



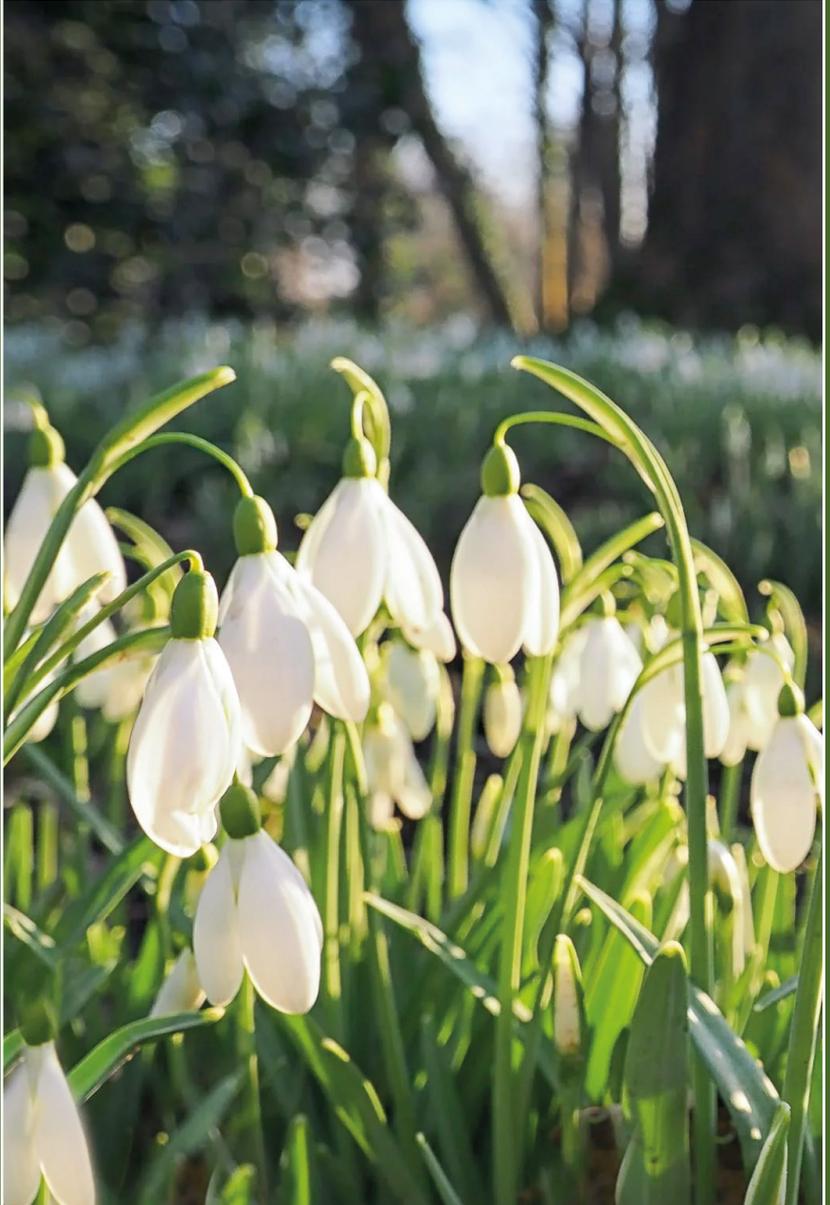
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IAN FROW RIP



The sad loss of a great friend and staunch Outwoodian.

It is with great sadness that we record Ian's death. He and Enid moved to Outwood in 1966 and Ian has served this village well in so many ways, as Chairman of the Parish Council, member and supporter of Outwood Cricket Club and the Royal British Legion, the Outwood Wheelers Cycling Club, driver of the Rotary bus and for the Orpheus Centre, and so much more.

Ian grew up in Streatham and was evacuated with his mother to Herne Bay during the War. After St Bernard's Primary school he attended Battersea Grammar and also became head Chorister at St Margaret the Queen, Streatham Hill.

His career was totally focussed on flying and there are very few flight deck crew alive today who do not instantly recognise his name. He accomplished an incredible 20,253 flying hours in his lifetime. Ian started gliding in open cockpits at the age of 15 which led to an RAF scholarship and training on piston Provosts aged 18, upgrading to De Havilland Vampires in 1957. The Vampire was only the second RAF jet fighter and the first to exceed 500mph. It was made of wood and metal with no ejector seat!

After leaving the RAF, Ian was recruited by BOAC where he rose through the ranks to the position of Chief Training Officer. He and Enid met during their BOAC days and married and moved to the house in Outwood in which they had a son, Neil and have lived very happily for the rest of Ian's life. He got the greatest joy from their granddaughter Izzy on whom he doted.

Captain Ian Frow became Chairman of the Concorde Evaluation Team and flew the best and fastest version of the Concorde series during this time.

For the rest of his career he flew BA 747s becoming a renowned training captain. He was obliged under rules to retire from BA at 55 and joined Virgin as Flight Technical and Development Manager.

On 'retirement' Ian was appointed Chief Editor of the BALPA journal 'The Log' and he continued until recently to compose his regular spot 'Rocking chair' in which he related amusing stories but also addressed serious and sometimes contentious topics without fear or favour. He had a natural ability to write and a dry and rather Goon/Summer Wine like eclectic sense of humour. He wrote a thick tome setting out the rules for the eccentric club which he named 'The Outwood Bicycle Wheelers'

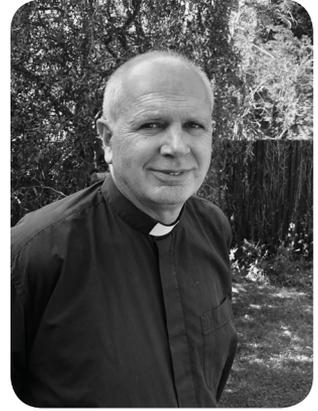
We shall all miss you Ian but thank you for the warm memories.

PJD *(largely plagiarised from Neil's eulogy to his father)*

CHURCH NEWS

Rector's Ramblings

Christmas seems a long time ago now. In the shops it feels as if Christmas ends on Boxing Day, but in the church's calendar it's just beginning then. The actual season of Christmas has 12 days (as I'm sure you know from the carol!), followed by the season of Epiphany which begins on 6th January and lasts until 2nd February, making the combined Christmas and Epiphany season last a total of 40 days. The 40 days come from the Gospel of Luke where we read that it was after this length of time that Mary and Joseph went up to the temple at Jerusalem and Simeon proclaimed the infant Jesus as 'a light to lighten the Gentiles', a time in church that we call Candlemas and which we tend to celebrate on the nearest Sunday before 2nd February, which this year is 30th January. So by the time you read this, whichever way you look at it, Christmas will be over!



Candlemas is, in a way, a last look at Christmas, and I'd like to have a last look at Christmas in this letter and take you back to an assembly I did last month for Burstow school. I wasn't actually in school because of the virus, so recorded it at home for them to watch in school. I began by showing them a gold bar – not real gold, I explained, as that would be worth £50,000 or so! But, I said, its value lay in the fact that it always stayed shiny and could be used to make beautiful jewellery and other special things. Then I showed them some frankincense and told them it is a form of tree resin which gives off a lovely smell when burnt. I lit some which soon filled the room with smoke and wonderful smell. I then explained that Myrrh is also a tree resin that can also be distilled to form an oil. I put some drops of myrrh oil into an oil burner. I said it was a shame that they couldn't actually smell the aromas but that burning incense and using fragrant smelling myrrh was a way of making or showing that a person or place was special.

Then I went on to tell them that it's not just expensive or exotic things like gold, frankincense or myrrh that are special. Ordinary, everyday things can be special too. I said how on the morning I was recording the assembly, there was a beautiful frost which had made the grass glisten and the cobwebs sparkle and how the night before there had been a beautifully clear starry night. And as I write this letter, sat at my desk, I look out on wonderful late winter sunlight and the gleaming rosehips outside my study window.

CHURCH NEWS

But I told the school, we have to take time to notice these things. It's all too easy to miss them unless we take time to pause for a moment and to look, really look, to stand and stare as it were. And on that note, I finished with a poem, which may well be familiar to you and you may also recognise as one of my favourites. So here it is for you too, it's called Leisure by W.H. Davies:

What is this life if, full of care,
We have no time to stand and stare? -
No time to stand beneath the boughs
And stare as long as sheep or cows:
No time to see, when woods we pass,
Where squirrels hide their nuts in grass:
No time to see, in broad daylight,
Streams full of stars, like skies at night:
No time to turn at Beauty's glance,
And watch her feet, how they can dance:
No time to wait till her mouth can
Enrich that smile her eyes began?
A poor life this if, full of care,
We have no time to stand and stare.

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IAN FROW

**Enid and son Neil, would like to thank all those friends
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Enid Frow



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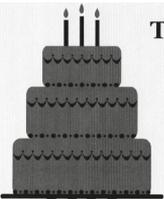
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Outwood RBL is most grateful to the villagers and commercial enterprises for their support of this year's Poppy appeal. Despite all the challenges the epidemic threw at us, we collected a respectable £1020.

Who would have thought that restrictions would persist into a third year? So, regrettably we will have to wait a little longer before planning our social programme. Please 'watch this space'.

Paul Daniels



Festive Firs 2021



It will now seem a long time since the Church was decorated with twenty fabulous trees, but I would like to thank everyone involved for making it such a success.

Together with the Church Fair, over £1300 was raised for the Church general fund, hopefully a good boost for the coffers.

Thanks must go to the “Wednesday Men”, who squeezed the trees into holders and set the whole thing up, all the people who helped with refreshments throughout the weekend, those who ran the Church stalls, including a very successful raffle, and of course, to the individuals and organisations who came and decorated the trees with such ingenuity. Huge thanks too, to Father Christmas, for being with us at his busiest time of year.

We shall hope to repeat the whole thing at Christmas 2023, maybe this time without masks, but with heating in the Church!

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OUTWOOD WI



JANUARY REPORT



Happy New Year
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At our January meeting we were pleased to welcome the caricature artist Helen Pointer who depicted our president, Caroline Durance, in very saucy style!

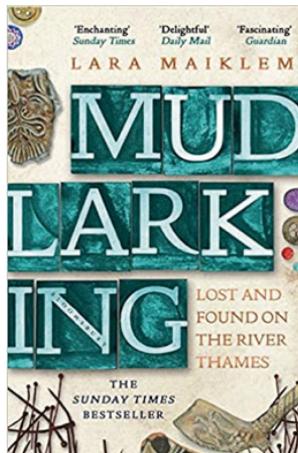
We look forward to seeing as many of you as possible at our open meeting on 1st February at 2.30pm as detailed below:

Outwood WI

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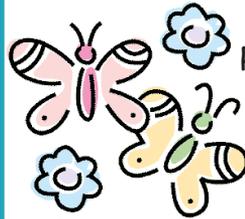
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NATURE WATCH

The mild, wet weather of December continued into the new year and on the way a record was set for the highest ever recorded temperature in England and Wales on 31st December with 16.5°C at Bala in North Wales. The first two weeks of January produced a few overnight frosts but mild conditions prevailed, which resulted in many flowers being in bloom well in advance of their normal time. Sylvia Maiklem reported seeing primroses in bloom in late December and Jane Weston, with her Horticultural Society hat on, emailed members on 6th January with a list of nineteen plants flowering in her garden. Many of us will have found some of the listed flowers in our own gardens and likely others that were either unusual or tucked away in protected spots. We had a winter flowering honeysuckle and pale pink cherry tree that was putting on a real show but our budding narcissi were still one or two weeks behind and if temperatures suddenly drop then it could be another month before we can enjoy that sweet smelling harbinger of spring. However, it was not just the flora, this warmer than average weather also affected animal behaviour with reports of bats emerging too early from hibernation and starving due to the lack of insects that make up their normal food supply. Meanwhile, squirrels, used to breaking their hibernation when conditions are mild, have been busy falling back on their stores of acorns or foraging in the leaf litter. The white squirrel, reported in December, has become quite a celebrity with regular appearances on both sides of Wasp Green Lane. It has also been noticeable that birds are showing signs of early nesting with blue tits inspecting and cleaning bird boxes and pigeons exhibiting mating behaviour.

As a child I recall being told to avoid eating berries on trees and shrubs in the countryside. Many berries are edible but the warnings were clear, “unless you are sure about them, don’t eat them”. We taught the same lessons to our children. Our three-year-old daughter Elaine, who misheard, always called a certain wayside flower, “deadly lampshades” (nightshade) - a name which stuck. This advice certainly applied to the bright red fruit of yew trees that had a scary reputation and rightly so. All parts of the yew are poisonous with the exception of the bright red covering of the seed, called an aril, which is sweet and fleshy and regularly eaten by birds, particularly thrushes, which distribute the seeds in their droppings.

The yew (*Taxus baccata*), aka the common or English yew, commonly found in churchyards and used to make battle winning longbows, can be found across Europe. It is a medium sized tree and prefers calcareous downland soils such as those found on the southern slopes of Box Hill near Dorking. The yew has many uses. As gardeners know it makes good hedges, is good for topiary and can be cut back and will still sprout again from old wood. It is used for furniture and the production of a cancer drug. Also, such was the toxic reputation of yew that in ancient Greece it was used to commit suicide. Yew trees normally live to between 300 – 600 years, although there are a number of much older specimens, some estimated to be between 2 and 3000 years, making them the oldest trees in Europe. The oldest I’ve seen was in the graveyard of the 14th century church of St Cuthbert at Widworthy, near Honiton in Devon, which was just over 4.5 metres in girth.



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- Thursday the 2nd, we are planning to light our Beacon as part of the **Platinum Jubilee Beacons lighting**, and unveil our renovated village sign and, possibly, a new bench to commemorate this landmark anniversary.
- Sunday the 5th, the day of The Big Jubilee Lunch, an **Afternoon Tea event** is being arranged at the Lloyd Hall

If you would like to get involved with organising our community's celebrations, please do get in touch.



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Next Meeting:
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COMMUNITY SPEEDWATCH

Happy New Year
to all our readers!

This is my final item for
Speedwatch in Outwood News
as I have now ceased to be the
local co-ordinator. A lot of good
and worthwhile work has been
achieved over the past 15 years
in the drive to reduce traffic
speeds in our village.

All that remains is for me to say a
most heartfelt THANK YOU to all
the volunteers, past and present,
for their dedication and support.

Any new volunteers to help take
us forward and liaise with Surrey
Police from 2022 will be welcomed
and the Parish Council is your point
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DIARY OF EVENTS

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

FEBRUARY

- Tuesday 1st** **WI OPEN MEETING - with Lara Maiklem**
(See Page 9)
2.30pm - Lloyd Hall
- Wednesday 2nd** **PARISH COUNCIL MEETING**
8.00pm - Church Room, Wasp Green Lane
- Saturday 19th** **SHOWTIMERS - "The Great British Bump Off"**
(See Page 23)
7.00 for 7.30pm - Lloyd Hall
- Tuesday 22nd** **FILM CLUB - "The DIG"**
7.30 for 8.00pm - Lloyd Hall
- Weekend 26th/27th** **COLLECTION OF SEED POTATOES**
From Mary Baldock

MARCH

- Tuesday 1st** **WI MEETING**
2.30pm - Lloyd Hall
- Wednesday 2nd** **PARISH COUNCIL MEETING**
7.30pm - Church Room, Wasp Green Lane
- Saturday 19th** **SCH - "A NIGHT AT THE RACES"** (See Page 19)
7.00 for 7.30pm - Lloyd Hall
- Tuesday 29th** **FILM CLUB**
7.30 for 8.00pm - Lloyd Hall

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!

OUTWORLD FILM CLUB

Great News !

We are intending to start the Film Club
on TUESDAY the 22nd of February !

7.30 for 8.00pm

and thereafter on the last Tuesday of each month.

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TWO PERFORMANCES:

Friday 18th February at Nutfield Village Hall

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Doors open 7pm. Show start 7.30pm

35% of profits to local foodbank charity - www.redhillfoodbank.org.uk

& 35% of profits to Children In Need - www.bbcchildreninneed.co.uk

Saturday 19th February at Lloyd Hall

Outwood. Brickfield Rd, Outwood RH1 5QX

Doors open 7pm. Show start 7.30pm

All profits to the upkeep of the Lloyd Hall Outwood - www.lloydhall.org

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We had a very successful Supper and AGM at the end of November, beautifully catered by Amy from Outwood Butchers as always.

We are really looking forward to seeing you all at some of our events this year - you don't have to be a keen gardener to join or take part!

DATES FOR YOUR DIARIES

Weekend 26 th /27 th Feb	Collect Competition Seed Potato from Mary Baldock Seed Swap also available
Sunday 10 th April - 2pm	Spring Walk Meet on the Common Members free/Join on the day £5
Saturday 7 th May - 10am	Plant Sale St Johns Church
Saturday 18 th June - 2pm	Early Show / Church Fair St Johns Church Window Flower Competition 'Heaven Scent'
Saturday 3 rd September - 1pm	Main Show / Village Show Lloyd Hall
Friday 25 th November	AGM / Supper Lloyd Hall tbc
Photographic Classes for Summer	Show 'Celebration' 'Energy' 'Seasons' 'Playtime' - Children's Class

Thank you to everyone for planting, sharing and smiling - we look forward to seeing you!
Best wishes, The OHS Team

OUTWOOD NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH



At the end of last year I took over from Jo Barber as Neighbourhood Watch (NW) Coordinator for Outwood. I moved into the village in December 2020 and want to do what I can do preserve our peace and security.

It would really help if all residents will let us send NW updates. They tell you about crime prevention initiatives and ideas, and detail offences that have taken place in the area, which is valuable knowledge to enable us to take care of our family and property. All homes in the village have a 'local' coordinator (usually in your road) who will pass on updates to you by email (or by hand if you do not use email) so please contact me if you would like to be added to the circulation.

Neighbourhood Watch is literally just that, but if you see anything suspicious you should always call 999.

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Yes, the Fortnum & Masons Platinum Pudding winning recipe will be available here at The Bell.

"The Bard" may even be making an appearance at **The Bell** at some point during 2022.

Now; it may only be the beginning of the new year, but we're already making plans to bring back our popular village firework evening in November 2022 in aid of **HAM, Helping Adolescents at The Marsden**. We'll let you all know of the final arrangements nearer the time.

Happy twenty twenty two, from all of us at The Bell. Steve

Phone: 01342 891835
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At time of going to print, hopefully, we've all enjoyed the village "Wassail" in January and blessed the orchards for 2022 with a few drinks and finally some fun. Our part in the planning was very minor, compared with the work that Andy Wright and the team put in. So a huge thanks goes to them from all of us at **The Bell**. I must thank those who dropped their Christmas trees off at the pub for the Wassail bonfire. Andy will have put them to good use with a roaring Wassail bonfire.



We may also be hedging our bets on a glorious summer, as we're beginning work on the garden area with Darren Hibbard's team all hard at work maintaining it for us. We've also got a new set of Swedish redwood benches (thanks must go to James and Richard for their help figuring out how to build them from flat pack), and a freshen up of our popular gazebos. We are also working on our summer menu ideas with our chefs already testing out delicious recipe ideas. We will be using as much Outwood produce as possible, including Penny & Nigel's delicious meats from Brightleigh Farm and other surrounding producers' fayre. Obviously, our fresh fish will still have to come to us straight from Billingsgate Market, as Outwood isn't really known for its fishing fleet. Although if global warming keeps going at this rate, it might not be that long before it is!

We're hearing rumours of some delicious ales coming from the brewers too, which we can't wait to try along with this year's wine selections. If you like an artisan gin and tonic, we've got those covered too with yet more to add to our list.

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Pat Hewett

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