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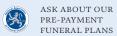
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Preparation...

Dear Friends,

As we anticipate beginning building work at church this autumn, I have been thinking about preparation. The Scouts (in the middle of their own building project in Oxshott) have the motto 'Be Prepared', and you may be familiar with the 'Five Ps' phrase, coined by former US Secretary of State James Baker: "Prior preparation prevents poor performance."



Preparation is vital, but is usually unseen. It is the work before the work. Often unrecognised but not to be underestimated.

The preparation for our refurbishment involves dedicated intellectual, practical, and spiritual work.

This summer will be a time of 'sorting out' - emptying the accumulations of the years, and getting rid of the junk, whilst aiming to keep all which is good and precious and useful.

Perhaps from time to time we could all do with this as we shape our lives - to delve into hidden places to see what is really there, and to consider: are these things we want to keep, or get rid of, as we prepare to move into the next season?

Summer reading

Listening for God's guiding voice is key - so, if you have the time for a little reading this summer, might I recommend two books:

How to Pray, by Pete Greig. 'A simple guide for normal people.'
Pete Greig has been teaching about prayer, and leading the '24-7 Prayer' movement for more than 20 years. Throughout that time, he has constantly encountered the question: how do I pray? This book is his response, offering insight and guidance in nine aspects of prayer in an accessible and down-to-earth style.

The Ruthless Elimination of Hurry, by John Mark Comer. *'Hurry is the great enemy of the spiritual life.'*

So many of us find ourselves in a rush such a lot of the time, often to great detriment. In fact, a growing number of voices are pointing to hurry/busyness as the underlying cause of many emotional, societal and spiritual issues. This book helps us consider how we might we develop a slower, simpler pace of life, and create space to become the people God intends us to be.

Ros Ebbutt, with Patrick,

after her triumph!

The Art of Costume Design

A different sort of fundraiser: from among our own congregation, an award-winning costume designer gave a fascinating insight into a different world, as **Nicky Orlebar** reports...

uesday 30 May found many people arriving in the evening at St Andrew's Oxshott for an illustrated talk on 'The World of Costume Design in Theatre, Film & Television', in aid of our Build Your Church fund.

Rosalind Ebbutt (known to us all as Ros), welcomed and introduced on the night by our curate Patrick Davies, is an award-winning costume designer. In a career involving plays, films, restoration comedies and soaps, Ros explained that she

is responsible for everything an actor might wear. Cloth can be sourced on line and from fabric shops (particularly in Southall, Shepherd's Bush and Tooting). Ros once even brought back material spotted in Bombay (Mumbai).

If the production budget allows, outfits are made by a dressmaker, while military uniforms (and much else) can be rented from Angels Costumes in North London. Some people even donate their wardrobes; Ros recounted how she was able to advise the late Carina Moffat on where to send her mother's upmarket clothes bought over the years from Elys of Wimbledon!

Ros enlightened us on how designing for the theatre is easier than for television, clarifying that a theatre audience is in control of what they see when looking around the entire stage. Television relies on the cameraman's close-up shots, meaning detail comes in for particular scrutiny.

While working on *Emma*, Ros wondered if the ladies need wear white dresses. Her researches led to books showing different coloured fabrics.

Television takes centre stage

From wanting to become a fashion journalist, then designing for the Edinburgh Fringe and Covent Garden operas and ballets, Ros soon realised that television excited her the most. Over the years, her clothes have expressed the characters in *The Tenant of Wildfell Hall, Tom Jones, Vanity Fair, Foyle's War* and *Downton Abbey*, among many programmes she mentioned.

All too soon, a wonderfully informative evening came to an end, but not before we had spotted many a famous actor on the screen in a costume designed by Rosalind Ebbutt.

Nicky Orlebar

On a packed evening, we are delighted to say that over £1,500 was raised for our Building Your Church fund!

If you missed this talk and would like to watch it and donate to BYC, please contact the Church Office.

Mr Mackenzie kept forgetting his PIN

News & Notes

Life Groups

Did you know...

...that at St Andrew's our fellowship extends beyond the church building into 'Life Groups', who meet regularly in people's homes to share study, prayer, fellowship and whatever is happening in our lives.

The varied groups meet weekly or fortnightly at various times.

Many groups are now starting a summer break – but if you don't currently belong to a Life Group, now's the time to plan for the new term!

We can help you find the right group for you – contact us via the Church Office, or email Patrick Fleming at life.groups@ standrewsoxshott.org.uk

BYC update

Through your generous donations we have now reached the 'new money' amount required, £250,000, to trigger the match-funded £250k pledged by our very generous donor!

Together with other fund-raising initiatives, this closes the gap to meet our overall appeal target to less than £80,000...

We are encouraged and thrilled by the response, with the various events and initiatives and the generous cash donations received.

All this brings us closer to our start date, which is planned for 23 September, and planning is well advanced - our PCC away day on 17 June reviewed the temporary Office relocation, temporary and future storage requirements, a cupboard clearout, etc., etc!

We have also reviewed which of the activities that currently take place in the hall and vestibule can continue to be run, and how.

We give thanks for everyone's continued support, generosity, help and hard work!

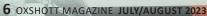
Dean Dianna to retire

It was announced recently that Dianna Gwilliams, Dean of Guildford Cathedral, will be retiring later this year.



Her final Sunday service will be Choral Evensong on 17 September - ten years almost to the day after she was instituted as Dean on 15 September 2013.

Born in Colorado, but having served as curate and vicar at various London churches before becoming Dean, The Very Revd Dianna Gwilliams is one of the most senior female priests in the Church of England.



Church Services in July

1 9am Saturday Prayers in church 2 The fourth Sunday after Trinity

Loving Community 10am St Andrew's at 10

Tue 4 9am Pray Together, via zoom

Wed 5 11.30am Wednesdays at 11.30 (Holy Communion)

6 9am Pray Together, via zoom 8 9am Saturday Prayers in church

Sun 9 The fifth Sunday after Trinity Grasping Opportunity 10am St Andrew's at 10 4pm St Andrew's @4

Tue 11 9am Pray Together, via zoom

Wed 12 11.30am Wednesdays at 11.30 (Holy Communion)

Thu 13 9am Pray Together, via zoom Sat 15 9am Saturday Prayers in church

Sun 16 The sixth Sunday after Trinity

Committed Continuity 10am St Andrew's at 10

Tue 18 9am Pray Together, via zoom

Wed 19 11.30am Wednesdays at 11.30 (Holy Communion)

Thu 20 9am Pray Together, via zoom Sat 22 9am Saturday Prayers in church

Sun 23 The seventh Sunday after Trinity

Psalms in the Summer 10am St Andrew's at 10 7pm St Andrew's at 7

Tue 25 James the Apostle 9am Pray Together, via zoom

Wed 26 11.30am Wednesdays at 11.30 (Holy Communion)

Thu 27 9am Pray Together, via zoom Sat 29 9am Saturday Prayers in church

Sun 30 The eighth Sunday after Trinity Psalms in the Summer 10am St Andrew's at 10

Church Services in August

Tue 1 9am Pray Together, via zoom

Wed 2 11.30am Wednesdays at 11.30 (Holy Communion)

Thu 3 9am Pray Together, via zoom

5 9am Saturday Prayers in church

Sun 6 The ninth Sunday after Trinity Psalms in the Summer 10am St Andrew's at 10

8 9am Pray Together, via zoom



Wed 9 11.30am Wednesdays at 11.30 (Holy Communion)

Thu 10 9am Pray Together, via zoom

Sat 12 9am Saturday Prayers in church Sun 13 The tenth Sunday after Trinity

> Psalms in the Summer 10am St Andrew's at 10

Tue 15 9am Pray Together, via zoom

Wed 16 11.30am Wednesdays at 11.30 (Holy Communion)

Thu 17 9am Pray Together, via zoom Sat 19 9am Saturday Prayers in church

Sun 20 The eleventh Sunday after Trinity

Psalms in the Summer 10am St Andrew's at 10

Tue 22 9am Pray Together, via zoom

Wed 23 11.30am Wednesdays at 11.30 (Holy Communion)

Thu 24 9am Pray Together, via zoom Sat 26 9am Saturday Prayers in church

Sun 27 The twelfth Sunday after Trinity Psalms in the Summer 10am St Andrew's at 10 3pm Baptism service

Tue 29 9am Pray Together, via zoom

Wed 30 11.30am Wednesdays at 11.30 (Holy Communion)

Thu 31 9am Pray Together, via zoom

You are very welcome to join us for our services and prayers, in person or online:

• 10am Sunday services in church are also live streamed, via the church website

Saturday Prayers take place weekly in church

Pray Together sessions during the week are on zoom, via the church website

From the Registers



Baptism

We welcome into God's family:

21 May Hugo Niall Robert Gaffney

Burial of Ashes and Celebration Service

We offer our condolences to the family and friends of:

Stefanie Elizabeth Rees (died 5 April 2020, aged 37) 3 June

The funeral service was held in May 2020, but because of Covid restrictions we were unable to meet together at the time to celebrate her life

Church News Christian Aid Week

Conservation in action

In 2020, St Andrew's initiated a partnership with A Rocha UK. At the same time, we signed up to be an EcoChurch. As **Jolyon Trickey** explains, both express our commitment to grow in care for God's creation...

In 2022 we were again able to give over £3,000 to support A Rocha, in particular one of their two nature reserves, Wolf Fields, just 20 miles away in Southall. This means that Life Group members Carl Jackson and Raymond and Lillian Coe continue regular visits to work as volunteers.

It is still too early to judge the success or failure of the various wildflower plantings with which we have assisted, partly because No Mow May on the Reserve is likely to extend into the autumn. Carl says: "Our visits so far we have primarily helped with mulching the orchard trees and tidying some of the scent garden."

Carl, Raymond and Lilian have met the new Reserve Manager, Andrew Samuel, and he came to our Mission Partners Celebration evening on 15 June to give an update in person.

We asked Andrew to write us a personal introduction:

Hi Everyone, I'm Andrew!

I was born and raised in Bangalore, India, until I completed my schooling and then moved to the UK with my family in 2017. I began my undergraduate studies at the University of Kent, Canterbury (2017-21) and then took a Masters in Global Biodiversity Conservation at the University of Sussex (2021-22).

During my time at University, I discovered a passion for hands-on, practical conservation and a desire to give back to nature and the environment. Over lockdown, I was sucked

the world of photography and found I particularly enjoy photographing insects! In November 2022, I was delighted to be appointed as the new Reserve manager at Wolf Fields and I started work in January 2023.

School visits are a major part of my work and going well so far, but it's a new experience for me. I would be glad of prayer as I learn how to engage with students and help them get the most out of their visits. Another priority is rebuilding a good core team of volunteers – numbers are very low and there is too much work for just me and Andre to do.

I came to the UK as an 18-year-old with hardly any life experience and I'm now 23 with a career ahead of me in a field that I love! I am grateful to God and my family for standing by and guiding me through the last 5 years, and I am really looking forward to meeting and working with our supporters!

Revd Jolyon Trickey

Andrew Samuel

Christian Aid - the big quiz!

On 19 May, in a packed evening, a fun and successful quiz night raised money for Christian Aid, as **Mark Currie**, our Christian Aid representative, is pleased to report...

big thank you to everyone that participated in the Christian Aid Week Quiz on Friday 19 May in the church at St Andrew's. It was great to see the church full of teams competing for the prized St Andrew's Quiz trophy.

It was a hotly fought contest between eight teams, with the top three separated by only $1\frac{1}{2}$ points after nine rounds of questions!

Ultimately our guests from St Andrew's Church in Cobham took home the prized trophy, pipping the Wednesday morning Life Group by just one point.

Pigeon peas!

People tucked into the wonderful food and drinks they had brought along for the evening, and most were brave enough to try the pigeon pea cake and pigeon pea dal I had made for the evening. My first cake, but I felt I had to try to make something from pigeon peas, given the focus on Malawi and the support Christian Aid gives via the Nandolo Farmers Association to those struggling to make a living in a challenging area (see the May magazine).



I had the pleasure of presenting a certificate to Peter Burt, who had been the Christian Aid rep for St Andrew's for 40 years before handing the baton to me.

Thanks to the generosity of all involved, we will be making a donation of just over £1,500 to Christian Aid to help them support people like Esther and Jen in Malawi, who try to make a living through growing pigeon peas.

You can still add to the donation pot, see right, as the work supporting the world's poorest people never ends.

Thank you to all that have supported Christian Aid this year and previously, and we look forward to welcoming even more teams from our community in Oxshott at the next quiz night.

You can still contribute: via our bank account (sort code 20-90-56, account 'St Andrews Church Oxshott' number 80374598, Ref: Christian Aid) or via the QR code:



Mark Currie

Antiques Valuation Day approaches!

Have you looked through your cupboards or garage and found your treasured item yet? And Adele Wright brings news of an exciting addition to the Valuation day...

here's only a week or so to go until the big day, when Ewbank's Auction House will be sending five experts to Oxshott to tell you more about your precious heirlooms (see advert opposite), to help raise funds for our BYC Project.

Whether your items are valuable or not, old or new, please don't hesitate to bring them along and be warmly welcomed. You'll also be supporting a great cause.

For those wishing to take their items to auction, Ewbank's will be providing discounted commission on the day and wavering commission for all items donated to St Andrew's BYC Project.

Even if you don't have an item to bring with you, just pop in for a chat to see what's going on and enjoy some refreshments at the same time.

Excitement has already been building, with people discussing what they're going to bring along on the day. It's amazing what's been found in those hidden places. There's even talk of a penny farthing paying us a visit!







Exciting news!

And, it doesn't stop there! We will be selling raffle tickets on



So, it's definitely worth attending the event to be in with a chance!

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Adele Wright

Ewbank's Roadshow





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t the end of 2021, Torch Trust took 'a leap of faith' and ordered 1,000 Pathway audio Bible players containing the New TORCH 🏂

Testament and Psalms, read by the actor David Suchet. Knowing the power of Scripture to change lives, they

planned to "give these Bibles for free to anyone in the UK losing their sight. 16 months later, the stories coming back are so amazing that Torch has ordered 1,000 more." Kenneth, who wouldn't have called himself a Christian, said, "I'm really listening to the New Testament now, not just odd verses. I'm realising what it all means."

Losing sight can be a time of real questioning and searching, so what better gift can a newly blind person receive than the Word of God? Torch is encouraging anyone who is living with sight loss to contact them for a free audio Bible at www.torchtrust.org/pathway, or by calling 01858 438260.

Most of the first 1,000 players were sponsored by individuals, churches or trusts. Torch is also seeking people to donate £20 to cover the cost of sending out one of the new audio Bibles.

Reflecting faith: the Pulpit

The pulpit is one of the four most obvious pieces of 'furniture' in a L church, in addition to the lectern, the altar and the font. Today, the pulpit is where the preacher stands to give the sermon during a service; it is generally higher than the chairs or pews, so the preacher can be seen more easily by the congregation.

Older pulpits often have a 'sounding' board canopy above them, so that the words may 'resound' more audibly. The pulpit may be simple or heavily ornamented, or engraved with pictures and/or words. Here at St Andrew's, the pulpit is richly carved as reflects its Edwardian origins.

In Anglican churches, pulpits are likely to be situated between the nave, where the congregation sits, and the chancel, where the choir or church leaders sit. There are examples of pulpits which require the preacher to climb up over a dozen steps to reach the preaching platform; at St Andrew's, during the refurbishments of 2014, the pulpit was lowered to be level with the new chancel floor.

In bygone generations, the pulpit was used for all sorts of announcements; without any microphones, it was better to use a raised area from which to address people. So the pulpits were used not only by priests for preaching, but also by the churchwardens for notices, and also for calling Marriage Banns.

In fact, pulpits were not much used for sermons before the Reformation! This is because the clergy in those days were required to preach only four times a year...

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This summer, Jasper (age 6) will be riding his bike for 20 miles along The Downs Link path, to raise money for the St Andrew's Church building project. Renewing the church buildings will both improve their use today by better supporting and facilitating church and community life, as well as securing the building's use for future generations.

Jasper says "I will be proud to help make a difference in our village."

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Esher's Côte restaurant turns even more French!

A successful celebration: appropriately, Esher French Circle held its 50th anniversary gala dinner in the local French restaurant, as Peter Prowse reports...

leu, blanc, rouge – the colours of the French Tricolour – provided the visual theme for Esher French Circle's 50th anniversary gala dinner on May 17. And the pièce de resistance was the three-tier cake, topped off with a model of the Eiffel Tower.

> A group of around 70 enthusiastic Francophiles took over Esher's Côte restaurant for an evening of French gastronomy, lively conversation (often in franglais) and musical entertainment. New and long-standing members came from not only Esher and Oxshott but also the surrounding area - Reigate, Claygate, Walton-on-Thames, Cobham and Ashtead. Special guests included representatives from other French circles, some as far away as Eastbourne and Nottingham, as well as local

media, including Brian Cox, editor of Oxshott Magazine. and Angela Stockbridge, editor of West End Village News. Most of the organising was done by long-serving committee members Annie Keane (who lives in Esher) and Brigitte Tiller (Oxshott). Committee member Peter Prowse provided the musical entertainment, playing the guitar and

singing some well-known French songs, with enthusiastic

audience participation.

The Cercle Français d'Esher was set up in 1973 by Mrs Josée Gray-Forton to promote study of the French language and literature and to give its members the opportunity of speaking French and of meeting French residents and Francophiles. Monthly talks are given in French by specialist speakers, on a range of topics – French art, current affairs, music, gastronomy, history... There are

refreshments, and time for conversation before the talk starts. The Circle meets on the third Wednesday of most months, in West End Village Hall, at 7.30pm. After its summer break (no meetings in July, August or September), the Circle restarts on 18 October 2023 - for more information and the full programme, see the Circle's website www.cerclefrancais-esher.uk

Peter Prowse

A group that enjoys a good lunch!

Oxshott WI has been enjoying a wide variety of discussion topics and activities, as Liz McGibbon reports...

t our May meeting there was a discussion about autism – especially among younger girls. The speaker has first-hand knowledge of the problem, and agave an informative and interesting talk on the subject.

Our meeting in June will be on a lighter note, when we have a demonstration of weaving and flower making using ribbon. Also in June, our art class is being held in Jenny's garden, when our talented artists will no doubt produce colourful paintings. In August, we plan a pleasant morning in Brenda's garden catching up with each other and (fingers crossed) enjoying the sunshine, and later in August our summer afternoon tea at The Olive Garden Centre. The book club continues with interesting reads, some enjoyed and other not so much!



Several members joined Cobham United Church walking group and thoroughly enjoyed a long walk to Claygate, and lunch at the Griffin. Oxshott Village WI is a group that enjoys a good lunch! The first Wednesday of the month is our WI Lunch Day and in June we enjoyed a delightful lunch in the sun at The Running Mare.

Oxshott Village WI meets on the third Tuesday of the month at 8pm in Oxshott Village Centre and would welcome new members or visitors. Further information from me on 01372 842740 or lizmcgibbon@btinternet.com Liz McGibbon

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Art & Crafts Society never stops!

With successful demonstrations and the Summer Exhibition, OACS have been busy as usual. Miranda Fuller was there...

ACS enjoyed a good and busy spring and start to the summer.

Pictured here, are our two May artists, Marie Antoniou and Brendan Smith.



On 9 May, Marie produced another excellent demonstration for us of wildlife, in acrylics. On a lilac background, she sketched basic shapes, rather than the animal, with a broad brush. Using a limited, bright palette, plenty of paint and bold, straight

> brushstrokes, she applied the colours in simple, clear blocks, later chiselling into them from the outside, with no fiddling; nor any attempt to copy the photograph, which, Marie explained, would not convey



On 19 May, we enjoyed our

gave us. A

superb lion!

long-awaited workshop, by Brendan Smith – a coastal scene in acrylic. Brendan took us steadily through the different stages, painting each himself first, and letting us follow, before continuing to the next. None of our finished results, of course, bore any resemblance to Brendan's, but being guided patiently through the execution of a picture of rocky beach and headland, sea and sky was hugely useful, and the day a very nice one indeed.

A steady flow...

Next. our Summer Exhibition, on 3 and 4 June, attracted a steady flow of visitors, who enjoyed a colourful variety of creative work, by 19 local artists and eight craftspeople, including a wide range of cards - not to mention some excellent home baking! It was very nice to see Oxshott Magazine represented. Several members of OACS also took part in the Surrey Artists Open Studios.



Our final event on the programme was popular artist, Anthony Nield's demonstration on 13 June – a landscape in line and wash - enjoyed by all.

Coming up in the autumn, we have our first demonstration, by Joel Wareing, on 12 September - An Urban Night Scene in acrylic. This will be followed by our autumn workshop - An Urban Landscape in mixed media, with Christine Hopkins, on 6 October, and our second demo, on 10 October, A Still Life in water-mixable oils, by artist, Max Hale, full details of which will all be given on our website and in the next issue.

In the meantime, we wish all readers a good summer!

Miranda Fuller

Round & About

Our cover this month shows one of the most recent local 'post box toppers', as they are sometimes known in this country.

There is a whole movement of decorating local items with yarn – and an International Yarn Bombing Day in early June each year! Who knew?!

The installation is often done anonymously – and we have failed to find the guerrilla who creates the Sandy Lane concoctions (for the Test Match one, see right) so that we could thank them properly!

It has been announced that Avery Healthcare has taken over the management of the former Signature Care Home in Copsem Lane, located just on the Oxshott side of the A3. It is now named Esher Manor Care Home.

It was originally established as Sunrise Senior Living, before it was taken over by Signature on 1 December 2021... (and Signature still manages the nearby care home, Signature at Weybridge).

We hope you are keeping up!

Readers may have been aware of the Planning Application for the redevelopment of Heath Buildings in Oxshott High Street; Heath Buildings are the shops and flats located opposite the Oxshott Village Store.

Members of FEDORA will have been made aware of the main issues. From the comments seen, the consensus of residents appears to be that whilst the existing buildings will not be missed, the proposed scheme is too dominating (too high, and encroaching on the existing open space around the clock tower) and not in keeping with a Surrey village.

The application at Elmbridge at Elmbridge is ref.

2023/1026. Comments on the application were due in by Friday 23 June (although

were due in by Friday 23 June (although FEDORA advise that, in practice, Elmbridge BC will accept comments for a week or so after the deadline.)

If you want to be kept up to date on key Planning issues, join FEDORA, your local residents' association, at www.fedora.org.uk/membership

Did you know...

...about the OFAS?

The Oxshott Flower Arrangement Society meets monthly at Oxshott Village Centre (on 3rd Tuesdays (not August), 2pm to 4pm).

Our updated programme now includes two to three flower arrangement workshops each year - in fact, this June's was our inaugural workshop. In our other meetings, the professional demonstration arrangements will again be up for raffle prizes.

Do come and join us for a relaxing few hours, finishing with a cup of tea & biscuits....

Fees are visitors £5, annual subscription £50 - for full information, please contact our Secretary Anita Lee (see the Directory, page 36).



The ULEZ and Oxshott

London's Ultra Low Emission Zone (ULEZ) is due to be expanded at the end of August. Will it affect you?...

rom 29 August 2023, the ULEZ area is due to be expanded from (about) the North and South Circular Roads, right out to the Greater London boundary. It will operate 24 hours a day, every day (except Christmas). But the first point to note is that 9 out of 10 cars in outer London already meet the required emissions standards. To see if your vehicle meets these standards, use the Transport for London 'vehicle checker', by quoting your registration number on their website.

But if your vehicle does *not* meet the emissions standards, and you drive anywhere within the ULEZ, you could face a daily charge of £12.50. (We should point out that currently there are legal challenges to the expansion.)

My car is not ULEZ compliant; how will it affect me from 29 August?

As you can see from the map, the extended zone will not follow the council boundaries exactly. In fact, it will follow the existing Low Emission Zone boundaries (that apply to heavy vehicles), which were 'adjusted' to allow people who did not want to enter the zone to avoid doing so...



From Oxshott, therefore, you will be able to go to Epsom through Malden Rushett without entering the ULEZ. Or go up the A3 to parts of Worcester Park. But you would have to pay to go to (say) Chessington, or the Royal Marsden at Sutton... Full details, including the various exemptions, are on the TfL website (tfl.gov.uk).

Local News The Arts Society

What's On in Oxshott

July

Tue 4 10am **Ladies Friendship Group:** What I did when I left School, in the Small Hall, at Oxshott Village Centre

Sat 8 10am-4pm **St Andrew's Church**: *Antiques Valuation Day,* at St Andrew's Church (see page 13)

Tue 18 2.30pm **Oxshott Flower Arrangement Society**: Demonstration – *Creative Thinking*, with Gill Homer, at Oxshott Village Centre

8pm **Oxshott Village Women's Institute**: *My work as a Magistrate*, with Tony Hazeldine, at Oxshott Village Centre

August

Tue 1 12noon **Ladies Friendship Group**: Social with coffee and biscuits and chat, Small Hall, Oxshott Village Centre

Many local organisations take a break over the summer

If you would like to have details of your event listed here, let us know at magazine@standrewsoxshott.org.uk



A visit of contrasts

This month, **Nicky Orlebar** tells us of an ASCO (Arts Society of Cobham & Oxshott) trip that saw buildings large - and small...

morning visit to a politician's house with the afternoon spent in a model village - a contrasting programme for an Arts Society day out.

In 1848 Hughenden Manor, near High Wycombe, became the country

home of Benjamin Disraeli, twice Conservative Prime Minister, and his wife Mary Anne.

In the entrance hall portraits of Disraeli's political friends reflected 'the history of his life'. The fine library suggested his love of books, with the seat cushions embroidered by Mary Anne.

Disraeli got on extremely well with Queen Victoria, such that he was invited to attend her Coronation a mere year after he entered the Commons. In 1876, Disraeli was further honoured with a peerage



becoming Earl of Beaconsfield despite still being Prime Minister, necessitating leadership of the Government from the House of Lords. On his death in 1881, Queen Victoria authorised a memorial plaque be put up in nearby Hughenden church where Disraeli is buried.

The garden meanwhile gave Mary Anne an opportunity to redesign the Chiltern landscape. Our guided tour of the grounds was made hugely entertaining by head gardener, Frank, who acquainted us with his lawn maintenance techniques and carpet bedding schemes. When viewed from outside, both house and garden seem particularly modest.

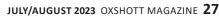
The afternoon offered the highlight of the day (for some), as we set off down

memory lane to visit Bekonscot.

Created in the 1920s, it is the world's oldest model village, laid out in a mere 1.5 acres.

Most ASCO members had visited at some time in their youth, with the Gauge 1 model railway, airport, fire in the thatched roof and buildings in the style of the 1930s never failing to interest and amuse.

Nicky Orlebar





Sudoku

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Answers next month

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Last month's solution

Think about it...

What do you call a magician who has lost his magic?

Ian.

Two men are on opposite sides of the river.

The first man shouts, "How do I get to the other side of the river?" The other man yells, "You are on the other side of the river!"

Spotted...



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Who's Who at St Andrew's



ABC: Adults, Babies and young Children - group for babies, young children, and their parents or carers. Contact: Patrick & Belinda Davies (abc@standrewsoxshott.org.uk)

Building Your Church project: Chair: Ron Stewart (byc@standrewsoxshott.org.uk)

Children and Young People: Younger children meet separately for their own activities during part of our Sunday service at 10am in term time. Special services are also held monthly for children and families, see St Andrew's @4 (below). For weekday events, see ABC (above). 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: Jill Perrett (077688 52805), Rebecca Mayhew (07818 426482)

Coffee Comfort: meets every 4th Thursday of the month, 10.15-11.45am in the church

vestibule. Contact: Jenny Mathieson (07712 032008)

Deanery Synod: Representatives: Jill Perrett, Ros Ebbutt-Hadman and Steph Rustom

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

Lay Assistants: Barbara Begley, Anita Harper, Phillip Herbert, Rebecca Mayhew, Helen Shand and 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 1st and 3rd Wednesday of the month, and generally appeals to people who are 60 plus. Leaders: Sheila and Phillip Herbert (01372 842301)

Music: Director of Music: Valerie Beynon (01932 863296). Organist: Nicky Orlebar Parish Funding: Parish Funding Administrator: Marjorie Cox (07730 560752)

Parochial Church Council: PCC Secretary: currently Vacant. PCC Members: Revd Patrick Davies (Curate), Ros Ebbutt-Hadman (Deanery Synod), Patrick Fleming, Anna Jarrett, Charlene Lamb, Rebecca Mayhew, Jill Perrett (Deanery Synod), Steph Rustom (Deanery Synod), Norman Steven, Revd Frances Trickey (Vicar), Revd Jolyon Trickey (Associate Minister) and Adele Wright

Pastoral Assistants: Barbara Begley, Anita Harper, Rebecca Mayhew, Helen Shand, Jackie Stewart, Ron Stewart and Trish Torr. Contact: call the Church Office (01372 842071)

St Andrew's @4: A monthly afternoon service in church, for everyone and especially those with primary-school aged and younger children. Contact: Revd Patrick Davies (patrick.davies@standrewsoxshott.org.uk)

Safeguarding: Parish Safeguarding Officer: contact via the Church Office, at safeguarding@standrewsoxshott.org.uk

Treasurer: Carl Jackson (01372 843990 or treasurer@standrewsoxshott.org.uk)

Website Editor: Contact: web@standrewsoxshott.org.uk

Community and Local Services





Oxshott Medical Practice: Holtwood Road, Oxshott KT22 0QJ Telephone: 01372 844000 - Monday to Friday, 8am to 6.30pm

Website: www.oxshottmedicalpractice.nhs.uk

Doctors:

Dr Mark Jenkins MB BS DRCOG DFFP MRCGP (available Monday-Wednesday, Friday)

Dr Richard Draper MB ChB MSc DA DRCOG DCH FRCGP (available Thursday, Friday)

Dr Alice Palfreman MBChB (Hons) MRCGP (available Monday-Wednesday)

Dr Laura Peeke MBBS BSc MRCP DRCOG MRCGP PGcert (available Monday, Tuesday)

Dr Hannah Coleman MBBS MRCGP DRCOG (available Wednesday, Thursday)

Dr Esmat Abbas MBBS BSc MRCGP DRCOG DFSRH (available Thursday, Friday)

Nurse: Rosemary Tyler (available Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday)

Surgery hours: Monday to Friday, 8am to 6.30pm

Pre-bookable early morning and late-night appointments also available

Outside surgery hours:

- in non-Emergency cases: telephone 111
- in an Emergency, such as chest pain or shortness of breath (or any other emergency), telephone 999

Central Surrey Voluntary Action: No.1, The Quintet, Charities House, Churchfield Road, Walton on Thames, KT12 2TZ - incorporating Elmbridge Volunteer Centre, and an Esher venue (01372 463587 or visit www.centralsurreyvoluntaryaction.co.uk)

Centre for Sight: Vision correction, laser eye surgery, lens implants and cataract surgery, at 48 High Street, Oxshott. Mon-Fri, 9am-4.30pm (0800 011 2882)

Cobham Area Foodbank: Serves Cobham, Oxshott, Stoke D'Abernon, the Horsleys and Effingham (01932 450282 or manager@cobhamarea.foodbank.org.uk)

Councillors - Elmbridge Borough Council

Oxshott and Stoke D'Abernon Ward:

Andrew Burley (07503 830954 or aburley@elmbridge.gov.uk),

David Lewis (07771 505567 or djlewis43@btinternet.com),

Alan Parker (07917 521069 or alanparker.oxshott@gmail.com)

Councillors – Surrey County Council

Cobham Division:

(includes Cobham, Downside, part of Stoke D'Abernon and Oxshott, west of the railway line) David Lewis (01932 590338 or 07771 505567 or david.lewis1@surreycc.gov.uk)

Hinchley Wood, Claygate and Oxshott Division:

(includes Hinchley Wood, Claygate and Oxshott, east of the railway line) Mark Sugden (01372 463085 or 07548 244422 or mark.sugden@surreycc.gov.uk)

Counsellor: Fay Preston MBACP BACP-registered counsellor (01372 450742 or 07855 098995 or visit www.counselling-directory.org.uk/counsellors/fay-preston)

Contact information for local services

Services (continued)



Dentist: Dr Brian Cullen BDS (Shef), Oxshott Dental Practice, Winkfield, Steels Lane, Oxshott. Mon-Thur 8am-5pm; Fri 8am-4.30pm (01372 843552 or info@oxshottdental.com or visit www.oxshottdental.com)

Esher and District Citizens Advice Bureau: Harry Fletcher House, Civic Centre Complex, High Street, Esher (No service currently in person; by phone 01372 464770 Mon-Tue, Thur-Fri 10.30am-3.30pm; Wed 1pm-3.30pm, or via www.eshercab.org.uk)

FEDORA - the Voice for Oxshott CIC: Chair: Anthony Wolfe (chairman@fedora.org.uk)

Friends of Oxshott Heath: Contact: Jan Fuller (janmfuller@yahoo.co.uk), Elizabeth Chovil (e.chovil@ntlworld.com)

Health Visitor and Cobham Health Centre: (01932 867231)

Hospital Accident and Emergency Department (A&E): Epsom General Hospital, Dorking Road, Epsom KT18 7EG

Meals on Wheels: Contact: The Community Support Services Team at Elmbridge Council (01372 474552 or commservices@elmbridge.gov.uk)

Osteopath: Anja Davidson MOst, Wellmead Osteopathy, Steels Lane (01372 897497 or info@wellmeadosteopathy.co.uk)

Oxshott Care: Local voluntary Help Scheme (07950 478329). Phone attendance Mon-Fri 9am-12 noon, answer machine at other times

Oxshott Village Centre: Bookings Secretary: Alexandra Horne (01372 841892 or ovcbookings@aol.com or visit www.oxshottvillagecentre.co.uk)

Physiotherapist: Leigh R. Hopper MCSP SRP, Oxshott Physiotherapy Practice, Sunridge, Fairoak Lane, Oxshott (01372 844449 or oxshottphysio@btopenworld.com)

Police: Cobham, Stoke D'Abernon & Oxshott: Police Sergeant Rob Thomas & Police Officer Andy Lawrence. Elmbridge Borough Commander: Inspector Bert Dean

Police Station: Elmbridge Borough Council, Civic Centre, High Street, Esher, Surrey KT10 9SD (elmbridge@surrey.pnn.police.uk)

To report a crime or incident, call 101, the number for all non-urgent calls In a genuine emergency, requiring urgent police attendance, call 999

Patient Participation Group (PPG): Patients, carers and GP practice staff who meet to discuss local practice issues. Contact: Oxshott Medical Practice (01372 844000)

Royal Kent School, Oakshade Road, Oxshott, Surrey KT22 0LE (01372 842495) Church of England Primary School, ages 4 to 11. For details of admissions, please contact the School Office. Headteacher: Katie Hancock Governors: David Young (Chair), Katie Hancock (Headteacher), Sue Bailey, Joe Blaney, Revd Patrick Davies, Louise Emmett, Stuart Heeks, Helen Howell, Laurie-Ann Lamb, Tonia Lovell, Revd Frances Trickey, Ria Woodhouse

SSAFA: Leading national charity helping members and ex-members of the Armed Forces and their families (01372 462796 or surrey@ssafa.org.uk)

Victim Support: Free confidential support after crime. Contact: Supportline (08 08 16 89 111) or visit www.victimsupport.org.uk

Local Clubs & Societies



- **1st Oxshott Scouts:** Meetings: Squirrels (Fridays 4.30-5.30pm), Beavers (Mondays 6-7.15pm), Cubs (Tuesdays 6.30-8pm), Scouts (Wednesdays 6.30-8.30pm), Explorers (Mondays 7.30-9pm) (oxshottscoutgroup@gmail.com) www.oxshott-scouts.org
- **Girlguiding Oxshott:** Meetings: Rainbows (girls aged 5-7: Tuesdays 4.15-5.30pm), Brownies (7-10: Tuesdays 5.45-7.15pm), Guides (10-14: Tuesdays 7.30-9pm), Rangers (14-18: Wednesdays 7.30-9pm). Contact: 1stoxshottbrownies@gmail.com
- **Ladies Friendship Group:** Meets 1st Tuesday in month at 10am, in small hall in Oxshott Village Centre. Contact: Angela Horne (01372 843113)
- **Le Cercle Français d'Esher:** Evening talks in French on 3rd Wednesday of each month from October to June in West End Village Hall. Contact: Brigitte Tiller (01372 842095 or brigitte@ptiller.com)
- Oxshott Art & Crafts Society: This friendly group of artists and craftsmen meet for a demonstration at 7.30pm on the second Tuesday of most months. Guests are welcome. Full details on our website (www.oxshottartandcrafts.org)
- 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)
- **Oxshott Bridge Club:** Duplicate bridge on Wednesday evenings at Oxshott Village Centre. Enquiries to Secretary: Janet Kefford (01932 863541)
- **Oxshott Choral Society:** Meets Wednesday evenings in Stoke D'Abernon Church Hall. Contact: Sue Rees (01372 842300) www.oxshottchoral.org.uk
- Oxshott, Esher and the Dittons NWR (National Women's Register): meets fortnightly on Tuesday evenings (some Tuesday afternoons during winter) in each other's homes. Contact: Cathy Davies (01372 842085)
- **Oxshott Flower Arrangement Society:** Meets 3rd Tuesday in month at Oxshott Village Centre (except August). Secretary: Anita Lee (07979 804668 or leea8971@gmail.com)
- Oxshott Village Sports Club: Bowls, Bridge, Cricket, Cycling, Football, Netball, Padel, Pétanque, Squash, Stoolball, Tennis. All enquiries to the OVSC office: Fiona Stephen or Sarah Murphy (01372 843652 or office@oxshottsports.com)
- Political Parties: Cobham, Oxshott & Stoke d'Abernon Conservatives: Chair: Cathy Davies (01372 842085 or cdavies_waldegrave@yahoo.co.uk)
 - **Cobham, Downside, Oxshott and Stoke Labour Party:** Secretary: Dan Parks (07860 677898 or codslabourbranch@gmail.com)
- The Arts Society Claremont and Oxshott: Meets 2nd Wednesday in month (except July & August) in the Yehudi Menuhin Hall, Stoke D'Abernon. Coach visits also organised. Contact: Anne Wallis (anne@wallis.eu.com)
- The Oxshott Club: Centre of village social life; Oakshade Road. Lounge bar, snooker, pool, quiz nights; music and entertainment evenings and BBQs held regularly. BT Sports channel. Open every evening; Saturday & Sunday from midday. See us on Facebook or contact Club Secretary or Stewardess (01372 842232)
- **Women's Institute Oxshott Village WI:** Meets 3rd Tuesday in month at 8pm, in Oxshott Village Centre. Contact: Maggie Day (01932 988501)
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