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EDITORIAL

By *Tricia Horwood*

As the storm clouds gather and we hunker down for winter, there are lots of opportunities for meeting up with fellow neighbours and friends at a variety of events taking place this month. We have the traditional fireworks evening at the pub on Sunday, 5th November, a Remembrance Service on Sunday, 12th, two village society AGMs and a Christmas Fair on Saturday, 26th November.

We are also planning to install a Thursley Christmas Tree on the clump this year, and a just giving page has been set up to help with donations (see p24).

And finally, as we reflect on everything that is going on around us, and with Remembrance Day just around the corner, we not only remember those that fought and died for us in the past, but think about all those currently caught up in conflicts around the world. All we can

do is not lose hope, and Emily Dickenson sums it up beautifully in the following poem.

HOPE IS THE THING WITH FEATHERS

“Hope” is the thing with feathers
That perches in the soul,
And sings the tune without the words,
And never stops at all,

And sweetest in the Gale is heard;
And sore must be the storm
That could abash the little Bird
That kept so many warm.

I’ve heard it in the chilliest land,
And on the strangest sea;
Yet , never, in extremity,
It asked a crumb of me.

Emily Dickenson



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NOVEMBER

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	9.45am	Communion at St Michael's, Thursley
	10.30am	Modern Service at St James', Elstead
	4.00pm	Service or Remembering & Hope at St James', Elstead
	4.00pm	Service of Remembering & Hope at St Mary's, Shackleford
SUNDAY 12th Remembrance Sunday	10.15am	Service at St James', Elstead
	10.15am	Service at St Mary's, Shackleford
	10.45am	Service at St Michael's, Thursley
	4.00pm	Muddy Service at Night at St James', Elstead
SUNDAY 19th Safeguarding Sunday	9.45am	Communion at St Michael's, Thursley
	10.30am	Modern Service at St James', Elstead
SUNDAY 26th Christ the King	10.00am	Communion at St Nicholas, Peper Harow
	10.30am	Modern Service at St James', Elstead

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I'd like to give a Big Thank You to everyone who contributed in any way, creatively, florally, financially, musically, vocally or in connection with advertising, refreshments or parking for the Celtic Croodle on 30.09.23.

We had a really lovely afternoon at Thursley Church and raised £350 to be divided equally between Thursley Village Hall Improvement Fund and Thursley Parish.

Thank you very much everyone.

Wendy Edwards

VILLAGE DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

NOVEMBER

Sunday, 5th	6.00pm	Fireworks Evening. 3HS. Gate opens at 6pm. Fireworks at 6.30p, See p8.
Tuesday 7th	6-9.00pm 7.00pm	Thursley Table Tennis. Cricket Pavilion Thursley Parish Council Meeting. All welcome. Village Hall
Wednesday 8th	7.00pm	Horts Society AGM followed by Gardner's Question Time. All welcome. See p16.
Thursday 9th	2-5.00pm	Thursley Bridge Club. Cricket Pavilion
Sunday 12th	10.45am	Remembrance Sunday Service. St Michael & All Angels Church.
Monday 13th	7.00pm	Village Hall AGM. All welcome. Village Hall.
Tuesday 14th	6-9.00pm	Thursley Table Tennis. Cricket Pavilion
Thursday 16th	2-5.00pm	Thursley Bridge Club. Cricket Pavilion
Tuesday 21st	6-9.00pm	Thursley Table Tennis. Cricket Pavilion
Thursday 23rd	2-5.00pm	Thursley Bridge Club. Cricket Pavilion
Saturday 21st	10.00am	Churchyard Working Party. St Michael & All Angels Church. All help welcome.
Sunday 26th	10-4.00pm	Thursley Christmas Fair. Village Hall. See p17.
Tuesday 28th	6-9.00pm	Thursley Table Tennis. Cricket Pavilion
Thursday 30th	2-5.00pm	Thursley Bridge Club. Cricket Pavilion

REMEMBRANCE DAY

By Revd Hannah Moore

World War 1 was called the war to end all wars, and since the guns fell silent on the Western Front in 1918, conflicts around the world have continued. As I write this, there are 32 active wars across the world. These conflicts range from drug wars, terrorist insurgencies, ethnic conflicts, and civil wars.

The first-ever two-minute silence was observed on Armistice Day, on the 11th of November 1919. We have been observing a two-minute silence on the 11th of November for 104 years.

During the silence, we are encouraged to remember those who have lost their lives in the theatre of war. I find this moment in the Remembrance Service very poignant. I wonder, what do you think about during that moment of silence? We live in a busy, noisy world and sometimes it is hard to tune out the noise and turn off the trivial thoughts that run through **our minds in the silence, such as, “I must not forget to buy dog food” or “Did I turn the oven on for the roast before I came out for the Remembrance Service?”**

Each year, I try very hard to clear my mind during the two-minute silence and focus on the sacrifice made by so many young lives in the service of their country. I think about the colossal waste of life that resulted from the wars. In that moment, on Remembrance Sunday, I recall the stories of my own family; my great-grandfathers who served in the First World War, my grandfathers who served in the Second World War, and my

husband’s cousins who fought in Afghanistan. In the silence, this year, I will add my three nephews who are in the Israeli army and the people of Gaza, Ukraine and Russia to my thoughts. Underlying all these thoughts is a prayer for peace.

There is a wonderful, hope-filled, aspirational verse in Isaiah which says, *“They shall beat their swords into ploughshares, and their spears into pruning-hooks; nation shall not lift sword against nation, neither shall they learn war anymore.”* Wouldn’t this be wonderful?

No more war, no more lives lost in conflicts, no more innocent civilians caught in the crossfire of ideological arguments. This is my prayer each Remembrance Sunday, that nations will not use weapons as a means to settle disputes and that we can teach our children to be peacemakers and not war-mongers. All these things will be going through my head as I stand at the memorial to observe the silence. I wonder what you will be thinking about.

In the silence, you can hear a pin drop.

In the silence, you can hear the birds sing.

In the silence, you can hear the leaves rustle.

For us, it is only the briefest of silences, just two short minutes

For many, in places of conflict, the silence is not long enough.

For the fallen, the silence is eternal.



Parishes of Elstead, Thursley, Shackleford & Peper Harow

REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY

12 NOVEMBER

10.15am Elstead

10.15am Shackleford

10.45am Thursley



THURSLEY PARISH COUNCIL UPDATE

By James Mendelsohn - Chair



As a Parish Council, we are always looking for ways to enhance the village and, following the lead taken by one of our recently appointed Councillors, Chris McClements, this autumn has seen the launch of our 'Village Improvement Plan'. We all know that Thursley has a tremendous community spirit, but we also need to make sure that the fabric of the village is kept up to scratch as well.

With this in mind, Chris had prepared, in advance of our October meeting, a schedule of projects that we could reasonably undertake to enhance the village that we live in. He identified initiatives under 5 broad headings for us to focus on:

- Signage, that needs cleaning, repairing or renewal.
- Improvement to roadsides, particularly where vegetation has grown onto the road.
- Biodiverse planting schemes, to beautify public spaces and increase biodiversity.
- Public space and amenity

enhancements, that may need cleaning or repair.

- Community spirit, to create a festive atmosphere during special occasions.

Chris' document received enthusiastic and unanimous support and we are already well under way towards making some of the recommended improvements. You will have noticed that many signposts and road signs around the village have been cleaned; the reduced-width entrance to the village opposite the Recreation Ground has been cleared of vegetation; the 'Thors-Lee' sign on the Clump has been rejuvenated; and, most excitingly, plans are well advanced to provide a splendid village Christmas Tree on the Clump – an initiative being led by Julie Langley (who has written an article elsewhere in this magazine) and one which is very much within the thinking of the Village Improvement Plan – and has received financial support from the Parish Council.

Whilst it is exciting that we have made so much progress so quickly, there are certain other ideas within the plan that require support from Surrey County Council and/or Waverley Borough Council and these inevitably take longer to approve and may be dependent on available funding.

Nevertheless, significant progress has been made, largely through the hard work of members of the Parish Council. Moving forward, though, we really hope that everyone in the village will try and do their small bit to help us keep the village

as vibrant and well maintained as possible. This can be done in any one of a number of ways – taking a carrier bag with you to collect litter when you go walking; periodically washing down a street sign near your house; being aware of vegetation from your property overhanging a pavement or footpath etc.

Driven by the same thinking, the Parish Council has also recently purchased an A3 scanner that will initially be used by the History Society as they undertake the huge but ultimately rewarding task of digitising all their records, before the hard copies are placed in the Surrey County Archives in Woking.

When complete, these digital records will be available via the new History Society website, which I am sure will provide fascinating reading for all those who have

enjoyed various History Society exhibitions over the years, and would like to see more.

The Indian Summer weather of early October provided a great opportunity to get out onto the Common, and a number of people have commented how lovely it is to see Hammer Pond restored to its former state. After some fairly rigorous testing by the Environment Agency, the pond has now been filled to its optimum level, and much of the vegetation has begun to fill in the previously bare banks. It will be fascinating to observe it in the Spring and hopefully see some of the former 'residents' return to their old nesting grounds.

The next Parish Council meeting will take place in the Village Hall on Tuesday 7 November at 7.00 pm.

THURSLEY HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

By Pat Clarke

After a busy year we shall be meeting for our AGM on Wednesday 8th November at 7pm in the Village Hall to report on our successes in the Centenary year and to prepare for next year.

The AGM will take place, followed by a break for refreshments – wine, soft drinks, cheeses and other nibbles. This will be a good time to socialise with old friends and get to know new faces. We welcome members and new members, so if you are thinking of joining, do come. Subscriptions are due from the date of the AGM and membership cards will be available on the night for those that pay – always useful for the local discounts. You will soon recoup your £7.00!

The rest of the evening will host a Gardeners' Question Time – this has been very popular in the past and we would love you to have some questions ready. We will have local experts on the panel, so they will really know our weather and soil in Thursley and Bowlhead Green. They will be ready to address individual concerns about sun and shade, damp and dry conditions, and will have advice about stressed and diseased plants, and recommendations too.

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VILLAGE HALL UPDATE

By Andrea MacKenzie-Beevor & Clea Beechey

We are always looking to make improvements to the Village Hall to make it more energy efficient - to that end, we have recently upgraded some of the lighting. We now have new lights with sensors in the corridors, kitchen and toilets, and have upgraded the fire exit signs to ensure they are fully compliant. In addition, we have changed all the outdoor lights to ones with sensors, so it is now impossible (famous last words) that any of these lights can be left on all night! Great news for our neighbours and our electricity bills ... Updates to the Main and North Hall lighting are to follow. A massive thank you to The National Lottery Community Fund for funding this.

Thursley Quiz Nite

We had a great evening in October at the Thursley Quiz Nite. Competition was fierce, fish and chips were delicious, chatter was raucous, and in the end ... the Thor Trophy was retained by Alison Nesbitt and her team, the Burford Lea Gang! Thor Losers came a close second, with Middle Thursley in third. The Wooden Spoon Award went to Bed Heads, who had been firmly running in the middle of the pack until a sudden and dramatic collapse at the end. There will be much to play for next time - watch this space!

Thursley Calendars 2024

The calendar photo competition has officially come to an end and the calendars have now been printed. A big thank you to all those who entered the competition - we will announce the

winners in next month's magazine. The calendar is available to buy now - contact Valerie (07838 681984 or ferrisvalerie@aol.com) to secure your copies. We will also be selling them at the Christmas Fair (see below).

Thursley Village Hall AGM

Our AGM this year will take place at the Hall at 7pm on Monday 13th November - all welcome to have their say, join the committee, hear about our future plans and have a glass of wine!

Christmas Fair

10am - 4pm, Sunday 26th November

We're almost fully booked with exciting stalls with enough variety to do all your Christmas shopping in one hit! If you're interested in booking a stall, contact Amanda on a.j.hall41@gmail.com or 07816 230618.

Thursley Children's Christmas Party

2pm—4pm, Sunday 10th December

At the Village Hall. See poster on p27.

Hall/Village Assets

The Village Hall has lots of items which are available to borrow in return for a donation. We have trestle tables, chairs, cups, saucers, tea urn, large tea pots, cutlery, crockery, white wedding crockery etc. The village wheelchair is also kept at the village hall for anyone who needs it. Please contact the Hall Manager, Alison Hanbury, on 07980 202579.

We look forward to seeing you soon - thanks as always for your support for the Hall. It takes a village!

Joan Pearl Wolfe Memorial

By Jackie Rickenberg (from the History Society Archives)

As mentioned in September's Parish Mag article, there was a memorial service in the churchyard on Thursday 28th September for the placement of a memorial stone on the unmarked grave of Joan Pearl Wolfe, the young victim of the Wigwam murder. As previously mentioned, the murder took place in 1942, and in 1943, a Canadian soldier, August Sangret, was hanged at Wandsworth prison after being found guilty of her murder.

Interestingly, the unmarked grave was not found until fairly recently. As far as we know in all the previous correspondence, newspaper articles, books, radio and TV programmes made and written about the murder and subsequent trial, there is no mention of Joan's final resting place. In a "History of Thursley" newsletter of Autumn/Winter 2006/2007, Norman Ratcliffe, our village bobby, appealed for help in finding her grave by firstly publishing a letter in a local newspaper in her hometown of Tunbridge Wells. This led to someone who knew the family suggesting she was buried in Godalming, but no trace was found by the Godalming Joint Burial Committee.

By sheer coincidence and a couple of lucky threads eventually coming together in 2020, the gravesite was finally identified. It all began when an unrelated family asked for help in researching their family's links to Thursley. Some old churchyard records used to find those family graves, also showed the location of the Wolfe grave. Sometime later, by a sheer twist of fate, an author and researcher from London, Andrew Hall, who had travelled to Thursley to try to find Joan's grave met members of the Churchyard Working

Party, who were tidying the churchyard at the time. They were able to show him to her unmarked burial plot. The reason for his visit was that whilst researching his next work, he discovered that in one of the novels of his favoured author J L Carr, he had used Joan as a character in one of his books, "A Season in Sinji". It transpired that he had met Joan and August in real life, during the war whilst he was serving in this area. Although dressed in tatters, she spoke "like a lady" and made a lasting impression on him. J L Carr later recognised her from the front-page photograph in The Daily Mail, when she was killed. Strange coincidences indeed! It was Andrew who traced the family and liaised with the Rev Hannah to provide the gravestone which now marks Joan's final resting place.

The weather on the day was perfect for a short but poignant service by the graveside, attended by members of Joan's family who had travelled from Kent, Sussex and Yorkshire, as well as members of the Thursley History Society, the Churchyard Working Party and locals who recalled hearing about the case. There are no known villagers left that remember the case first hand, unless you know differently? It was followed by a lovely afternoon tea in which Joan was remembered and many family members met for the first time. The closest relative present was Joan's half-sister, Enid, and Celia, Joan's *niece*, *read a short reading:*

"First of all, the Wolfe family would like to thank the PPC, Andrew Hall and Guy Singer for helping to fund Joan's grave stone, and for bringing the fact that Joan was in an unmarked grave to everyone's

notice in the first place. Thanks also to Reverend Hannah for facilitating the marking of Joan's grave and for arranging and leading today's ceremony.

Our father Allen, Joan's brother, said virtually nothing to us about his sister's death. Looking back, it must have been very painful for him. He was captured at Dunkirk in 1940 and spent his war in a German prison camp, cut off from what was happening at home. He knew nothing of Joan's death until he came home after the war. Enid's daughter Alison and the children of our late aunt Yvonne perhaps knew more from their mothers, but there's no doubt that it must have been a painful episode for the whole family. It is heartwarming for us to know that people have cared enough about Joan and her sad story to be here today to finally recognise her by marking her grave, and for making it possible for the remaining members of her family to visit her."

A beautiful prayer was written by Ruth Burgess and read by Rev Hannah:

THIS IS YOUR STONE

Joan,
This is your stone
The marker of your life on earth

Joan,
You are more than this stone:
You are the tears in our eyes
And loved in our hearts.

Joan,
We place this stone on your grave
To tell family and strangers
That you lie here.

Joan,
This is your stone.
May it sing of our love for you
Today and tomorrow
And into the coming years.

August Sangret, found guilty of Joan's murder, was buried where he was hanged, within the grounds of Wandsworth prison, although he is also commemorated on the Brookwood Memorial. When questioned why, by the History of Thursley Society in 2001, the Commonwealth Graves Commission, replied:

"The Commonwealth War Graves Commission commemorates all those members of the Commonwealth Forces who died in two World Wars, regardless of the circumstances of their death. The Commission does not discriminate against anyone, if we did attempt to make moral judgements about who should be given war casualty status and who should not, we would be exceeding our duties as laid down in our Charter".

The Wigwam Murder was a very significant investigation and trial, and although there are some disturbing and grisly details, it remains an important part of the history of our village. It seems right and appropriate that Joan's grave has, eighty-one years after her death, and exactly one hundred years after her birth, been marked and that her family know that she has been found and, indeed, she rests in a quiet, tranquil country churchyard in Surrey. Grateful thanks to all those involved in making it so.



Joan's newly marked grave after the service

WHAT IS HAPPENING ON THE FARM THIS MONTH?

By Jo Ranson

Well, Autumn has arrived with a bang and the temperature has dropped like a stone - I have actually put the shorts away today and dug out the trousers. The rain has come and the nights are drawing in. One benefit is the flies are dying down, making the cows less fidgety in the parlour.

We have calved all bar ten cows, these ten will all be done over the next couple of weeks. These few are only here because we have some younger ones which have calved already but are for sale, and they have been swapped for some older ones which will be calving a bit later. We never sell cows over their fourth lactation as they are no longer desirable to another farmer, and we didn't sell them before calving because we had to do a pre-movement TB test. If that had failed, we are then shut down and any calves that we sell can't go, so the risk was too high. Now all the calves we wanted to sell have gone it was safe to do the TB test which we did, however, pass. We have too many cows so by selling these few will get us down to the 300 milking we aim to have. Now we just need to get these gone as we are feeding and milking extra cows.

The milking cows are now in at night but there is loads of grass in the fields, so they still go out in the day. Coming in at night gets them onto silage, boosting milk yield, and gets them onto a settled diet before we start serving. There is so much grass though out in the paddocks - too much to over winter so the beef

calves will go around these paddocks when the cows are fully housed. If there is too much grass left in the paddocks over the winter period it won't be of such good quality when we turn them out again in February, also it doesn't grow so well. It's the same as your lawn - keeping it trimmed boosts growth but if you leave it growth slows.

Since the cows have been in and on silage our new idea of having chopped bales on top of the maize so far has been a success and there has been no rooks pecking holes. The jury is still out on this as there is still plenty of feed elsewhere and it hasn't got really cold yet but at the moment we are feeling optimistic. A couple of years ago we set up an alarm system on the clamps; should they get the wire down and in turn make a tyre fall off the top because they have eaten too far in, it pulls a string from a little box with a sim card in (bit like a trip wire). We then get a phone call telling us things are not looking good outside. Last night at 2.30am we got that call so out we all go expecting the worst - the possibility of finding a collapsed clamp or cow on it, but there was nothing. It looked like a fox misjudged running along the top of the clamp and took the string with him triggering the alarm. Still, better to go out there and find that than spend an hour in the middle of the night tidying up wasted silage.

Calf feeding has become a little easier this morning but also a bit noisier, we weaned seven pens. They are now over six weeks of age and

eating 1kg of pellets each per day. Once weaned we increase their pellets slowly so that they will be up to 2.5kg per calf per day with as much straw as they want to eat. Then by Christmas a little silage will be introduced. The amount of milk we get from the freshly calved cows obviously decreases as there is less calving, and the stored barrels of milk get used and we then have to start on powdered milk, this smells a lot better but is much more expensive. Fortunately, the weaning of those pens has come at the right time as we have just started using the powder. Some farmers use powdered milk all the time, which if you are a high disease risk farm then this is a must. However, we are not and with all the milk that can't go in the tank from freshly calved

cows - what a waste that would be, I am a firm believer (and all mums will know this) that "breast is best" for immunity, nutrition, and costs. The cats will miss the calf milk too!

With calving almost finished things have calmed down, giving us time to get other jobs done, but like I just said, serving is almost upon us again and the whole process starts anew. We have ordered the semen and that will arrive in the next week. This year we are using sexed semen, which will guarantee around 95% that we only get girls. There are several pros and cons to this, pros being we will only get girls which up until this year hasn't been a problem as we have had someone who likes to buy our bull calves. He has now said that he no longer wants to do this



due to losing some ground he would grow maize on which they fatten best on. He does however want the same number of calves from us but beef breed ones. Beef semen is cheaper than Friesian. Cons are that sexed semen is more expensive than beef semen and conventional Friesian semen, also the conception rate of sexed is lower than conventional. So, to keep our conception rates up we have to be really precise on serving and the timing of it. Our cow manager tags are excellent in telling us when a cow came bulling and how long she has been bulling for, but those

actually doing the serving have got to be exact in the positioning of the straw in the cow. Nick does most of the serving, I do some, and Toby was AI (artificial insemination) trained a few years ago, so he went on a refresher course this week to get him back up to speed.

The year-old heifers are due to come in a week's time, so they will get a full MOT - tail, freeze brand trimmed, a cow manager tag put in, wormed and a vitamin bolus. They will also be cubicle trained and trained to eat from a self-feed silage clamp. It's a full-on day for us





but quite an upheaval for them, so doing this three weeks before serving starts will get them settled in in time.

Now the maize is in the clamp we have been busy drilling the fields with brassicas, which is a mix of forage rape, turnips, and kale. These will hold the soil well (which can wash being that we are so sandy), give a good amount of organic matter back to the soil and provide a good source of feed for the beef calves. Within ten days these were all up and will hopefully grow well enough by the beginning of December for the heifers to graze and the beef calves will go onto them by Christmas or when they have finished nibbling round the cow paddocks. We have also got some grass seed in too, one is a new field we have taken on and the

other two were maize last year. One needed a break from grass as the weeds in the field were becoming too great so it had maize for a year and is now back to grass and will remain grass, on the other we put in a very quick growing grass which we can then graze and then put into maize again. This utilises the field twice over and takes the pressure off the fields we graze the heifers in for the rest of the summer.

With the silage all in, and those remaining bales brought home, we are feeling quite comfortable (which can also make me feel nervous - something usually goes wrong). There are still plenty of jobs to do in preparation for getting the heifers in and taking down calf pens but otherwise we are all fairly organised.

CHRISTMAS TREE ON THE CLUMP

By Julie Langley

Inspired by the Christmas Spirit, a small group of locals devised a plan to erect a large Christmas Tree on the Thursley Clump. The aim is to create a festive focal point for everyone to enjoy when walking or driving through our village.

We thought we should put the idea to the Thursley Parish Council and they have enthusiastically supported the initiative. Thursley PC then approached the Surrey County Council on our behalf and we have now applied for a grant from them towards the capital costs of constructing the secure base and towards purchasing the power source and the Christmas lights. Thursley Parish Council are providing a grant for the purchase of the tree.

The Goble family have once again stepped in to help their community with their expertise and their equipment. They will be working on the Clump this month to construct the base and the plan is to have the “Switch On” event on Friday 1st December at 6.30pm.

As you can imagine the setup costs in this first year are high and the grant that we have applied for towards the setup costs requires matched funding from the local community.

Therefore, we are asking our fellow villagers for some financial help for this year only.

We have set up a Crowdfunding Page on the JustGiving website. Our aim is to raise £1000.00 via small anonymous donations. This will enable us to match the local authority grants.

If 100 villagers each donated £10.00 then we can make this dream a reality. We could have a beautiful Christmas Tree on the Clump for us all to enjoy.

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THANK YOU TO THE VILLAGE

By Caroline Mendelssohn



A huge "Thank you" to everyone who came to Bears Barn on Friday 29th September and also to those who were unable to come but donated in their absence.

This year we made a stunning £5,026.83 which means we have now raised £39,701.99 in the 12 years we

have been holding the coffee mornings which is absolutely amazing! Macmillan will also be able to claim further 25% on those donations eligible for Gift Aid.

Thank you so much for supporting us over the years and for all your gifts of raffle prizes, cakes and other produce for the stalls!

Thank you too to all the helpers: Susanne, Noreen, Noelle, Anne, Faith and our chief washer-upper, Mike Roberts.

We have decided that this will be our last year hosting the Thursley event but I am delighted to be able to hand it over to 2 other lovely village ladies, Jackie Rickenberg and Maggie Smart.



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Wednesday, 20th December
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This event usually gets sold out early so if you'd like to come please contact Caroline Mendelssohn as soon as possible at:

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Cold, Chilly, Cool November

There's still plenty to be doing in the garden in preparation for next spring. Curiously every job begins with C!

COLLECT

Leaves

Rake up leaves and make next year's leaf mould. Leaf mould can be spread as a mulch, added as soil conditioner or used in potting up and easy to make as long as you follow some basic rules:

Collect dead leaves and pack into black plastic sacks.

Avoid evergreen leaves as they don't rot down easily. Leaves gathered on the lawn can be chopped up and collected with a mower.



Tie the top of the sacks to form a hollow so rainwater can collect in in punching a few holes in the top to allow the rainwater to run in. This should take a year to rot down so should be ready by next autumn.

Rainwater

Now is a good time to install a water butt. Standard garden water butts can hold up to 200 litres of rainwater at a time, which can then be used to water plant pots and flowerbeds. Not only is it free water, it's great for your plants as it's rich in nutrients. In addition, a significant amount of energy and treatment are used to provide water to our homes, so using stored rainwater will also help to lower your household's carbon emissions. Fact: if 2.5 cm of rain falls on a 1,000 square feet of roof it would fill over 300 watering cans in one year!

CUT BACK

Cut back growth on well established roses by half to prevent wind rock. Not all but some shrubs such as *Buddleja davidii*, *Cronus alba*, and *Lavatera* can be cut back by half.

CULTIVATE

Sweet peas can be sown now for early flowering next year. Here's the go to guide from Amanda Flint Roberts published in last year's magazine.

"Plant the first batch as early as 3rd week of October in Long Tom pots in an unheated greenhouse. Cover in newspaper and check daily and remove it the moment shoots appear - important not to overwater. In late Jan pinch out the main stem back to 2 strong pairs of leaves. This encourages side shoots to grow and these provide the best blooms. Plant out late March-ish. Sow a second batch in early Feb which need to be pinched out to two pairs of leaves as soon as possible, but these are much more fragile than the October batch and get planted out later. "



November is the best time to plant tulips as they are less likely to get tulip disease at this time of year.

Also a good time to plant roses too but not where a rose was previously planted, as they can suffer rose sickness.

If you want to get ahead for a colourful flower cutting garden and have a greenhouse or warm windowsill these flowers can be early sown; Ammi Majus, Ammi Visnaga, Antirrhinums, Cerinthe, Cornflowers, Daucus Carota, Larkspur, Nicotiana, Nigella, Orlaya Grandiflora, Salvia Viridis, Scabiosa and Verbascum.

CHECK

Stored fruit and vegetables for any disease.

Check wall shrubs and climbers and tie in any new growth to prevent wind damage.

Check tree stakes and ties are secure or may need loosening.

COVER

Dahlias

If your soil is well drained and frost is not normally a problem then you can leave dahlias in the ground over winter. Once your dahlias have succumbed to frost leave for about 2 weeks to let the sugars go back to the tuber, then cut back the stem to a couple of inches. Completely cover the remaining stems with mulched leaf mould, horticultural bark, fleece or use a cloche.

If you want to lift dahlias and store over winter, use a garden fork to pry up the tubers when the plants have been frosted (or in mid to late November if there has been no frost). Take care not to damage



the tubers and discard any damaged tubers because this will lead to rot. Knock off any large clumps of soil and carefully wash and cut the stems down to a couple of inches. Dry off on a rack or newspaper, then hang upside down to allow any remaining water to drain out. Once dry, maybe a couple of weeks later store tubers in a dark frost free place in a cardboard box or breathable container in damp sand or just-moist compost. Check for rot on a regular basis.

Pots

Cover any tender plants in pots with horticultural fleece or move to the greenhouse or cold frame.

Newly planted trees, hedges and shrubs

A temporary netting windbreak is worth setting up or covering around the base of the plants with straw or similar.

CLEAN

It's time to clean your gardening tools - cleaning and storing them properly means their usable life will be prolonged

and you'll be ready to go come springtime.

Firstly, remove any mud - use a wire brush and warm water if it's caked on. According to Squires (but admittedly I've never done this) if your metal tools are rusty, place in a container covering with white vinegar and a bit of salt for a couple of days. Use a wire brush for stubborn rust patches.

Dry off and rub with alcohol or disinfectant wipes to remove any diseases. Sharpen any blades with a sharpening steel. Oil the wooden handles with boiled linseed oil and any metal with WD40- although good quality stainless steel tools shouldn't need oiling. Store in a clean dry place.

Finally, as another gardening year is coming to an end, the final C is Christmas. I think it's always easy to find useful gifts for gardeners or find things to put on your own Christmas list - can one ever have too many seeds, gloves, tools or books - Correct??

SUGAR & BAKES

By Camilla Daubeney

DATE & WALNUT CAKE



It's the season for what I call 'cosy' cakes, the ones that are slightly richer and the ones where each mouthful delivers a sublime feeling of being hugged! Date and Walnut is always a favourite and this one is particularly yummy.

INGREDIENTS

100g unsalted butter, diced and softened, plus extra for greasing
250g soft dates, pitted and roughly chopped
150ml boiling water
1 tsp instant coffee granules
75g caster sugar
55g dark muscovado sugar
2 eggs, lightly beaten
225g self-raising flour
1 tsp baking powder
Pinch of salt
100g walnuts, roughly chopped
1 tbsp brown sugar

METHOD

Preheat the oven to 180C/160C Fan/Gas 4.

1. Grease or line a 2lb loaf tin.
2. Mix the butter, dates, boiling water and instant coffee granules in a large mixing bowl. Leave for 30 minutes for the butter to melt and the dates to soften.
3. Add the caster and dark muscovado sugar to the date mixture, stirring well, then add the beaten eggs and mix again to combine.
4. Add the flour, baking powder and a pinch of salt to the bowl and mix until smooth. Add all but 1 tablespoon of the chopped walnuts and mix again. Spoon the mixture into the loaf tin, level it and scatter the remaining walnuts and brown sugar over the top.
5. Bake for 30 minutes, then reduce the oven temperature to 170C/150C Fan/Gas 3 and cook for a further 25-30 minutes, or until a skewer inserted into the middle of the cake comes out clean. If the cake is browning too quickly, cover the top with foil.
6. Remove the cake from the oven, leave in the tin for 10 minutes, then carefully lift out of the tin and leave on a wire rack until completely cooled.

ECO-FRIENDLY LIVING - IT'S ECO-LOGICAL

By John Swift



This year's UN Conference on Climate Action (COP28) will take place in Dubai from 30 November - 12 December. These annual Conference Of the Parties (COP) meetings are an important part of the UN's process in achieving change. The Paris Agreement from COP21 in 2015 was the first occasion at which all the world's governments pledged to constrain their greenhouse gas emissions. Richer ones set targets for cutting emissions, and less advanced economies pledged to reduce the rate at which their emissions are rising, with the intention of cutting them at a later date.

At each COP the discussions follow up on progress on the Paris Agreement's three "pillars" - mitigation (emissions cuts); adaptation (to minimise harm from climate impacts); and climate finance

(to fund mitigation and adaptation for developing nations). COP28 is important for several reasons, not least because it marks the conclusion of the first "global stocktake", the main mechanism through which progress under the Paris Agreement is assessed. It is clear from a report released in September that the world is not on track to meeting the agreement's goals, but the hope is that governments at COP28 will come up with a roadmap to accelerate climate action.

Other critical tasks facing negotiators in Dubai include getting the loss and damage fund (established at COP27) up and running and agreeing on a framework for the Paris Agreement's global goal on adaptation. Other issues that are likely to receive much attention, and which may be

reflected across several negotiating streams, include energy transition (fossil fuel phase out) and food systems transformation. Negotiations on climate finance are likely to be centre stage – but difficult to progress.

So much seems to have happened in the past few years and most of it has created challenges to making progress on the Paris Agreement goals. Post-Covid issues and a European war resulting in high inflation and high energy prices have affected the economies of most countries. The resulting interest rate adjustments have added to the cost of living squeeze. However, the world has also suffered from a number of extreme weather events – summer heat waves in Europe, droughts in sub-Saharan Africa, floods in Asia (notably China), and extreme hurricanes and tropical storms globally – all of which emphasise the need to decarbonise our energy systems despite the issues.

In the past year, there has been criticism of the UK Govt’s approach in meeting their commitments. Despite this, there are reasons to be optimistic. The debate in the UK is

more about how to achieve the goals than whether to. The UK achievements in meeting the “UK carbon budgets” to date are better than most other countries and we have made more progress. Also the pathway to reducing emissions from transport and home heating is becoming clearer, and obstacles are being addressed. At regional level, progress is being made on practical support for change to carbon free energy. As individuals, we have the opportunity to make what progress we can towards the important interim goal of the reduction of 50% of greenhouse gas emissions by 2030.

Globally, we need the major emitters (China, USA, India, EU27, Russia, Brazil) to come forward with improved plans to meet the Paris Agreement goals at COP28. The USA’s recent economic stimulus to the implementation of “green” technology will hopefully be an encouragement to others.

If you want more information about any of these ideas or help, please contact jdsswift@btinternet.com.

WHAT WILL SURVIVE OF US IS LOVE

By Lizzie Young



Goodness me. The world feels dark right now. Sitting down to write something light and mildly diverting, as I try to do each month, has felt much harder this week. The news in all directions is relentless and terrifying and deeply sad. There is too much rage and hate. Views seem so deeply entrenched that routes to peace feel impossible. And meanwhile there are too many, far far too many victims. It's beyond wretched and awful.

It's tempting to bury your head. For me, at least. To stop reading and watching and trying to understand. Ignore the sense of your own helplessness. Some of us pray, I know. All of us hope, I hope.

But you don't come here for political commentary, even if I felt equipped to provide it, which I absolutely don't, so let the light-hearted begin...

First, a reminder. I think it was the American children's TV star Mister Rogers who first said a version of the oft

quoted 'Always look for the helpers. There will always be helpers'. And there are, where they can be. And I suppose we should all be one, in whatever small ways we can be, I figure. Each one a tiny act of humanity to remind ourselves and others that the world is still, I have to believe, full of it.

And find the good, right? Count our blessings. I'm doing it more than ever. So here are a few of the little pin pricks of light from my own week. Please don't think me trivial. Or do.

Our glorious boardwalk is, if not an antidote, a powerful medicine. I can go out there in any weather, and stand and take a moment to breath in its beauty and calm, enjoy every step on the planks laid by volunteers and feel better about anything and almost everything. 30 minutes of green, they say, should figure in your everyday. Just now it's 30 minutes of russet and crimson and purple and green, and they're absolutely right to suggest it.

We made it to the semis in the Rugby World Cup. No one saw that coming. By the time you're reading this, you'll know what happened. But meanwhile, for a glorious moment, hope springs eternal, and the nation awaits. So long as we gloss over the somewhat different trajectory in the cricket world cup, all is well. And if you can't stand rugby and long to take back control of the remote control, it's also nearly all over. So...win, win.

Rick Astley, the man who promised a generation of us that he would never give us up, let us down or run around and hurt us, is doing the rounds of the TV chat shows plugging a new album or a tour, I think. Still making music and loving it, still sporting a bouffant hairstyle of such luxuriant hair a man thirty years younger would envy him, playing Glastonbury, for God's sake, and living his best life in middle age.

I think I've found something to wear to my niece's wedding in December. How's that for trivial? You've probably no idea (actually, some of you might easily imagine) how exhausting this search has been, what powers of tact and diplomacy it has required on David's part, and how busy we have kept the DPD man of late. So it's a relief to have decided. It also, coincidentally, promises not to give me up, let me down, or be too tight and hurt me.

Making Rick Astley look like a teenager, Angela Rippon is 79 years old, and tearing up the dance floor on Strictly Come Dancing. My hips ache just watching her, but bloomin' heck, she's making being an octogenarian look fun. I'm not necessarily advocating that David (can you hear him shouting 'I'm only 72....') start Argentine-tangoing me around the kitchen floor, but it's good to know that it might be possible for a goodish while yet...

As November arrives, it's almost acceptable to start watching Christmas films, as pumpkins will soon give way to pine needles, and infernal cinnamon gives way to mulling spices. Cinnamon is the spice of the devil, so far as I am

concerned. We are just back from visiting Daughter 1 in NYC, where she is spending six months for work, and gosh, once they hit October, they sprinkle it on literally everything, including you if you sit still in the wrong place for long enough. I was home a week before I got the smell out of my nostrils. Almost time for fairy lights, the best lights of all. I for one shall continue to have Love, Actually in the repertoire, even if it turns out Richard Curtis is now ashamed of it. Or at least his daughter, the activist, has told him he ought to be. And like all good (and scared) parents, he's apparently agreed. Light the fire, pop the corn, and bring on the politically incorrect and shocking gentle humour. I'm not sure the Fun Police have come to cancel Elf, It's A Wonderful Life, The Holiday or Miracle on 34th Street yet, but it won't stop me, I assure you.

But first, chez Young, it's half term, and Miss Young, Daughter 2, is getting a rest from her energetic Year 4 class, and coming home for a few days, hurrah. The empty nest will, for a day or two, be fuller again. I promise to ignore the pantechnicon of mess that will engulf the house within moments of her arrival. And just love every moment of having her here.

Love. And kindness. And helping. And then more love. The last line of a wonderful Philip Larkin poem that I last heard read by a very lovely man on a very happy day not so very long ago reminds us that, in the end, what will survive of us is love.



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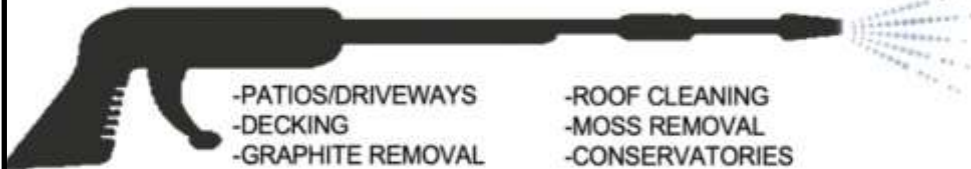


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