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From
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at 10 a.m.

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The group comes to the village hall on Monday evenings to play table tennis 7.30 pm for 2 hours. We welcome new members to come and join the group.

The group has 3 tables and mainly play doubles matches during the evening. All equipment is provided. Currently, to provide most protection for each other, everyone brings along their own refreshments. The standard of play is varied. Most of us had not played since our school days! The key point is that we have a lot of fun whilst aiming to help us keep in shape. Well-being has been realised as a major need following experiences during the last 24 months. Table Tennis definitely provides an uplifting and enjoyable exercise for all who attend the weekly sessions. Why not consider coming along and join us for some laughs and good exercise? We look forward to greeting you. If you would like to have a chat beforehand, please call me on 07775 531781 - Brian

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Piano

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approx 2 hours, including interval

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JUNE**
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| <i>Contact</i> | - | Marianna mobile: 07450 251525 |

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June 9th Talk by Richard Wade from the Essex Record Office.

July 14th Outside visit at Wethersfield Church with stained glass specialist Christopher Parkinson and David Seacombe who will show pictures of the restoration work.

August Summer break.

Sept 8th A talk by Tim Turner of Sworders on Silver.

Oct 13th Local artist Mike Willis talks about his paintings.

Nov 10th Celia Graham from the National Trust will give an illustrated talk on working life at Ickworth in the 30's.

Meetings are held in the Pavilion,
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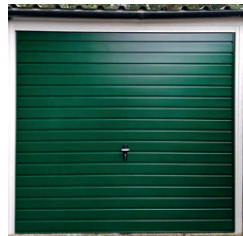
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including postage and all necessary equipment, for anyone who is visually impaired or who cannot manage a newspaper because of some physical disability. The recording comes on a USB stick and we normally provide listeners with a special player for the purpose.

The restrictions placed on all of us over the past two years have highlighted the problems of social isolation. We know from our existing listeners how much they have appreciated the Talking Newspaper in keeping them in touch with local news brought to them by local voices. We are sure that there are many others who would feel the same if they were aware of it. These same restrictions have, however, made it much more difficult for us to identify new listeners, so please give serious thought as to whether you know anyone who might benefit.

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IN LOVING MEMORY OF

NAN STEVENSON

6th Oct 1924 – 14th April /2022

Nan, born one of five children to farming parents, lived at Thomaston farm part of the Culzean estate on the Ayrshire coast, castle and grounds now a prominent National Trust property and war time retreat of Eisenhower. Educated at the local Kirkoswald village school and then Wellington academy Ayr, her school days came to a reluctant end

when needed to keep house for her bachelor older brother who had taken the tenancy of the Culzean home farm. Being wartime with no driving test required her mother advanced her date of birth by a year enabling Nan to drive and keep the house supplied.

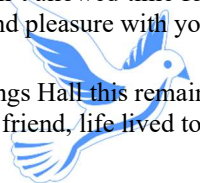
George from Essex, also of Scottish parents, came on the scene when visiting his grandmother who had family connections to Nan's family. Nan and George married in 1946 first living at Stebbing Ford, then moving to Sheering Hall in 1952 complete with young family of Robert, Elizabeth and Allan. Peter and Andrew followed shortly. Life was busy, Nans' way in everything she did - five under nine - life was never dull at Sheering Hall!

Nan was soon involved in Shalford village life, Horticultural society, WI, wives' club also assisting Mrs Hornsby with church flowers, later a key arranger for the annual flower festivals run at St Andrews. Nan will be remembered for the flower arranging courses she and Margaret Smith ran in the village hall. Nan was a keen supporter of St Andrews and helped with many Fostac functions, Burns night, will be remembered by some when Nan with her Scottish roots addressed the Haggis . Easter lilies in memory of loved ones another of Nan's projects.

Sadly, George died prematurely in 1980, at this time friends, Shalford commitments and family were of great support. Nan moved to Thomaston her new home a few years later. The garden one of her happy places, with croquet on the lawn, and tea in the summer house. The resulting garden created from bare ground testament to her skills and hard work.

Family always very important to Nan, Thomaston the venue for happy family parties grandchildren and latterly greatgrandchildren always entertained, be it the Colchester Christmas Pantomime followed by tea at Grannies, or a sharp game of Newmarket. When youngest Granddaughter arrived a very special Dolls house appeared at Thomaston, this enjoyed by Juliet and Nan something a busy life and four sons hadn't allowed time for in the past, ever one to get down and play, such was her sense of fun and pleasure with young people.

There was always a hint of fun with Nan even in her last years at Bings Hall this remained. Nan much loved mother, grandmother, great grandmother and good friend, life lived to the full. Will be greatly missed.





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Our wonderful picturesque playing fields located at Shalford Village Hall have been recognised once again for its superb maintenance and presentation. December 2021 saw Shalford Football Club winning the “Best Kept Football Pitch” and the Cricket Pitch winning a Silver Award. Spring 2022 featured a two-page write up and photos detailing the build and opening of Shalford’s petanque terrain.

Both magazines can be downloaded from www.bendlowe.co.uk



The Playing Fields

By: Chris Nutt

As a charity The Essex Playing Fields Association (EPFA) is approaching its centenary, having been founded in 1924. Its aim is to enable people of all ages throughout *historic* Essex to ‘play’ in their open spaces for the good of their health – physical and mental – and general wellbeing. Obvious? You would think so, but it needs encouragement. One of the ways EPFA does this is through its magazine.

The Playing Field magazine gives examples of how facilities can be created, protected, maintained and improved be they playing fields, playgrounds, parks or sports grounds. Readers get real-life success stories, examples of community enterprise, and news of funding and new equipment and so on. An annual prestigious EPFA competition shows what it is possible to achieve – be it in large, professionally maintained parkland or small, voluntary initiatives. The magazine shows the best examples of each and adds the ‘how’.

Always published quarterly, a magazine was started by Oxfordshire PFA just over 30 years ago. They provided 16 to 20 inner pages of common interest to everyone. About 20 Associations, including Essex, added four outer pages of their own. Oxford (later Gloucestershire) managed the complex task of compilation and distribution – all by volunteers as now!

With the demise of this national publication about 5 years ago, the EPFA started its own Newsletter which was printed and posted. When Essex County Council could no longer post copies to all parish councils the cost of postage became unaffordable for what is a small charity. Things have therefore gone ‘digital’ as a magazine with a new name about three years ago.

This has been a success and *The Playing Field* is now read by councillors and council officers; sports club officials and members; and ground-care staff (both professional and volunteers). This is both throughout Essex and sent to other Playing Field Associations.

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with my Doctor again and asked if I might be eligible for an upgrade. She checked that I didn't have a build-up of wax or another blockage and set me up with another visit to the Audiologist. Things are different now at the Community Hospital. No booth to sit in. Just a pair of headphones and a computer connection.

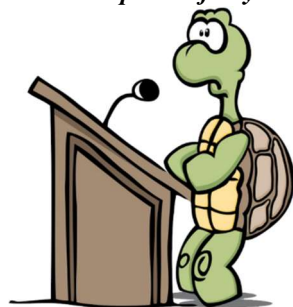
After the test Frederick (the Audiologist) mumbled something through his Covid mask about an MRI scan that frightened the caused me some concern, then waited while I put my old hearing aids back in and explained that because the hearing in my right ear had deteriorated so much over a short period of time I may have developed a benign tumour that could be pressing on a nerve. An MRI scan would show if this was the case. Either way there is nothing they could do about it.

It turns out that I do not have a benign tumour, I just have hearing loss. What a relief that was, whether it was benign or not. I do like the sound of the word tumour.

I now have my new hearing aids and am really enjoying listening to music again taking walks and hearing the birds singing all the things that we should be able to take for granted. I still get sore ears but I can put up with that. The technology provided with these new hearing aids is amazing. I have an "App" on my phone which enables me to control my hearing aids without having to faff around with the tiny buttons located on the hearing aids. I can switch them into the loop connection used in banks, government offices and some supermarkets etc. At a theatre recently, I felt like I was being entertained privately because the loop system was linked to the theatre sound system.

There are devices to purchase that allow me to receive telephone conversation and music directly from my telephone and others that can link to home systems and television. Why am I submitting this piece to our Village magazine? I have been talking with other hearing aid users who have paid a few thousand pounds for their hearing aids which the NHS have provided for me at no cost. I find it sad that we have this wonderful organisation at our disposal and do not or cannot access it. I urge anyone who feels that they need a hearing test to get one and then get a doctor's referral to the NHS audiologists. I know that there may be a wait for an appointment but we have been paying our National Insurance contributions all of our working lives and are entitled to the services provided. If the hearing aids are not as good as the commercially available versions I would be sadly surprised as the "Engage" version issued to me were manufactured by Oticon which you can research online. They are the same version offered by the private sector.

I shall not only continue to enjoy my new hearing aids but also to bore the pants of anyone unfortunate enough to hear what I am saying!



Shalford Parish Council by Samantha Batt

We would like to install a commemorative plaque on our new bench and would appreciate nominations from parishioners. Please send your nominations to clerk@shalford-essex-pc.gov.uk



The Parish Council will be giving away Jubilee commemorative drinking bottles to all under 18's who live in the parish. Here's a picture of what they will look like. Please come along to the Jubilee celebrations to collect one. Alternatively, if you cannot make it, please send your name and address to the clerk and we will ensure one is delivered to you.

We are also delighted to have been able to approve a grant of £1375 to support the amazing team putting together the Jubilee celebrations. We look forward to seeing you there!



Dog Fouling seems to be on the increase again. Please do pick up after your dog and use one of our many bins to dispose of it. If you forget a bag, there is a dispenser in the Church yard which is regularly filled up. If you spot someone not picking up after their dog, please report to us or the dog warden.



We have installed a new bin at the bus stop by Clifffield.

Council meetings continue in person at the Village Hall every third Wednesday of the month at 7:30pm. Please look out for the agenda which we publish online and on our notice boards.

We look forward to seeing you.
Mandy, Adrian, Sam, Rob,
Andrew M, Andrew H, Neil &
Michelle



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WELCOME TO SHALFORD OLGA AND KATE

BY: SARAH & TONY FROST

We arrived at 3 White Court, Shalford Green in July 2021, and are happily integrating into the delightful Shalford community, having spent the previous 55 years living in Sible Hedingham.

We are now introducing two new Shalfordians, Olga Bandura and her daughter Kate (18 in June) who recently escaped from war-torn Mykoliv (otherwise Nikolaev) in the south east region of Ukraine, and arrived here on 3rd May. Olga is a lawyer, and Kate is studying dentistry on-line at a university at Odesa . Husband/father Kostyantyn has to remain in Nikolaev amid constant bombarding by Russian forces.

Language is a challenge! They both speak Russian and Ukraine - the languages are similar. Kate's English is actually pretty good, while Olga is working hard to develop hers: translation apps are a great help!

It is early days, and while Olga and Kate appear cheerful and well-adjusted, it is difficult to know what effect the trauma may have upon them, and of course they live in daily fear of what may befall Kostyantyn, his mother, Olga's mother and their many friends who remain in mortal danger in Ukraine.

Our introduction was through church contacts, and there is a growing number of Ukrainian guests arriving in surrounding villages, so a network of contacts and friends is developing.

The degree of support, generosity and empathy, for refugees from Ukraine is heart-warming, and we have been proud to point out the Ukrainian flags to be seen: our own joint Union/Ukrainian flag at the Village Hall is a fine example.

Our guests don't appear to have urgent material needs at present, but this may change in time. Transport may well prove to be the greatest issue, and if anyone feels able to offer help with this from time to time, we would be very grateful.

We hope that Olga and Kate will gradually become integrated into our community, and with this in mind, we (having been fearful of it for many years!) are taking tentative steps towards Facebook: we see there is a local group which we hope we may join: it will be good for all four of us!

Sarah and Tony Frost.

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A HISTORY OF ROYAL JUBILEES

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QUEEN ELIZABETH II'S PLATINUM JUBILEE

In 2022, HM The Queen will become the first British monarch to celebrate a Platinum Jubilee, marking seventy years of service. Only a small group of world leaders have achieved this milestone. In celebration of Queen Elizabeth II's Platinum Jubilee, we look back at the history of royal jubilee celebrations through the ages. Queen Elizabeth II Silver Jubilee 1977 portrait by Peter Grurgeon ©Woodmansterne /TopFoto

WHAT IS A JUBILEE?

Jubilees mark a major milestone in the reign of a Monarch, celebrating their life and service. The naming of these celebrations follows the traditions of wedding anniversaries: 25 years is called a Silver Jubilee, 50 years a Golden Jubilee, 60 years a Diamond Jubilee, and 70 years a Platinum Jubilee.

DID YOU KNOW?

The origins of jubilees are found in the Old Testament where they marked a celebration of 50 years.

HISTORY OF JUBILEES

George III is often credited as the first British monarch to mark a Golden Jubilee (50 years), a tradition followed by Queen Victoria and HM Queen Elizabeth II, (George V celebrated a Silver Jubilee) but a few early British monarchs had reigns of more than fifty years. These included King Henry III, Edward III, and James VI and I as king of Scotland. Unfortunately, little is known about how they celebrated their jubilees. However, the few records that exist reveal some surprising similarities to the present day. Edward III (1327-1377) celebrated his Golden Jubilee in 1376 with a spectacular weeklong joust at London's Smithfield beginning with a magnificent procession from the Tower of London accompanied by trumpeters.

GEORGE III'S GOLDEN JUBILEE, 1809

George III (1760-1820) was the first British monarch to mark his Golden Jubilee in a significant way and really began the tradition of national and international celebrations.

George III celebrated his jubilee on 25 October 1809, the start of the 50th year of his reign, but since the reign of Queen Victoria, Golden Jubilees have been celebrated *after* the completion of 50 years of service. The celebrations were a lavish, brilliant, noisy affair with processions, feasts and a 50-gun salute fired from the Tower of London. A service of thanksgiving at St Paul's Cathedral was followed by banquets held in the King's honour, with food and money provided for the poor so everyone (even those in prison) could partake in the festivities. *Royal Collection Trust / © Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II 2022*

QUEEN VICTORIA'S GOLDEN JUBILEE, 1887

Queen Victoria (1837-1901) had largely withdrawn from public life after the death of Prince Albert, her much loved consort, in 1861. Her Golden Jubilee was seen as an important opportunity to reconnect with the nation. Queen Victoria celebrated her Golden Jubilee over the course of two days, starting with a lavish outdoor breakfast near Prince Albert's mausoleum at Windsor on 20 June 1887. She then travelled by train to London for a banquet at Buckingham Palace.

DID YOU KNOW?

Queen Victoria was the first British monarch to celebrate a Diamond Jubilee, marking 60 years of her reign.

The following day Victoria processed in an open carriage to Westminster Abbey for a ceremony of thanksgiving. During prayers at the Abbey, a beam of sunlight fell upon her bowed head which observers took as a mark of divine favour. On her return to Buckingham Palace, she appeared on the balcony and was cheered by the crowd. That evening there was another banquet followed by a firework display in the palace garden.

Queen Victoria's Diamond Jubilee portrait. Victoria was the first British monarch to celebrate a Diamond Jubilee.

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QUEEN VICTORIA'S DIAMOND JUBILEE, 1897

Ten years later, on 20 June 1897, Queen Victoria became the first British monarch to celebrate a Diamond Jubilee, marking 60 years of service. The day itself was marked privately with a service of thanksgiving at St George's Chapel, Windsor. Two days later, Victoria headed a royal procession through London, beginning at Buckingham Palace. At St Paul's Cathedral there was a short service of thanksgiving celebrated outside to spare the 78-year-old Queen, who suffered from arthritis, from having to climb the steps. Crowds of people watched from specially erected stands and thousands more crowded the steps of the Cathedral.

DID YOU KNOW?

Victoria was Britain's longest reigning monarch until her record was surpassed by Queen Elizabeth II in 2015.

QUEEN VICTORIA'S FILM DEBUT

Victoria's Diamond Jubilee was a once in a lifetime opportunity for early cinema, with some forty camera operators stationed along the procession route, ready to capture a fleeting glimpse of the Queen for eager audiences in the UK and around the world. The occasion attracted the biggest attendance of the global film industry to date.

GEORGE V SILVER JUBILEE, 1935

Queen Victoria's grandson, King George V (1865-1936), celebrated his Silver Jubilee (25 years) on 6 May 1935. It was the first ever celebration of a British monarch's Silver Jubilee.

The day was declared a public holiday and pageants, fetes, and parties were held in glorious May sunshine. The King and Queen Mary attended a service of thanksgiving at St Paul's Cathedral before appearing on the balcony of Buckingham Palace to cheering crowds. Throughout May, the King and Queen Mary took carriage rides through north London, including one accompanied by their granddaughters, Princess Margaret, and the future Queen Elizabeth II.

DID YOU KNOW?

Silver Jubilee commemorative mugs were given to every child born on Jubilee Day, 6 May 1935.

King George V Silver Jubilee, 6 May 1935. King George V and Queen Mary on the balcony of Buckingham Palace with Princess Margaret and the future Queen Elizabeth II.

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HM QUEEN ELIZABETH II'S SILVER JUBILEE, 1977

In 1977 HM The Queen celebrated her Silver Jubilee, marking twenty-five years of service. The anniversary of Queen Elizabeth's accession, and the death of her father King George VI on 6 February 1952, was commemorated with church services. The Silver Jubilee was a major national and international event. The Queen and HRH Prince Phillip, Duke of Edinburgh travelled some 56,000 miles on a series of jubilee tours that would take in Australia, New Zealand, and the Pacific Islands, before returning to the United Kingdom to visit a total of 36 counties in Scotland, England and Wales. In Lancashire alone, over a million people turned out to see The Queen. The UK tour culminated in Northern Ireland, where she hosted a garden party at [Hillsborough Castle](#).

DID YOU KNOW?

An estimated 500 million people watched the Jubilee Day procession on television.

The climax of the celebrations came on Jubilee Day, on the 7 June. The Queen and the Duke of Edinburgh processed in the Gold State Coach to St Paul's Cathedral for a service of thanksgiving. More than 1 million people lined the route, many camping overnight to secure a front row spot.

Queen Elizabeth II meets an enthusiastic crowd at St Katharine's Dock near the Tower of London, one of the stops on her Silver Jubilee river progress from Greenwich to Lambeth, 9 June 1977.

HM QUEEN ELIZABETH II'S GOLDEN AND DIAMOND JUBILEE, 2002 AND 2012

In 2002 and 2012 HM Queen Elizabeth II celebrated fifty and sixty years of service. On her Golden Jubilee, The Queen and Prince Phillip toured the UK and the Commonwealth and held a concert at Buckingham Palace, followed by a spectacular firework display. The focus of the 2012 Diamond Jubilee celebrations took place once again in the summer. Highlights included the Thames Diamond Jubilee River Pageant, a spectacular flotilla of 1000 boats which travelled from Chelsea to Tower Bridge, led by The Royal Barge, on which the Queen travelled. Big Jubilee Lunches were held throughout the UK and around the world, attended by an estimated 8.5 million people in the UK alone. On 2 June, the anniversary of the Queen's coronation, a 62-gun salute was fired at the Tower of London and elsewhere.

HM QUEEN ELIZABETH II'S PLATINUM JUBILEE, 2022

In 2022, HM The Queen will become the first British monarch to celebrate a Platinum Jubilee. In the UK celebrations will take place throughout the year much inspired by jubilees throughout history. The focal point of the celebrations will be the Jubilee Weekend, an extended bank holiday from Thursday 2 June to Sunday 5 June 2022. Historic Royal Palaces will celebrate this extraordinary achievement with onsite and online experiences. In March [Life Through a Royal Lens](#) will launch at [Kensington Palace](#) exploring 200 years of royal photography. At Hampton Court Palace a 'Jubilee Joust' will take place over the Jubilee Weekend. The centrepiece of our celebrations will be '[Superbloom](#)' at the [Tower of London](#), filling the moat with flowers. From June to September, the display will erupt into new colours and patterns creating a dramatic and engaging experience. The Tower's 'Superbloom' is the first stage of a permanent transformation of the moat into a new natural landscape in the heart of the City of London.



Shalford Queen's Platinum Jubilee Events

2 – 5 June 2022

THURSDAY 2 JUNE (Village Hall & Playing Field)

14.00 Proclamation

From 21.00 Music/Refreshments

21.45 Lighting the Beacon

FRIDAY 3 JUNE (Village Hall)

11.00 – 14.00 Bendlowes - Jubilee Meet & Greet

19.00 Historical Soc. - Shalford times, films, displays & refreshments. All welcome.

SATURDAY 4 JUNE (Village Hall & Playing Field)

10.00 Jubilee Walk, everyone welcome

13.00 – 17.00 Jubilee Fete, with music, petanque, bar, Pimms & Prosecco, indoor bowls, BBQ, dog show, Morris Dancing, games, dancing, vintage car/tractor displays and side shows

SUNDAY 5 JUNE (Playing Field & Shalford Church)

12.30 Big Jubilee Lunch & rounders tournament - bring your own picnic or pre-order from Mange Tout

18.00 Jubilee Church Service to close the weekend

There will be other activities throughout the weekend such as best Jubilee Garden & Treasure Hunt. Watch out for more details on Social Media, Village Magazine, Facebook, Parish Council/Bendlowe websites, posters and leaflet drops

SHALFORD DOG SHOW



SHALFORD VILLAGE HALL GROUNDS

Registration table to
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First class starts at 1pm

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PROCLAMATION

On 2nd June 2022, we will celebrate another unique milestone in our history, Her Majesty The Queen's 70th year as our Monarch and Head of the Commonwealth - her Platinum Jubilee. It is a feat no previous monarch has achieved. More than 2,022 beacons will be lit throughout the United Kingdom, Channel Islands, Isle of Man and UK Overseas Territories, and one in each of the capital cities of Commonwealth countries in recognition of The Queen's long and selfless service. The beacons will enable local communities, individuals and organisations to pay tribute to her as part of the official Platinum Jubilee Weekend of celebrations from 2nd to 5th June 2022. **Town Criers At 2pm local time Town Criers are being invited to undertake the Proclamation announcing the lighting of the beacons later that evening.**

Come and see our very own Shalford VIP Vic read the Queen's proclamation at the start of our long weekend of celebrations. 2pm at the Village Hall The decorating of the hall and set up of marquees can then begin. Please come along, get involved and help us to make this a great celebration.

TREASURE HUNT

Solve the clues and find the locations, Shalford and Church End are your key destinations. You may win a prize – you never know! Pens, walking boots and cameras at the ready.... Entering the competition is up to you, you may choose to simply have some fun solving the clues

FLOWERS FOR THE QUEEN

The flowers for the Queen's Platinum Jubilee will be available for viewing from Wednesday 1st June afternoon in our wonderful Church The Parish Church of St Andrews Shalford.



 Shalford Village

Best Decorated Garden Competition Jubilee 2022

Judging to take place 2nd - 5th June With winner announced at Sunday's Church Service 6pm



Entries to gardenjubilee22@gmail.com by 1st June

Shalford Local History Association presents

A Look Back at the 1950s

A cheese and wine* evening of nostalgia with presentations, interaction, items from the period and a good old fashioned sing song! This event is part of the Shalford Platinum Jubilee Celebrations.



Friday 3 June 2022

SHALFORD VILLAGE HALL

Doors open 7 pm Presentations begin 7.30 pm followed by a sing along until approx. 9.30 pm

* Please bring your own wine/drinks. Cheese boxes can be ordered from Mange.Tout catering. Look out for the leaflet through your door or contact mange.tout@outlook.com for further information


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We'll be putting on an even greater spread of delicious food for your lunch with some fifties music to give it that nostalgic feel. If you have any items or photos from the 1950s please do bring them along too.

As always, everyone is invited to this extra special Meet and Greet for free but donations to cover food costs will be gratefully received.

Donations of cakes will also be very welcome.



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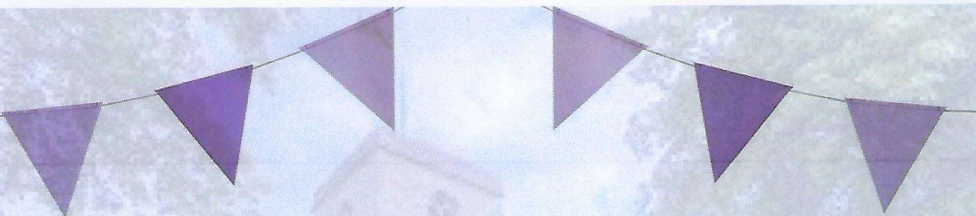
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St Andrew's Church Shalford

Sunday 5th June 2022 6pm

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for the Best Jubilee Decorated Garden and Treasure Hunt.





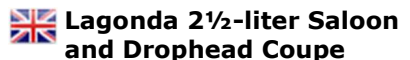
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Also see: [The History of Lagonda](#)

The Lagonda 2½-liter Saloon and Drophead Coupe were six-cylinder-engined luxury cars with all-independent suspension, first announced in 1946. Although retaining the general lines of previous models, the Mark II Saloon

(from October 1952) had a smoother and altogether tidier appearance and featured a number of notable improvements including repositioning of components beneath the bonnet to improve accessibility, revised instrument panel, wider rear seat, improved heating and demisting equipment and hydraulic jacks, The Saloon was discontinued in June 1953, the Mark I Coupe (bodied by Tickford) two months later. During the year a few Coupes were produced to Mark II specification.



Lanchester Dauphin Prototype

Also see: [The History of Lanchester](#)

The Lanchester Dauphin prototype Saloon, Model LJ250. was a two-door Hooper-bodied model with 2433-cc twin-carb engine and light alloy bodywork. It was not made in quantity.



Lanchester Fourteen Drophead Coupe

Also see: [The History of Lanchester](#)

The Lanchester Fourteen Drophead Coupe was based on the Saloon. This two-door 'De Ville Convertible' model. featured a part-power-operated top as standard and had a dry weight some 84 lb higher than the saloon, Both models were discontinued in the summer of 1954.



Morris Minor Series II

Also see: [Morris Car Reviews](#) and [The History of Morris \(AUS Edition\)](#)

The Morris Minor Series II was available as two- or four-door Saloon and two-door Convertible. The arrival of the series II - unchanged externally from the preceding Series MM - heralded the switch from the old 918.6-cc side-valve engine to the smaller yet more powerful 803-cc OHV unit (similar to the Austin A30 engine but with an SU carburetor) - made possible following the merger between Nuffield and Austin (BMC) in the latter half of 1951. In October 1953 the Traveller Estate Car made its debut.



Rolls-Royce Silver Dawn 4½-liter Saloon

Also see: [Rolls-Royce Car Reviews](#) | [The History of Rolls-Royce](#)

The Rolls-Royce Silver Dawn 4½-liter Saloon. First introduced in 1949-with the 4¼-liter engine-to meet the export demand for a 'smaller' version of the Wraith, it did not in fact become available on the home market until the autumn of 1953 by which time it had acquired the 4½-liter engine and the longer body of the R Type Bentley.



Singer SM1500 Roadster Model 4AD

Also see: [Singer Car Reviews](#) | [The History of Singer](#)

The Singer SM1500 Roadster, Model 4AD, looked identical to the Singer

Nine Roadster, but had a 1497-cc power unit and detail differences. First introduced as an export-only model early in 1951, it did not become

available on the home market until January 1953. During 1952 the width of the radiator grille slats was reduced and the pressure of the cooling system raised to correct earlier overheating problems.



Singer SMX Roadster

Also see: [Singer Car Reviews](#) | [The History of Singer](#)

The Singer SMX Roadster was an experimental plastic-bodied sports model, shown at the 1953 London Motor Show. Fitted with a twin carburetor version of the 1½-litre engine, it was longer and lighter than the SM1500 Roadster which it was to replace. It did not get beyond the prototype stage, however, and this was the only one ever built.



Standard Eight

Also see: [Standard Car Reviews](#) | [The History of Standard](#)

The 1953 Eight was a completely new car with unit construction and an overhead-valve engine. Only saloon models were made. The new engine of 803 cc produced slightly less power than the outgoing larger sidevalve unit with 26 bhp at 4500 rpm but this was increased to 30 bhp at 5000 rpm in 1957. The 4-speed gearbox, with synchromesh on the top three ratios, was available with optional overdrive from March 1957. Girling hydraulic drum brakes were fitted.

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NATURE NOTES

BY: MAC BEANLAND



As I write these nature notes I am still on a high after the Tractor run, such a wonderful day and especially good to see so many people lining the village, streets waving with happy smiling faces and contributing money to the funds for the Air Ambulance I feel we spread a lot of happiness, but there is one very large

aspect of the tractor run which the tractor drivers are not able to share with all our wonderful supporters and that is the off road sections, some of which are byways which anyone can use but the really important bit (which I am writing about) is the private land which we have obtained special permission to drive over from the relevant land owners. These parts of the run are very special to all of us for several reasons, but the reason I am writing about is the wild life which we see. Quite a lot of the wild life is used to seeing tractors working in the fields so don't take a lot of notice of the odd tractor or someone on horseback. That was one of the things I really enjoyed in the days when I rode, but the wildlife **does** start to take notice when lots of tractors come one after another. Never the less, we did see quite a bit this year. I am very fortunate as I am one of the first tractors towing the notice boards telling people what we are up to. The most common wildlife we saw this year was fallow deer we came across two large herds and several small groups; I would estimate a total of some 60 individuals, 1 fox, several rabbits, and a healthy number of hares although I didn't see any badgers, I saw plenty of badger setts with great piles of sand pushed out; they are everywhere in ever increasing numbers doing untold damage; killing poultry and hedgehogs. It's not surprising that we didn't see them as of course they are nocturnal as is the fox although it's not unusual to see a fox about in the day time this time of the year as the vixens are feeding young and often have to go out hunting for extra rations in the day time to keep the cubs well fed. My



readers know I am always going on about the balance of wildlife species well here I go again. The ones which have now got out of hand are fallow deer and badgers possibly followed by muntjacs. None of these have natural predators and can do a lot of damage, the deer in particular damage crops and can devastate young trees by stripping the bark and grazing young growth. All the money spent on tree guards only protects the trees from rabbits not from deer as the tree grows. We can all do our bit to help reduce deer population, eat more local venison. All the local butchers sell it, it's the lowest of all red meat in colostrum is totally organic, contains lots of iron and vitamins and is virtually fat free. I love to see deer roaming

about the fields but it's much nicer to catch the occasional glance rather than an everyday occurrence or see them as road kill or worst still cause fatal accidents on the roads. A few years ago, almost every time I travelled any distance on the road, I would always see the corpse of a fox or a badger rotting at the side of the road where it had been killed by a vehicle, but today all you see is dead deer. I have pondered over this quite a lot; there are still as many foxes about and many more badgers than there used to be, but they are not getting killed on the roads. I firmly believe these have moved away from noisy roads but deer, on the other hand travel greater distances looking for food and quiet resting sites, and so do have to cross busy roads.

STARTING MY HOUSE JOBS

(or to be correct, Hospital House Officer jobs)

BY: PETER JONES

I have graduated !!! A Mortar Board and Gown ceremony. A hospital residency next stop, to start one's preferred job – the first of six monthly steps on your chosen career. To gain Registration, that is to be let loose on the public, one must do one Medicine, one Surgery, though they may be in a sub speciality of those divisions. This is the coal face of a doctor's career. A real doctor at last. No more half asleep first lecture, final exams next week, panic at 11.30 the previous night, you still had to learn another twenty pages. Now you learn by continuous observation of the highly-qualified seniors in whose close company you are privileged to be. My promotion was life changing. What to choose? I had done a bit of minor surgery, correctly anaesthetised somebody in A and E, both under strict supervision. But I was convinced much disease (and suffering to themselves and families as well) is due to people's behaviour. General Practice with its opportunities of patients' personal contacts was the best chance to help people to modify deeply entrenched habits. In all but a tiny minority that part of my professional life has been an abject failure. I soon found out how hopelessly naïve I was. The populace just doesn't want to know. Take George for example. He was an excellent decorator. I knew as I had attended his child, so for many years George and his father did all ours. You've guessed it – he was a heavy smoker. I tried many many times of explanation of risk and benefits of stopping. The day came when his large lung cancer appeared. He had a wonderfully successful operation, though he was haggard with weight loss and looking many years older. He grinned from ear to ear. "I've given up smoking, doctor." I was astonished. "How did that happen?" I asked. "Oh, the young hospital doctor said I ought to." He never worked again.

My first job learning for G.P., paediatrics, was away from the Medical Students' Teaching Hospital. A daily task was to intubate the throats of the new-born with a long narrow firm rubber tube, to confirm their gullets and windpipes were patent. An exceptionally rare birth abnormality would be the two passages being joined. I was in my first week and found in my 3rd or 4th baby, the tube was stuck. I had found a one-in-ten-thousand abnormality, rapidly fatal but operable. Events just like that could be soon followed by a disaster. We had one. The avoidable death of a child. Beverly, a sweet two year old was admitted after 48H of "a bit of gastric trouble". She was sent to theatre at once. Surgeons confirmed the mass we felt in her tummy was an intussusception, a condition where the bowel rolls over itself like a shirt sleeve rolled up. My next job as House Physician was to tell the shocked parents sitting outside it had already reached an inoperable phase and their loved one did not survive. I have never forgotten

their faces of terror. It is very strange in this job. After a few minutes of deep sadness, other thoughts come into your mind forcibly. There are urgent jobs waiting. You don't have the time to be sorry, because your buzzer tells you two acutely ill children are in A and E needing IV fluids, take bloods for investigations, forms to fill to enable the laboratory to proceed, ward beds to alert for, relatives asking questions to which although you are tired, you must be guarded in reply. Approaching Christmas, and only five weeks of job to go, some of us felt restless. A three-day attack of brisk diarrhoea and vomiting by some obscure virus did not help, as most patients and nurses were hit hard in our department. No doctor escaped.

Meals for resident doctors in the NHS are average though breakfasts are good. Obviously to get you fit for the oncoming day. In this hospital, Church Village (now demolished), Sunday meals were always abysmal and inadequate. We had identified a woman administrator of our meals, complaints were ignored and a further insult was she lived in a nice official house in the hospital grounds. One hungry Sunday afternoon, the resident anaesthetics Registrar, Geoffrey from Liverpool and a couple of hungry militants, sent her an ultimatum. We informed management we were circulating leading medical journals, warning job applicants that resident doctors' food here was poor, lacked nourishment, and our requested improvement dismissed. Not unexpectedly there was a state of war between administrators and us, with "newsbytes" sent out of sacking. A special committee of Governors was convened for Thursday next. There were three small nearby hospitals in the area which operated an emergency operating theatre rota in conjunction with our hospital needs. The meeting was suddenly postponed minutes before start as the duty anaesthetist was on emergency duty ten miles away until 9 a.m. next day. Undeterred, the meeting was postponed a week. Again the anaesthetist was unavailable as he was on 24H duty at a different hospital. No kidding, this continued for two more weeks before their penny dropped. An elderly alderman enjoyed telling us our employment was to be terminated after two weeks' notice. He seemed unaware our jobs finished in one week anyway. There was just one Sunday before we left. The meals that day were very good.

Essex Bridleways Association

The Essex Bridleways Association was formed some years ago to protect and enhance Bridleways. Membership costs £15 to join and runs for a year. Under 16s can join free. **Flu Vaccination Requirements for 2022** Our policy regarding the requirement for flu vaccinations for 2022 is that all horses attending our rides and holidays must be up to date with their annual flu injections (ie.the last booster is no more than a year old). Random checks may be made so please remember to take your horse's passport. **Entry Price.** The price of each ride is still to be confirmed as unfortunately there are some unavoidable additional costs this year to enable EBA to run the rides. Depending upon circumstances there may be additional covid rules. **Rides** Ashfields Deirdre Graham Memorial Ride 17th July 2022.Entries close 10th July 2022. The ride takes place at Ashfields Carriage and Polo Centre, Gt Canfield. CM6 1JU Ride on some private headland tracks, bridleways and local roads. There is a choice of 8 or 11 miles. If using sat nav do not follow if it tells you to go into high cross lane (west or east) as this is a single track road and not suitable for horseboxes and trailers. There is now a 2-week priority booking for all rides. Ensure your place and time slot before it is open to non-members. The first ride of the year at Middlewick in April had lovely weather and 44 riders took part.

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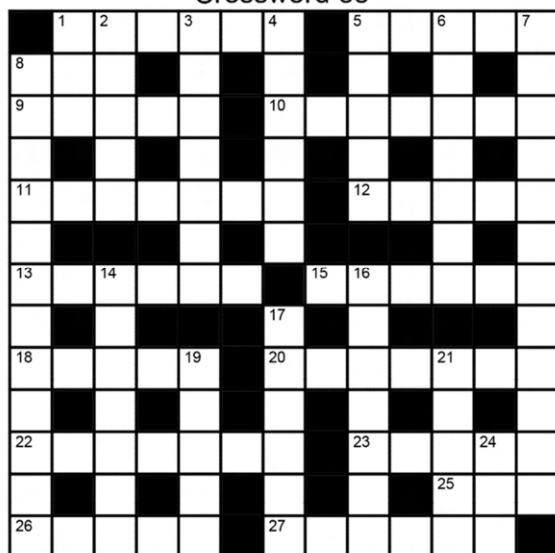
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CROSSWORD 58 BY ROBERT BURROWS

Crossword 58



Across

- 1 Well-informed (6)
 5 Old French coin (5)
 8 Deceive (3)
 9 Homo sapien (5)
 10 Solves everything (7)
 11 Food wrapping (3,4)
 12 Body of a lance (5)
 13 On all occasions (6)
 15 Migratory fish (6)
 18 Lizard (5)
 20 A fuss (5,2)
 22 A man of Education (7)
 23 Russian monetary unit (5)
 25 Python (3)
 26 Zeros (5)
 27 Discussion (3,3)

Down

- 1 Old French coin (3)
 2 Deprive a ship of men (5)
 3 An organ of sense (7)
 4 Mottled marking (6)
 5 Discovers (5)
 6 Praise enthusiastically (7)
 7 Seaside Essex town (7,2,3)
 8 Essex Hamlet (7,5)
 14 Unable to sleep (7)
 16 Aeroplane's member (7)
 17 To economise (6)
 19 Grunts like a pig (5)
 21 Hooligan (5)
 24 Bovin animal's deep resonant sound (3)

Cryptic Across

- 1 Used SS somehow found out (6)
 5 Said to be candid old coin (5)
 8 Take in some contract (3)
 9 Only being? (5)
 10 Cure-all for acne, Pa, a mess (7)
 11 Does Fin toil to get

thin metal? (3-4)

- 12 Quiet, back handle (5)
 13 Sway, Al, every time (6)
 15 No slam perhaps, but get fish (6)
 18 Is Keg OK? Get lizard (5)
 20 Fuss about some luggage (5,2)
 22 Find fee perhaps for educated man (7)
 23 Blue, right, could make Russian money (5)
 25 Constricting snake (3)
 26 They cancel (5)
 27 WWW Poo talk-fest (6)

Cryptic Down

- 1 First-part source of old coin (3)
 2 Nun, Ma might emasculate (5)
 3 Snores terribly, yes it relates to the senses (7)
 4 Patchy marking on 500 fruit (6)
 5 Locates loud dins, perhaps (5)
 6 High praise for mica, Cal? (7)
 7 Mix talc on canoes in seaside town (12)
 8 Re Math change order in hamlet (7-5)
 14 Sleepless because of Uke flaw (7)
 16 High-flying staff (7)
 17 Economise – useless? (6)
 19 Having no skin? Grunts (5)
 21 Boy Bo, awful hooligan (5)
 24 Deep sound of some armadillo weeping (3)



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CHAIRMAN'S REPORT 2022

By: Colin Golding

It has been 2 years since we have had a formal face-to-face AGM and a lot has happened in that time.

The refurbishment of the roof, clock tower and internal ceiling, was completed early in 2020 and the new windows were installed at a combined cost of around £100k.

Then COVID hit us and the Hall had to close for about 18 months which meant no income but we still had running costs of electricity, insurance, water, heating etc. Fortunately our financial policy of holding a year's running costs in reserve along with some government "loss of income" grants meant we were able to meet our out-goings, otherwise the hall could have been effectively bankrupt.

During the period of lockdown and restricted use, we made sure that the Hall was COVID safe and I would like to thank our Booking Clerk (Nicola Walton) for all the work she did to ensure that was the case. I would also like to thank Committee Members (Ian Butcher and Duggie Turner) who, when on furlough, gave up their time to ensure the recreation ground grass was cut and the field maintained which was essential so we could be up and running as soon as COVID restrictions were lifted. As they started to be lifted we were able to get some more grants to help us prepare for opening up the Hall and Ian Butcher obtained a grant from the Football Foundation to help prepare the football pitch.

We spent some of the money on having the water systems in the Hall checked for Legionella disease. All was clear but recommendations were made for work to reduce the likelihood of contamination in the future and the remedial work was undertaken.

The work on the playing field paid dividends in 2021 in that the football pitch and cricket pitch won recognition from the Essex Playing Fields Association and the award was a contribution towards end of season renovation costs this year.

Also we have come to an agreement to hire the cricket pitch, this season, to Aztec Cricket Club which will bring in much-needed funds to ensure we have a cricket ground to be proud of.

Unfortunately a casualty of Covid was the planned renovation work on the children's playground where the post Covid cost exceeded the money available from BDC's section 106 allocation but we haven't given up on the project and it is our priority for the coming year.

Since the upgrade work on the hall, bookings are looking good but with escalating running costs, such as heating oil and electricity, we will have to look seriously at our hire charges.



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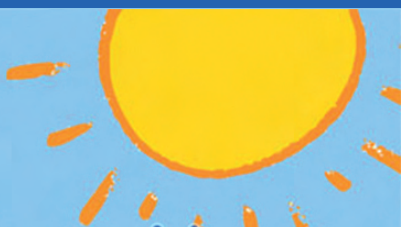
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On a brighter side we launched our own website late last year with thanks to a grant from Essex County Council. It can be used for booking enquiries as well as publicising the Hall. You can't have missed all the publicity for the Queen's Platinum Jubilee Celebrations to be held at the Hall. It is good that the only real asset that the village has is used for an occasion like this and let's hope the weather is kind for the event.

We would not have a village asset like the hall and recreation ground if it was not for the hard work of my fellow Management Committee members and I thank every one of them.

On a final note we can always do with more help. I have mentioned the grants we have obtained for various projects, these are not easy to come by and take a lot of time and effort. Also Duggie has done a valiant job cutting the grass on the field but he can't do it alone, we have all our own equipment we just need volunteers.

So if you want to keep the Hall as an asset then please help us.

IS THERE A TWITCHER IN THE VILLAGE? PETER JONES
(see April's issue)

Whilst out walking this week, (the last one in February) over the ploughed fields near the Mill, above me was a large flock of light brown birds, fairly small, moving rapidly in circles, making sudden dives to ground, but only staying momentarily, then off again. I suppose from their speed they were itinerant. Actually, I had seen a couple the day before, when I stood on the ridge opposite The George. They circled me several times almost touching the ground at about thirty yards and dived hidden into the tussocks. While I fiddled with my mobile, the nearest one sprang up, did a vertical hover at three feet from the ground for two seconds, stretching and exposing his brightly coloured grey-white tail feathers laterally, then spun away. There were no other distinguishing features. Any ideas? Email them to shalford_village_magazine@btinternet.com

MYSTERY BIRD SEEN OVER SHALFORD FARMLAND IDENTIFIED
BY MAC BEANLAND

Fieldfare
Turdus pilaris 10.10.



Mac says it was a Fieldfare, a member of the thrush family. Big flocks of over 100 across the village in winter from northern Europe. They are usually seen over rough open country but rest and feed on farmland and marshes. The report missed that the top of its head and rump are slightly blue, and white streaks are seen under the body as well as the tail. Such incomplete reports are understandable as close ups are rare and last only a second or so. They are rapid darting flyers, but do give an identity clue by their “chack chack” chattering call.



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JENNIFER PENNEY HEAD OF SCHOOL

Children's own words:-

By Kyle (Year 5)

This week Chestnut Class have been making board games. I was making a game called Monster Mash. Monster Mash is a board game that obviously involves monsters. The main character is called pineapple smash with her friends Moto Toto, Stomper and Stubs. My partner and I designed the actual board.

How to play the game is by picking a character and putting it on the start. Next you have to pick up a card off the letter pile and whatever letter you get, you need to think of a word with that in it.

Pick up your number card and whatever number you get is what amount you move. If you landed on a blue you need to do what that challenge is or get that reward. The winner is the person who gets to the end first.

It was a really fun experience as well and I hope we get another opportunity to do this. I love to do this because it enables me to show what I am capable of. I am really grateful for the teachers and learning support assistants that have helped me throughout my long journey and what is still to come in the future.

I can tell the other pupils enjoyed it because they were happy and excited and just joyful. At times it could be a little bit hard like when I had to measure the angles in some of the other games that were made by some of my friends. I honestly wish school was like this every single day and I bet everyone else does also.

By Emily and Ruby (both Year 6)

This week Chestnut have been working on an exciting project. We have been designing and making our own board games. we have been working on our own or in groups to complete this task and create fun games for the class to play. Each board game had to include:

A handmade and decorated box

A board

A die or dice/spinner/cards figures/counters

A set of rules

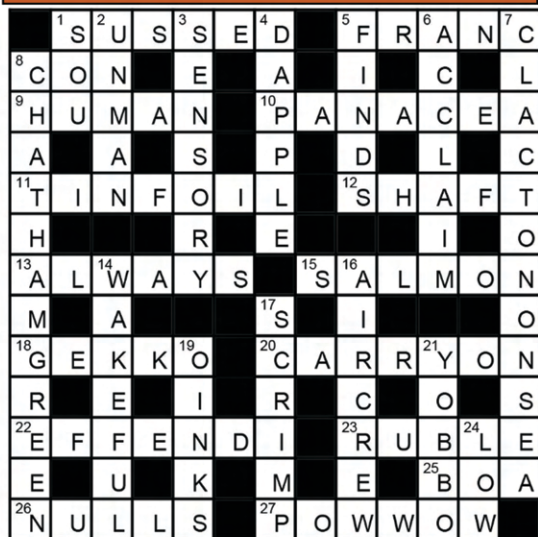
A written or filmed piece of advertising for the game

We have worked on these projects for four days and all the finished games are inventive and interesting.

In between working on the board games, Year 6 have been sitting their SATs. Although the SATs have been going well, the games have been a welcome break and a fun activity.



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From the Vicarage...

As this month begins, events across our villages will bring people together to celebrate the Platinum Jubilee of Her Majesty the Queen, including services in each of our six churches. This remarkable anniversary marks seventy years of the most dedicated service, which has been, and continues to be, an inspiration to many. Over the time of her reign, the Queen has accepted the pattern of life laid down for a monarch, sacrificing much of her personal freedom and autonomy for the sake of what she has viewed as a sacred duty.

As we begin these celebrations, we will no doubt see many clips played of the coronation in 1953, but one moment we will not see is the part of the coronation service in which the monarch is anointed with holy oil. This moment was considered too sacred to be shown to a wide audience, and even in Westminster Abbey itself, the Queen was covered with a canopy for this part of the ceremony, so even few of those physically present would have witnessed it at first hand.

It may seem like the most exclusive of experiences, but the act of anointing with holy oil is one which forms part of the services of baptism and confirmation, which are open to anyone at all. The fact that the same act is part of the beginning of a monarch's reign, and every new journey of faith, bears witness to an important belief held by the Church: that everyone's life has a sacred purpose, and that we can call on the strength that God gives us to help us fulfil it.

Most people will not become a king or queen, but it can, nevertheless, be encouraging to know that every vocation, every purpose which we are given is important, and valued. As we celebrate the remarkable way in which the Queen has fulfilled hers for these past seventy years, it's an excellent opportunity for each of us to reflect on what we have been called to do, and to rededicate ourselves wholeheartedly to it.

Rev'd/Fr Alex

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CHURCH WARDEN'S THOUGHT FOR THE MONTH!

On my way to church this morning I was listening to Radio 4. This is my favourite radio station, even though I can be found quite often shouting at the interviewers or interviewees on the Today programme!

This morning the drive to church was a short five minutes and so I started listening to a programme already in the middle and, of course, there was no chance I would hear it to the end. But the part I did hear made me stop and seriously consider a few things.

There were a couple of journalists talking about their lack of faith and what had caused this. One of them, John Humphries, said that he had been the first journalist on the scene at the Aberfan disaster in 1966 when a whole school had been engulfed by a landslide and over 100 children and their teachers had been killed. He said that after seeing this he could not reason why a 'loving' God could allow such a thing to happen. Since then he has not been able to maintain any faith.

Considering recent situations in the world, it is perhaps a thought that we might all have had – how so many people could die from a worldwide pandemic, and how so many innocent people could be killed by a war in their country. And where in this is the God that we have all been told is loving and nurturing?

As you will have read in last month's magazine, we recently held a Lent Group. Hilary described it perfectly when she said we are all seekers. So no, I don't have the answer to the question of why a God could stand by and watch when innocent people are losing their lives, or why there is so much evil and hate in our world today, but I do think it is an important topic that we should not shy away from. And it is one that we as the church locally should be discussing and learning from each other.

Perhaps there are issues that you find difficult to reconcile with what you know about the church or that you just want to find out more about the teachings we listen to and try to understand. If this has given you cause to think why not come and join us and try to find answers to your questions? With this thought I am saying farewell, as by the time you read this I will have stood down as one of the churchwardens. I have been indebted to all the members of the church and community for the support they have given me over the past four years. I hope that everyone will continue to support Hilary as she carries on looking after the church and its people.

Dawn Wilson

Services on Sundays and Principal Holy Days

Sunday 5 June – Pentecost

10am Benefice Communion Service – Great Bardfield

Sunday 12 June – Trinity Sunday

8am Holy Communion (traditional language) – Shalford

followed by breakfast

9.30am Sung Eucharist – Little Bardfield

10.30am Morning Service –

Finchingfield

11am Family Service – Wethersfield

5pm Sung Evensong – Shalford

Thursday 16 June – Corpus Christi

10.30am Sung Eucharist & Benediction – Little Bardfield

Sunday 19 June – Trinity 1

8am Holy Communion (traditional language) – Wethersfield

9.30am Morning Service – Shalford

10.30am Sung Eucharist – Great Bardfield

10.30am Morning Service –

Finchingfield

5pm Healing Service – Cornish Hall End

Sunday 26 June – Trinity 2

8am Holy Communion (traditional language) – Great Bardfield

9.30am Mattins (traditional language) – Shalford

10.30am Morning Service –

Finchingfield

11am Family Communion Service –

Wethersfield

Platinum Jubilee Celebration Services

Thursday 2 June

10.30am – Little Bardfield

7.30pm – Finchingfield

Saturday 4 June

2pm – Great Bardfield

Sunday 5 June

12noon – Wethersfield (on the green)

4pm – Cornish Hall End

6pm – Shalford

Regular Services and Events during the week

Monday

8.30am Morning Prayer – Finchingfield

Tuesday

8.45am Morning Prayer – Great Bardfield

Thursday

8.45am Morning Prayer – Wethersfield

10am Prayer Group (1st, 3rd & 5th weeks)

Coffee Morning (2nd & 4th weeks) – Shalford

10.30am Eucharist – Little Bardfield

Friday

8.45am Morning Prayer – Shalford

Other Services and Events

Thursday 16 June

10am Coffee Morning – Cornish Hall End

Saturday 18 June

10am Children's Church – Wethersfield

11am Coffee Morning – Wethersfield

Sunday 26 June

3pm Youth Group (age 10+) – details TBC, please contact Sarah Pilgrim

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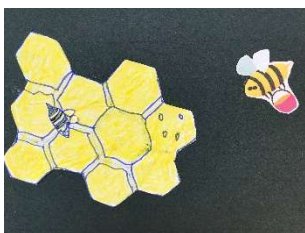
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Stained glass has been with us for over a thousand years, traditionally used in windows of places of worship. The Hundred Parishes has some beautiful memorial windows, mostly from the 19th and early-20th centuries, but I would like to briefly describe a few examples that are more recent.

The Parish Church of St. Andrew in Much Hadham has a window on the west wall of the tower based on an etching by the renowned sculptor, Henry Moore. The window, depicting the Tree of Life, was created by Patrick Reyntiens and celebrates the joint use of the church by Church of England and Roman Catholic congregations.



Much Hadham



Little Easton

Another window dedicated to American airmen can be found in St. Georges, Anstey. The Millennium Window records the names of all the men of 398th Bomb Group who died in WWII, etched onto butterflies.

In Broxted, 13th-century St. Mary's church has two modern stained-glass windows, the Hostage Windows. They were installed following the release in 1991 of three men: Terry Waite, Brian Keenan and local man John McCarthy. All had been held hostage in Lebanon for five years. One window is called the Window of Captivity and the other the Window of Freedom. They were designed by John Clarke and replaced two Victorian windows.



Anstey



Broxted

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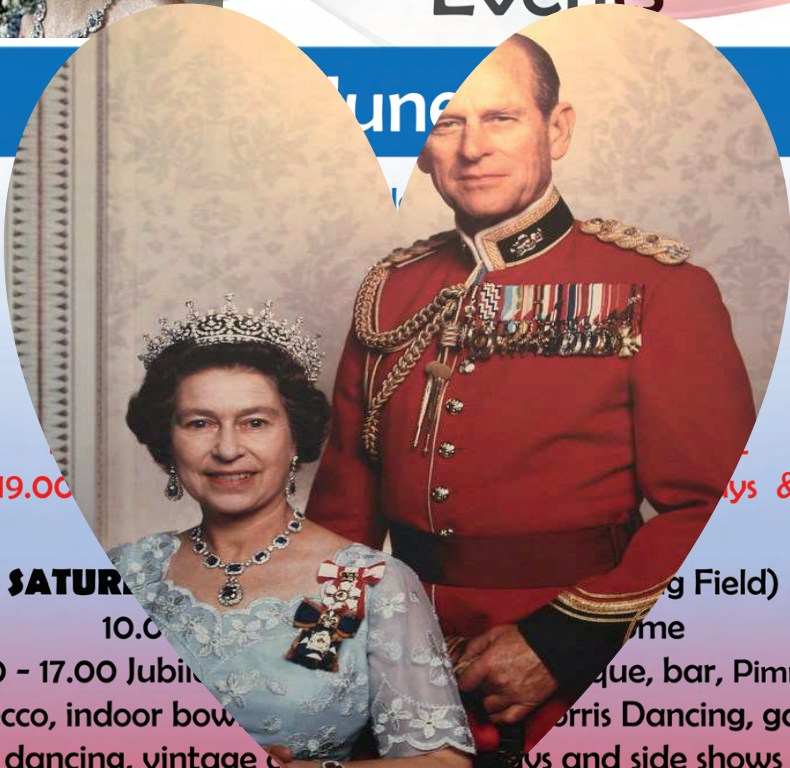
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10.00 - 12.00 Jubilee Lunch

13.00 - 17.00 Jubilee Lunch, music, bar, Pimms & Prosecco, indoor bowls, Morris Dancing, games, dancing, vintage cars, stalls, games and side shows

SUNDAY 5 JUNE (Shalford Field & Shalford Church)

12.30 Big Jubilee Lunch & rounders tournament - bring your



There will be other activities throughout the day. For more information, please visit the Shalford Queen's Facebook page or contact the Shalford Parish Council.

