

# THE BOXGROVE BUGLE

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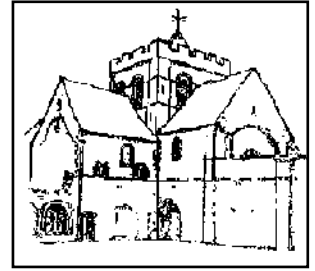
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## From Father Ian

It has sometimes been my privilege to minister to people at the time of death, and this aspect of a priest's work is one which is not, these days, well enough known. Often, I am phoned after the death has occurred, rather than before, and if the death has been sudden then this may be all that is possible. But if there is a process of dying, at home, in the hospital, a nursing home, or hospice, then I do ask you to let me know. I am, I believe, a pretty good judge of what will help and comfort the dying - and indeed, their family and friends. At the centre of ministry to the dying is always the reassurance of God's love for each of us. My visit will usually be fairly brief, so as not to be intrusive, but it will probably change perceptions about what is happening, and will offer a 'steer' to the family about how to deal both practically and spiritually with the process.



As a priest I have conducted very many funerals, and also Christenings and Weddings. I have been God's agent in pronouncing the forgiveness of sins, blessed houses, prepared people for Confirmation, had deep conversations about the meaning of life, and the existence of God, and above all, I pray every day for all those who live in Boxgrove, as well as for the priory congregation. And central to these prayers has been the celebration of Mass: the Eucharist.

As a priest I am about to celebrate my fortieth anniversary of ordination, and I hope that many will come to share the celebration with me. The service is at 6pm on Tuesday, 27<sup>th</sup> June, and is followed by a reception in the Vicarage garden. I just ask you to please let me know, by email, if you are attending, as this will help with getting the right amount of printing done, and food and wine prepared.

God bless you all,

*Father Ian*

### **From the Registers**

#### **Baptism - Dylan**

*Please keep him in your prayers*

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Children should be aged between 4 and 11 and they must have already started school. They are asked to arrive promptly, so that the objective of the session can be explained to everyone at once.

There is no charge and parents do not need to accompany the children. They don't need to bring anything with them - just to come along!

For further information about our Sunday School, please contact Vicky Willavise by email at [vickywillavise@outlook.com](mailto:vickywillavise@outlook.com).

We are always looking for more volunteers to support the Sunday School. If you would like to find out more, please contact Vicky Willavise (as above.)



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*A group of Americans was travelling by tour bus through Switzerland. As they stopped at a cheese farm, a young guide led them through the process of cheese-making, explaining that goats milk was used.*

*She showed the group a lovely hillside where many goats were grazing. "These," she explained, "are the older goats put out to pasture when they no longer produce." She then asked, "What do you do in America with your old goats?"*

*A spry old gentleman answered, "They send us on bus tours!"*



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# CALENDAR AND INTERCESSIONS

## JUNE 2023

1	Thu	St Justin, Martyr	Respect for others
2	Fri	Sts Marcellinus & Peter, Martyrs	The Judiciary
3	Sat	St Charles Lwanga & Companions, Martyrs	Love of our enemies
4	SUN	TRINITY SUNDAY	Greater trust in God
5	Mon	St Boniface, Bishop & Martyr	The German Nation
6	Tue	St Norbert, Bishop	The Episcopate
7	Wed	Feria	Grace to follow the Lord
8	Thu	CORPUS ET SANGUIS CHRISTI	The Confraternity of the Blessed Sacrament
9	Fri	St Columba, Bishop	The Church in Scotland
10	Sat	Feria	Walsingham
11	SUN	CORPUS ET SANGUIS CHRISTI	Parish and people
12	Mon	Feria	Greater justice worldwide
13	Tue	St Antony of Padua, Priest & Doctor	Those who work in Diocesan Church House
14	Wed	Feria	Ordinands
15	Thu	Of Our Lady	Eagerness in Christian learning
16	Fri	THE SACRED HEART OF JESUS	Better trust in God's love
17	Sat	Of Our Lady	Walsingham
18	SUN	ST RICHARD OF CHICHESTER, BISHOP & DIOCESAN PATRON	Wise use of social media
19	Mon	St Romuald, Abbot	Broadcasters
20	Tue	Feria	The Departed
21	Wed	St Aloisius Gonzaga, Religious	St Wilfrid's Hospice
22	Thu	St Alban, Martyr	Those facing death
23	Fri	St Ethelreda, Abbess	Convents
24	Sat	BIRTH OF JOHN THE BAPTIST	Family Life
25	SUN	TRINITY 3 [Week 12]	Parish and people
26	Mon	Feria	The United Nations
27	Tue	St Cyril of Alexandria, Bishop & Doctor	Relief Agencies
28	Wed	St Irenaeus, Bishop & Doctor	Parish and People
29	Thu	STS PETER & PAUL, APOSTLES	St Richard's Hospital & The Nuffield
30	Fri	The First Martyrs of Rome	Greater courage in witnessing



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 for all sorts of resources - services, lectures, concerts, exhibitions,  
 and of course the new [Cloisters Kitchen & Garden](#)



# NEWS FROM THE BOXGROVE BELLES

## JUNE 2023

As we live so close to the sea it was very fitting that volunteers from the RNLI recently gave us a very informative and interesting talk. Vaughan and Jeremy, both shore-based volunteers, gave us a fascinating insight into the history of the RNLI, from its beginnings in the Isle of Man, to the highly effective, nation-wide organisation it is today. It is run entirely by volunteers, including, of course, the brave men and women who man the lifeboats. These people have to live or work within a short distance of a lifeboat station, as they aim to launch a lifeboat in 10 minutes of 'a shout'. Fortunately, employers are very supportive of their efforts and willingly give them time off to answer the call.

The speed of the launch is very impressive. Modern launching gear is incredibly high tech - as are the boats, which can cost up to £2,500,000! The launching gear is also another £850,000. So it's not surprising to learn that the RNLI needs £160,000,000 a year to maintain its services to the public. All this money has to come from public donations, as it is not supported by government.

As an all-female group we were gratified to learn how much women have always contributed to the work of the RNLI. In the early days it was the women who launched the boats and pulled them back up the beach after a rescue attempt. And we have all heard the story of Grace Darling, who rowed out into a raging storm to save the few survivors of a wreck along the Northumberland coast. Women are now welcomed as full members of the lifeboat crew, including skippering the boats. We managed to raise £97 in donations at our meeting to support the amazing work of these dedicated volunteers. We are also paying a visit to the Selsey Lifeboat Station, in order to see for ourselves what happens at a launch. Let's hope it's not for real!

Our other groups within The Belles continue to flourish - Craft, Book Group and Lunch Club, as well as the Garden Group who look after the border at the St Blaise Centre. We are also looking forward to our June Open Meeting on Wednesday, 14<sup>th</sup> June, when we hope lots of visitors will come along to meet us, enjoy tea and buy some plants. It's a lovely way to meet other villagers.

Best wishes to you all,

**Wendy**

Contact: Wendy Austin-Ward on [wendyaustinward@gmail.com](mailto:wendyaustinward@gmail.com) or telephone/text on 07947 946538



*I'm responsible for what I say, not what you understand.*



*It's hard to believe I once had a phone attached to a wall, and when it rang, I picked it up without knowing who was calling.*



*I'm not saying I feel old and worn out,  
but I make sure I'm nowhere near the kerb on bin day.*

## Hello from the Hall!

We hope everyone enjoyed the Coronation celebrations as much as we did. We had a fantastic time at our cream tea, with the wonderful John Royston-Ford entertaining us all with Ratpack tunes, and delicious scones served on beautiful china courtesy of The Flying Saucer vintage crockery hire. Thank you so much to everyone who came and supported this event: it wouldn't have been a success without you!



Also this month, we trialled our first ever Bingo afternoon, which is something we have often been asked whether we could put on at the Hall. For now, we are working on what days/times suit people best, but the wonderful 'Big Al' (whom some of you may recognise from our monthly quiz night) hosted a lovely afternoon on the first Friday of this month and will be returning to do it all again on the first Friday of June, too (Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> June from 2-4pm). No booking necessary: please do just turn up and join in the fun! £1 per card; hot drinks/snacks available from Julie at 'Al Fresco' in the car park.

Our next big event is our Summer Fayre, which will be held on Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> July this year and we do hope you can all join us! With free live entertainment throughout the event, we will also have free bouncy castles for the children as well as free face painting. There will be pony rides, Chichester fire service, lots of food options and of course the lovely Mark running his bar, amongst lots more! Alongside this, we will also be running a craft market, and have some fantastic local businesses booked to come and join us. If you'd like more information on having a stall at this event, whether as part of the craft market or as a local business/charity/organisation, please get in touch at: [community@boxgrovevillagehall.co.uk](mailto:community@boxgrovevillagehall.co.uk). Stalls are just £10 and free for registered charities.

Until next time...!



## CHICHESTER CATHEDRAL

### Lunchtime concerts

The Cathedral Concerts are at 1.10pm on Tuesdays during term-time. The series is self-supporting, and thrives through the generosity of its audiences. There is no charge for admission but a minimum donation of £3 per person is invited (Gift Aided as appropriate).

- 6 June** - Fraser Tannock, trumpet, & Terence Allbright, piano
- 13 June** - The Plaegan Piano Trio
- 20 June** - Tim Stewart, organ
- 27 June** - Alastair Penman, saxophone, & Jonathan Pease, piano
- 4 July** - Ida Pelliccioli, piano





**\*\*\* SAVE THE DATE! \*\*\***



**BOXGROVE  
COMPANION DOG SHOW  
(with obedience)  
AND FAIR**

**SATURDAY  
30 SEPTEMBER 2023**

**AT BOXGROVE VILLAGE HALL FIELD - PO18 0EE  
MANY STALLS - REFRESHMENTS AVAILABLE ALL DAY**

**Entries from 10:30am ~ Judging from 12 noon  
Entry fees £2.00 per dog per class**



**4 obedience classes  
7 pedigree classes  
14 novelty classes**



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*Why are dogs terrible dancers? Because they have two left feet.*

# THE OPTIMISTIC GARDENER

High Trees, June 2023 ~ No.6

## *Romping weeds! or to put it another way I'm wingèd prose*

To enjoy all Janet's pictures to the full, and in colour, read this article online via the '[Bugle](http://www.boxgrovepriory.co.uk/bugle.html)' page on the Priory website: <http://www.boxgrovepriory.co.uk/bugle.html>

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It is amazing what computers and the like can do for us these days. They can juggle with the letters of the title of my article - these are a few that the computer (and choir member Emma) came up with:

"Swollen paige"  
"I'm wrong speed"  
"Edge work spin"  
"Spidermen gow"  
"Sweeping dorm"

However I prefer my almost-anagram used as an alternative title - if a little big-headed.

It can even write the article itself. You may have heard of ChatGPT - an artificial intelligence (AI) chat bot which allows you to have human-like conversations and can assist you with tasks like composing emails, essays and code. And even write articles for the local parish magazine! I set it to do this (thinking to wriggle out of the task which comes around with increasing speed each month!). Here is some of its work using the title "Romping Weeds":

*Great topic! Let's start with the first part: weeds as pests.*

*Weeds can be a frustrating problem for gardeners and farmers alike. They compete with crops for nutrients, water, and sunlight, often outcompeting and reducing the yield of the desired plants. Weeds can also harbor (sic) pests and diseases that can spread to other plants, increasing the likelihood of crop damage.*

*There are several ways to control weeds, including mechanical removal ... yawn yawn!*

Well, I don't think my 'job' is under immediate threat!

However - what computers can't yet do is the weeding! Well no doubt some of you 'Countryfile' aficionados will tell me that there are gizmos which can detect and zap weeds growing among the acres of wheat. But what they can't do is to crawl among a mixed border of shrubs, perennials and bulbs noting the 'weeds' which have self-seeded but which you are happy to leave there. Nor can they decide how many primrose plants are just enough to leave in the garden as an early source of nectar and pollen for bees.



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This is the time of year when, if we are not careful, the garden can be full of plants which we don't want. I hesitate to use the word 'weed' because - as you all know - a weed is simply a plant growing in the wrong place. If you want your garden to be full of \*fantoosh flowers (spell check didn't like that one - a word meaning showy, fancy or ostentatious, introduced to the OED in March 2019) then you will have many weeds to contend with.



*Paths mowed through the wilder grasses - June 2021*

But if you are a follower of Garden Fashion then you will have noticed that the tendency of the last few years is for a more relaxed approach to weeds - and indeed even encouraging them for our rapidly dwindling wildlife. The problem is that we have grown up with thinking that stripy lawns and corseted flowerbeds are the thing to aspire to. That degree of control means there are fewer places for the creatures to find sanctuary.

Last year we were paid a visit by a couple who open up their garden to the public at our local village gardens weekend. They were looking for ways to make their own garden more low maintenance and had been recommended by a mutual friend that our approach to gardening was doing just that. So they were invited to consider leaving large areas of the lawn uncut and mowing paths through to get around the garden.

But I can remember their faces when they turned the corner and looked at our June meadow! The expression was not one of envy. We are not really the ideal candidates for low maintenance gardening because, as a friend once said about us, we don't have a home - we have a lifestyle.

There are certain 'weeds' which we discourage. If we allowed the bindweed and brambles to abseil into the garden over the hedge from the horse fields which surround us and take root then very soon we would not have a garden so much as a thicket. But other 'weeds' which in the past we would have harried with a daisy grubber, such as dandelions and buttercups, are left to provide food for a number of different pollinators. The daisy grubber has been retired - put out to grass as it were.

The humble dandelion (*Taraxacum officinale*) can supply food for many bugs - bumblebees, hoverflies, day-flying moths and solitary bees. As I wrote this there are millions of people in this country ripping up this precious plant under the blades of lawnmowers, and the bees, pollen beetles, butterflies and moths are going hungry. To remove a dandelion you need to get the whole of the root out of the ground with your daisy grubber. (I promise you I don't have shares in the dairy grubber industry!) They can grow almost anywhere - even cracks in the pavement - and flower from the beginning of Spring right through to the end of the Autumn. Fantastic if you are a pollinator in a relaxed person's garden.

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And look what popped up on the BBC online news as I was writing today; it was an article in connection with research into alternatives to antibiotics to which we are becoming resistant:

At the moment, they are looking closely at dandelions, as they contain compounds that "kill bacteria and viruses", according to Cardiff scientist Prof Baillie. "They are called weeds by gardeners, but they have value, and we should be celebrating the dandelions not exterminating them," he said.

Learn to love the dandelion!



*Field of Dandelions in Patagonia*



*Bumblebee feeding on a Dandelion in Chile*

There are certain weeds which I still cannot bring myself to leave unmolested. Everyone has their least-loved weed. Some wage war on dandelions; others have a personal vendetta against bindweed. Gerry finds oxalis - common wood sorrel (*Oxalis debilis*) unbearable, and can spend hours in the veg beds with a fork and baddy bucket. My *bête noire* is willowherb. We have a couple of varieties in the garden, but both have the habit of scatter bombing the flower borders with their parachute seeds which then quietly germinate and grow amidst other plants. One morning you wake up to find an army of the blighters all on the point of repeating the cycle. The single thing in their favour is that they are easy to pull up, even when the soil is like concrete.



*Oxalis debilis*

Well - I hope that in reading this article your attitude towards 'weeds' has shifted slightly to the left! I know we all like a bit of fantoosh-ness (not in the OED), but look again at the ostentation of a dandelion and tell me that is not stylish!

**Janet Reeves**

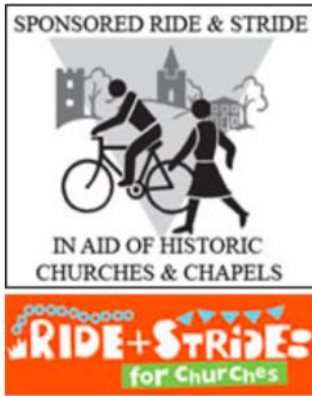
\*Fantoosh, adj.: "Fancy, showy, flashy; stylish, sophisticated; fashionable, exotic. Often used disparagingly, implying ostentation or pretentiousness."



*As I've gotten older, people think I've become lazy.  
The truth is, I've just become more energy efficient.*



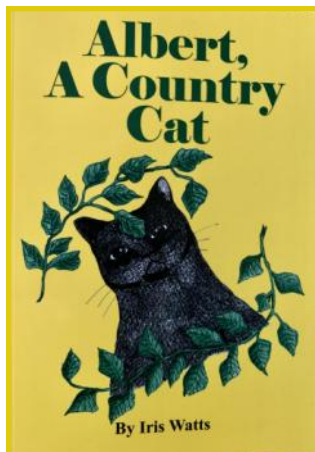
## SAVE THE DATE!



This year's Sussex Historic Churches Trust's 'Ride & Stride Plus' will take place on **Saturday 9 September**.

Whether you are interested in riding or striding, sponsoring or otherwise supporting the riders and striders, helping to steward on the day or just cheering the participants on, do put the date in your diary. Last year a total of more than £37,500 (before adding gift aid) was raised across Sussex, 50% of which goes to the participant's church (or other nominated organisation) and 50% to the Sussex Historic Churches Trust. Visit the website for more details.

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**Albert, A Country Cat**, by Boxgrove author **Iris Watts** may be just what you're looking for!

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## Petworth House

Petworth House and Park,  
Church Street, Petworth, GU28 0AE



There's lots going on at Petworth House and Park this summer. Visit their website ([www.nationaltrust.org.uk/visit/sussex/petworth/events](http://www.nationaltrust.org.uk/visit/sussex/petworth/events)) to discover great talks, exhibitions, workshops, events and days out for you and the family.

And on Saturday 8 July there is Petworth Park's *Fête In the Park*, where the Park is transformed into a wonderful old fashioned fête. There is free parking for 500 cars! For details visit <https://petworthcommunity.org/fete-in-the-park/>.



*Definition of an adult?*

*Someone who has stopped growing at both ends and is now growing just in the middle.*





**Bognor Regis Vision Support Centre**  
**36 Victoria Drive, Bognor Regis, PO21 2TE**  
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## **Diabetes and Sight Loss – Raising Awareness During Diabetes Week 2023**

Diabetes Week is an annual UK-wide initiative devoted to raising awareness of diabetes and funding research into the condition. Set up by British charity Diabetes UK, it runs from June 12-18 and 4Sight Vision Support (4SVS) will be lending its full support.

The charity provides advice and specialist information to blind and sight impaired residents throughout West Sussex, and aims to raise awareness of how diabetes may directly affect sight, along with the importance of regular eye health checks.

Richard Deadman recently joined 4SVS as a Client Engagement Officer and has first-hand experience of the link between diabetes and sight loss. Richard was diagnosed with Type 1 Diabetes at the age of 4 and aged 27 woke up one morning completely blind. This was due to complications which caused both of his retinas to detach due to Diabetic Retinopathy caused by a high blood sugar level damaging the back of the eye. Doctors told Richard that this was due to mismanagement of the disease during his teenage years. Thankfully, after numerous operations surgeons managed to save the sight in one eye, but he remains totally blind in the other.



*Richard with a client,  
demonstrating products and  
equipment to help with daily living*

Richard is passionate about raising awareness. He comments: "For people living with diabetes, especially youngsters, it is so important to make the right choices and listen to specialists to manage the condition correctly to reduce risks. And of course I advise everyone to attend regular sight checks to ensure good eye health."

For more information about diabetes and sight loss call **01243 838001** or email [fundraising@4sight.org.uk](mailto:fundraising@4sight.org.uk). Information on Diabetes Week can be found here [www.diabetes.org.uk/diabetes-week](http://www.diabetes.org.uk/diabetes-week).



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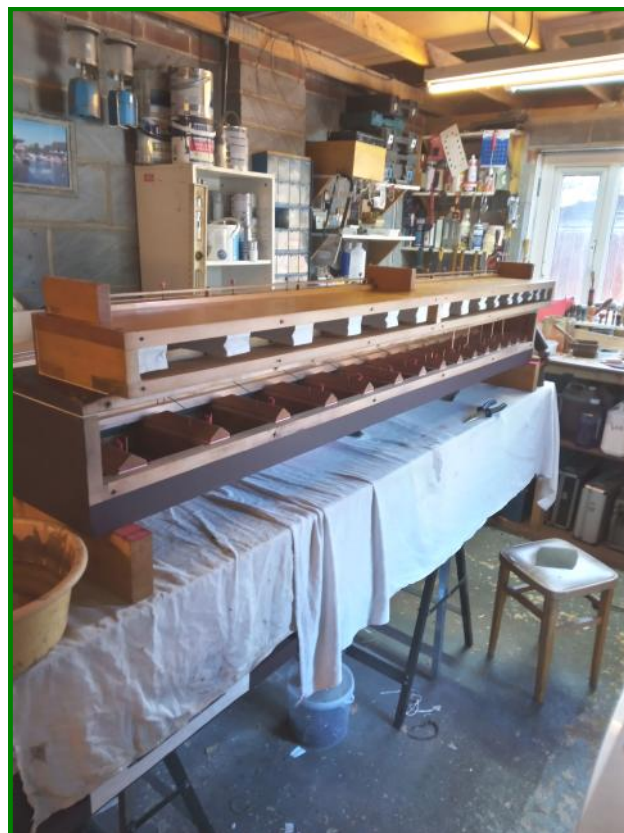
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Urgently needed items include tinned carrots, peas and green beans, sponge puddings, tinned fruit, tinned meat, rice, tinned potatoes/instant mash, tinned rice pudding/custard.

**Website link** for details of food donation points, opening hours, etc: <https://chichesterdistrict.foodbank.org.uk/give-help/donate-food/>; **tel:** 01243 773687



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# How to avoid badly behaved house sellers

by Jennifer Hancock,  
Director at [Property Acquisitions](http://www.propertyacquisitions.co.uk)

I was interviewed recently by *The Times* for my advice for buyers on how to deal with badly behaved house sellers. Following a strong few years in the housing market, the industry has reported that some vendors (not all) believe they now hold all the cards, and are changing the goalposts at the last minute or even pulling out of a deal entirely. For purchasers who are ready to exchange, having paid for surveys, solicitors and other associated costs, it can be devastating financially as well as emotionally when a sale collapses.



So what can buyers do to protect themselves from such a situation? My top self-protection measures would include the following:

Offer quick exchanges and long completions... Sellers can panic that they won't have time to find a new property so pull out, but if they can get a quick exchange to secure the sale, then a delayed completion date of six to twelve months, this gives them extra time.

'Rent backs' are another good option to give sellers time to find the property they want. This is an agreement between the buyer and seller that allows the seller to continue to live in the house after completion in exchange for rental payments for a set period of time. However, it really only works when the buyers are mortgage free, because most residential mortgage providers would not agree to it.

Engage a good solicitor who is going to be proactive, communicative, and excellent at moving things forward quickly. There's nothing more off-putting to a vendor than a buyer's solicitor taking a long time.

If possible, buyers should try and be cash purchasers. A vendor is less likely to walk away from a cash buyer because they are like gold dust in their eyes. Such purchasers can proceed quickly, are chain free and are at less risk of the sale falling through because there aren't any mortgage affordability tests to go through.

Finally, retain a buying agent. They will do all the fighting talk on a buyer's behalf and manage any complications with the seller. Buying agents also provide vendors with reassurance that their client is a serious buyer due to all of the due diligence checks they have to do for proof of funding. This can help minimise the chances of a vendor messing around or walking away tremendously.

**Jennifer Hancock**

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# Dealing with a loved one's estate

by **Serena Elliott**,  
Solicitor with [Bate & Albon](#), Chichester



Dealing with the loss of a loved one is a difficult and emotional time. Being appointed as a Personal Representative, either as an Executor (through a Will), or an Administrator (if there was no Will) can be daunting and add another layer of stress.

An Executor's authority stems from the Will of the deceased and an Administrator's authority stems from the Grant of Administration. Both Executors and Administrators (together referred to as Personal Representatives) have full power to carry out the administration of the estate once the Grant of Representation has been issued.

Personal Representatives are responsible for administering the estate and distributing the assets in accordance with the terms of the Will, or under the Intestacy Rules. If there is no Will, the Intestacy Rules set out exactly who will benefit from an estate.

Personal Representatives are usually responsible for registering the death and organising the funeral (if no member of the family is willing to do so). The person organising the funeral becomes personally liable for the funeral costs, although they will have first call for these costs to be reimbursed from the estate.

The value of the deceased's estate at the date of his/her death will need to be established, in addition to any debts or liabilities owed. This can include obtaining professional valuations of assets to ensure that an accurate calculation of the estate is made and also to confirm whether any Inheritance Tax is payable. Even if no Inheritance Tax is payable, it may still be necessary to complete an Inheritance Tax Account and submit this to HM Revenue and Customs.

The next stage is to apply for the Grant of Representation, either a Grant of Probate, if there is a Will, or Letters of Administration, if there is no Will. This is the official document to confirm that the Personal Representatives are entitled to administer the estate. It also confirms that assets belonging to the deceased can be safely handed over to the Personal Representatives, as most financial institutions (depending on the value of the asset) will not encash accounts or accept instructions until this has been obtained. It is sometimes unnecessary to obtain a Grant of Representation in small estates; however this depends on whether asset holders are willing to release funds without it. The Personal Representatives can then begin collecting in the assets and settling any liabilities owed.

Income Tax and Capital Gains Tax will also need to be considered during the course of the administration of the estate. If the deceased completed annual Tax Returns before his/her death, then these must be completed for the final tax year up to the date of death. Tax may need to be paid on gross income received during the administration of the estate, irrespective of whether Tax Returns were completed before the date of death. Consideration of any taxable gains on assets on their sale/transfer during the administration of the estate are also important, as these can sometimes be mitigated.

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The Personal Representatives have a duty to supply accounts covering all transactions carried out during the administration of the estate (called Estate Accounts) to the ultimate beneficiaries under the Will or Intestacy Rules (called the Residuary Beneficiaries). It is usual for final distributions to be made only once the Estate Accounts have been approved.

**Serena Elliott**

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The Priory purchases its fuel through the Church of England's Bulk Buying scheme. But, even so, we have been told that our fuel cost will rise from £7000 to £21000.

Please consider increasing your financial contributions to the Priory as a matter of some urgency.



Please remember - if you have any unwanted sewing machines, carpentry, garden or engineering tools, Tim Pullan and Malcolm Knight collect such items for 'Tools with a Mission' and 'Tools for Self-Reliance' respectively to be despatched to Africa to help families and individuals to start or expand their business.

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*There are many mysteries in old age, but surely the greatest is this:  
in those advertisements for walk-in bathtubs, why doesn't all the  
water gush out when you get in? (Alan Coren)*



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## Latest news from St Wilfrid's - June 2023

### Last chance to sign up to the Moonlight Walk

Time is running out to sign up to the Moonlight Walk on June 17th! Don't miss out on your chance to walk in memory of loved ones on our exciting 5 or 10-mile walk around Chichester, along with hundreds of other walkers.

An incredibly kind, local anonymous sponsor has pledged to match all donations up to £50,000! This means that every pound you raise for hospice care at the Moonlight Walk, will be doubled for the first £50,000 of fundraising!



Sign-up to join the much-loved Moonlight Walk on June 17th starting at Chichester College, and begin your fundraising to help make a difference to local lives. Sign up online before June 13th, or register on the night: [stwh.co.uk/moonlight](https://stwh.co.uk/moonlight)

\*The Moonlight Walk is proudly sponsored by Henry Adams

### Family Fun Day at West Park, Bognor Regis

Join us for our first ever Family Fun Day at West Park, Bognor Regis, on Sunday 6th August.

From 11am – 3pm, bring the whole family along for an exciting day, including plenty of activities and games for the kids, live music and entertainment, a dog show and a whole host of shopping stalls from local businesses. Entry is free for everyone.

To find out more about our upcoming events, visit [stwh.co.uk/events](https://stwh.co.uk/events)

### Shop Father's Day gifts at our charity shops

Father's Day is coming up on June 18th, and our 12 local charity shops are full of sustainable, pre-loved and high-quality gifts that Dad will love, that won't break your budget. Start shopping early and avoid the last-minute rush!

To find your local store, visit [stwh.co.uk/shops](https://stwh.co.uk/shops)

### A huge thank you to our volunteers!

In celebration of National Volunteering Week at the start of June, we just wanted to take this opportunity to thank all of our amazing volunteers. We couldn't run our vital services, events and shops without volunteers, and we are hugely grateful for everything they do for us, our patients, and their loved ones.

Could you volunteer a few hours a week? We have plenty of volunteering roles available, from helping in our shops, helping out on our Ward, or spending some time looking after our beautiful gardens.

Read our inspiring volunteering stories here: [stwh.co.uk/stories](https://stwh.co.uk/stories)

# INVESTING IN A FAIRER WORLD

*"The way we work we have learned from the bees. Back to back. Shoulder to shoulder. If we are capable of putting into practice 1% of the way that bees in a hive work together, I believe we could solve 99% of our problems."*

Chino Henriquez, Apicoop (a Fairtrade honey co-operative)

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Find out more by watching the video on YouTube:

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Shared Interest helps people in the developing world to earn a fair living. By investing between £100 and £100,000 in a Share Account, UK residents enable Shared Interest to provide much needed finance across the globe. Last year alone, Shared Interest helped over 400 organisations in 58 countries. Fairtrade honey co-operative Apicoop, in Chile - whose farmers regularly face earthquakes and volcanic eruptions - moved into blueberry production with a Shared Interest loan.

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Did you know that whenever you buy anything online - from your weekly shop to your annual holiday - you could be raising free donations for Boxgrove Priory with [easyfundraising](https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/boxgrovepriory/?utm_campaign=raise-more)?

There are over 4,500 shops and sites on board ready to make a donation, and it won't cost you a penny extra to help the Priory raise funds.

All you need to do is:

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2. Every time you shop online, go to easyfundraising first to find the site you want, and start shopping.
3. After you've checked out, the retailer will make a donation to Boxgrove Priory at no extra cost to you whatsoever!

There are no catches or hidden charges, and the Priory will be really grateful for your donations.

Thank you for your support.



#### Cost of Living Advice

The CofE have created this page to help you find out about and access support you might be entitled to, hopefully helping you in the months ahead.

There is useful information and advice on the Diocese of Chichester website about possible sources of help in coping with everyday bills. The page is designed to assist you to find out about and access support to which you may be entitled. It will be updated as further information becomes available. Topics covered include:

#### **Help with energy bills**

- Government schemes
- Local grants
- General tips and guidance

#### **Help with other bills and costs**

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Please see page 6 for Sunday School arrangements.

Readers are advised to check service times on the Priory website (<http://www.boxgrovepriory.co.uk/worship.html>), as it is necessary from time to time to amend them.

You are encouraged to attend the services in person; however, if you prefer you can still 'join in' the Mass from the Priory, 'live' or at a time which may be more convenient for you, via the Parish [Facebook](#) page.



## **FORTIETH ANNIVERSARY OF MY ORDINATION TO THE PRIESTHOOD**

**6.00pm on Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> June in Boxgrove Priory**

As I have said in my 'From Fr Ian' on page 3, I am about to mark my fortieth anniversary of ordination. I shall be celebrating the Mass, and I am delighted that our Bishop, Martin Warner, has agreed to act as President.

I hope that many friends and colleagues past and present will be present to share the occasion with me. The service will be followed by a reception in the vicarage garden, and it would be immensely helpful to have some idea of those who hope to attend. Please just drop me an email ([revdianforrester@hotmail.com](mailto:revdianforrester@hotmail.com)) if you hope to be there - it's safer than just 'catching' me after a service or in the street!

**Fr Ian**



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