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EDITORIAL

As we go to press this month I get the definite feeling that things are improving. Most of our contributors are cautiously looking forward and planning for reopening. I'd be interested to hear how many folk launch into the future by swinging from the Spinnaker Tower in Portsmouth in aid of Phyllis Tuckwell (p.28)!

It is interesting to see how the population of Headley has grown over the centuries (p.21). I hope you have all filled in this year's census and I watch with interest for the results.

Is that light at the end of the tunnel daylight or the headlights of an oncoming train? Stay home, get your job, stick to the rules at Easter and stay safe.

Christine Leonard – Editor

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GOODBYE!



But Easter is not the end, but the start of New Life

The great truth of Easter comes to us this month as we declare *Christ is risen!* Easter is the time of greatest celebration in the church. The empty tomb tells that amid all the changes and chances of life we have a God who really exists and who loves us and wants us to know him through His Son Jesus Christ. This is Good News – the Gospel.

Yet that reality was only possible after the terrible death of Jesus on Good Friday. His death was atoning – he took the punishment we deserved so that we could be reconciled to His Holy Father in heaven. It was something we could not do ourselves, only Christ



without sin could. At my induction the hymns sung each had a special significance for me. One '*We have a gospel to proclaim*' was written by the chaplain of Sharoe Green Hospital in Preston, Lancashire. Both my sons were born there and needed help in the Special Care Baby Unit in the early days. I couldn't give it to my boys (much as I'd have wanted too) but their expertise meant that they could. The same is true in this passing pandemic. So too, Jesus won for us what we could not – reconciliation with God, eternal life and the chance to proclaim the Good News of Easter in our lives and in worship.

When I came here back in Nov 2014 with Lesley and our dogs I referred to myself in the *Bordon Herald* as 'the next Dr Who', and that regeneration is going to begin again as Lesley and I retire to central Scotland. Our last service will be on Sunday 11th April when we say Goodbye.

2021 takes Lesley and I into our seventh and final year here. Of my 31 years in Ministry, 2020 was obviously the strangest year ever where there were also hellos and goodbyes, but for nearly half of this we were effectively shut for little good reason that I can discern as a scientist. Consequently we learnt how to stream our services on Facebook and to continue to do a lot of funerals. We re-opened after the first lockdown on July 4, the earliest date with full Covid security in place, and in September for our Church Centre also. As 2021 gets going we can only hope and pray

that the vaccines mean an end to Covid terror just as vaccines did for TB, Measles, and Smallpox.

During the time between Rectors, called an Interregnum (rather too grandly nowadays!) the Area Dean, Rev Jane Walker, vicar of Frensham will work with the Churchwardens and PCC to organise parish business (she is on 01252 792137), but day-to-day Rev Helen our Curate, and Sam, the parish secretary in the Church Office (see info page for contact details) will with the Team continue services. The process will also begin to appoint the next Rector in a post that stretches back over 700 years.

Finally, I cannot easily express to you that it is with mixed feelings that Lesley and I leave Headley – it has been over six happy years and the time has flown for us both – even during the lockdowns, though it went a lot slower then! We have done much to rebuild what was needed in the Church – both the physical and the material and the spiritual. All Saints, I believe, has never been in such good shape. I leave you with the same wardens to make another good choice – they have a good track record (although my view is somewhat biased).

Please be kind to my successor and welcome them into the fold – we are all passing though, for as you may know the word parish means a temporary dwelling. I have told the senior staff clearly the way I would want All Saints to develop in the next decade, and I pray they take note – I know Arch-deacon Paul will. God in Christ will be leading you. The Holme School too welcomes Mrs Laura Sandon-Webb, Deputy Head at Petworth Junior, to be the new permanent Head Teacher at the Holme. Sarah Stevenson, steps down as interim head and thank you to her for all her work here in these difficult times. All Saints looks forward to working with Laura in the future.

Finally, in the Bible the Resurrection on that first Easter Day shows us through the Risen Christ that a life beyond death and indeed one that transcends death is possible – God's Kingdom finally come. God ultimately offers healing to his people, but, in the meantime, life will still hold its share of suffering and tribulation for many. Prayer itself then becomes the means of asking for peace and healing, but the message is still one of hope – that the reality of what Jesus offers us will come to pass soon. I hope to see you at our Easter services and after until we wave goodbye as we move North.

A blessed Eastertide to you all. Yours in Christ, your Rector



A message from Lesley (The Rector's wife)

To all our very dear friends here in Headley, I just wanted to add my thoughts to those of Andrew. You have all made us feel very welcome here from the very start of Andrew's ministry back in November 2014. (How the six and a half years have flown!) We have made many sincere friends, not just from our congregation, but from our golf clubs, Sunday Club, school and tutoring and of course our daily dog walks. We will miss you all, but I wanted to extend an invitation to you all to keep in touch and come to Scotland if you can! It is a wonderful country, ok slightly colder and wetter than Hampshire, but definitely worth a visit. It is just a 5½ hour train ride from Kings Cross to Gleneagles!! We will be keeping our email addresses and mobile phone numbers. We wish you all well for the future and hope that a suitable (and younger) Rector is appointed soon so that you all can carry on the great work and devotion you have all found in these last 6+ years. God Bless. *Lesley*

PS. *Lockdown permitting*, do call at The Rectory before we leave on 20th April.

Where there's a Will

Bequests in Wills are more frequent in some areas of the country than others. In rural areas the church building is often the last symbol or focus of community around. All Saints Headley certainly is. Many generous gifts have been forthcoming for specific projects since I came and before that, and they are marvellous, but it is often the dull, but necessary expenditure on annual insurance, heating and minor repairs that is needed to keep this physical symbol of parish life going. Leaving money to the church for the PCC to allocate suitably and sensibly can free up other funds to keep the essentials going, and enable us to do things of *lasting* value. Giving to the charity Friends of All Saints Church Headley Trust (or commonly FoASH) ring-fences the giving for exclusively this. As you make or amend your Will from time to time, please remember both the symbol and the substance of the church in our parishes as witness to resurrection life in Jesus.

Church Services

ALL SAINTS PARISH CHURCH

APRIL

- 1 Thursday 9.30am Holy Communion
7.30pm Holy Communion (MAUNDY THURSDAY)
- 2 GOOD FRIDAY 2.00-3.00pm Prayers and thoughts: –
Reflections on St Mark's Gospel.

4 SUNDAY – EASTER SUNDAY

- 8.00am Holy Communion 1662
10.00am Easter Communion

- 8 Thursday 9.30am Holy Communion

11 SUNDAY – SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

- 8.00am Holy Communion 1662
10.00am Parish Communion

Including a farewell service for Andrew.

- 15 Thursday 9.30am Holy Communion

18 SUNDAY – THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

- 8.00am Holy Communion 1662
10.00am Parish Communion

- 22 Thursday 9.30am Holy Communion

25 SUNDAY – FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

- 8.00am Holy Communion 1662
10.00am Parish Communion

- 29 Thursday 9.30am Holy Communion

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2 SUNDAY – FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

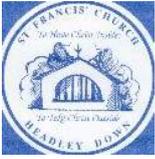
- 8.00am Holy Communion 1662
10.00am Parish Communion

- 6 Thursday 9.30am Holy Communion

Thursday services and 10am Sunday services streamed live on Facebook
at 'All Saints Parish Church, Headley'

**Follow us on Facebook –
All Saints Parish Church, Headley**

St Francis Community Church News



www.StFrancisHeadleyDown.com

for all on-line services

Dealing With Fear

Recently, as I was prepping the weekly church bulletin, most of the Bible readings were centred around dealing with fear but I was struck by one particular extract that homed in on the journey of the Israelites into the Promised Land. They had reached the Jordan River and the only way to get to the Promised Land was to cross the river, which was in flood. There was no bridge or shallow place. Were they afraid? Of course they were.

God knew this and instructed Joshua to speak to the people and explain what was going to happen. It involved the priests who were carrying the Ark of the Covenant to enter the water and stand in the middle of the river at which point the New International Version of the Bible says that the water began to “pile up in a heap a great distance away”. The Israelites were then able to cross the river on dry land.

Two things.

1. The priests had to get in the water first.
2. The people crossed the river while the priests were standing in the middle of the now dry river bed.

You can read this extraordinary story on Joshua Ch 3.

As the church in Headley Down we are entering a season when we will be emerging from a global pandemic and at the same time believe God is calling us to re-engage with our building plans. There are all kinds of reasons to be afraid. However, in our personal and corporate prayer times, God has spoken to us about our fears and has made provision but it requires a step of faith. First by the leaders.

I noticed in verse 13 it said, *“And as soon as the priests who carry the ark of the Lord – the Lord of all the earth – set foot in the Jordan, its waters flowing downstream will be cut off and stand up in a heap.”* It was as soon as the priests set foot in the raging river that the miracle began to take place. That’s how faith works. You have to take that first step before the resources of heaven are released.

Leaders have to lead. The pastoral leadership team and others in leadership have stated in recent days that “we are all in” as far as believing that God has called us to look at what kind of church we are to become, where our focus should be and move forward with the new building plans. It has meant standing in the river and beckoning others to cross.

I want to encourage you today that God is speaking to us in these days. If you attended our twice weekly prayer meetings you would attest to this as a reality. Do not be afraid. Right now there is a raging river in front of us that involves, finance, bureaucracy, all kinds of obstacles that will seek to rob us of what God has promised us. But He goes before us and parts the raging river, making a path for us to cross.

I promise you this. If you are reading this as someone who lives in or around Headley Down, whatever we do with our resources as a church in the coming days that the community is right at the front of our thinking. There will be better facilities for the Headley Down Food Bank. There will be opportunities for the community to do more than just cast their vote at our premises. Being sited right next to the garage, wouldn't it be great to have a nice comfortable coffee house open during the day. We have talked about all these things. We are going to transition our facilities into something that will be like more like a community centre than a traditional church, retaining much of what we already do but “opening up” to so much more. This is the church in HD.

John Russell (Pastoral Leader)

To find out more, please contact us, either via the phone or website.

Apart from the Food Banks, there will be no services or gatherings at the church until the Covid-19 risk of infection is reduced to a sufficiently low level that the government is able to permit public worship to resume.

Other Events

All clubs are temporarily suspended during the present Pandemic.

The Food Bank – Wednesdays and Thursdays, 1pm – 3pm.

Regulars will have their appointed collection day.

Social Distancing rules apply.

For more information on any services or activities at St Francis please contact Pauline Firman on **01428 714095**.

St Francis Community Church Services

All services below will on-line via YouTube and NOT at the church.

APRIL

- 4 SUNDAY Online BIG Easter Celebration – John and Cathie Russell
11 SUNDAY Online Service including Holy Communion –
Martin Firman & Julian Gilbertson
18 SUNDAY Online Coffee & Cake Service –
Julian Gilbertson & Rev. Elizabeth Knifton
25 SUNDAY Online Service including Holy Communion –
John Russell & Martin Firman

Morning Prayers through Zoom meetings (see our website for details)
every Wednesday and Saturday morning 9.00 to 9.40am.

Website: <https://stfrancisheadleydown.com>

FaceBook: <https://www.facebook.com/StFrancisCCHD/>

Lindford Church Services

All being well the church will be open for Sunday evening services during April (NB with limited numbers because of covid restrictions.)

APRIL

- 4 SUNDAY – **EASTER SUNDAY**
10am Facebook Live
11am Outdoor Celebration Service on the triangle green
Deacon Janet Heys
6.30pm Easter Communion – Rev. David Muskett
11 SUNDAY 10am Facebook Live
6.30pm Service – Gather to Worship
18 SUNDAY 10am Facebook Live
6.30pm Service – Mr Martin Firman
25 SUNDAY 10am Facebook Live
6.30pm Service – Deacon Janet Heys

As usual there will be an empty cross outside the church during Holy Week which will be decorated with flowers on Easter Sunday to remind us that 'Jesus is Alive'.

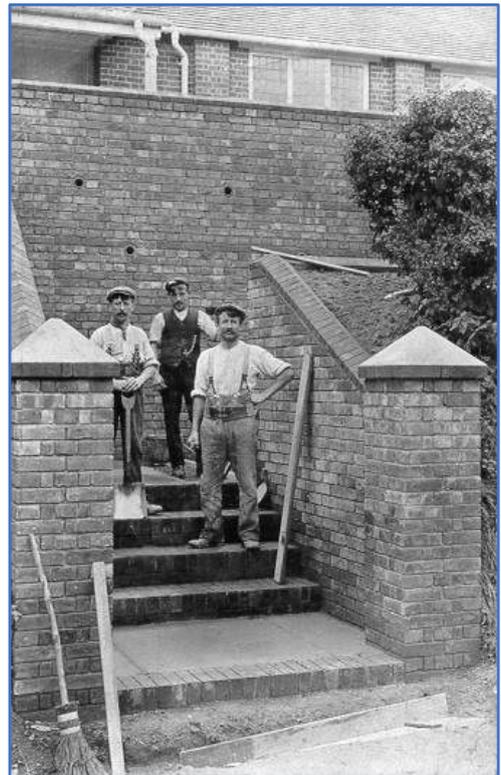
More information at www.lindfordchurch.co.uk

Cover Story

This month's cover shows Long Cross Hill as it was in the 1890s when it had a Post Office and a Chapel. The post office is now a private house, and the chapel is no more although its manse house still remains.

In her book *To the Ar and Back*, Joyce Stevens says the Post Office "was run for many years by Mr William Gamblen, grand old man of Headley. Besides being Postmaster, he was Parish Clerk, Sexton, Verger and a member of the Choir for more than 60 years. There is a memorial tablet on the wall above his seat in the choir stalls. After he died his daughter, Mrs Carter, carried on the business. Her husband was killed in the first War and her elder son went down in the *Royal Oak* in the second. After she died, the Post Office was moved to the High Street, and this building became a hairdresser's in 1962."

She also says: "The Congregational Chapel was very active at the end of the 19th century and into the first four decades of the 20th. An extension to the original Chapel provided a recreation room with a billiard table, and a warm welcome was given to soldiers far from home and family. The room was also used occasionally as an extra class-room when medical inspections were held at the School, and more space was needed. Unfortunately it became increasingly difficult to find enough money to pay the resident Minister and to keep the Manse and Chapel buildings in good repair, so they were sold. For some time the Chapel was used as his waiting-room by the local Doctor, but when he retired the Chapel was demolished."



As you walk down the hill, have a look on the right-hand side and you'll see the remains of pillars to steps leading up to the recreation room at the back of the chapel. The photograph above shows the steps just after construction. Frederick Oscar Parfect is the foreman on the right—he was also a well-digger.

Mobile Bank & Post Office

The following mobile services visit One Stop in Headley Down

A **mobile Post Office** visits three times a week as follows:

- **Tuesday** 9am–11.30am
- **Wednesday** 3pm–4pm
- **Thursday** 3pm–4pm

Note that the PO van travels here from the New Forest area, so can sometimes be delayed by traffic.

The **NatWest mobile bank** is currently not operating in Headley – **Check Natwest website for further details**

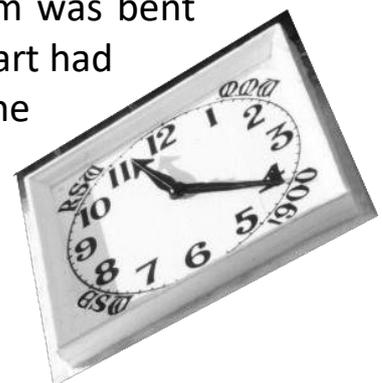


THE CHURCH CLOCK

Some of you will have noticed that in early January the church clock decided to go on strike – or rather not to strike! Upon investigation by the experts, it was found that the part supporting the pendulum was bent and fractured in two places. As a result, the faulty part had to be removed, repaired and replaced which was done in February and is now keeping good time and chiming in its familiar way.

The Rector put out an appeal for donations towards its repair on Facebook which produced some welcome donations.

In addition, Cllr Anthony Williams has kindly awarded a grant of £800 towards the cost of the repair from his EHDC discretionary fund. We are very grateful to him for assisting with restoring this community asset to its full working order. The balance of the cost is being funded from The Friends of All Saints Church Headley Trust.



Dates for your Diary

All the items below are being shown via Zoom – contact the individual societies for access information.

1 Apr – 2pm: **Arts Soc, Grayshott**, Titian (p.23)

1 Apr – 8pm: **Headley Society**, River Wey Trust by Alistair Young (p.15)

19 Apr – 11am: **Arts Soc, Grayshott**, new members meeting (p.23)

6 May – 8pm: **Headley Society**, Brunel & The Atlantic Railway (p.15)

IMPORTANT!

With many advertised events being cancelled or postponed, it's important to keep people advised of the current situation. Email website@headley-village.com so that we may all check there as to what's on and what's off.

Check www.headley-village.com for up-to-date information

While restrictions remain in force, we shall be hosting the Parish Magazine on this website so that those who do not receive their normal copy may view it here. Please pass the message on.

PLEASE SUPPORT LOCAL BUSINESSES AT THIS DIFFICULT TIME
Many local businesses remain open to offer you vital provisions.
Please seek them out. They appreciate your custom.

Website addresses

www.allsaintsheadley.org.uk – All Saints Parish Church

www.headley-village.com – Headley Village website

www.hants.gov.uk – Hampshire County Council

www.easthants.gov.uk – East Hampshire District Council

headleyparish.com – Headley Parish Council

www.lindfordpc.org.uk – Lindford Parish Council

Arford WI

The arrival of Spring, and some warmer weather, has brought forth Spring flowers to cheer us all. Arford WI celebrated 50 golden years in 2018 and in the autumn of 2017, to commemorate this, members planted daffodil bulbs along the front of the Church Centre, and they are still to be seen blooming.

Many of Headley residents have now been vaccinated. It is unfortunate that there are some who refuse to have the vaccine, making it unsafe for themselves and others. However, as lockdown is gradually unlocked it should soon be possible to resume life back to near normal, and Arford WI can look forward to meeting once again. In the meantime, meetings continue to be zoomed and videos made for those who are unable to zoom.

**For further information about Arford WI please contact President,
Samantha Downs on 07949 596878
or at Arfordwi.president@headley-village.com.**

The Holme Church of England Primary School



March has been a busy month, with World Book Day seeing teachers and children dressing up as favourite story book characters, virtual parents' evenings via Zoom, and the preparation of getting the school as safe as possible for the exciting return of all the children back to school on March 8th.

The return to school went exceptionally well, with everyone quickly getting back into the swing of things and embracing all subjects and topic work from learning about their local area, to an exciting virtual trip into space.

Thank you to all the parents for their help with the pick up and drop off system to keep everyone safe.

There is much to look forward to leading up to the Easter holidays with Red Nose Day, Easter Pause day, an Easter lunch and a surprise treat from the brilliant FROTH team.

A huge thank you to all the dedicated staff for their continued hard work in keeping the children safe and happy.

Headley Tennis Club

The tennis season is nearly upon us. The Covid crisis is hopefully getting to its end and things should soon be back to normal. We must hope the weather will be kind to us.

Exciting developments are in the pipeline for the Tennis Club. We are planning a new court surface, new floodlights and replacement of the fencing. At the moment things are on hold whilst a sports consultant, instructed by the Parish Council, looks at the needs of all the sports clubs in the Headley Sports Association. His report should soon be received and enhancement of all the facilities can be expected.

A full program for the coming months is being prepared for when lockdown is eased. It will be friendly tennis to start with before we can get going with normal competitions, matches, club days and social events. Our excellent coach Liam Vacher will have a schedule for all standards and for juniors.

So come and join us when restrictions are lifted. Membership is amazingly reasonable and everyone is very welcome.

Take a look at our website headleytennis.com. If you are interested in joining or have any questions contact the membership secretary Cliff Winckless on **01428 714417** or the Club Chairman Paul Bettin on **01428 713396**.

See you on court.

Headley Village Hall

Charity No 235455



The hall remains closed to all hirers during the current lock-down.

For further information please contact 07704 379406

villagehallheadley@gmail.com — www.headley-village.com/hall

Headley Walks

Organised weekly Wednesday walks are currently suspended.

The **informal walks on the first Sunday of the month** have restarted for those wishing to participate, at 11am from Headley Village Hall car park. **It will be your responsibility to abide by any current Government guidelines.**



Watch this space or check relevant websites for further information.

Liphook & District Ramblers

The good news is that Group walks should be able to start again later in spring if the easing of lockdown continues as per the Roadmap. Liphook Ramblers are preparing a programme of walks from the beginning of May with the possibility of one or two shorter walks slightly earlier to get everybody in the swing of it again.

In the meantime, members continue to walk either with one other, in a social bubble or their family unit as rules allow, enjoying the beautiful countryside in which we are so lucky to live.



Frensham Little Pond



Hankley Common

As soon as details of walks are available, they will be published on our website www.liphookramblers.wordpress.com.

If you are interested in receiving details of walks once they re-start, please email liphookramblers@gmail.com or phone Caroline on **07484 215772**.

All Liphook Ramblers walks follow Coronavirus guidelines for group walks which are issued by the national association for walking, Ramblers Association.

The Headley Society



Dramatic Headley

In March our Chairman, Jo Smith, gave a Zoom presentation on 'Headley's Dramatic History'. It was well-received, and was followed by a number of interesting questions and observations from the virtual audience. To watch it again, or if you missed it, you can view it and all our other Zoomed presentations free of charge on links from our website (*in the 'Reports' section*).

It was followed by a short AGM at which the current committee was 'voted' in again.

We intend to hold regular meetings for the rest of the year, either by Zoom or by Room. Check our website for up-to-date information.

For the next two months, at 8pm:–

- **April 1st**, Alistair Young will give a Zoom presentation on **The River Wey Trust**.
- **May 6th**, Iain Kennedy will give a Zoom presentation on **The Atlantic Railway: Brunel's Vision to connect the GWR with sea crossings**.

As we said last month, **we have bought a Zoom subscription for a year** with the intention of using it to give ad-hoc presentations of our research, etc, to the general public.

Members of the Society will be given information and joining instructions to all zoom meetings in their regular Newsletter, but **non-members are welcome to join by sending an email** in advance to the email address below – and joining instructions will be sent back to them.

**For information on The Headley Society – headleysociety@gmail.com
or visit our web page at www.headley-village.com/society.**

Did You Know? ...

Eashing Cottages in Arford, built around 1912, are so named because the builder, Mr Peachey, came from Eashing, near Godalming.



Hello from Helping Hounds.

The weather and the gardens are certainly showing that spring is on its way.

With all the beautiful spring flowers coming out, please think about your four-legged friend. While Mother Nature does, to a certain extent, tell animals what is not good for them, some dogs will eat absolutely anything.

We thought that this month we would share with you some of the most common flowers and plants that can upset your little furball's tummy. Some plants can, sadly, be fatal but a lot will just make them feel groggy with a very upset tum.

Here are some of the flowers and plants that a lot of us have growing in our gardens:–

African Violet, Aloe Vera, Amaryllis, Apple pips, Apricot stones, Azalea, Bluebells, Bracken, Broom, Buttercup, Christmas Rose, Chrysanthemum, Clematis, Crocus, Daffodil, Daphne, Deadly Nightshade, Easter Lily, Echium, Geranium, Hellebores, Hibiscus, Horse Chestnuts (leaves and nuts), Hyacinth, Hydrangea, Iris, Ivy, Laburnum, Lily of the Valley, Lobelia, Mallow, Narcissus, Onion, Peony, Primrose, Rape, Snowdrops, Tulip, Wisteria.

For a more complete list see www.dogstrust.org.uk.

Here at Helping Hounds we try to promote responsible dog ownership and we rehome and rehabilitate dogs that come into our care. Being very small and local we rely on local support. Our dogs do not go to new homes until we think they are ready to go. If they would benefit from being in foster for a period of time, we have a dedicated team of people who are happy to take dogs into their home and give them the love and guidance they need before going on to their furever homes. Is this something that you might like to do? Would you like to help in some way? Please head over to our website: www.helpinghoundshampshire.com or our Facebook page: Helping Hounds Hampshire and Surrounds where you will find all the ways that you can help us.

Just remember: Rescuing a dog won't change the world but will change the world for a dog.

Headley Theatre Club



Here We Are Again!

“We’re busy doing nothing”, as the song has it, using our ‘resting’ time to sort out the Club’s historical records and put some videos of old performances up on our YouTube channel.

To take a trip down memory lane, go to our website and select the ‘Logon’ screen. There you will find recordings of many younger fresher-faced thespians treading the boards of yore. We hardly recognise ourselves!



We’re all waiting for you!

But we have a cunning plan! We have booked Headley Village Hall for **Friday and Saturday 16th & 17th July** to perform live, on stage and in public, a show for which we have the working title ‘Here We Are Again’. And Boris and Covid permitting, so we will be. Make a mark in your diaries.

In the meantime, we are in touch with our Club members by means of newsletters and a weekly Thursday-night Zoom meeting. Last week it was a quiz, next week it will be a night at one of our old shows. Whatever next?

With the prospect of picnics and personal contacts in the not-too-distant future, we live in hope. As, I’m sure, do you.

For further information on what Headley Theatre Club may be planning to do in the future, see our website www.headley-village.com/drama.



Through the Garden Gate.

Sadly, due to the uncertainty for the complete lifting of lockdown, it has been decided that Headley Open Gardens will be cancelled this year.

We will keep you posted about future opening plans when they are known.

Electric bikes - the best invention since the bicycle!

We live in such a beautiful part of England; nestled between the Hampshire Hangers, South Downs and Western Weald, but unless you're a lycra-clad road racing or mountain bike enthusiast, you're unlikely to see much of it on a bicycle due to the steep and hilly terrain surrounding us.

Electric bikes have a range of 40-50 miles and make very light work of hills thanks to a pedal assisted electric motor. You'll still get the fitness benefits of cycling but it's significantly easier so you can cover longer distances with much less effort (and no lycra!)

I am a local, independent e-bike retailer and qualified bicycle & e-bike mechanic. Please contact me for personal advice on the various brands and options that are available, or book a no-obligation demonstration and free loan of an electric bike at your home, and experience first-hand the joy of riding an e-bike where you live.

Adrian Free

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Gardening Question Corner

Q *The middle of my ornamental grass is dead. Why?*

The centres of ornamental grasses often die as the plants get older. When this occurs, it's a good time to dig and divide the grasses. When the grasses begin to grow in spring, dig up entire clumps, cut out and discard the dead centre portions of each clump, cut the outer portions into sections and replant.

Q *I want to grow blueberries. Any advice?*

Blueberry plants require a sunny location and a well-drained soil high in organic matter. Avoid wet, poorly drained sites. Blueberries are susceptible to root rots in poorly drained soils.

Soil pH is also important. Blueberries require acid soils with a pH of 4.0 to 5.5. If the pH of your soil is above this range, the pH must be lowered to successfully grow blueberries. You can lower soil pH by adding sulphur. This is the common acidifying material. Soil organisms convert sulphur into sulphuric acid, so acidifying the soil. The more finely ground the sulphur the more quickly the bacteria can convert it; sulphur dust is quicker-acting than sulphur chips (and more expensive).

However, acidification by sulphur takes weeks to have an effect, and when the soil is cold in winter, months might be needed. It is best to incorporate sulphur into the soil a year before planting as it reacts slowly at root depth. Aluminium sulphate should not be used to acidify the soil as large amounts of this material can be toxic to blueberry plants

Q *How can I control weeds in my raspberries?*

Cultivation and mulches are the most practical weed control measures. Cultivate the raspberry plantings frequently during spring and summer. To prevent injury to the roots of the raspberry plants, don't cultivate deeper than 2 to 3 inches.

Mulches help to control weeds and conserve soil moisture. Possible mulching materials include straw, shredded leaves, lawn clippings, sawdust, and wood chips. The depth of the mulch needed depends upon the material. The depth ranges from 3 to 4 inches for fine materials, such as sawdust, to 8 to 10 inches for straw. Since mulches gradually decompose, apply additional material each year. Avoid mulching poorly drained soils to discourage root diseases.

June & John

Ludshott Photographic Club

Ludshott – top camera club in Surrey!

By winning the prestigious 2021 “Rosebowl Trophy”, the annual competition of the Surrey Photographic Association, sponsored by The *Surrey Advertiser*.

The trophy requires each Camera Club in Surrey to enter a panel of five images with each picture being taken by different photographers. The panel should be well structured with, for example, outer images face inwards and a suitable image drawing the viewers’ attention to the centre. The whole panel should reflect a theme dictated by the title: we chose “Contemplation”.

The judge was Leo Rich, ARPS, EFIEAP/Gold, DPAGB, BPE3*, Hon PAGB, whose comments on Ludshott’s panel were:–

“I chose this panel, Contemplation, as my winner because, I felt, a great deal of thought had gone into the selection of images and there was a lovely cohesion between them. I think all of us have had time to contemplate over the past year or so, even reflecting on times gone by when life was less restrictive than now, and it also gave hope that it may assume some normality in the future”.



Contemplation

The five images left to right were:

- Now in Russia by Gordon Rae. LRPS, CPAGB.
- Mummy’s Angel by John Dumble.
- Phoenix Rising by Jonathan Plummer.
- Pretty Flamingo by John Gamble. CPAGB.
- Ownership by John Wichell. ARPS. DPAGB.

The special award for the individual photograph the Judge considers the best image entered into the “Rosebowl Trophy” was won by John Dumble, again a Ludshott member, for his photograph “Mummy’s Angel”.

The judge’s comments were: “Without reading the title, this image really did stand out straight away even though it bends, if not breaks, some of the accepted “rules” of club photography. The bond and love of the mother is plain to see.

Her look leads you to the child and the photographer has been very clever in making sure the child is the focus of attention by careful lighting of the scene. The skilled use of lighting seems to give the image the feeling of one of the Dutch Masters paintings of years past”.

To see more and for more information on the Club, visit our website Ludshottpc.org.uk.

Did You Know? ...

The first official census in Britain was in 1841, and there has been one every 10 years since then (except for 1941).

Population estimates for Headley had been recorded in with various levels of accuracy prior to this:–

1539: 350	1901: 1,831 (Grayscott excluded)
1771: 700	1911: 7,576 (incl Bordon Camp)
1791: 800	1921: 4,888 (incl Bordon Camp)
1801: 858	1931: 1,973 (Bordon excluded)
1811: 983	1941: no census
1821: 1,093	1951: 2,743
1831: 1,228	1961: 3,010
1841: 1,265	1971: 4,144
1851: 1,420	1981: 5,329
1861: 1,450	1991: 5,607
1871: 1,581	2001: 5,459
1881: 1,628	2011: 5,613
1891: 1,783	2021: ?

What will it be in 2021? Did you remember to fill in your details?

The Arts Society, Grayshott

No one wants your wardrobe

Matthew Denney gave an interesting and informative talk on Zoom to the Arts Society this month. Matthew is an auctioneer, writer and lecturer and his talk, "Why no one wants to buy your wardrobe anymore!", opened our eyes to the constantly changing value of antiques and collectables.

Matthew started by comparing the size of a room in an Edwardian House to that of a modern house or apartment. Large bedroom furniture, dining room tables, chairs and sideboards rarely fit into a modern home. In the past people would hold dinner parties at home; nowadays people would rather go out for a meal to celebrate.

Modern homes are usually minimalistic and have less clutter around. People choose light, contemporary furniture, frequently buying from stores like IKEA, which sell reasonably-priced stylish products.

Many items are out of fashion. Brass and copper, which needs to be cleaned, is no longer in demand. People no longer treasure tea sets, or hang decorative plates on the wall. Less jewellery is worn although earrings are still popular. Wildlife is protected. People no longer wear real furs and many ivory items are now illegal.

There is a market for top quality goods. Matthew showed us a Chinese porcelain bowl and vase of very high quality which had sold for millions. Wrist watches apparently sell well. Paul Newman's Rolex went for £17.8 million!

Matthew talked about collectable items. These include military medals, coins, stamps, postcards are all items which are small and easily stored. The value of silver depends on the maker and item.

Some items hold nostalgic value. Good conditioned boxed Lego, Airfix and Star Wars sets from 1970s are often collectable.

When asked if it was worth buying things as an investment Matthew replied "No, buy these things because they fill you with joy, because you love them, they are fascinating and they are full of history."

Matthew showed his love for items of beauty, quality and his own collections

Linda Dixon

Future on-line programme



On **Thursday 1st April** at 2pm
'Titian, The First Modern Artist', Douglas Skeggs examines how Titian created a brilliant new style which shaped Baroque art, casting its influence over every painterly painter of the next four centuries.

There will be a meeting on-line for new members on Monday 19 April at 11am, which will include a short presentation to tell you more about the Society and an opportunity to chat to each other and to committee members.

Do please encourage any interested friends to join too. They are also welcome to join our individual on-line events – visitor fee refundable if they then join us. Get in touch with Margaret Jackson, Membership Secretary at revjackson@btinternet.com

For more information, please contact Kathy on **01428 723565** or see the society website at www.theartssocietygrayshott.org.

Did You Know? ...

During the English Civil War and the following Commonwealth period:–

There are no marriages entered in Headley registers between 20 Jan 1643 & 22 Oct 1646, and 1 June 1648 & Dec 1654.

The Headley Baptism Register from 1649 to 1652 was in a poor state and appears to have been written down from memory. Afterwards until 1662 births only are entered, instead of baptisms; and deaths instead of burials. Marriages were performed by magistrates.

"It is fortunate for us that even these are preserved; for, when the clergy again came into their own, they destroyed the Commonwealth registers"
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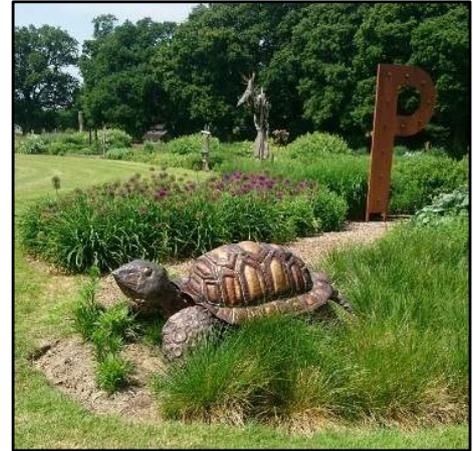
Headley Horticultural Society

Following on from last month, which hopefully, brought back some lovely memories of past garden visits, this time I am revisiting some of the gardens that rewarded us with, either a lovely sunny day or vibrant planting. This is probably because I am writing this on a very dark and wet and windy day when the temperature has again dropped back to wrong side of chilly and the forecast is for more of the same.

We have visited Wisley quite regularly but there are other RHS gardens further afield and one of our coach trips took us all the way to Essex to visit Hyde Hall. The garden here was created by Dr and Mrs Robinson in 1955 on land that was previously a working farm on a hilltop surrounded by arable land; in the 1960s further farmland to the west of the site was added and the garden is now a total of 360 acres. This site is part of the attraction of this garden as the views all around are lovely and you really do feel that you are in the middle of the countryside. The garden was donated to the RHS in 1993. A guided tour had been organised for us and we were told of the main features of the garden and the plans for future development, then we were then able to explore as much of the garden as we wanted. One area was full of plants from Australia and New Zealand and the Global Growth Vegetable Garden showcased fruit and vegetable from all over the world. The traditionally-styled Hilltop Garden with lush lawns, ponds and roses also included a Mediterranean Dry garden featuring drought-tolerant plants. As usual the restaurant received plenty of custom from us and the coach boot was filled with plants from the plant shop.

Also in this part of the country is Beth Chatto's garden, which were lucky enough to visit a few years ago. Famed for her "dry garden", Beth's mantra was "right plant in the right place". A seven-acre garden, the site is on land that was previously part of the family's fruit farm, which had not been farmed as it was too dry in some places and too wet in others. Taking her cue from the conditions Beth used plants that nature has developed to survive the difficulty each area presented her with. The Gravel Garden began in 1992 as an experiment to replace sun-scorched grass with a living garden of drought-tolerant plants and is now a world-renowned example of this type of planting.

The Sussex Prairie Garden was an amazing garden to visit; opened to the public in 2009 just one year after planting, this six-acre site boasts 30,000 plants of 600 different varieties. Set out in a naturalistic style it includes a vast number of ornamental grasses and unusual varieties of herbaceous perennials such as Veronicas, Thalictrum, Kniphofias and Hemerocallis all set out in semi-circular beds that we were able walk between. The plants and their seeds are left overwinter for the birds until the end of February when the borders are set on fire and the plants start into growth again. The garden also featured some unusual sculptures (a bit too unusual for some, I remember).



Another place that we visited on more than one occasion was a garden centre in East Sussex. One might not expect a garden centre to be that special to warrant an HHS outing but Merriments was the exception. Attached to the commercial premises is a beautiful garden. Now an RHS partner garden the 4-acre site is full of imaginative planting, with a long season of colour and many unusual plants. The staff at the nursery were particularly knowledgeable and helpful and not only did they stock many of the plants showcased in the garden but were usually able to produce just the plant you were looking for but could not find anywhere else.

Unfortunately, there will not be any outings again in 2021 and we can only hope that in 2022 we shall be able to explore yet more of the wonderful gardens our country has to offer.

Jennifer Mitchell

Did You Know? ...

Cranborne (once *The Oaks*) at the bottom of Barley Mow Hill is named after Lord Robert Cecil M.P., who became Viscount CRANBORNE in 1865 while listed as a resident there. He later became third Marquis of Salisbury in 1868, and then prime minister both in 1885 and again during the Boer War.

Headley Parish Council



As the days get longer and the new growth starts to emerge, we all need to ensure that footpaths and roads are kept clear from overgrown hedges and trees. It is the land owner's responsibility to ensure that any adjoining footpaths or roads are free from obstruction. If you find a particularly overgrown hedge or tree you are able to report this to Hampshire County Council at

www.hants.gov.uk/transport/roadmaintenance/roadproblems/treehedge

However, before any works are undertaken you must ensure that the tree does not have a Tree Preservation Order on it and that there are no nesting birds in the tree or hedge.

The Council decided at its March meeting that it would go back to holding face to face meetings from September. These meetings will then be held in the main Village Hall and will incorporate measures to ensure everyone feels safe.

The grant from Cllr Williams for the re-instatement of the wildflower meadow and a community orchard has been approved and we hope to install the meadow late spring early summer. The orchard will be planted in the autumn.

Contact: Parish Council Office
01428 713132 – clerk@headleypc.co.uk

Did You Know? ...

Stonedene Close, a cul-de-sac off Furze Hill Road in Headley Down, is named after *Stone Dene*, a large house, now demolished, in which the King of Norway stayed while in exile during WW2.



Annual General Meeting Update

We trust members will realise that due to Covid 19 the annual general meeting, which normally takes place in early March, could not take place this year. However we take this opportunity to advise you that thanks to exceptionally cooperative drivers and coordinators we have continued to offer our services to those in need. This has resulted in 607 drives being undertaken and completing over 13,000 miles. Additionally we have been fortunate in recruiting four new drivers.

We would also like to update you on some aspects of our operations.

Due to the necessity to suspend our Thursday coffee mornings and the cancellation of our annual garden party in 2020, our income has been much reduced. However patient donations and the generosity of drivers who drive without expense reimbursement our cost have been covered. On the subject of the garden party, discussion will shortly take place with regard to the possibility of holding one again in 2021.

We confirm that the AGM resolution to donate £1,000 to the Grayshott surgery to assist with equipment purchases has been made; further details will be reported at the next AGM.

The number of weekly requests for drives is now starting to increase, so we would greatly welcome the return of drivers who temporarily withdrew their services during the pandemic, once they are comfortable in doing so.

Did You Know? ...

Telconia Close in Headley Down is named after the cables ship *Telconia* which is said to have cut all five of Germany's undersea transatlantic cables at the start of WW1. The former occupant of the bungalow here was the Captain of the ship.

Reach new heights in 2021, with an abseil which will leave the lockdown blues far behind you!

Local Hospice Care charity Phyllis Tuckwell will be holding its Spinnaker Tower Abseil on **Sunday 26th September**, and is looking for people to take on this awesome challenge to raise money to help fund its care.

The iconic Spinnaker Tower has become a well-known landmark on the south coast. This sponsored event will take you 100 metres up the impressive building, where you can enjoy breath-taking views of over 20 miles, across Portsmouth Harbour and the Solent, to the Isle of Wight, before letting the rope take your weight and abseiling back to the ground.

By taking on the Spinnaker Tower abseil, you'll be raising money to help Phyllis Tuckwell provide vital care for local patients and families who are living with an advanced or terminal illness, such as cancer. Every day it supports over 250 patients, relatives and carers – in their own homes, in the community, at the Hospice in Farnham and at the Beacon Centre in Guildford. However, as the NHS/Government usually only covers about 20% of its costs, it has to raise over £20,000 a day to do this, and with Covid restrictions forcing it to cancel many of its fundraising events, it needs the support of the local community now more than ever.

You can register at www.pth.org.uk/event/spinnaker-tower-abseil, email fundraising@pth.org.uk or calling **01252 729446**. Registration costs £30 and Phyllis Tuckwell asks that you raise a minimum of £250 sponsorship.

For further information on Phyllis Tuckwell, contact Jen Barnes on **01252 729433** or email jen.barnes@pth.org.uk.

Did You Know? ...

According to the Historic England website, the 'K6 Telephone Kiosk to north of the Holly Bush public house' in Headley is a Grade II listed building.

DIRECTORY

THE PARISH OF

ALL SAINTS HEADLEY



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* Denotes PCC member

OTHER CHURCHES WITHIN THE PARISH

Lindford	Methodist Church (Chase Road)	
	Minister Deacon Janet Heys	01420 487834
Headley Down	St. Francis Community Church	
	Pastoral Assistant Martin Firman	01428 714095
	Pastoral Assistant John Russell	07506 582027
Grayshott	St Joseph's Roman Catholic	
	Parish Priest Father John Chandler	01420 472415
	Services: Mass at 9.30am Vigil Mass 5.30pm Saturdays	
	Holy days of Obligation Mass 9.30am	
Bordon	Roman Catholic Church of the Sacred Heart	
	Parish Priest Father John Chandler	01420 472415
	Services: Mass 11.15 am, Holy Days of Obligation 7.30 pm	

SCHOOLS, PRE-SCHOOLS, PARENT & TODDLER GROUPS

Little Badgers (Pre-school)	Elaine Fyfield	07947 667125
Grayshott Little Sunflowers (Pre-school)	Debbie Bean	07813 596167
Hollywater (Special) School	Office	01420 474396
Lindford Parent & Toddler Group	Laura Morgan	01730 269663
Little Treasures – Stay and Play (Headley Down)	Kye Anderson	07814 508852
The Holme (C of E) Primary School	Wendy Carter	01428 714409
Grayshott CE Primary School	School Office	01428 605596
PK Pre-school Grayshott (Parent & toddler group)	Carol Houghton	01428 602970
Pollyanna (Pre-school – Lindford)	Mrs L Cooper	01420 476114

SPORTS CLUBS

Bowls	Sylvia Burrows	01428 712522
Cricket	David Cook	07771 820795
Croquet	Bob Wilson	01428 713113
Headley Youth Football Club	Wayne Grover	01428 717599
Table Tennis	Mike Measures	07879 636307
Tennis	Paul Bettin	01428 713396
		www.headleytennis.com
Whitehill Archers	Mike Daborn	07768 390075

COMMUNITY GROUPS

Arford Bells (Handbells)	Christine Leonard	01428 712010
Arford W.I <arfordwi.president@headley-village.com>	Samantha Downs	07949 596878
Community Transport for East Hampshire	Lynn Peters	01420 475759
Friends of Ludshott Common	Susan Salter	01428 751409
Fullers Vale Wildlife Pond Association	Barbara North	01428 713409
Headley Allotment Holders	Martin Potter	01428 714163
	General: Parish Council	01428 713132
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The Headley Society	John Owen Smith	01428 712892
Headley Twinning Association	Clive Harrod	01420 488091
Headley Voluntary Care	Helpline	01428 717389
	Chairman: Keith Henderson	01428 713044
Horticultural Society	Christine Leonard	01428 712010
Lindford Ladies	Michaela Canning	07810 301476
Ludshott Photographic Club	Diana Grant	01428 713706
Mothers Union	Kathy Catt	01420 478020
Royal British Legion	Terry Eamey	01428 713622
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University of the 3rd Age (U3A)	Beryl Parsons	01420 475184
Woolmer Forest Lions	Joanne Wilson	01420 542642

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		Richard Millard	01428 717906
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Member of Parliament		Damian Hinds	02072 197057 damian.hinds.mp@parliament.uk

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Headley Village Hall	villagehallheadley@gmail.com	07704 379406
Lindford Village Hall	Stephen Holden lindfordpc@gmail.com	01420 475788
Standford Hall	Sue Sargeant	01428 751326
Scout Centre, Beech Hill Road	Fraser Skirrow	01428 712100
St Francis Hall	Cathie Russell	07964 764494
Wheatley Sports Pavilion	Val Ellis valellis67@gmail.com	01428 714989
Woodlands Community Hall, Heatherlands	Nicky Clements Nicola.clements@easthants.gov.uk	01428 717231

MEDICAL

Badgerswood Surgery		01428 713511
Headley Pharmacy (next to Badgerswood Surgery)		01428 717593

Regular Weekly Events at the Church Centre

MONDAYS

Fitsteps Dance Classes – 9.30-10.30 & 10.45-11.45am (07887 700045)

TUESDAYS

Art Classes – 9.30-noon & 1.00-3.30pm (Christopher Cole 01428 717402)

WEDNESDAYS

Art Classes – 7.00-9.30pm (Christopher Cole 01428 717402)

THURSDAYS

Headley Voluntary Care coffee morning – 10.15-noon

Brownies – 5.45-7.15pm

There are also Monthly meetings of:

The Headley Society (1st Thursday) www.headley-village.com/society

Arford WI (4th Thursday)

Photographic Club (Tracey Clark tracey.clark@workingatheightltd.com)

‘Remember, no-one can make you feel inferior
without your consent.’ – *Eleanor Roosevelt (1887-1951)*