional historic house in our neighbourhood.

*The intriguing crinkle crankle
wall at West Horsley Place*



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The beloved Stone of Scone

This month sees St Andrew's Day, on 30 November. As well as St Andrew's here in Oxshott, there are around 800 Church of England churches named after St Andrew, who was Christ's first disciple, and is the patron saint of Scotland, Greece and Russia, among others.

And a quarter of a century ago this month, on 30 November 1996, England officially returned the Stone of Scone to Scotland after 700 years.

It was the coronation stone of the Scottish and (later) English and British monarchs, and Scotland has agreed to loan the Stone to Westminster Abbey for future coronations.

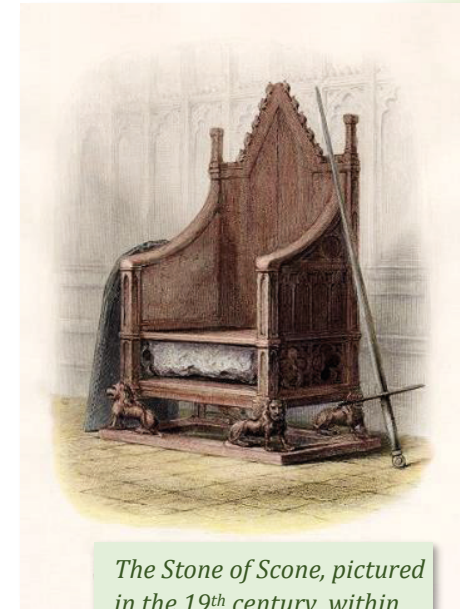
Ten thousand people lined the Royal Mile in Edinburgh to witness the Stone's return, and at a service in St Giles' Cathedral the Moderator of the General Assembly of the Church of Scotland, the Rt Revd John MacIndoe, formally accepted it.

The red sandstone block – sometimes called the Stone of Destiny – has been used in the enthronement of all Scottish kings since Kenneth I united the Scots and Pictish kingdoms and moved his capital to Scone, Perthshire, in about 840AD. It was brought to England by King Edward I in 1296, and taken to Westminster Abbey, where it has been used in the crowning of every subsequent monarch of England.

Scottish Nationalists had taken the Stone from the Abbey on Christmas Day 1950, but it was returned a few months later.

Last year it was announced that the Stone is expected to be moved in 2024 to become the centrepiece of the opening of the Perth City Hall refurbishment project, where it would be displayed in a manner in keeping with such an important cultural artefact.

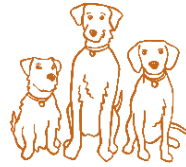
Plans remain in place to ensure the Stone can be returned to Westminster Abbey for future Coronations.



The Stone of Scone, pictured in the 19th century, within the Coronation Chair at Westminster Abbey

It's a doggy world...

Ten dog observations that we like...



- Outside of a dog, a book is probably man's best friend; inside of a dog, it's too dark to read. *Groucho Marx*
- No one appreciates the very special genius of your conversation as your dog does. *Christopher Morley*
- When a man's best friend is his dog, that dog has a problem. *Edward Abbey*
- If there are no dogs in Heaven, then when I die I want to go where they went. *Will Rogers*
- The average dog is a nicer person than the average person. *Andrew Rooney*
- If I have any beliefs about immortality, it is that certain dogs I have known will go to heaven, and very, very few persons. *James Thurber*
- I loathe people who keep dogs. They are cowards who haven't got the guts to bite people themselves. *August Strindberg*
- If you pick up a starving dog and make him prosperous, he will not bite you; that is the principal difference between a dog and a man. *Mark Twain*
- Did you ever walk into a room and forget why you walked in? I think that's how dogs spend their lives. *Sue Murphy*
- I wonder if other dogs think that poodles are members of a weird religious cult. *Rita Rudner*



Our favourite dog picture...

Sudoku

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What do you call a woman who burns all her bills?

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Ketchup...

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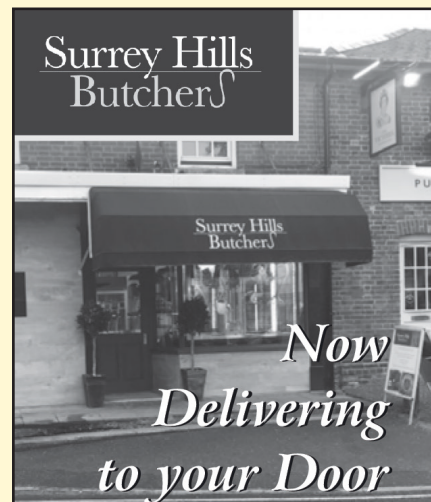
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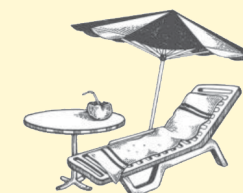


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Bible Reading Fellowship: Hon Sec: Claire King (01932 867522)

Build your Church Project: Contact: Ruth Burns (01372 844377)

Children and Young People:

StAks - 4-11 years old groups, meeting on Sundays 11am-12 noon in term time

OY! - Youth Club for local young people aged 10-14 (school years 6-9)

Contact: the Church Office (01372 842071)

Church Hall: For bookings contact the Church Office (01372 842071)

Church Office: Church Administrator: Claire Costard. Assistant: Rowena Osman-Robertson. Mon-Fri, 9am-1pm (01372 842071 or office@standrewsoxshott.org.uk)

Churches Together: Suzanna Knott (01932 866951)

Churchwardens: Richard Green (07770 644039), Jill Perrett (077688 52805); Assistant Churchwardens: John Henshall (01737 844756), Andy Hum (01372 844322)

Coffee Comfort: Contact: Jenny Mathieson (01372 842760)

Deanery Synod: Representatives: Rebecca Mayhew and Jill Perrett

Electoral Roll Officer: Emily Godfrey (electoral.roll@standrewsoxshott.org.uk)

Lay Assistants: Barbara Begley, Peter Burt, Marianne Francis, Anita Harper, Phillip Herbert, Claire King, Rebecca Mayhew, Jill Mengham, Helen Shand & Jackie Stewart

Life Groups: A number of Life Groups meet for study, fellowship and prayer on a regular basis throughout the parish. Co-ordinator: Patrick Fleming (life.groups@standrewsoxshott.org.uk or through the Church Office 01372 842071)

Lunch Club: meets every 2nd and 4th Wednesday of the month, and generally appeals to people who are 60 plus. Leaders: Sheila and Phillip Herbert (01372 842301)

Mothers' Union: Branch Leader: Jane Endean (07762 212607 or mothers.union@standrewsoxshott.org.uk)

Music: Director of Music: Valerie Beynon (01932 863296). Organists: Carina Moffat, Nicky Orlebar. Worship Band: Andy Hum (01372 844322)

Parish Safeguarding Officer: Anna Jarrett (safeguarding@standrewsoxshott.org.uk)

Parochial Church Council: PCC Secretary: Sue Procter. PCC Members: Ruth Burns, Revd Patrick Davies (*Curate*), Patrick Fleming, Richard Green, Chris Hampson, Carl Jackson (*Treasurer*), Anna Jarrett, Charlene Lamb, Rebecca Mayhew (*Deanery Synod*), Jill Perrett (*Deanery Synod*), Norman Steven, Revd Frances Trickey (*Vicar*), Revd Jolyon Trickey (*Associate Minister*) and Adele Wright

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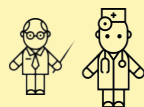
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(oxshottscoutgroup@gmail.com) www.oxshott-scouts.org

Ladies Friendship Group: Meets 1st Tuesday in month at 10am, in small hall in Oxshott Village Centre. Contact: Angela Horne (01372 843113)

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Oxshott Badminton Club: If you play badminton why not join us on Tuesday evenings (September to May). Contact: Geoff Moyle (01372 843844 or geoffdot@ntlworld.com) or Ashok Patel (07977 103436 or ashokdivya@aol.com)

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