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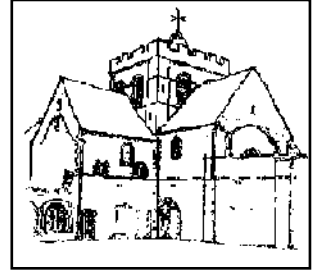
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see page 36

From Father Ian



By the time you read this I expect that life will be beginning to return to normal at the vicarage.

Like many families we have been celebrating a wedding, negotiating our way through all the minutiae that helps make the day go smoothly. I am, of course, writing this in advance of the occasion, so it's fingers crossed!

At the centre of a marriage is love; is God, who creates us and loves us and places opportunities in front of us.

Because he is God he already sees a plan for us, and understands that we humans function more happily when we are not alone, and I am sure that God's love and blessings are with those in many sorts of relationships.

The numbers of people coming to church for their wedding are beginning to return to the pre-covid levels, and as a priest I rejoice that this is so.

Please, then, pray for all who are getting married in the priory this year, and for those who are contemplating marriage.

Every blessing,

Father Ian
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CALENDAR AND INTERCESSIONS

SEPTEMBER

1	SUN TRINITY 14	Parish and people
2	Mon Of Our Lady	Faithfulness in vocation
3	Tue Saint Gregory the Great, Pope & Doctor	Church choirs
4	Wed Saint Cuthbert, Bishop	Sacrificial giving
5	Thu Blessed Teresa of Calcutta, Virgin and Religious	The poor
6	Fri Feria	The sick
7	Sat Feria (Monthly requiem)	The departed
8	SUN NATIVITY OF THE BVM	Obedient service to God
9	Mon Saint Peter Claver, priest	Those working with the homeless
10	Tue Feria	Vocations to the Religious Life
11	Wed Feria	The Community at Crawley Down Walsingham
12	Thu The Most Holy Name of Mary	Preachers
13	Fri Saint John Chrysostom, Bishop and Doctor	The Society of the Holy Cross
14	Sat The Exaltation of the Holy Cross	
15	SUN ext sol of HOLY CROSS	Witnesses to suffering
16	Mon Saints Cornelius, Pope and Cyprian, Bishop, martyrs	Engineers
17	Tue Saint Hildegard of Bingen	Vocations to the Religious Life
18	Wed Feria	Seafarers
19	Thu Saint Theodore, Bishop	The Archbishop of Canterbury
20	Fri Saint Andrew Kim Taegon, Pr & Mm of the Pacific	Oppressed Christians
21	Sat Saint Matthew the Apostle	Greater knowledge of the Gospels
22	SUN TRINITY 17	Parish and people
23	Mon Saint Pius of Petrelcina, Priest and Religious	Funeral Directors
24	Tue Our Lady of Walsingham	The shrine
25	Wed Saint Sergei of Radonezh, Religious	The Hostel at Kwa Mkono
26	Thu Saints Cosmas and Damian, Martyrs	Young Christians
27	Fri Saint Vincent de Paul, Priest	The Sisters of Charity
28	Sat Saint Wenceslas, Martyr	The Czech Nation
29	SUN SAINT MICHAEL AND THE HOLY ANGELS	Thanksgiving for angelic ministry
30	Mon Saint Jerome, Priest and Doctor	Biblical scholars

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

Baptism

Autumn

Confirmation

Lorna, Kate and Neil

Weddings

Jodie and Kieran

Alexandra and Neil

Funeral

Louise Wilson



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Hello from the Hall!

Hello from the Hall,

September is a busy month for us and, depending on when you receive your copy of the Bugle, we may have already had our biggest event of the year- our Summer Fayre. This year our Summer Fayre is on **Sunday 1st September from 12-4pm** and we have lots of free family entertainment, alongside children's rides, fish and chips, BBQ, cream teas, licensed bar and, of course, our fantastic local sellers' market. Everyone is welcome, even your furry friends!

Later in September, we are once again joining in with the nation's largest coffee morning, by hosting a Macmillan Coffee Morning to raise vital funds for this extremely worthwhile cause. The hall will be open for hot drinks and delicious treats from 10am-12pm on Friday 27th September and we have the fantastic Chichester Community Choir performing for us, too. So, grab a friend, neighbour, relative or come alone and meet others in the local community and join us for a natter and a singalong (if you fancy!). Again, everyone is welcome- even well-behaved four-legged friends. All our cakes/sweet treats are generously donated/ baked by local businesses/individuals- and we gratefully receive any donations. Please contact: community@boxgrovillagehall.co.uk if you can help!

Without ruffling too many feathers by mentioning the C(hristmas) word so early in the year, bookings are now open for our Christmas market on Sunday 10th November, so if you are interested in joining us please get in touch at community@boxgrovillagehall.co.uk or pop into the hall and see the hall manager, Sally.

Enjoy the sun.. (while it lasts...!)

Until next time,



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.



MACMILLAN coffee morning

Boxgrove Village Hall

Friday 27th
September
10am-12pm



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BOXGROVE PARISH COUNCIL



Update on Emergency Planning

Boxgrove Parish Council is committed to supporting our community in times of need by providing guidance and practical assistance during emergencies. We recognize that emergencies can take many forms, from natural disasters and public health crises to accidents, infrastructure failures, and severe weather events. In these situations, the Council will work swiftly to coordinate with emergency services, offer timely information, and provide hands-on support to our residents.

Our ongoing efforts include developing a comprehensive local emergency plan aimed at ensuring public safety, boosting community preparedness, and fostering a coordinated response. We're focused on minimizing the impact of emergencies and aiding in the community's recovery. We also encourage everyone to get involved by participating in training and preparedness activities and as such we will be communicating further in due course.

This update is part of our commitment to keeping everyone informed and ready, and we are continuously refining our plans to better serve the Boxgrove community.

Julian Moore

Parish Councillor

There was no Parish Council meeting in August; the next Parish Council Meeting is scheduled to take place on 2nd September—Ed.

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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 ...!

SPONSORED RIDE & STRIDE



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CHURCHES & CHAPELS



RIDE & STRIDE

14th September

Hi Everyone.

This year's "Ride & Stride" event is planned for Sat 14th September. If you are free and want to do a ride or walk to raise money for the Sussex Historic Churches Trust then please get in touch for the relevant forms. I will once again be riding myself on the day, trying to visit as many churches in the area with "St. Mary" in their names as I can. Similar to last year, but this time hopefully avoiding Heat Stroke! I will be leaving a sponsorship form in the Shop and in the Church for anyone wishing to sponsor me! All monies raised go to preservation work of our lovely historic church buildings that will be sorely missed if not maintained.

Thanks, Mark Peters.

bookings@boxgrovepriory.co.uk

CALLING ALL CREATIVE PEOPLE

We need more flower arrangers to create arrangements in the Priory.

Please help to demonstrate that this is a living, cared for church.

You can either:

Contact Sue Organ on sue.organ@zen.co.uk

Or

Come to the church on Friday morning 13th September at 9.30 am to watch arrangements being made and talk to the other florists.



**"HAVE
YOUR
SAY!"**



Boxgrove Neighbourhood Plan

The Boxgrove Neighbourhood Plan team invite all the residents of the Parish to take part in a short survey about housing numbers.

The survey can be completed during August online by following the QR code or by going to

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/BXhousing>



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Boxgrove Neighbourhood Plan Update

Housing at Rohan Stables Halnaker

The application was on the agenda of the August meeting of the CDC Planning Committee. It was recommended for approval by the officers, but the councillors agreed to defer to see if agreement could be reached to reduce the number of dwellings. This is likely to be back on the agenda in September.

Battery and Energy Storage System (ESS) Boxgrove Common

Planning permission has still not been granted by WSCC to change the approved restoration plan. The landowner's proposal is to reduce the woodland area to make it possible to apply for planning permission for the Battery Storage and Electrical Substation.

This 'industrial facility' up to 7m high in the restored quarry would be adjacent to the Tinwood Lane right of way. It would produce noise from cooling fans and electrical devices as well as impacting on the landscape.

The 'Folly' Housing Development A285 Halnaker

This proposed development of nine houses is now the subject of a preliminary planning application. This will be subject to further public consultation shortly.

Boxgrove Housing Allocation by CDC

The Neighbourhood Plan contested our allocation of 50 dwellings during the initial consultation of CDC's Local Plan. This is now at the examination stage, so we have initiated a survey to test residents' views about the reasonableness of this number.

This can be found at our website or on Facebook and Nextdoor.

Any further Neighbourhood Plan information will be provided by posters and our normal website etc.

David Leah

Chair of Boxgrove Neighbourhood Plan Team

12 August 2024

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

New Dementia Sensory Garden Opened by Tangmere Charity

Sage House in Tangmere has created a brand-new sensory garden to give people living with dementia the opportunity to benefit from being outdoors, participating in gardening, and sensory stimulation. Sage House is a unique dementia hub - the first of its kind in the UK, providing a full range of dementia services under one roof.

Taking pride of place at the front of the hub, the charity has transformed an unused area - full of scruffy shrubs affected by blight, - into an accessible and colourful sensory garden. The endeavour was led by Sage House Services Manager, Simon James, Wayfinder Natasha Davies and a volunteer garden committee. The garden has been designed as an accessible space for everyone to appreciate and enjoy. The paths have been created to be wheelchair accessible, enabling access to every area, and the raised beds enable people to garden without bending down.

The garden will be maintained by attendees at the charity's Day Breaks and activity sessions - helping to keep them active. Carers can also benefit from the garden as a quiet and safe space for reflection outdoors, as well as somewhere to remember loved ones who they have lost to dementia.



The new sensory garden was unveiled in an event held on Thursday 8th August, and declared open by the Chichester Town Crier and former Mayor of Chichester, Richard Plowman. Thirty people attended the event and enjoyed a tour of the garden's many donated plants. Guests included parish, district and county councillors, businesses that donated services or products for the garden, volunteers who have supported the effort, and charity Trustees and Vice-Presidents.

The honour of the ribbon-cutting was granted to Sage House customer Jim, who lives with dementia and has a passion for gardening. Jim is one of the first customers to feel the huge wellbeing benefits that the therapeutic sensory garden will undoubtedly bring to local people living with dementia.

The project was funded by the Worshipful Company of Gardeners and Chichester District Council, with materials and/or services kindly provided by Knights Fencing, SCS Waste, Brick Kiln, Geoff's Garden Ornaments and the Woodhorn Group. This beautiful new garden wouldn't have been possible without the all the volunteers and donors who have generously supported the project and helped bring it to life.

Emma Radley, Chief Operations Officer said: "This garden will provide an exciting new opportunity for us to engage our customers in meaningful activities. We recognise the many benefits that gardening brings and want to support our customers to enjoy gardening in a safe way. Alongside our full range of services, this is another way for us to provide excellent care for people with dementia and for them to connect with the natural world."

NEWS FROM THE BOXGROVE BELLES

July was the month for 'outings' for The Belles. Our official meeting was held at Selhurst Park. Just driving up the long drive was a revelation, with numerous farm buildings on the left and acres of vines on the right. A brown hare very obligingly scampered up the path ahead of us before nipping under some wire and disappearing off into the distance. We were welcomed by the owner, Sarah Green, who told us that she and one full-time gardener manage the gardens between them. - and that is a lot of garden!

The huge walled garden where we first entered is largely lawn, where croquet is played, with beautiful borders full of roses, hydrangeas, cranesbill geraniums, penstemons, rudbeckia, and other wonderful summer flowers. Beyond the walled garden was an enviable vegetable garden - so well organised and weed free! Another garden surrounded the swimming pool. The architectural plants and cool greens made this a lovely spot on a hot day. Borders of lavenders led back to the walled garden and from there we could make our way to yet another garden where the large pond and fountain could be found. It was a very pleasant way to spend an afternoon and the home-made cakes and tea were a welcome addition.

Our next Outing was a trip on the Chichester Canal Basin. It was another great day out. We saw cygnets (albeit quite grown up but still in their grey feathers), and young coots chasing after their mother, along with lots of mallard ducks. Sadly, no kingfishers or herons. But there were a lot of dragonflies and damselflies whizzing about. The sides of the canal were full of bullrushes and reed mace along with swathes of yellow and mauve wild flowers whose names we couldn't remember! The crew were great fun - full of information and funny stories. The chatter and laughter said it all, so it was just as well we had booked the whole boat for ourselves.

We're back to our normal meetings in September when we shall meet at the St Blaise Centre at 2.15 pm on Wednesday, 11th September, to learn about 'Strength, Balance and Exercise' from Helen Rothwell.

Please join us if you can. Or if you would like to learn more about our group, contact me - details below.

Best wishes

Wendy Austin-Ward

for Boxgrove Belles

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National Eye Health Week Highlights

Importance of Regular Eye Health Checks

From 23rd – 29th September 2024 it's National Eye Health Week, and 4Sight Vision Support (4SVS) is proud to support this initiative which encourages people to look after their eyes and have regular eye health checks. This year, the theme is 'Vision Really Matters', and 4SVS will be raising awareness and providing information about accessing eye health checks and promoting good eye health in our daily lives.

Regular eye health checks can detect early signs of conditions, including glaucoma, which can be treated if found soon enough. In addition, during an eye health check, other health conditions such as diabetes or high blood pressure may be detected. Those living with sight loss should continue to do so as checking for further changes in the eyes can help make the best use of remaining vision and prevent any unnecessary further sight loss.

4SVS will also be out and about during the week, and encourage as many people as possible to stop by for a chat with its specialist team members:

- Haywards Heath, Orchard Shopping Centre, Tuesday 24th September, 10am – 4pm
- Horsham, Swan Walk Shopping Centre, Thursday 26th September, 10am – 4pm
- Crawley, County Mall Shopping Centre, Saturday 28th September, 10am – 4pm

Anyone is welcome to contact the charity if they would like to learn more about what to look out for/signs, practical support and advice, or help with accessing a local optician. For further information contact 4Sight Vision Support on 01243 838001, email fundraising@4Sight.org.uk or visit www.4sight.org.uk



4Sight Vision Support would like to thank corporate partners PMW Communications for making these community events possible. Also Walsh Opticians, Bognor Regis, for explaining the different tests that are used as part of having a routine eye health check.

The image shows 4SVS's Julie having an eye health check with Tom from Walsh Opticians, Bognor Regis.

Petworth House & Park News for September

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



Heritage Open Days at Petworth House

Saturday 14 & Sunday 15 September, 10am – 5pm, free opening, no booking required

Visit Petworth House for free over the Heritage Open Days weekend. Explore the extraordinary art collection in the striking state rooms. Take a stroll around the Pleasure Garden, the perfect place for a picnic. Discover more about Petworth's history and collection on a guided tour of the house.

There will also be guided walking tours of the town, where you can learn about the unique local heritage of Petworth and how the town has been shaped through the Leconfield Estate of Petworth House. Collect your free ticket from the Church Lodge entrance next to St, Mary's Church.

Tour times: 11.15am, 12.15pm, 1.15pm, 2.15pm.

Tickets allocated on a first come, first served basis.

Conserving Kauffman

10 June – 24 November, free, no booking required

A spotlight display exploring the recent conservation of Angelica Kauffman's painting *Diomed and Cressida* (1788).

Join us in the exhibition room to discover what it takes to care for a painting of this age, significance, and scale, by one of the most celebrated artists of her age.

Free, no booking required. Normal admission applies.

Latest News from St Wilfrid's Hospice September 2024

Woof for Wilf

Your morning dog walk could help make a difference to local lives.



St Wilfrid's Hospice are inviting the local community of dog owners to get together this November 3rd for a charity dog walk to raise funds for their vital care services.

The walk will take place at 11am, taking you around the beautiful grounds of Great Ballard School, where there will be refreshments available at the start and end of the walk, as well as the

opportunity to buy some dog-related goods from the stalls.

Get your ticket now:

www.stwh.co.uk/woof-for-wilf

The Great South Run

Ever wanted to explore Portsmouth without the traffic?

St Wilfrid's Hospice are looking for runners to take on the Great South Run this October 20th. This amazing challenge takes runners on a 10-mile route around Portsmouth, past some of its historic landmarks and breathtaking views without needing to worry about checking both ways when crossing the road.

By taking on this run for St Wilfrid's and fundraising, you will be helping fund the expert end-of-life care services they provide to people all around your local community.

Sign-up to take part now:

www.stwh.co.uk/greatsouthrun



Secondhand Shopping



Refill your wardrobe while helping your local community.

St Wilfrid's Hospice has 12 charity shops around the local area, offering affordable, pre-loved clothes. Purchasing secondhand helps to keep clothes out of landfill, reducing the damage to our environment. Plus, by purchasing with St Wilfrid's, your

money will go directly to supporting the care of patients and their loved ones on the Hospice Ward, and out in the community.

Find your nearest shop here:

www.stwh.co.uk/shops

Help St Wilfrid's this New Year!

St Wilfrid's TreeCycle service is being held once again at the start of 2025 and they are looking for volunteers to join the team. The service is held from Friday 10th January to Monday 13th, but you can choose to do as many or as few days as you would like.

By volunteering, you will go around the local area, collecting people's real Christmas Trees from their front lawn and take them to be recycled to help benefit the local farmland.

Join the TreeCycle team here:

www.stwh.co.uk/treecycle



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Sportive Cycle event launches for the 2nd year from Sage House in Tangmere

Local charity Dementia Support has teamed up with The Rotary Club of Bognor Hotham for the second year Cycle event from the charity's hub, Sage House in Tangmere.

The sportive will take place on Sunday 22th September, offering two wonderful scenic routes across the South Downs, along quiet roads in West Sussex with a 50 mile route or a 25 mile route option. Something for a variety of abilities and ages to get involved and both pedal bikes and electric bikes are welcome.

Cyclists will set off from Sage House - located just on the edge of the South Downs, and acting as the ideal base offering full facilities for participants.

The routes will be signposted, and there will be available a downloadable map in both Garmin and GPX format, and a medal for all finishers.

Daisy's Café at Sage House will be open during the event, where all entrants will be offered a complimentary hot drink, prior to the start. There will be cakes, drinks and meals for those who want some calorie replacement after the cycle, or maybe for friends and family while waiting to cheer cyclists as they return.

This is a great opportunity for all cycling enthusiasts, with easy access from Sage House to some wonderful cycle routes, and the ideal base with all the facilities that Sage House has to offer for participants.

The Rotary Club of Bognor Hotham are organizing this event with considerable help from Dementia Support, from the team at the specialist dementia hub at Sage House in Tangmere. Any surplus generated by this event will be donated by the Club.

If you are interested in taking part, please visit [Sage House Sportive 2024 - Eventrac](#) for further details on how to register.

Editor's note:

Established in 2014, Dementia Support is a young charity that has been operational since opening the doors of Sage House in 2018.

Their vision is "a society where dementia is wholly understood and accepted, enabling people living with dementia to be fully supported throughout the whole of their journey."

Dementia Support delivers services to people affected by memory loss and dementia through its local dementia hub, Sage House, based in Tangmere.

If you would like to talk to someone about dementia, please contact the Wayfinding Team at Sage House on 01243 888691.

The Optimistic Gardener

Busy as a bee

How doth the little busy bee
Improve each shining hour,
And gather honey all the day
From every opening flower!"

And how doth the (little) busy Optimistic Gardener fill each 'shining hour'?

Summer in the Reeves' household is mostly taken up with Picking, Watering and Bee Bothering. And this year is no exception.

The year started with three hives of bees; in order to record work I have done on each colony I give them names. It started years ago with royal names for the queens - Victoria, Elizabeth, Mary etc etc but I very soon ran out of queens. Once I'd been through the more obscure ones - Matilda, Camilla, Boudicca (rather a feisty colony) I changed to names linked to the Queen's parentage. I bought in a replacement queen for a very aggressive colony which was a breed of Buckfast queen. These queens produce bees which are very gentle and productive in their first year so it was, as they say, a no-brainer!

However, what I didn't realise at the time was that each successive generation of queens from this parentage become less placid - and this year I have reached a 4th generation of my first Buckfast queen. In the first year the hive was just (rather boringly) called Buckfast. She produced a lot of bees and a lot of honey but early in her second year she decided that she needed to upsize - the accommodation I had given her was more 'hunting lodge' and less 'palace'. Fortunately she had planned the move by laying the next generation of queens and the bees chose the one they wanted and 'dispensed' with the rest (red in tooth and claw).



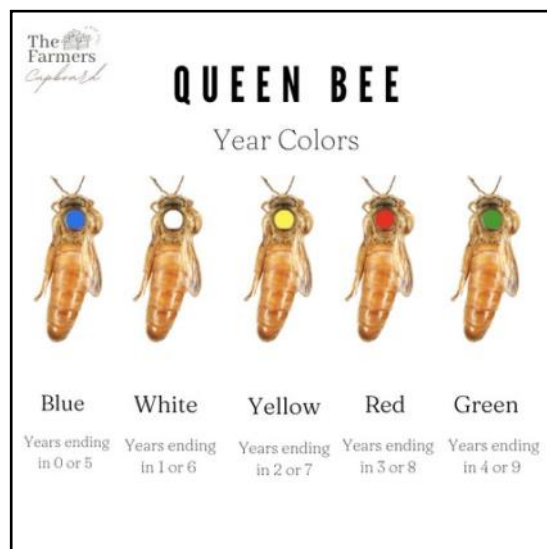
When she took off (swarmed) with half of her 'ladies-in-waiting' she left her successor who was young and, after several mating flights, was ready to produce the next generation of worker bees. When I was able to spot her - now much bigger than her fellow workers - I crowned her with a coloured dot.

The reason for doing this is twofold. Firstly it makes the queen easy to spot when you need to find her to carry out some manipulation of the hive. As you can see from the photo she is far larger and has a different body shape to her daughters. She also moves about the

frame very differently to her gals. But if she isn't marked with her royal blue livery she is almost impossible to find in a full Summer-strength hive of 50,000 bees.

Secondly the colour spot indicates which year she was born.

If the queen emerged in a year ending with a 1 or a 6 she is painted with a white spot (Gerry used to use Tippex to do this but I have splashed out on 5 different colours of water-based Posca pens - he really is such a cheapskate!). If the year ends with 2 or 7 then Yellow is the colour of choice etc etc. There is a very useful mnemonic to remember the order of the colours: Will You Raise Good Bees (white, yellow, red, green and blue).



So last year (2023) the colour which everyone was wearing was red; consequently my new queen became Redbuck. Still quite amiable bees but not the sort you want to handle without wearing a veil.

In the same year my new queen, like her mum, decided that the residence I had provided for her was simply not palatial enough so she disappeared over the horizon leaving generation number 3 of queens. When the battle for succession had taken place my new queen was christened NewRedbuck and she too had a red spot and bees which were slightly more grumpy.

By this year (if you have been paying attention you will be able to work out that this year's colour is green) the fourth generation queen was now called Greenbuck IV and I decided that enough is enough. It seems to me that since the queens mate with drones with no pedigree, their offspring haven't got the genes which create a calm queen. The final straw came when I was happily minding my own business in the fruit cage tying in some loganberries when I was targeted by a murderous psychopath from this colony who stung me above the eye. Even with a long session with a bag of frozen peas cradled against my face and an antihistamine tablet, the right hand-side of my face swelled up; I could barely open my right eye and I could have auditioned for the Phantom of the Opera!

So I have spent the second half of the summer trying to replace Queen Greenbuck IV with a newly bought-in queen. She arrived with me courtesy of the Royal Mail (naturally) and I proceeded to introduce her to the colony once I had removed the old green queen. You really don't want to know how I did this!

However a week later the queen should have been accepted by her new entourage and I should have found her eggs. When I opened up the colony I optimistically

thought it had worked. The bees didn't rush out to greet me with that instantly recognisable angry buzz but potted around on their frames minding their own business. They were quite happy for me to draw out the frames, one-by-one and look carefully for eggs the size of a grain of sand. But try as I might there was no signs of a laying queen - no larvae, no eggs, not even a sign of polished cells being cleared out for their new monarch to lay in. And certainly **no queen**.

And yet since that day the bees in that colony have been meek and mild and we haven't been strafed by any of them as we approach the hive which is rather too close for comfort to the hen-house. So what has happened?



For the next exciting episode please tune into the October edition of The Bugle.

Janet Reeves



“RIDE & STRIDE”

This year's Sussex Historic Churches Trust's 'Ride & Stride' 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

Please also see the note from Mark Peters on page 11—Ed

Why are the British people obsessed with home ownership and will Generation Z continue this trend ?



It is a very British characteristic to obsess about being a homeowner. European countries do not understand the fascination we have with our homes being our castles.

Generation Z faces the biggest gap of any generation between housing aspiration and reality, but the majority still want to buy. Putting affordability to one side, 81% of Generation Z would choose to buy a home if they could, compared to 93% of Millennials, according to Beresford research.

Reasons underlying our apparent fixations stem from three principal factors, which are historic, financial and social. Owning your own home has implied wealth for years, however large or small your home. Not living in someone else's house can provide a feeling of achievement and success, doing what you would like to in your own home with financial security.

For many years we have always looked at the profit we make from property, knowing this will happen and earn us money when we come to selling. Since the millennium, some prices have trebled, so house owners have looked at this as another way to grow wealth that can sometimes be more than their year's salary.

How will this change as we enter a Labour controlled government, with the possibility of more taxes on the property sector and the continued reduction in the number of private landlords? As the rental sector changes, the effect on Generation Z will be significant.

With no short term financial benefit or gain and no asset giving help for the longer

term in the rental sector, buying a home, however hard it may seem, still could be the way forward.

Jennie Hancock
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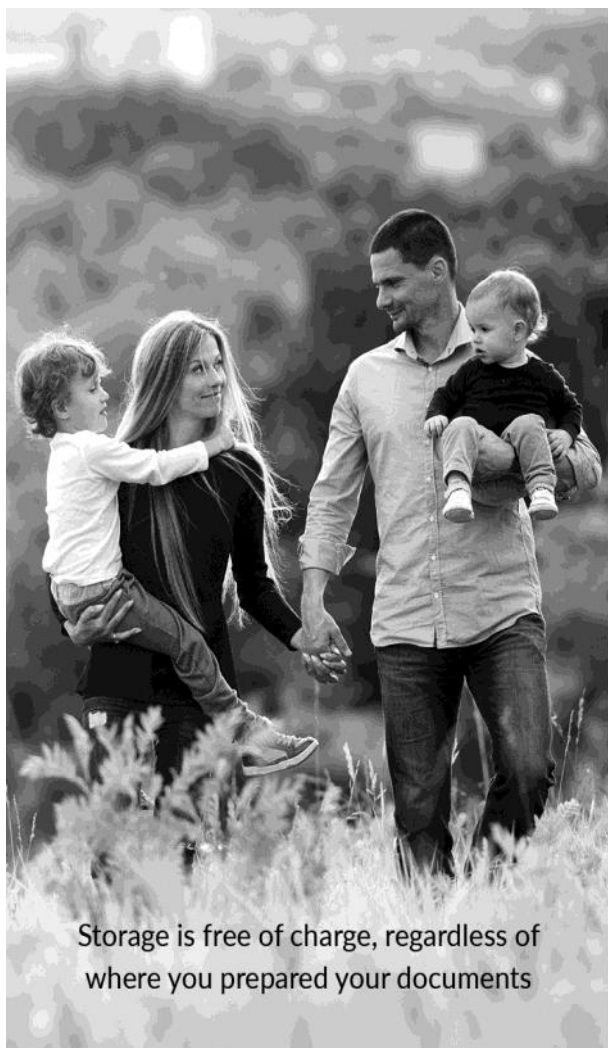
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Dates for your diary.....**SEPTEMBER 2024**

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.

1st September	Summer Fayre at Boxgrove Village Hall
2nd September	Parish Council Meeting 7 p.m.
6-8th September	Goodwood Revival weekend
9th September	Chichester Creative Textiles Meeting, Lavant Memorial Hall newslettercreativetextiles@gmail.com
10th September	Return of the Cathedral lunchtime concert series at 1.10 p.m. Piano concert—music by Chopin and Liszt; see cathedral website for details
13th September	Flower arranging at the Priory - volunteers—see p11
14th September	"Ride & Stride" - see p11
14th/15th September	Heritage Open Day weekend; see p17 re Petworth, many other sites also open free
17th September	Cathedral lunchtime concert at 1.10pm
20th September	"Redlands" - drama about Rolling Stones 1967 trial in Chichester—starts at CFT
22nd September	Sportive Cycle Event—see p 20
24thSeptember	Lunchtime organ concert at the cathedral at 1.10pm
27th September	MacMillan coffee morning at the Hall 10–12noon
28th September	Boxgrove Dog Show

Advance dates for your diary.....

3rd October	Chichester Chamber Concerts Ensemble 360— See chichesterchamberconcerts.com
18th October	Opening of immersive installation "Mars" - Chichester cathedral; see website for more details
20th October	Great South run (see St Wilfrid's page 18)
3rd November	Woof for Wilf—sponsored dog walk at Great Ballard School. See www.stwh.co.uk/events/woof-for-wilf
10th November	Christmas Market at the Village Hall

17/18th May <u>2025</u>	Goodwoof at Goodwood
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22nd September

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On September 22nd, Fr Norman will celebrate the 50th anniversary of his ordination to the priesthood, and he will be the principal Celebrant at the Solemn Mass that day.

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.

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