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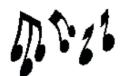
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CHURCH NEWS

Rector's Ramblings

I always think May is a lovely month. It feels like the first time in the year when I can really begin to get my vegetable seedlings and plants into the ground. I couldn't resist buying a load of plants when they first appeared in the garden centre and planted some out on the warm Easter weekend - I have some beetroot and chard seedlings in already, along with some broad beans. But there's not been much warmth since then and I've lovingly tucked up my outside seedlings with fleece and sacking each night to protect them from some of the pretty hard frosts we've been having. Most of my plants are still in pots and I have put them out each morning and brought in at night – with a notice stuck on a



kitchen cupboard saying FROST in large letters lest I forget to bring them in! (though I will keep a careful eye on the weather forecast - we can still get frosts in May).

So for me May is the first proper getting outside in the garden month of the year and as a getting outside month it's appropriate that this year we shall be having a couple of special services outside, along the lines of the one we had in Horne churchyard on Easter day.

The first of these will be on Ascension Day, always 40 days after Easter and therefore always on a Thursday. This year it is on Thursday 13th May. Ascension has always been one of my favourite feasts in the church's year - something that goes back to childhood memories, I think. Ascension Day was one of the days I would climb the ladders on the inside of the church tower with my father to hoist the flag of St George and then, somewhat unusually for me as a boy, go off to church on a weekday evening. My memory of Ascension Day evenings is both that the weather was always nice (but for me childhood memories are probable somewhat selective – summers were always long and hot and winters were always cold and snowy!) and also that I could smell the May blossom wafting into the church on the type of spring evening that I always associate with the day. Those are outside memories but celebrating Ascension outside also seems appropriate as the Bible describes that event as taking place outside at Bethany, on the top of the Mount of Olives and a cloud hiding Jesus from his disciples' sight. Let's hope it's a nice evening this year and if there are clouds they're not full of rain!

CHURCH NEWS

Our other outside service will be on Trinity Sunday, which is always the third Sunday after Ascension Day so this year is on Sunday 30th May. Again it is an appropriate time to have an outside service, especially if we look to the Celtic roots of Christianity in this country. Some of the earliest Christians in this country were Celts and they had a deep awareness of the interwoven nature of God, creation and humanity and their prayers and blessings as well as their artwork (intricate interwoven knots and patterns) reflected both the threefold nature of God as Trinity and God's presence in the natural world.

I'll leave you with a modern Celtic prayer from David Adam's book, The edge of Glory, prayers in the celtic tradition, not only as an example of this but also as something you might like to use yourself:

The Trinity, protecting me, The Father be over me,
The Saviour be under me, The Spirit be about me,
The Holy Three, defending me.
As evening comes, bless my home,
Holy Three, watching me;
As shadows fall, hear my call,
Sacred Three, encircle me, so it may be;
Amen to thee, Holy Three about me.

With love and prayers

Nicholas

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(and those Outwoodians who are hopefully about to join).

We are now gearing up for the reopening of our programme for the remainder of 2021, always subject, of course, to Government rules and guidelines.

Amongst activities planned:

Tea in the Glorious Garden at The Old Farmhouse on 1st August at the very kind invitation of Grant and Di Macdonald

There will be an ORBL stand at the Village Show on 4th September
A Poppy Lunch in Lloyd Hall after the Church Service on
Remembrance Sunday, 14th November



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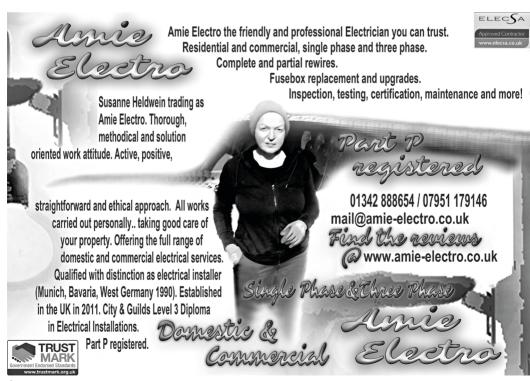
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OUTWOOD WI

LOCKDOWN REPORT



At the time of writing we are still in lockdown number 3 but the daffodils are blooming, the sun is shining, and once again we are allowed to mix outdoors with small groups of family and friends. Hope is indeed in the air.

Throughout this past year our WI group committee have continued to strive to be in touch with all our members. To replace our monthly meetings we have organised Zoom activities and we have sent regular updates by e mail and post so that all our ladies have been aware of the options for activities still open to us, despite government restrictions. Some of our clubs (such as the play reading group led by Barbara) have continued to enjoy virtual meetings every month and we have developed a new online group (led by Liz, Marcia and Jackie) who design weekly quizzes as well as organising the odd game of bingo!

We love a crafting project so, when one of our longstanding members Joan Hall suggested we could give a local post box a spring make-over, we rose to the challenge and created a brightly decorated top to make people smile as they pass on their daily exercise. We would like to dedicate our work to the many key workers whose role this year has been invaluable.

So it is onward and upward as we follow Boris's road map to plan future garden meeting and celebration activities for what is our centenary year. It will be wonderful to meet again in the Lloyd Hall as a group – we can't wait!



Elizabeth Dyke



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NATURE WATCH

s I write the whole of nature is enjoying a spring rush, just like the crowds flocking to the shops, pubs and restaurants as the Covid-19 lockdown started to ease. For the natural world the catalyst has been more sun, and for the population, a large chunk of freedom and a move towards normality. However, the mallard ducks I mentioned last month have continued to focus their attention on the one hen bird which now has five drakes regularly waddling along the ridge tiles of a neighbouring house in pursuit. Mid March I saw my first dandelion in bloom and within four weeks the field is now dotted with golden discs well in advance of St Georges Day on 23rd April - the traditional time for making dandelion wine.

The dandelion (*Taraxacum officinale*) is a very attractive flower and if it wasn't for its propensity to self-seed and grow almost anywhere, like many other wild flowers, it would make a good garden plant. The flowers provide a great source of pollen for bees, moths and other insects and the young leaves make a spicy addition to a salad alongside the leaves of the wild onion aka Ramsons, which can be found in secluded, damp areas.



After what seemed like months of endless rain the weather, at the end of March it became distinctly spring-like with dry, sunny and warm conditions. But, by early April, the wind direction changed to northerlies, bringing cool days and night frosts with the resulting damage to leaves and flowers - one night -4°C turned a large magnolia in the garden from a frothing fountain of pink flowers to a brown disaster. These frosty conditions, coupled with wind chill have continued for nearly three weeks and, in mid April, show little sign of ending Meanwhile, more wild flowers continue to appear, some in large patches along Prince of Wales Road including white deadnettle, dandelions, the delicate pink of ladies smock and, the glistening, yellow stars of lesser celandine. Also, tucked away in protected corners can be spied the odd lavender-blue horned violet and the blue/purple flowers of ground ivy (Glecoma hederacea), which, before the introduction of hops, was used to add bitterness to beer. At the end of March I spotted my first butterflies of the year - a pair of peacocks - and then, in the first week of April, an orange-tip butterfly that skittered across the garden somewhat in advance of the flowering of its host plant garlic mustard (Alliaria petiolata), which is yet another wayside herb that, when picked young, can add a fillip to a salad. As soon as the large ash trees we can see from the kitchen window began to leaf, a group of woodpigeons, never ones to miss tender green-stuff, started to arrive around 7pm to feed off the shoots and stayed until the light began to fade before setting off to their night-time roost.

Out across the fields in mid April, as I made my way down towards Dayseys Hill, a few pairs of small birds sprang out of the grass ahead and within seconds they started their distinctive upward fluttering flight - they were of course skylarks. The skylark (*Alandra arvensis*) is about 15cms in length with light brown markings above and creamy tan under and is known for its wonderful melodious flight song which begins in March. They tend to move their habitats south for winter and return to their breeding grounds in March. The RSPB estimate that there has been a 50% reduction in population since the 1990's.



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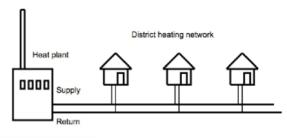
Sustainable Outwood Feasibility Study

What is a community district heating scheme?

A district heating scheme or heat network comprises a network of insulated pipes used to deliver heat from an energy centre to an end user. This is an efficient way to supply heat from one source to multiple users, such as houses.

Why now and why here?

Outwood parish relies on heating oil and LPG for both space heating and hot water. The feasibility study currently underway is exploring and assessing renewable energy systems



for heat provision that would benefit Outwood residents.

Example Energy Centre



The benefits

A move to renewable energy will protect the community from future price volatility in oil and contribute to the UK's carbon emission reduction targets. We are working with other forward-thinking community groups and Surrey County Council who are interested in the necessary move to greener alternatives. Our MP is supporting the project.

How can you be involved?

- Complete our Energy Questionnaire
 www.sustainableoutwood.org/survey
 (participants entered into an M&S voucher draw)
- Attend our Virtual Public Meeting on Tuesday JUNE 15th at 7.30pm Login details to follow



Scan here to access the survey

- Join the Sustainable Outwood Facebook group to stay up to date
- > Email Outwood@avieco.com with questions/comments

ROGER MESSENGER RIP

Stoneman Funeral Service would like to apologise to the family and friends of The Late Mr Roger Messenger.

Lynne Messenger gave a detailed route so that friends and neighbours could pay their respects.

Unfortunately, the hearse arrived early and as such denied many neighbours the privilege of witnessing Mr Messenger's final journey through Outwood village.



ROGER

Just a few words to thank everyone in Outwood for their continued and overwhelming support following recent events.

Roger and I moved to Outwood in 1991. At the time my mother said we'd never survive in a village environment having historically lived in towns and built up areas. How wrong she was.

Stay safe and well.

Lynne



OUTWOOD PARISH COUNCIL

APRIL MEETING

Parish Council proposal for a Natural Trim Trail for Outwood Common

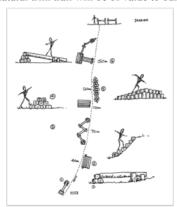


If any of you have visited Box Hill in the last few years you will probably have seen their imaginative natural play trail and maybe enjoyed trying it out yourselves. Play trails are not just for kids however, their imaginative layouts are designed to bring out the child in people of all ages.

Outwood Parish Council together with the National Trust and a new venture by Andy Wright of Conservation and Access are hoping to install some similar structures along the all-weather path between the butchers and the church.

Our ambition is to improve people's health through the promotion of an active lifestyle and an enhanced connection with nature. We hope that a natural trim trail will be of value to our local community and to our visitors.

The pieces will be created from natural round wood durable timbers. Timbers will not be machined or milled, meaning that they will blend into their surrounding on Outwood Common. They will sit on the woodland floor rather than being dug in and without the use of concrete. In time they will become a habitat in their own right as insects and fungi claim them.



The Parish Council has begun some fund raising and have already been granted £2400 towards the cost of the project from our County Councillor's Members' Allocation and also from Tandridge Together Community fund. We hope you find this project inspiring and we would welcome your views. Please let us know what you think by emailing

Jane Howard Chair Outwood Parish Council janeweston899@btinternet.com

Lower speed limits in rural areas across the south of Surrey

As part of Surrey County Council's commitment to setting sensible and effective speed limits, an investment of £100,000 is being made by Surrey Police through the Drive SMART Surrey Safer Roads Partnership to implement lower speed limits in rural areas across the south of Surrey. Successful speed management will support the council's goals of improving road safety, supporting active travel and reducing air and noise pollution on our rural roads.

Survey on traffic speed and risk on rural roads in Surrey

As part of the rural speed limit project Surrey County Council are seeking the views of Surrey residents on speed and risk on rural roads (single carriageway in a non-built-up area). Please use this link to complete the survey: https://www.smartsurvey.co.uk/s/ZGXNTX/

Next meeting. Tuesday 4^{th} May 2021 8pm by Zoom. Please contact the Parish Clerk if you wish to attend. All residents are welcome.

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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Meetings are held each month except August and December

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COMMUNITY SPEEDWATCH

I hope that by the time you read

this, we will have resumed our Speedwatch activity.
Surrey Police have made minor modifications to their operating instructions to ensure Covid safety for the volunteers who are willing and/or able to continue monitoring sessions.

A gradual resumption is planned and, as I said last month, initially we will be on the main (busier) roads to asess traffic volumes.

KNOW YOUR LIMITS ...

Nigel Shaw

St John the Baptist, Outwood Services in May

Please note that social distancing measures remain in place, masks must be worn and singing is not yet allowed inside the church

Sunday 2 May

11 am Holy Communion

Sunday 9 May

11 am A recorded service of Morning Worship

Ascension Day, Thursday 13 May

7 pm A benefice service of Holy Communion in the churchyard of St Mary's, Horne

Sunday 16 May

11 am Holy Communion

Sunday 23 May

11 am A recorded service of Morning Worship

Trinity Sunday, 30 May

10 am A benefice service of Holy Communion in the churchyard of St Mary's, Horne

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DIARY OF EVENTS

*** Events planned subject to current Government guidance. ***

MAY

Tuesday 4th PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

8.00pm - Zoom Meeting

Saturday 8th OHS ANNUAL PLANT SALE

10.00am - Outwood Common (See page 23)

JUNE

Sunday 6th OHS GARDEN STROLL

TBC (See page 23)

Tuesday 15th SUSTAINABLE OUTWOOD PULIC MEETING

7.30pm - Virtual Meeting (See page 14)

Saturday 19th SCH WEEKLY BRING & BUY STALL STARTS

10.00-12.00 noon - Holly Cottage, Millers Lane (See page 26)

Saturday 26th OHS EARLY SUMMER SHOW

TBC (See page 23)

JULY

Saturday 17th JAZZ NIGHT WITH 'SUSSEX JAZZ KINGS'

7.30 for 8.00pm - Lloyd Hall (See page 3)

Saturdays SCH WEEKLY BRING & BUY STALL

10.00-12.00 - Holly Cottage

OUTWOOD VILLAGE WEBSITE www.outwood.org

The website Diary page, maintained by Outwood News, lists all village events (of which we are aware) taking place up to a year in advance.

Why not take a look to avoid a clash of dates!

OUTWOOD VILLAGE SHOW 2021

Saturday 4th September

Planning for the village show is well in hand, but we would like to start collecting prizes for tombola and raffle stalls.

If you have anything which you would like to donate. please bring things to School House, Millers Lane.

Also, as we are about to lose 100,000,000 Ash trees, it would be a nice idea if, when weeding, you could save tree seedling and grow them on, and perhaps bring them to the show if you don't have anywhere to plant them.

As you will have seen the Trust are already cutting a lot of ash trees down in the village.

On a personal note, if anyone fancies playing boats, Colin and I would like some help from someone fitter to take the boat out in Newhaven.

Nothing to do with the Show!

Regards **David Crittell**843661



So many people have told me how much they miss the Film Club......Well I am happy to announce that we are hoping to start in September, We may have to limit numbers but will try not to disappoint anyone by oganising a booking system.

Watch this space!

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Sunday 6th June - Garden Stroll

Saturday 26th June - Early Summer Show

Saturday 4th September - Summer Show

AGM/Supper - Friday 26th November

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Thank you to everyone for planting, sharing and smiling - we look forward to seeing you!

COMMUNITY FIBRE PARTNERSHIP FOR OUTWOOD RESIDENTS UPDATE

Outwood's Community Fibre Partnership was set-up last November in response to the government's offer of vouchers to help towards the cost of installing faster broadband in rural areas, and 86 local households asked to join the partnership. Openreach advised in February that Outwood would only be served if funding totaling around £350,000 could be raised, but the pledged funding from residents' vouchers fell well short of this figure (at around £180,000). Additionally, the voucher scheme in our area has since been withdrawn by the Department for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport so for now at-least, Fibre to the Property in Outwood will not be going ahead.

Thanks to everyone who expressed an interest. Should another scheme start in the future, I will try to keep you informed.

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NEW HOSPICE UPDATE

As you probably all know, our lovely hospice at Malthouse Road in Crawley is now over 30 years old and showing its age and plans have been drawn up for a new hospice at Pease Pottage. Work on the new building was due to start last summer but, due to the pandemic, was paused - until now. I am pleased to be able to tell you all that plans are now being reviewed and work on Pease Pottage has recommenced; the aim now is to open the new hospice in early 2022.

To support the new build, the Hospice launched a capital appeal in 2019 - aiming to raise £5 million. To date, almost £2 million has been raised, which is a great start - but more needs to be done. The continuing covid restrictions and need for social distancing means that none of St.Catherine's usual large scale fundraising events will be able to take place for the second year running, hitting that bottom line.

If you would like more information about plans for the new Hospice or to donate to the Capital Appeal, you can do so through the web page: www.stch.org.uk/newhospice

As always, the Burstow Support Group will contine to do what it can to raise funds during the year and will bring you details of our events planned over the Summer in the next edition of Outwood News.

Many thanks, Angie Challis

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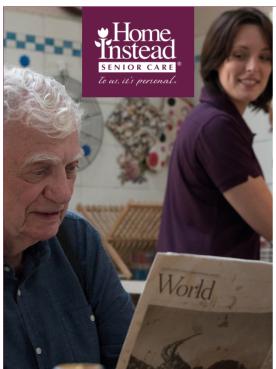
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