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I will be in touch with everyone who leaves butterflies for me, and will let you know via Outwood News who was most successful.





OUTWOOD VILLAGE SHOW / MARKET

Being optimistic, we are preparing to put on the show again this year.

I started by getting a clapping group together to start off with as we were all outside my house and various people have been contacted to help.

If you want to muck in and help give me a call on 843661.

I'm aiming to repeat last year's type of show which could, if necessary, be run as a market legally as the village hall has been closed with no income but still with bills to pay.

There will be organisations from last year who have their own problems finance wise so I think it's important to include them again - like the Legion and Hospice etc.

> Many thanks David Crittell

CHURCH NEWS

Rector's Ramblings

I wonder how your experience of lockdown has been? For many people it has meant embracing technology more closely – it certainly has for me, both with my work and with keeping in touch with my children and grandson. I'm in front of a screen quite a bit these days and I'm also finding myself on screen as well – being filmed is something that I've had to get a lot more used to recently. This has included the online services that we have produced since Mothering Sunday (and doesn't that seem an age ago now?), my online assemblies for Burstow Primary School and last but not least (!) in the film my wife



Judith and I made of *Chicken Licken* for our grandson as we weren't able to see him in person – she filmed and I acted out all the parts!

Chicken Licken is one of my grandson's favourite stories. I hadn't realised until recently that it has a long history as a folk tale going back over a hundred years – being known also as *Henny Penny* or in America as *Chicken Little*. The story is basically about a chick who is panicked into thinking that the sky is falling in because an acorn lands on his head!

It just so happens that an acorn figured in my latest online assembly for Burstow School but it is only in writing this letter that I have made the connection between the story of *Chicken Licken* and the assembly. My online assemblies have been filmed in my front garden, partly because the school can be seen in the background which seems appropriate, but also because I have been talking about the natural world and how I have felt more connected to it during lockdown. In my latest assembly (see link below) I filmed my vegetable patch, as a way of 'earthing' my talk, as it were, and panned round to show the spot where an old oak used to stand, ending up by the new oak tree planted when the old one was cut down. I said how oak trees came from acorns and that the old oak tree was why where I live is called The Acorns. I went on to say how amazing it is that something so big can come from something so small and linked the acorn I was holding in my hand with the vision that the nun Mother Julian of Norwich had 600 years ago of 'a little thing, the size of a hazelnut' in the palm of her hand. As she looked at it she wondered what it might be and heard God say to her: 'It is all that is made'. It was as though she saw the whole world in her hand.

Seeing the earth as something very small reminds me of how astronauts have described seeing it from space. There have been over 550 people in space since Yuri Gagarin, back in 1961. There are five out there now in the International Space Station which has been very visible recently as it has passed overhead, shining in the night sky. One of the earlier astronauts, James Irwin, the pilot of Apollo 15, said this about the view from space:

CHURCH NEWS

The Earth reminded us of a Christmas tree ornament hanging in the blackness of space. As we got farther and farther away it diminished in size.

Finally it shrank to the size of a marble, the most beautiful marble you can imagine. That beautiful, warm, living object looked so fragile, so delicate, that if you touched it with a finger it would crumble and fall apart. Seeing this has to change a man, has to make a man appreciate the creation of God and the love of God.

A twentieth-century astronaut having the same vision as a fourteenth-century nun!

Writing about her vision, Julian of Norwich said:

In this Little Thing I saw three truths. The first is that God made it, the second is that God loves it, the third, that God keeps it.

And we all need to play our part in keeping it too. Speaking for myself and listening to others, I think that not only has lockdown meant that we have embraced technology more closely, it has also enabled us to more fully appreciate the beauty of nature and the variety of our wildlife. Last month I wrote in my letter about how lovely it would be if, in the midst of all the sadness and suffering COVID-19 has brought, it also taught us what it means to be kind. This month I'd like to say how lovely it would be it if also helped us to appreciate just how beautiful and how fragile our amazing planet is:

That beautiful, warm, living object looked so fragile, so delicate, that if you touched it with a finger it would crumble and fall apart. Seeing this has to change a man, has to make a man appreciate the creation of God and the love of God.

With love and prayers

Nicholas

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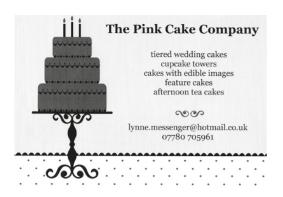
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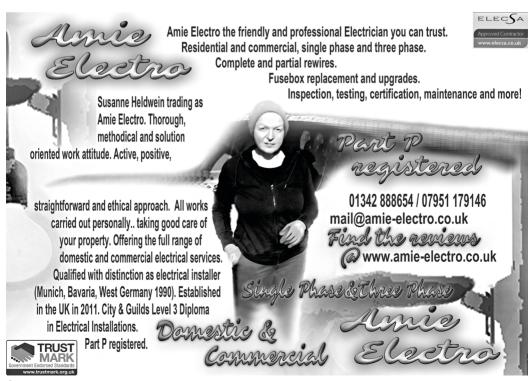
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JUNE - A little ode to W I





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The exchange of news on what we're at.

Knitting blankets, toys & hats Keep me sane, with just my cat To chat to on my lonely days, He's never had such love & praise!

I've cleaned my home from top to toe, Good enough to go on show, The washing's done, the ironing too-Not a thing I normally do!

The planes are quiet, the skies are blue, I really can't think what to do. No holidays to dream or plan so, Better grab that watering can!

My garden looks a real treat,
Despite no rain & lots of heat.
I walk & garden quite a lot
Except of course when it is hot.

But when all is done it must be said
We can only look ahead
To days when we can meet again
Before we all become insane!

I miss you all so very much.
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NATURE WATCH

There are patches of their white flowers alongside village lanes and pathways, a complete field on Burstow Park Farm containing many thousands of these single, white blooms with deep yellow, central discs, and the churchyard around St John's is just a picture. The very wet start to the year followed by the very warm and dry two month period up until the middle of May seems to have suited them and wild flowers generally. The consequence has been more insects such as moths, butterflies, wasps, bees, damsel and dragon flies and the not to be forgotten aphids - the gardener's enemy but such a vital source of food for so many of our song bird chicks.

Ox-eye daisies (*Chrysanthemum leucanthemum*) are native across Europe and western Asia, are typical grassland perennials and produce a very heavy pollen crop. As a not to be missed wild flower they have many local names such as moon or dog daisies and some of the old country names include horse blobs in Dorset, horse pennies in Scotland and fried eggs in Devon. The churchyard has been swathed with a scarf of daisies, which seemed to be wrapped around the church itself, and they were intermingled with a few early



purple orchids; the purplish, lavender flowers of ground ivy; the yellow, strawberry like flowers of creeping cinquefoil and both field and creeping buttercups. I sat for a moment to drink in this snapshot of nature, and it occurred to me that plants, just like people, are gregarious, they like to gather together. There are mutual benefits. The swopping of assets such as pollen as a food in exchange for pollination; the root interchange of nutrients with fungi; tree fruits as food for animals and birds, or the symbiotic relationship between algae and fungus that gives rise to lichens. These comparisons between us and the rest of the natural environment become even more obvious when set against the background of the current pandemic situation, the lockdown and the difficulties of communication and loss of camaraderie. This need to work together, a live and let live approach and interdependency are basic requirements in nature. We are all simply cogs in the great circle of the natural world.

After the long, dry and very warm period up to early June, temperatures dropped for a few days and in came the rain, which in turn gave a boost to plant growth. Hay meadows, farm and garden crops put on a long awaited spurt of growth. By the middle of June the wild roses were in flower, with the white flowers of the low growing field rose (*Rosa arvensis*) dotted through hedges, and the delicate, pale pink flowers of the dog rose (*Rosa canina*) with its hooked thorns rambling through taller shrubs and up into trees. Field boundaries and hedgerows were lined with fresh bramble growth, which was packed with clusters of white flowers promising a bumper harvest. The fields have been carpeted with the low growing Black medic (*Medicago lupilina*) with its small rounded balls of yellow flowers and the deep crimson/cyclamen coloured flowers of the delicate grass vetchling, aka Crimson shoe or slipper, peeping out amongst the longer grasses.

Reports this month include one from Sally Charman and another from Yvonne Johnson who sighted a red kite flying over the fields down towards the Dog & Duck and some interesting sightings of unusual moths from Sylvia Maiklem, but more of them next month.

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OUTWOOD PARISH COUNCIL

JUNE MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

Tandridge District Councillor Harry Fitzgerald continues to investigate the byway that appears to have been closed.

Following the frequent **fly-tipping in Wasp Green Lane** the installation of CCTV will be investigated.

Cllr Fitzgerald was thanked for his efforts with visiting the vulnerable residents.

MUGA/Wells Field

Cllr Nick Wyer has acquired further quotes for the grass cutting of the Wells field and we have agreed, in principal, that the grass will be regularly cut, using appropriate equipment, by a local resident at a competitive price.

Following the accident on Scotts

Hill we discussed the suggestion that the bottom section be designated as an accident black spot so the speed limit might be reduced.

The Outwood Village Show in September is in preparation. For more information see elsewhere in this issue

The Dog & Duck have agreed to have a **defibrillator** and we will be looking into sourcing the funds for it

Community Matters – The sale and potential changes to the Castle Pub were

Neighbourhood Watch

Homewatch, after six years, have finally officially recognised Outwood Neighbourhood watch. There has been a spate of thefts of catalytic converters in the area. There are also COVID track and trace scams to be aware of.

Aviation & Transport

Ian Frow advised us, Gatwick will be reopening from 6am-10pm and will be operating just European flights. Route 4 has gone back to the 2012 route which is defined by aids that no-longer exist so there's likely to be a bit of scattering of routes which will benefit all. The conversion of the taxiway to a runway doesn't need planning permission so they can go ahead and progress that.

Speedwatch hopes to be allowed to start operating again soon

discussed. There has been a suggestion that the Castle might be converted into a home. Local resident, Patrick Jenn brought the matter to the Parish Council. Please see elsewhere in this Outwood News for further information.

Next Virtual Meeting: Tuesday 1st July at 8pm ALL RESIDENTS ARE INVITED TO JOIN THIS MEETING

For more detailed meeting reports and any current planning applications please visit the website at **www.outwood.org** and click on Parish Council.

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We aim to send out an email with more details over the coming weeks.

If you are not currently on our event's email list but would like to be included please contact Caroline Durance at steatherinesburstowfrg@gmail.com

Thank you for your support and understanding..

OUTWOOD NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH



JUNE REPORT

I have been the village's Neighbourhood Watch Coordinator for a number of years now and the time has come to step down from this role. Therefore, I'm looking for someone to take over the role. I think Neighbourhood Watch is a valuable information tool for communities like ours, to counter crime and antisocial behaviour. The role of coordinator is rewarding and interesting but not onerous.

If you're interested or would like more information, please get in touch.

Some people are receiving fake text messages claiming they've been in contact with someone who's tested positive for COVID-19.

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THE FUTURE OF 'THE CASTLE' HAVE YOUR SAY!

As villagers will be aware, The Castle Inn is currently closed, boarded up and fenced off, and looks in a rather sorry state.

After unexpectedly closing in 2019, it was subsequently purchased earler this year and has now been put on the market again as a pub for purchase or leasing.

A planning application (reference 2020/829) has also been submitted to Tandridge District Council for a change of use of the pub to a residential dwelling. (Comments on this application can be made up to 9th July 2020). The Castle is therefore at serious risk of permanent closure and/or redevelopment for housing (one now and possibly more in future), so this is YOUR chance to air your views on its future.

The earliest record of The Castle is from 1867, according to the Outwood Local History Society. Therefore, for at least 150 years, it has been an essential and integral part of the fabric, life and community of Outwood. As many villagers will be aware, The Castle is known as 'the hidden pub of Outwood' and until its recent closure (and especially in its heyday a few years ago) was a friendly, welcoming pub/restaurant with a strong local community feel.

In view of its uncertain future, the Parish Council has agreed to nominate The Castle as an Asset of Community Value (ACV). This means that if this nomination is approved by Tandridge District Council (TDC) and The Castle is granted ACV status, it will have some protections. For example:

- ACV registration is a material planning consideration which would give TDC additional reasons to reject any proposal involving loss of the pub.
- ACV status gives the community the opportunity to bid for the pub if it is sold or leased for 25 years or more.
- ACV gives TDC powers of compulsory purchase if the community use of the asset is in danger of being lost.

ACV status is valid for five years and can be renewed.

Much of the appeal of our village rests on its sense of community. It is the reason many people have moved here and remain here. The continuing presence of The Castle (as well as the two other pubs in the village) greatly enhances that community spirit.

However, it is important that all views are taken into account on its future and, in order to canvass as many villagers' opinions as possible, you are invited to complete an online questionnaire which can be accessed via the link below.

We need to know your views on its future, what might be provided, and what would receive your support. Your responses will be treated in confidence, and the questionnaire is entirely anonymous, unless you wish to add your name at the end.

The survey has the full backing and support of the Parish Council.

The results of this survey will be published in a future edition of Outwood News and, depending on the level of interest and views expressed, a public meeting may be held to discuss the results in more detail and what they mean for the future of The Castle.

To complete the online survey, please use the following link: https://forms.gle/qMnzwwnQBtes63HZA

(If you do not have access to the internet, or would prefer to complete the survey in printed form, or have other accessibility issues, please telephone Patrick on 01342 842687 (or email pjenn36203@aol.com) and a hard copy can be delivered to you for completion. You can also print off the questionnaire and complete it by hand for collection or send/hand deliver your completed responses to: Wildwood, 3 Millers Copse, Millers Lane, Outwood RH1 5QB.

Please note that the closing date for completion of the survey is 31st July.

Thank you in advance and we look forward to your responses!



OUTWOOD CRICKET CLUB

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The gradual relaxation around the COVID-19 regulations has allowed the club to erect its permanent nets and expand organised training to slightly larger groups - albeit ensuring personal distancing is maintained and with strict rules regarding handling of equipment in place.

The ECB has published a five step roadmap for club cricket to restart competitive matches. We are at step 3 allowing managed training. Step four is permission to start 'adapted gameplay' and five is resumption of cricket with no restrictions. There are no dates as yet for steps four and five.

In the meantime we are keeping the club prepared to ensure we can restart as soon as we get the go ahead, and we are exploring plans to re-open our Youth Academy within the current guidelines.

Please follow us on our website for up-to-date announcements of progress towards a resumption of our summer game; outwoodcricket.club



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