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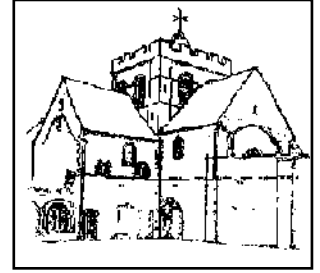
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From Father Ian



At the start of this month, we shall be keeping the feast of Corpus Christi or to give it its full name Corpus et Sanguis Christ. (The Body and Blood of Christ).

This feast is a celebration of the way in which Jesus gives us himself as food and nourishment for our discipleship.

Day by day we celebrate mass, and sometimes there are only one or two people present, but they are there to represent everybody in the Parish, and during the service, the liturgical action by the priest and on behalf of those who are there, and those who are not there is an offering of our lives to God that he might transform them and give them back to us, transformed by his blessing.

This astonishing gift, of his real presence, of his loving proximity, of his desire to shape us in every way possible, is something that demands our response of love and devotion.

Sometimes in Church, you will hear us singing the words “Blessed and praised be Jesus Christ in the most holy sacrament, hosanna in the highest”. This sentiment comes from deep in our hearts, and represents and acknowledges our realisation of how great Jesus is in the gifts that he gives us .

This great gift transforms us then, and makes the world a place enriched by Jesus’s presence, and by his action in the church. The food that we receive in holy communion is for our journey of faith and also that God’s work may be done through us day by day, because the Church is also properly called The Body of Christ.

Our festival procession ends with the priest making the sign of the cross in blessing, with the consecrated bread of communion. As we receive his benediction, we are surely strengthened in our love and service.

Father Ian

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CALENDAR AND INTERCESSIONS

JUNE

1	Sat	Saint Justin, Martyr	Respect for others
2	SUN	ext Sol of CORPUS CHRISTI	Increase in our love of Jesus
3	Mon	Saint Charles Lwanga & Companions, Martyrs	Love of our enemies
4	Tue	Feria	Greater trust in God
5	Wed	Saint Boniface, Bishop and Martyr	The German Nation
6	Thu	Saint Norbert, Bishop	The Episcopate
7	Fri	THE SACRED HEART OF JESUS	Grace to follow the Lord
8	Sat	Of Our Lady	The Confraternity of the Bl Sacrament
9	SUN	TRINITY 2 (10th Week)	Parish and people
10	Mon	Feria	Walsingham
11	Tue	St Barnabas, Ap	Greater love and kindness
12	Wed	Feria	Greater justice worldwide
13	Thu	Saint Antony of Padua, Priest and Doctor	Those who work in Dio Church House
14	Fri	Feria	Ordinands
15	Sat	Of Our Lady	Eagerness in Christian learning
16	SUN	TRINITY 3 (11th Week)	Better trust in God's love
17	Mon	Feria	The city of Chichester
18	Tue	SAINT RICHARD OF CHICHESTER , BISHOP, PATRON	Bishop Martin
19	Wed	Saint Romuald, Abbot	Broadcasters
20	Thu	Feria [Monthly Requiem]	The Departed
21	Fri	Saint Aloisius Gonzaga, Religious	St Wilfrid's Hospice
22	Sat	Saint Alban, Martyr	Those facing death
23	SUN	TRINITY 4 (12th Week)	Parish and people
24	Mon	BIRTH OF JOHN THE BAPTIST	A better understanding of the gospels
25	Tue	Feria	Care workers
26	Wed	Feria	The United Nations
27	Thu	Saint Cyril of Alexandria, Bishop and Doctor	Peace
28	Fri	Saint Irenaeus, Bishop and Doctor	Grace to forgive
29	Sat	Of Our Lady	Saint Richard's Hospital & The Nuffield
30	SUN	SAINTS PETER & PAUL, APOSTLES	Greater courage in witnessing

PRIORY SUNDAY SCHOOL

Sunday School meets on the **first and third** Sunday of each month during term-time (excluding holidays) at 10.20am in the St Blaise Centre, then to go over to the Priory for the second half of the service.

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.

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.)



From the Registers

Ashes burials

Molly Pringle

Allan Beattie

Please keep Molly and Allan in your prayers



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BOXGROVE PARISH COUNCIL

From the Parish Council



At last!! As I write this the contractors have been and removed the static pump, its fuel tank and all the pipework from outside No. 1 Woodland Drive. And now the wretched traffic lights are gone too, such a relief for all the residents at the south end of the Village. We still haven't been informed of the exact cause of the failure in the drain, but thankfully it is all working as it should. Now we wait for SW to arrange the reinstatement of the grass verge wrecked by careless tanker drivers. Following on from our last official visit to the Redvins Bio-mass heat and energy installation, I have since witnessed 2x 40' RTI-axle articulated trailers delivering wood chips from elsewhere other than Estate woodlands. The scuffing of the road surface as they turn into Redvins Lane must be seen to be believed, it can only be a matter of time before the surface starts to break up. I reported this to Goodwood Estate at the GMCCC meeting and to Jeremy Hunt, our County Councillor, who are responsible for Highway Management. The Goodwood representative said he would look into it but on Tuesday in passing I noticed fresh black rubber scuff marks on the road, and since, I have had reports of extra sightings of these outside vehicles using Redvins Road. This import of wood chips is contrary to the Design and Access Statement provided to the original Planning Application and I wonder how long this is allowed to go on.

I attended a second presentation of the Heaver Commercial proposal to consider the Environmental Impact Assessment. This is a revised proposal reducing the area from 6 hectares to 4.4 hectares. The meeting closed with the revelation that Heaver would submit a Planning Application within a couple of months. My concern is the impact of the anticipated traffic not just on the A 27, but all the minor roads which will suffer when the main trunk road chokes and drivers take to alternative 'rat runs'. Also I questioned the need for such a Hub as this. I wrote to the CDC Estates and Employment Space Officer expressing these concerns and her response was positive. Heaver had been consulting with her team but the proposal was never considered to be included in the Local Plan Review which is now with the Inspectorate. So, some comfort there; I did forward this reply to Cllr. Bish and Mr David Leah for their information.

The recently held 'Open Day' at the Village Hall to showcase all that's been going on in the Parish to revise and update our Neighbourhood Plan was a very encouraging event. 130 members of the community attended, for which we thank you, to learn of the progress made by David Leah and his team. The presentation was exemplary with just about every piece of information available prompting many questions and suggestions and I look forward to the Summary which we shall

hear at our Annual Meeting. Also on hand was Jim MacDonald detailing the work of the Traffic Calming Team with a very comprehensive display highlighting the past achievements and the application for a 20 MPH speed limit in Boxgrove. The remarks I heard during the day were mostly complimentary and negative thoughts were taken on board.

A support register was also opened up for the suggestion of a water 'fountain' somewhere near the Village Hall, this is on the Agenda for Monday's Meeting. Finally, as this Meeting is our Annual Meeting I wish to thank all of our Councillors for their support over the past year and particularly those Members of the public who show an interest in our Community and frequently attend our meetings, Ms. Viv Mills for her efforts in researching the issues at Crockerhill and work towards the Parish Emergency resilience Plan, and David Leah for his leadership of the NP review deserve our appreciation and not forgetting Graham Dipple for his ceaseless leadership of The Rangers in the 'jobs' that crop up from time to time. Only this afternoon he and Cllr. Mike Howton were to be seen clearing the vegetation from around the drains at the foot of the A 27 footbridge. All good stuff. Thank you all.

Henry Potter,



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Reading Well for Mental Health

West Sussex libraries have launched a new *Reading Well for Dementia* book list, aimed at people living with dementia, their carers and family members. The books have been chosen and endorsed by health professionals and people with lived experience of dementia. There are books giving information and advice, as well as personal stories. The books can be requested free of charge in all West Sussex libraries in a range of formats.

Boxgrove Neighbourhood Plan

Open meeting 27 April 2024

Feedback Report

The meeting held at the Boxgrove Village Hall was well attended by approximately 130 residents, councillors, and even a Member of Parliament.

A great thanks is due to all the contributors and helpers who made the day a community event. Whilst our prime objective was to communicate and receive feedback about development proposals affecting the parish, it was also an opportunity for residents to meet up and chat about all things Boxgrove. The following is a summary of the key topics.

Housing

Whilst many of us believe that there is too much development, particularly in rural areas, most people seemed to accept that we should provide our share. There were 3/4 sites that the owners/promoters provided drawings and sketches for us to review. Most of the housing sites (HELAA) that were previously offered by landowners for potential development have stated to us that this is now no longer available, so our options for sites is quite limited.

Rohan Stables Halnaker

This is the largest site being proposed for 26 homes. Changes have been made since the original proposals and this is a live planning application. Our straw poll of red and green dots indicated 37 in favour to 1 against. Most comments referred to there being too many houses for the site and have doubts about the infrastructure coping.

The Folly Halnaker

This is a site for a proposed 10/12 dwellings which has been considerably revised since it was first presented. Our poll indicated 4 in favour and 14 against. Most negative comments were about the loss of green space and the impact on the landscape and character of the village.

The Old Granary Boxgrove

This proposed development has been around for some years and in its latest iteration has 5 dwellings. The poll had 27 votes against and 2 in favour. There were negative comments about access and the proximity to the priory setting and particularly the height. Having the right design would make a suitable end to the village. More, but smaller houses was suggested.

The Longmeadow Site (South end of The Street Boxgrove)

The original application for this site was refused by CDC. The developer is now considering resubmitting a smaller scheme. No new details were offered but polling was 7 against to 3 for. Negative comments were about access to the site close to the roundabout.

Many people noted that developments less than 6 dwellings do not count towards our allocation. It is understood that CDC are reconsidering this policy. The NP team will pursue this.

Housing-next steps

The Rohan site is likely to be decided on by CDC in the coming month or so. The NP team is objecting on policy grounds but has also requested some conditions, if it is decided to allow this. If it is refused, it is almost certain to go to appeal.

The NP team will have further discussions with the promoters of the other sites to make them aware of our concerns in the hope of including them in our Plan.

The Village Shop

A proposal was suggested to re-site the shop in two alternate locations by the Village Hall. This could improve access by giving parking for passing trade and additionally include a café making it more financially viable.

Most comments were negative, as its central position makes it more convenient on foot but there were some positives about safety with cars and vans parked outside the existing when children are walking to school.

Biodiversity

The revised Neighbourhood Plan will include a policy about improving diversity and in fact CDC's policies require that a net gain be achieved from new developments. There were some very positive comments about the wildlife in the parish and the need to enhance these. Please contact the team for any suggestions you have and encourage use of **the iRecord phone app**.

Commercial Sites

Pump House Farm Logistics/warehousing (Stane St Strettington)

This is now a proposed 44,000 Sqm site.

There were 12 votes against and no one in favour. Most comments were about the increase in HGV's and couriers. There is no known justification for a site such as this in the CDC Local Plan. Details are emerging and a planning application will be submitted in due course.

Battery Energy & Storage (BESS) and 132Kv Substation (ex Boxgrove Common Quarry Halnaker)

Details of this facility are just coming to light and is subject to a Preliminary Planning application 23/0256/PRELIM. This would be totally out of character with the area and contrary to the approved restoration conditions of the Boxgrove Quarry.

A more detailed report of all the comments made at the event will be published in full on the Boxgrove Parish Council website.

Any further Neighbourhood Plan information will be advised by posters, social media and on our website.

<https://boxgroveparishcouncil.gov.uk/neighbourhood-plan/our-neighbourhood-plan/>

David Leah

Chair of Boxgrove Neighbourhood Plan Team

13 May 2024

Table Top Sale at St Blaise Centre, Boxgrove

Saturday 29th June 10~1pm

Bacon filled brioche rolls and teas/coffee will
be on sale

£10 for a full-size table, £5 for a half size.

First come – first served!

To book a space or for more information
contact Katie at

churchwardens@boxgrovepriory.co.uk or on
01243 787884



Please continue to support the Chichester District Foodbank.

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

ABBA FROM MEMORY

Dancing Queen, Waterloo, Mamma Mia – who doesn't love all of them? Of course, they're three of the greatest songs of ABBA, one of the most successful pop bands of all time. And on **Saturday 6th July at Boxgrove's very own St Blaise Centre**, you'll have the chance to enjoy not only their chart-topping singles but EVERY SINGLE SONG written and released by the band, as David Bathurst, a member of Boxgrove Priory choir, will attempt to sing them all – over 120 in total – from memory.

David, who will be accompanied at the piano by talented Chichester musician David Russell, will start his Abbathon at **9.45am on 6th July** and expects to finish at around 5.15pm. The singing will be split into four sessions, separated by coffee/lunch breaks; in his first session David will concentrate on the band's early output interspersed with songs from their 2021 Voyage album, but after that, starting with Waterloo – the song which 50 years ago wowed Eurovision in Brighton – David will take the songs roughly chronologically, ending with a rousing encore of the band's most popular melodies. As well as enjoying the well-known floor fillers, you'll have the chance to listen to some less well-known songs from the various albums, including such gems as So Long, I've Been Waiting For You, Gonna Sing You My Love Song and Bang A Boomerang, and other songs you may recognise from inclusion in the two smash-hit Mamma Mia films such as Andante Andante and Slipping Through My Fingers. Abba were masters at writing tremendously upbeat and memorable tunes but with words that were often highly poignant and sad. David very much hopes you, his audience, will in fact be more than just an audience, joining in as much as you wish!

David is no stranger to feats of memory, which include renditions of the complete New Testament and the complete works of Gilbert & Sullivan from memory. Just 2 years ago, also in the St Blaise Centre, he succeeded in singing – again accompanied by David Russell – all the Beatles songs from memory, a total of over 200 songs.

Admission to the Abba event is **ABSOLUTELY FREE AND AT ANY TIME ON THE DAY** – come when you can, go when you must. Soft drinks and biscuits will be available, for which just a donation is invited, but you are welcome to bring picnic food.

There will, however, be a retiring collection which will be split between Boxgrove Priory funds, Sussex Snowdrop Trust which provides help for families in Sussex with children suffering life-threatening or life-limiting illness, and Sage House, a facility in Tangmere providing day care for local people with dementia.

For further information please contact David on 07536 984943 or email him at davidbathurst@btinternet.com



Visit the **Sussex Snowdrop Trust's** website at <https://www.thesussexsnowdroptrust.com/> to read about the wonderful work they do for children and their families.

NEWS FROM THE BOXGROVE BELLES

'Knowing two British eccentrics' was an intriguing title and Susan Howe, our speaker, amused, charmed and entertained us with tales of working with John Betjeman back in the late Sixties and frequently visiting the home of the real 'Siegfried' of "All Creatures Great and Small" fame.

Betjeman's secretary was on maternity when the 19 year old Susan applied for the temporary post, with no experience and no typing skills. Somehow she got the job. On her first morning she was greeted by JB telling her a long tale about Archie. Archie wasn't at all well and dinner had been booked and theatre tickets bought and Betjeman didn't think Archie would be well enough to go. Unfazed, the young Susan suggested she ring the restaurant and explain that Archie might not be able to eat the full menu and warn the theatre they might not be able to attend. Benjeman thought this an admirable idea. Archie, by the way, was a very worn and much loved teddy bear who seldom left Betjeman's side - he even appeared under JB's arm on his wedding night! Unsurprisingly, the blushing bride took Archie and threw him out of the window.

Susan survived and enjoyed the nine-month appointment but was ready to leave at the end of the period. As she was leaving Betjeman said, "We had some fun, didn't we? A pity you can't type." (She had hoped he hadn't noticed!)

Some years later Susan became friends with the daughter of Donald Sinclair, aka Siegfried Farnon, portrayed by Robert Harding in the TV series "All Creatures Great and Small". Susan often visited the Sinclair's in their family home in Yorkshire. Donald was charming, but capricious and eccentric. The Queen gifted him some silver Georgian toast racks to thank him for finding her a Cleveland Bay horse for one of her carriages. He wrote back thanking her Majesty but returning the toast racks saying they gave him and his wife migraines with their toast. Fortunately his wife intercepted the letter and wrote a more tactful response! On another occasion his wife thought it might be nice to have some ducks on the pond. Within the week 200 were delivered - a typical over-the-top gesture! He was certainly an eccentric, larger-than-life character.

With summer on the horizon we have a number of outings planned. The first is to Highdown Gardens near Worthing at the end of May. Gilbert White's Museum and the Chichester Canal beckon in July. In between we have our Open Meeting on 12th June at 2.15 pm. Everyone is welcome. Come and have some tea and cake (all free). Sit and chat in the St Blaise Garden and meet our members. There will be plants to buy and a garden-themed raffle. Hopefully the sun will shine and we'll enjoy a relaxed afternoon.

If you want to know more about The Boxgrove Belles ring or text me on 07947946538 or email me at wendyaustinward@gmail.com

Best wishes
Wendy





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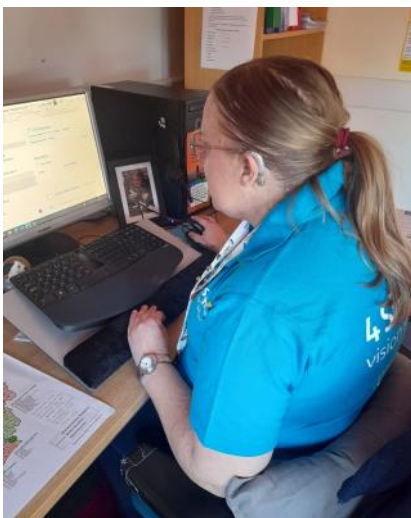


4Sight Vision Support Achieves RNIB Visibly Better Employer Quality Standard

4Sight Vision Support is delighted to have recently achieved The Royal National Institute of Blind People (RNIB) Visibly Better Employer Certification and is encouraging other organisations across West Sussex to consider attaining this Quality Standard. It is designed to support employers in assessing their recruitment and retention practices, and provide the practical tools required for an accessible environment for people with sight loss. As a result, organisations will widen the talent pool available, increasing their employee diversity by attracting and retaining more blind and partially sighted talent into their workforce.

A YouGov poll commissioned by the All Party Parliamentary Group (APPG) on Eye Health and Visual Impairment, and funded by Thomas Pocklington Trust, revealed that 48% of businesses do not have accessible recruitment processes and a shocking 25% of employers said they would not be willing to make workplace adaptations to employ a blind or partially sighted person – despite this being a legal requirement. The polling also found many misconceptions and myths about visually impaired people's ability to work.

Kirstie Thomas, CEO at 4Sight Vision Support commented, "We are delighted to have achieved this quality standard which recognises the benefits of having an inclusive and diverse workforce. We would encourage businesses and other organisations across the county to find out more about achieving it for themselves."



The Certification scheme is free, and on completion, employers will be able to assure others by displaying the RNIB Visibly Better Employer Certification logo. If your own organisation or employer might be interested in learning more about the scheme, please visit www.rnib.org.uk/living-with-sight-loss/equality-and-employment/employers/visibly-better-employer-quality-standard or email enquiries@4sight.org.uk or call 01243 828555.

The image shows 4SVS's Sarah using her raised ergonomic keyboard and mouse, with a text enlarged computer screen with enlarged, contrast-coloured cursor.

Petworth House & Park News for June

Petworth House and Park, Church Street, Petworth, GU28 0AE
Details at <https://www.nationaltrust.org.uk/petworth>



May Half Term

Saturday 25 May – Sunday 2 June

We'll be creating a buzz this May half term with our free honey bee-themed family trail. Take part in our crafting activity to create your own bee, and learn more about this incredible insect on our garden trail, with games and activities.

Free activities. Normal admission applies.

Outdoor Theatre: The Comedy of Errors

Friday 14 June. 7pm – 9pm

Join the HandleBards for a bicycle-powered production of Shakespeare's 'The Comedy of Errors' in the Pleasure Garden.

Pedalling from venue to venue with all of their set, props and costumes on the back of their bikes, the HandleBards are a four-strong troupe of actors who are spending the summer bringing environmentally sustainable Shakespeare to venues across the UK.

Doors open at 6pm, performance begins at 7pm with a short interval. Drinks and light refreshments will be available to purchase on the evening. This is an outdoor production, so please bring a chair or blanket to sit on, a picnic to dig into, and dress for the weather!

Adult standard: £19.50

Under 21: £12.50

Under 12: £5

Under 5s go free

Booking essential: www.handlebards.com/show/the-comedy-of-errors-petworth-house/

Abstract and Expressive Painting Workshop

Thursday 27 June. 10.30am – 4.30pm

Join this one-day workshop with local tutor Amanda Duke who will guide you through creating a selection of abstract and expressive paintings in response to music.

Suitable for all skill levels. Materials will be provided. Tea and coffee available throughout the day.

£90 per person. Booking essential via our website or by calling 0344 249 1895.

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Free Community Open Day Sunday 23 June. 10am – 5pm.

Explore Petworth House and Garden for free on our annual community open day, with family activities including storytelling with Mama G, have-a-go circus area, and bubblemania. There will be live music in the courtyard, and highlight talks in the house. Free entry and activities.

HeartSmart Walks

Now that the rain seems to have stopped (!), why not try one of the HeartSmart Walks?

Run by the Wellbeing team at CDC, they offer a variety of local walks, for different levels of fitness.; sometimes you can take along your dog too, but please check first!

Here is just a selection of the walks for June:

Chichester Canal

Emsworth to Nutbourne

Midhurst Jubilee Walk & South Pond

Eartham Wood, Stane Street & Great Down

Houghton Forest & Bignor Hill

Graylingwell

Slindon Woods

NB Booking is required for all walks

For more details, visit the HeartSmart webpage via <https://www.chichester.gov.uk> or for further information contact the Chichester Wellbeing Team

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<https://stonepillow.org.uk/>

Please continue to leave any non-perishable food you can spare in our bin just inside the inner doors of the church. We welcome gifts, including furniture and electrical goods, at the Restore Shop in Terminus Road (Stonepillow Restore, Unit 3, Plot 27, Terminus Road, Chichester PO19 8UE; Tel: 01243 698547; restore@stonepillow.org.uk. We can collect larger items if needed.

We are also looking for volunteers who don't mind getting stuck in and sorting our donations; this will enable us to make the best use of them. So many people have so much experience which would be very welcome ...!

Bosham Open Gardens Returns this Summer!

The biennial event of which all proceeds go to Dementia Support, a charity based in Tangmere, will take place on **Sunday 12th June, 11am to 5pm**, where you will get the unique chance to visit approximately 20 stunningly beautiful private gardens. The picturesque village of Bosham has a magnificent setting on the edge of Chichester Harbour. It is renowned for its ancient church and historic links with King Canute, King Harold and the Bayeux Tapestry.

There is something of interest for all gardeners, including gardens on the harbour's edge, featuring coastal and wind-tolerant plants, beautiful harbour views, sheltered gardens in the village in a wide variety of styles and sizes, presenting rose gardens, herbaceous borders, organic vegetable gardens and lots more.



All the family are welcome, there will be crafts for sale, and live music playing in the afternoon. Enjoy lunch in a waterside garden with a glass of wine - booking and prepayment is required. Also lunch on-the-go is available at The Berkeley Arms and cream teas will be available from The Millstream Hotel along with homemade cakes and plant sales in various gardens.

Tickets are £10.00 per adult, accompanied under 14's are free.

Tickets are on sale at selected gardens and in Bosham Car Park on the day. You can also purchase tickets in advance from mid May from The Bosham Co-operative, Hilliers Garden Centre, The Millstream Hotel and from Dementia Support, Sage House Reception.

Online tickets will also be available from the Dementia Support website [Bosham Open Gardens \(dementiasupport.org.uk\)](http://www.dementiasupport.org.uk)

Contact the organisers

Phone 01243 574440

Email: rosemaryhanbury781@gmail.com

Web: <http://www.boshamgardens.org>

Directions: Bosham is situated about 3 miles west of Chichester. Head into Bosham Village from the A259 and the open gardens will be signposted.

All proceeds raised will go to Dementia Support.

Latest News from St Wilfrid's Hospice

June 2024

Moonlight Walk 2024



It's almost here!

The St Wilfrid's Moonlight Walk takes place this June 15th at Chichester College, inviting you to an evening of fun-fundraising.

Don't miss your chance to explore Chichester under the moonlight, while also helping support expert palliative care in the local community.

Tickets are available until June 10th, so don't miss out: www.stwh.co.uk/moonlight

Be a Summer Superstar.

St Wilfrid's Hospice is always looking for volunteers to join the team and help make a difference in our local community.

Whether it's supporting at our shops, in our café or on the Ward, by sparing a few hours and volunteering you will be helping us continue to provide our expert end-of-life care services.



Find out how you can get involved here: www.stwh.co.uk/volunteering

Great South Run

Want to take on a challenge?

The Great South Run returns this October 20th, inviting you to take on a 10-mile run around Portsmouth, while also raising funds for St Wilfrid's

Hospice. If you're looking for a challenge, but need the motivation to do so, then this is the perfect opportunity.

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CREAM TEAS AT BOXGROVE PRIORY



Advance notice that cream teas will be served in the St Blaise Centre, in the grounds of Boxgrove Priory, **every Sunday in August from 2pm until 5pm**. Last year the teas raised a record-smashing total of £1640 for Priory funds: it would be wonderful to better that total this year!

Help is needed on each of the Sundays both in preparing scones and cakes, and providing help in the kitchen. If you're able to offer help please speak to David Bathurst or email him on davidbathurst@btinternet.com



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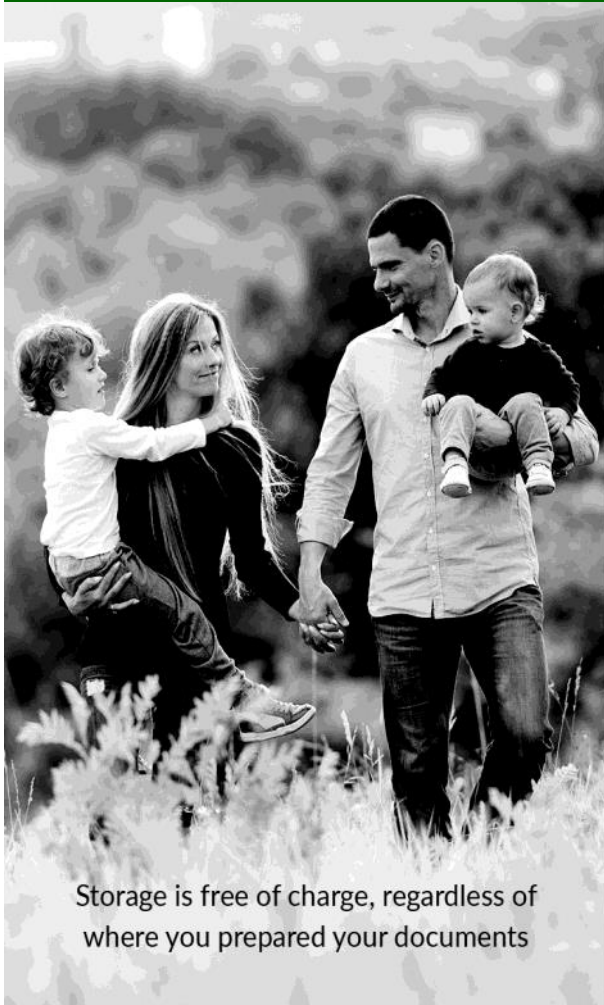
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The Arthritic Gardener (part 2)

(for part 1 see April 2022)

A couple of years ago I wrote an article for the Bugle which I intended should be more general but I got onto my hobby-horse “No-mow” and galloped off in that direction with very little attention to the title. As I said back then, I was warned by my father that the High Trees garden would be a weight around our necks as we got older and less physically mobile. As I also said, I thought this was the ramblings of an old man with no vision and of course we would be able to look after it.



I am now beginning to realise that he may have had a point and what we need to do is to plan for the future-proofing of our garden. Oh look - here comes the hobby-horse trotting back towards us! Luckily our pet, “No-mow” is highly fashionable at present and those closely scalped, stripy lawns look very dated. We now have 4 large areas of rewilding and only mown paths between these.

I have recently started a savings account to save for increased help around the High Trees garden. I am under no illusion that we can do it all ourselves - nor do I think it will stay the same in future years and we may have to hand it back to nature by degrees.

But until the time comes that I can't do more than 5 minutes at a time of pottering around the estate, I am trying to be more sensible about the way I garden. No matter whether you are an Olympic athlete or a couch potato it is a good idea to do a few stretching exercises before tackling any physical exertion. It means that we ~~old-lags~~ keen gardeners, can spring out of bed the next morning and look forward to another day with the spade!



A lesson I have learned the hard way is to vary the activities I do, and not attempt to get every job finished in one go. Half an hour on the knees pulling those stubborn docks out of the flower bed is all I can take; and much as I would like to see the long border weed-free and looking ab-fab, I know that it is now time to do a bit of pricking-out and potting-on, or to try out the sun loungers I bought last year

for Gerry's birthday (I bought him two of course).

The item of equipment which has made a vast difference to all this kneeling which gardening seems to require is the garden kneeler which



The birthday lounger—I DID have something covering my top half!



turns upside down and becomes a seat - not quite as relaxing as the birthday loungers but very welcome nonetheless. But the chief reason for using this kneeler is the sturdy handles with which to defy gravity and move to the vertical.

We have 2 different designs of kneeler here at High Trees; one is a simple plastic stool and the other has foldable metal handles which, over the years of use, have become very difficult to operate with arthritic fingers. So you can imagine which one is the "go-to"! However in looking for a photo of this top-stool I came across this one on wheels and now have garden-kneeler-envy!

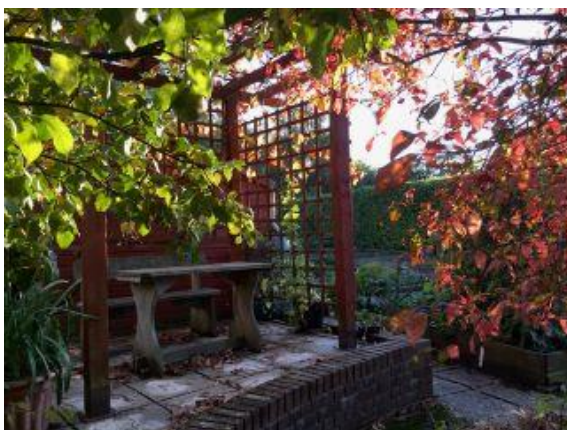
It is a very good idea to keep a mobile phone about your person when out in the garden - not only to keep up with your Twitter-feed but also in case of emergency. The only twitter-feed I deal with these days are the sunflower hearts and fat balls which are becoming depleted very rapidly by our local bird families at present. And, good idea though it is to keep the phone nearby, I often lose track of it and then later find it sitting on the garden wall exhausted by the sun's rays which have caused it to expire. I am an Apple devotee and can use "Find-my-phone" which has been very useful on occasion!

When I set out for an afternoon of gardening, I am hardly a vision of loveliness. I can often be seen sporting an off-the-shoulder boiler suit, cleverly embellished with paint-splatter and set off by the latest in the range of Dunlop wellingtons. However the crowning glory of this a-la-mode outfit is the straw hat - worn at a jaunty angle which has never been the same since squashing it into my suitcase on the flight back from Spain. I may not make the Paris catwalk this season, but I am well protected.



Haute couture at High Trees

You can never have too many places around the garden on which to perch.



We have:

- 3 plastic patio chairs (horrible but lightweight and useful for lugging around)
- 8 lightweight metal patio chairs (great as they don't need any maintenance)
- 6 wooden benches of varying levels of simplicity (one is a flat log resting in 2 stumps)
- 2 incredibly heavy wooden chairs
- ...and of course the 2 birthday loungers.

So after the 1/2 hour on the knees there is always somewhere nearby for 5 minutes of contemplation.

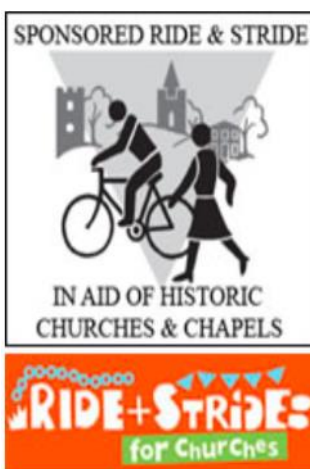
Another item of equipment which I wouldn't be without is the pot trolley - imagine the sort of thing a station Porter would trundle around the platforms in the 1950's bearing your suitcases for the overnight sleeper to Penzance. Not only is it perfect for moving heavy pots around the place but also sacks of bird feed, bales of straw and any other weighty objects. Gerry's Desert Island luxury in the garden is the battery-operated hedge trimmer (not to mention the battery-operated chain saw and the b.o. lawn mower.) If only **he** too could be battery-operated we might get a little more done about the place!

I **was** going to mention the very useful self-watering system with which we can water the pots; it has a computer which controls the timing of the watering. However I have decided that it is even easier on the arthritic fingers not to have this rather elaborate set-up and simply have far fewer pots that need watering!

So, apart from our gardener, the Mighty Atom (Google it and you'll see what I mean), these are the things which we do to manage the garden as our joints begin to get creakier. And now (in my dreams) I'll hop on to the 4 wheeled kneeler and be towed off to the bottom of the garden by "No-Mow" where I'll drop into the lounge and listen to the tweets!

Janet Reeves

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



SAVE THE DATE!

This year's Sussex Historic Churches Trust's 'Ride & Stride Plus' will take place on **Saturday 14th 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. 50% of money raised goes to the participant's church (or other nominated organisation) and 50% to the Sussex Historic Churches Trust. Visit the website for more details.

https://www.sussexhistoricchurchestrust.org.uk/sussex_ride_and_stride.html



Delayed completions are normal in today's transactions

West Sussex remains one of the top areas in property market, with limited good quality country homes for sale either on or off market, this strong demand has meant record prices are often still being achieved. For many sellers this has created a bit of a dilemma as they may have sold their house for a great price, but they can't find somewhere else to purchase. As such, I am frequently seeing delayed property completions at the moment which is aided by good buyers offering flexibility.

The completion date is the day a buyer legally pays the remainder of the purchase price to the seller, which enables them to collect the keys and move in. This usually happens approximately one to four weeks after exchanged of contracts has taken place and the seller has to vacate their home within that time frame. With a delayed property completion strategy, this period can be extended - which can benefit both the buyer and the seller if managed properly.

Long stop completions are happening because sellers are feeling worried about how long it may take them to find another house with little stock available. Many of the prime country houses are selling off market, therefore not everybody is aware of them - not unless they're using a buying agent. There are also sentimental reasons for sellers feeling anxious, particularly older ones who are leaving behind a family home they have most likely lived in for a couple of decades if not more.

For sellers, having the time to find something else combined with the assurance that their home has already sold as contracts have exchanged puts them in good stead as a buyer - which is very appealing. Sellers may accept a lower price for their home if they can find a buyer willing to wait a while.

For buyers, there are many benefits of a delayed property completion. Firstly, it's an effective negotiating tool for securing their dream country home for a lower price. It also allows time to seek planning permission from architects and builders for any alterations they plan to make. This is especially true now as often there are delays with planners, whilst builders are busy there are often long waiting times to book them in.

For buyers moving from overseas, a delayed property completion is ideal should they wish to secure the house via exchange and then wait until they are back in the UK to complete.

Meanwhile, a buyer has more time to secure the funds from the sale of their own home in order to complete the purchase. It can of course mean that a buyer has to move into rental accommodation temporarily should their purchaser wish to move sooner, I'm finding that if they have found the right house, many are prepared to rent.

For example, a recent client who exchanged in January in the Chichester area has agreed a completion date for late autumn 2024 because the vendors wanted time to find something perfect to buy. By being flexible, this meant their lower offer was accepted when compared to other interested potential buyers.

For more information about buying and selling with a delayed completion strategy, contact specialist buying agent Jennie Hancock on jh@propertyacquisitions.co.uk.

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Dates for your diary.....JUNE 2024

A brief round-up of local events for the coming month, based on information available at the time of compiling "The Bugle". Apologies, but no responsibility can be accepted for any errors.

3rd June	Parish Council Meeting 7 p.m.
5th–8th June	Chichester Cathedral Festival of Flowers For details and tickets see www.chichestercathedral.org
7th June	Farmers Market, North & East Street, Chichester 9 a.m.–2p.m.
12th June	Boxgrove Belles Open Meeting—All welcome— See page 13 for details
12th June	Bosham Open Gardens (Proceeds to Dementia Support) See page 16 for details
15th June	Chichester Singers concert at Chichester Cathedral 7.30 pm For details and tickets see www.chichestercathedral.org
16th June	Open air theatre at Chichester Cathedral 7pm For details see www.chichestercathedral.org
19th June	Academy of St Martin in the Fields concert at Chichester Cathedral 7pm For details see www.chichestercathedral.org
21st June	Farmers Market, North & East Street, Chichester 9 a.m.–2p.m.
26th June	Quiz Night—Boxgrove Village Hall—see page 28
28th June	Monthly Market at Boxgrove Village Hall 10 a.m.–1 p.m.
29th June	Table top sale at St Blaise Centre—see p11

80th Anniversary of D-Day

On 6th June 1944—D-Day—Allied Forces launched a combined naval, air and land assault on Nazi-occupied France. In the build-up, thousands of troops were billeted in West Sussex.

A number of events are being held across the County to mark this anniversary. Head to the County Council website (www.westsussex.gov.uk) for more details.

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).

- 11 June** - Giulia Semerano & Filippo Di Bari—piano duet
- 18 June** - Oliver Nelson, violin & Julian Jacobson, piano
- 25 June** - Simone Tivoni, piano
- 2 July** Solarek Piano Trio

Advance dates for your diary.....

4th July - Prebendal School Summer Concert at Chichester Cathedral— see website for details www.chichestercathedral.org

5th July—Chichester Chorale - Concert in the Priory 7.30 pm—Tickets at the door or Novium. See www.chichesterchorale.com for details

6th July—David Bathurst charity event (ABBA) in St Blaise Centre—see p10

6th July—Evening concert in Chichester Cathedral— see website for details

6th July—The Chantry Quire—Concert in St Mary’s Church Easebourne—see website www.chantryquire.org.uk for details

31st July—Open air theatre at Chichester Cathedral— see website for details

DON’T FORGET!! *Every Sunday in August: Cream teas at The Priory!*

Saturday 3rd August: Lavant Horticultural Society’s Annual Show, from 2pm, in Lavant Memorial Hall—Free admission

Sunday 1st September: Summer Fayre at Boxgrove Village Hall

Saturday 14th September: “Ride & Stride” (see p 22)

Saturday 28th September: Boxgrove Dog Show

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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.



Corpus Christi Festival

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10.30 a.m. Solemn Mass and
Procession of the Blessed Sacrament to the Vicarage garden, Benediction
and Lunch

(Food is provided but please bring your own seating, crockery, cutlery and a glass)

Please sign up for lunch on the list in the Priory asap.



*The Church is open daily
and all are welcome!*