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I would like to share the sad news of the recent passing of my
beloved mother, Pat.

She was a kind and generous person, and I feel deeply
grateful for the love, strength, and warmth she brought to
our lives. Some in the community may remember her from
our Open Gardens events, which she greatly enjoyed being
part of and loved running our little gift shop.

On behalf of my family, I'd like to thank everyone for their
kind words and support, it has meant a great deal during
this time, Nic.



ALAN'S AMBLINGS

Dear Friends

Over the last couple of weeks as we have entered September there has been a noticeable change in the weather. The days have become more unsettled and there is a definite nip in the air as we move into the Autumn.



We are very blessed living here in Smallfield, Horne and Outwood to be surrounded by such beautiful countryside. We are reminded each day as we walk or drive along our country lanes of the beauty of the seasons and the changing colours and activities that we see in the natural world around us. I love the colours of Autumn, the changing leaves and brightly coloured berries that fill our woods at this time of the year. The natural world speaks powerfully to me of the God who lies behind it all and brings order and meaning to all that exists in the universe.

The Church marks this time of year as the Season of Creation or Creationtide when we are encouraged to reflect more deeply on the natural world and how we can be better stewards of God's creation. We are increasingly aware of the impact that Climate Change is having on our seasons and the more extreme weather that we are seeing locally and across the world. We need to find better ways of living more sustainably on this earth more in harmony with nature and not continue to destroy so many plants and animals that share this beautiful planet which is our home. As many scientists and conservationists have often reminded us there is no Planet B!

It is also the time of year when we give thanks for the Harvest and remember, in particular, our local farming community and all who work so hard to produce, supply and distribute our food. This year we will be celebrating our Harvest Festivals in each of the three churches and the times of the services are given elsewhere in the magazine. As in previous years, we are encouraging people to bring along donations of tins and non-perishable foods to go to support the local Food Bank in Horley and the work of Open House in Crawley. We look forward to welcoming you along to celebrate Harvest again with us this year as we give thanks to God for all the wonderful gifts he has given us and how these can be shared more with others in need in our community and beyond.

The beginning of October is also the time when we remember Francis of Assisi, the saint who is often associated with Creation and had a great love of all creatures that form part of God's world.

CHURCH NEWS

I am a Franciscan and try to follow the example of St Francis who points us to the way of Christ so powerfully in his life and teachings.

The theme of caring for the environment was central to the teachings of St Francis and his wisdom and example of simple living have so much to teach us today in this time of environmental crisis when our world seems so much out of balance.

I end with some words of a well-known hymn by St Francis called 'The Cantic of the Sun' that express so well his belief that all of nature working together in harmony gives praise to God who is Creator of all.

*All creatures of our God and King,
Lift up your voice and with us sing
Alleluia, alleluia!*

*Thou burning sun with golden beam,
Thou silver moon with softer gleam,
O praise him, O praise him,
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.*

*Thou rushing winds that art so strong,
Ye clouds that sail in Heav'n along,
O praise him, alleluia!
Thou rising morn, in praise rejoice,
Ye lights of evening, find a voice.
O praise him, O praise him,
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.*

*Let all things their creator bless,
And worship him in humbleness,
O praise him, alleluia!
Praise, praise the Father, praise the Son,
And praise the Spirit, Three in One:
O praise him, O praise him,
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.*

Every Blessing.
Alan

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FESTIVE FIRS IS BACK!

We have had a festival of decorated trees in Outwood Church every two years for some time now, and plan to organise it for **6th/7th December** this year.

The idea is that individuals or village organisations think of a pretty or witty way to decorate a tree, often with a pun in the title.

We usually have about twenty decorated trees for all to see, festive refreshments available and a visit from Father Christmas on the Saturday.

Trees are five foot, non-drop, and are available to buy at the end of the festival.

Please start thinking, and contact me for further information or to book a tree to decorate.

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All proceeds to St.John's Church, Outwood

SEPTEMBER 2025

The Outwood Show took place on the last Sunday of August and, despite rain showers, it was well attended and proved to be a happy and successful event. The show committee had worked hard to ensure that there were plenty of entries for exhibition as well as stalls to entertain and represent local interests. Our WI members made a fantastic contribution: everywhere you looked we were manning stalls, taking money at the door, selling raffle tickets. Sarah and her team ran a well-stocked tombola stall which had many repeat customers! All the cakes for afternoon teas were provided by our members and over £400 were taken on teas alone. Inside the hall several of our ladies had submitted entries for the vegetable, fruit, baking and craft categories, with many prizes awarded; the overall craft prize was won by Pam Shaw, while other prizes went to Sylvia Maiklem for woodwork and Sue McIntosh for her vegetables.



The appealing WI tombola stall was a great hit with visitors.



Dame Judi Dench enjoys the Outwood Show.

This month our meeting was a really magical one! Our visiting speaker was Robin Maddy, a long time member of the Magic Circle. His colourful slide show took us on an entertaining journey through many tricks as they were performed by famous illusionists of the old music hall: ladies floating in mid-air; ladies sawn in half; the Indian rope trick; brave magicians catching bullets and, of course, escapology marvels as performed by Harry Houdini.

Robin also treated us to some live tricks with conjoined rings, rope that changed its length and disappearing patterns on plates. Warm applause reflected our appreciation of his spell-binding presentation.

Robin Maddy shows us three different pieces of rope which magically changed length! Even close up, we couldn't see how he did it!



Our next meeting on October 7th will be about something we all find it easy to make disappear CAKE! Kate McBain will be telling us about her life long experiences in the food industry.

Elizabeth Dyke

CHURCH NEWS

St. JOHNS' CHURCH ORGAN

Our Parish Church of St.Johns was built in 1869 and soon after, an organ was installed. The organ now after 150 years needs to be repaired and at present is not in use. This means we are unable to use it for Weddings ,Funerals, Baptisms and Carol Services to which all the,village can attend. The repairs will cost about £7000 and we as a Parochial Church Council are asking the village to help in achieving this amount so that we as a village and a parish can once again enjoy the sound that only a church organ can produce.

If you are able to help with a donation will you please send it to "St.John the Baptist PCC Outwood " c/o Rosie Yeldham, 9, Little Collins Outwood RH1

Rev. Alan Bayes Rector & Nick Case-Green Church warden



VOLUNTEER WORK PARTY CLEANING THE CHURCH.

**A team of volunteers recently
gave the church a thorough
'Autumn' clean!**

CAROL SERVICE

Autumn is upon us and soon we will be starting practices for the
St John's Church Carol Service!

If you would be interested in joining our group of merry singers
you would be very welcome.

No singing experience needed, just a love of Christmas.

We rehearse on a few Wednesday evenings in late October
and November for about an hour and for 40 mins
before services on a Sunday from 10am in November.

If you would like to be involved, please contact Emma Denny on
willowdenny@aol.com

NATURE WATCH

ODE TO AUTUMN

By John Keats

*Season of mists and mellow fruitfulness
Close bosom friend of the maturing sun
Conspiring with him how to load and bless
With fruit the vines that round the thatch eaves run.*

These first few lines of this beautiful poem, written on 19 September 1819, paint such a gloriously descriptive picture of autumn, probably never bettered. In just three verses John Keats describes autumn in such a lyrical and romantic way, capturing the essence of the season in each of its phases from the ripening of fruit and grain with golden stubble fields, to the pressing of cider, the cheerful whistling call of the robin redbreast and the gathering, before departure, of swallows. Returning home, after taking Tess for her walk, it was such a joy to read this poem, probably for the first time in some years. It so completely describes the scene of a typical sunny, autumn day, you can almost taste the stillness. Although stillness is not something we have seen much of over the last few weeks because, just like so much of our weather this year, many autumn days have been accompanied by strong, often gusty, winds. The result has been broken tree branches, fallen trees, particularly ash trees weakened by die-back, wind-fall fruit before ripening and garden flowers such as Michaelmas daisies and dahlias being blown over.

After the rain broke the drought in late July it didn't last long, but in many places, it was just in time to plump-up the blackberries, some bushes were almost overfull. Alongside Church Walk they were so good I decided to pick some for a pie but where to put them. I fished my cap out of the basket on my scooter and very quickly filled it, fortunately not leaving much of a stain when it dried - I remembered to take a plastic jug the following day but it was just another week before as we used to say when I was young "they've got the devil's spit on them" – not worth eating.

As Keats had written, fruit was ripening everywhere and the plants seem to have responded to the drought with a survival mechanism of producing bumper crops, with trees such as holly and hawthorn absolutely loaded with berries and horse chestnuts full of conkers, but a press report stated that the fruits were too small and the national conker competition was likely to be cancelled. Garden plums, damsons, apples and pears have also produced bumper crops. When the rain returned in September it began to penetrate deeper into the ground and moles responded with their heaps popping up over the lawn. I noticed that their tunnels were a lot deeper than usual and I think this has been due to the worms descending deeper into the soil during the drought and the moles had to tunnel deeper to find their food. As proof that reptiles such as frogs, newts and toads do not spend their whole lives in water I had a couple of sightings recently. One was along the bridleway from the top of Hornecourt Hill to Tile Barn, where on a dry and dusty surface I saw a small frog, which on sensing movement moved into grass but still some twenty metres from a damp ditch and then a replay the following day at exactly the same spot. The other was in early October. I was cleaning my teeth in the cloakroom near the back door when I caught sight of a small common toad hopping across the floor – I gathered it in a tissue and released it to find its way to a more suitable environment.



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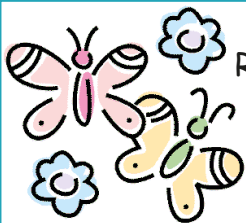
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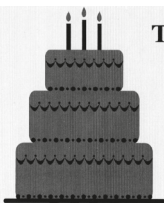
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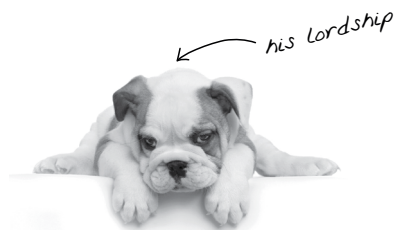
We were given a tour of our iconic village treasure and Claire and her team have agreed to try and help the owner to get some financial and technical assistance. It was a good positive meeting and hopefully we will see some tidying of the sails and removal of the two bare spars in the near future. However the replacement of the two missing sails is likely to be more protracted.

Fingers crossed (again)!

See Claire Coutinho on Facebook which has attracted many comments from far and wide.

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Outwood Village Show

30th August 2025!

I wanted to take the time to thank each and every one of you that made the show possible this year!

Firstly our sponsors, without your generosity the show wouldn't have been possible.
We are so lucky to have you as part of our village.

- ★ Outwood Village Butchers for supplying all of the Meat & Rolls for the BBQ, and to Archie for volunteering his time as head chef!
- ★ The Bell Inn Outwood for donating a Barrel of beer, and their amazing staff to run the bar on the day.
- ★ Dave Dove for his financial contribution, which allowed us to invite Susy Radio, and receive their fabulous coverage!
- ★ James at Maison Partnership for his lovely advertising boards, and volunteering his time with the set up and on the BBQ all day.
- ★ A huge thank you to Sean at Tynan Skips for donating a skip for the event.
- ★ The National Trust volunteers for their hard work in the run upto the day.
- ★ The lovely ladies of the W.I for their magnificent cakes!

Our AMAZING Raffle Prizes!

All of the local businesses that supplied raffle prizes for the show and the St Catherines Hospice this year, thank you! Everyone has been so generous. A special thank you, to The Bell, Outwood Butcher, Tone Scaffolding, Gatwick Footgolf, Horne Park Golf Club, Helgaz Flowers, The Castle, Gordon's Greengrocers, James A Harris Butchers, Golden Scissors Smallfield, Jim Broadbent, The Dog & Duck and many more...

Our Volunteers

Thank you so much for sparing your time to help us. Again, without you the day wouldn't be possible. Whether with set up, on the day, manning our stalls or clear down. Your time is invaluable to us. We make an incredible team! Thank you. Also a special thank you to Glen for lending us & setting up a fantastic PA System for the day.
And to Patrick for being THE BEST COMPÈRE!

The Hair Rebels

Thank you so much to Matthew and Co for entertaining us with his fantastic music! It really created a lovely atmosphere and got everyone singing along to "Its going to rain"

Our Stall Holders

It was so lovely to welcome so many different stalls to the show..... thank you for supporting us, and thank you for creating such beautiful produce to share with our villagers.
We hope to see you again in the future.

My Show Committee

I can't thank you all enough for your support and experience with organising the show this year. We made such a fantastic team. I really couldn't have done it without you. Thank you for listening to my new ideas, and thank you for filling in the gaps when I was totally clueless !! Thank you for your hard work in the run up and on the day.

When the show is such a success, it really makes all the hard work worth it!

Hope to see you all again next year!

Leigh 🍷

Come And Meet Each Other.

In August, the Come and Meet Each Other group met for cakes, tea, a chat and a flower quiz led by the wonderful and knowledgeable Mary Buldock. Mary showed us examples of 20 different flowers and asked us to name them. She also told us the Latin names for the flowers and many interesting facts, such as how dwarf marigold is often grown near tomato plants to keep white fly away and sweet-smelling jasmine is used in wedding bouquets. For many of us, the flowers brought back childhood memories, such as by pinching the head of an antirrhinum, (snap dragon), it looked like it was talking, and how "Dancing Dollies" could be made from poppies, by putting the stem through for the arms and placing cotton around the head to make a waist, so that petals become a dress!



On 4th August, CAMEO had an exciting trip to Denbies Vineyard in Dorking. We were very lucky to have a superb guide on the sparkling, outdoor land-train tour, whose passion shone through for wine and how which variety of grape is grown and produced. We not only enjoyed the stunning views across Dorking but also our glasses of Whitedowns sparkling wine, very similar to champagne in taste. Much fun was had by all. Having returned, we savoured our afternoon tea and a look round the shop, many of us purchasing bottles of Denbies sparkling wine.

In September we were given a talk by Surrey Age UK from Tell Martin, organised by Paul Robinson, who is a volunteer with Surrey Age UK. There was a lot of information to take in, but it was extremely useful, including information on Power of Attorney, updating wills and the cost and choice of care.

We look forward to our next meeting, on Friday 3rd October at 2pm in Smallfield Church Hall, when we'll be entertained by the local recorder group and of course have tea, cake and chat.

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Gatwick Airport Route 4 history for Outwood

Alan Jones who represents OUR BURSTOW WARD on the Gatwick Airport consultative committee and is well-versed in the matters of noise and air traffic control, came to the last meeting of Outwood Parish Council.

He updated us on the evolution of national air traffic and debates that are ongoing on across government and within the national traffic control and the civil aviation authority. It may be many years before there is a definitive conclusion and a lot of existing routing dates back to the mid-1950s and hasn't changed since then.

We are hopeful that Route 4 which specifically affects our village maybe decided more definitively within the next couple of years and this may give more specific direction for flights to travel along the specific line in the MAP below.

As an example IN THE MAP BELOW we were shown the flight directions of aircraft on August 10 2025 and you will see that aircraft fly over a wide area including many directly over the village.

At the moment all that our representatives can do is to make the various statutory bodies aware of the village concerns about noise pollution and disturbance.

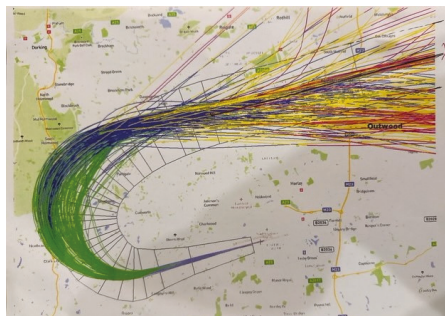
There is a particular issue about aircraft that are more than 4000 feet above the ground at which point they are controlled by a different set of rules, as they are able to be vectored away by the air traffic control at Swanick, which are not within the route 4 criteria.

We are also affected by planes that are higher in the sky and orientated to other airports including Heathrow ,over which we have little control but we hope (maybe) definitively directed when they complete the overhaul of air traffic control arrangements for the south of England in the next five years ,as part of the future airspace implementation (FASI)

In the meantime as you can see from the attached map for ROUTE 4, flights fly as close as possible to follow the black line marked with an X so long as they are within 1.5 km sway either side of this line. However, you can see from the map some of vector Southwards and come therefore directly over the village.

We have made our position crystal clear, but I suspect that it will have little effect if any.

If anybody has the ear of our member of parliament and can persuade her to take up the matter on our behalf by writing directly to the powers that be that may be very helpful.



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Crime Prevention Advice

Mark Howells

Email: mark.howells@surrey.pnn.police.uk

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Email: Joshua.Brooker@surrey.pnn.police.uk

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CHURCH CALENDAR FOR OCTOBER

Sunday 5th October

8.00am	BCP Holy Communion - Horne
9.30am	Harvest Festival - Burstow
10.00am	Family Service - Horne
11.00am	Holy Communion - Outwood

Sunday 12th October

9.30am	Morning Worship - Burstow
10.00am	Harvest Communion - Horne
11.00am	Morning Worship - Outwood
3.00pm	Café Church - Smallfield Church Hall

Sunday 19th October

9.30am	Holy Communion - Burstow
10.00am	Morning Worship - Horne
11.00am	Holy Communion - Outwood
1.00pm	Community Lunch - Smallfield Church Hall

Sunday 26th October

9.30am	Holy Communion - Burstow
10.00am	Holy Communion - Horne
11.00am	Holy Communion - Outwood

HORLEY REPAIR CAFÉ @ ST WILFS

The Repair Café organisation is international with over 2,500 Repair Cafes worldwide. There are many in Britain and now Horley has its own. Vast numbers of items are thrown away where often a simple repair would give these items a new lease of life.

We currently have a great team of volunteers covering repairs to electrical, electronic, woodwork, mechanical and general items, clothing, hi-fi & audio, bicycles, tool/knife sharpening, and computers.

Would you like to get involved? Whether you have a repairing skill or not we are on the lookout for more volunteers. Please contact us on the email below or just turn up at a session and see how it works.

The Horley Repair Café @ St Wilfs runs on every second Saturday of the month 11.30am – 2.30pm (last items in by 2pm please) at St Wilfrids Church Hall, Horley Row, Horley RH6 8DF.

This enterprise is only possible due to the very kind support of the Horley Team Ministry. For more information please contact horleyrepaircafe@yahoo.com

DIARY OF EVENTS

OCTOBER

- Tuesday 7th** **WI MEETING - "Oh for a Slice of Naughty but Nice"**
2.30pm - Lloyd Hall
- Wednesday 15th** **OUTWOOD BRITISH LEGION - AGM**
7.30pm - Lloyd Hall
- Saturday 18th** **CRICKET CLUB - MUSIC BINGO**
7.00 for 7.30pm - Cricket Pavillion (See page 25)

NOVEMBER

- Tuesday 4th** **WI MEETING - AGM**
2.30pm - Lloyd Hall
- Sunday 9th** **ORBL - POPPY LUNCH**
1.00 for 1.30pm - Lloyd Hall (See Cover)
- Friday 21st** **HORT SOC - AGM and SAUSAGE & MASH SUPPER**
7.30pm - Lloyd Hall (See page 28)

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!

LLOYD HALL



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NEW YEAR'S EVE AT THE LLOYD HALL

SAVE THE DATE AND START ORGANISING YOUR TABLE

Following the huge popularity of last year's event, we will again be holding a "bring your own" dinner on New Year's Eve at the Lloyd Hall. More details to follow in the next Outwood News. In the meantime, if anyone is willing to take charge of decorating the Hall for the evening or to help organise the event, please contact Michelann Pollard at ukmikie@hotmail.co.uk.

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OUTWOOD CRICKET CLUB



YOUR CLUB, YOUR COMMUNITY, YOUR SUPPORT

Join us in creating a more inclusive Outwood Cricket Club! Our pavilion is now overdue an upgrade. With women & girls now making up a third of members, existing facilities are no longer sufficient. How can you help?

- ✓ **Project Goal: £30,000** (Sport England will match £15,000)
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AUTUMN EVENTS



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OUTWOOD CRICKET GALA AWARDS NIGHT

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Claire

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As Parliament sits after summer recess, I would like to start this month's round-up by looking back at all the wonderful events and activities that took place over the summer period and thank all the amazing volunteers that made these events possible. From Godstone's infamous Donkey Derby to the Chaldon village fete, we are so lucky to be surrounded by nature and the beauty of Surrey's idyllic countryside.

I visited the Edenbridge & Oxted Agricultural Show and it was an absolute belter! It was great to take the whole family and see all the livestock on show. The dancing diggers were magnificent. Talking to local farmers, it definitely feels like our countryside way of life is under siege. I grew up in the concrete jungle of London but have been so blessed to come to East Surrey and see how important our farms are, which go back generations, and learn more about the traditions that are part of our heritage. We seem to be living in an era where we protect everyone's way of life except our own. Rant over!

Huge thank you to the organisers for a brilliant weekend.

Early last month lots of residents in and around Godstone got in touch with me to express their frustration with the proposed gas works by SGN in the Tilburstow Hill Road area. I know how much of an inconvenience this will be for residents, so after hearing of the proposal I wrote to and met with SGN's Chief Executive to request the works be deferred until the repairs to the High Street have been completed. Unfortunately, whilst they can't move the works completely back, they have understood the strength of local residents' concerns and reduced the road closure from 23 weeks to 8 weeks.

OUTWOOD HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

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Friday 21st November

Lloyd Hall - 7.30pm

preceded by the AGM at 7.00pm

ALL WELCOME

£12.50 Members / £15.00 Non-Members

Bring your own drinks and glasses

2026 Subscriptions (£5) can be paid at the Supper

Exciting prizes to be won in the Raffle!

On the back of a successful Friendship Project summer party, it was so lovely to be invited to WOW's bingo morning in Smallfield. A huge thank you to the wonderful Heather Hagel for organising a fun filled morning with stellar bingo calling by Kay Hammond. 'Welcome to Wednesday' (WOW) is a weekly coffee morning in Smallfield Church Hall. It's run by Smallfield Surgery Health Champions, one of the groups which inspired my charity, The Friendship Project. The Project aims to support wonderful community groups like WOW all throughout East Surrey. If you would like to learn a bit more or feel like getting involved with WOW, please send Heather an email at heatherhagel@gmail.com or give her a call on 07763 813463.

Finally, I wanted to remind you that I host regular surgeries to take up your concerns and help support local initiatives. If you have an issue you would like me to help with, please contact me on claire.coutinho.mp@parliament.uk or call 0207 219 5972.

OUTWOOD HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

Outwood Horticultural Society Membership is open to all and new members are very welcome. Only £5 per year. Please contact us at outwoodhortsoc@gmail.com to find out more about the benefits of membership.

The Late Summer Show took place on 30th August and we were treated to a fantastic array of produce. The Hall was a riot of colour! Dahlias and apples were of a particularly high standard.

Many congratulations to our prize winners and thanks to everyone who entered produce or visited The Show.

Best Exhibit in the Vegetable Classes	DIANA MACDONALD
Highest No of points in the Vegetable Classes	SUE MCINTOSH
Best Exhibit – Bowl of Roses	JANET HALL
Highest No of points in the Flower Classes	LINDA LODGE
Best Exhibit – Single Rose	LUCINDA CHARLESWORTH
Highest No of points in the Cookery Classes	ROSIE YELDHAM
Highest No of points in the Classes children 7 & over	WILLIAM DENYER
Max weight of potatoes grown from one seed potato	LYNNE SWINNEY
Best Exhibit in the Flower Classes	DIANA MACDONALD
Highest No of points in the Fruit, Flower & Vegetable Classes	LINDA LODGE
Best picture in the Photographic Classes	JACK DENYER
Tallest sunflower in the village	MARY BALDOCK
Best exhibit in the Handicraft Classes	PAM SHAW
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Tuesday

14.30pm (1st Tuesday of month)	W.I.	carolinedurance@me.com
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Wednesday

9.30am	Yoga	reigatemassageandyoga@gmail.com
11.00am	Coffee Morning	ukmikia@hotmail.com
13.30pm	Yoga	jdyson7@hotmail.com
18.00pm	Dance Classes	harmonydancing@hotmail.co.uk

Thursday

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