

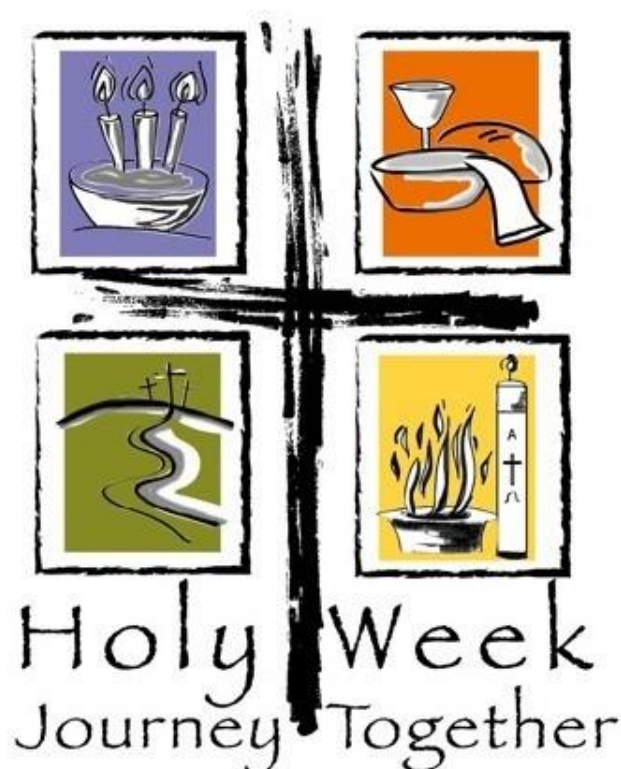
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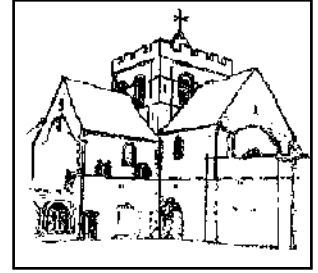
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Who's Who in Boxgrove

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see page 36

From Father Peter

Every year, our Holy Week and Easter liturgy here at Boxgrove invites us to walk with Jesus step by step through the last week of his life, into the mystery of death and resurrection. Through the beauty of worship, we participate in the enthusiasm of the crowd as Jesus enters Jerusalem in triumph on Palm Sunday: and then feel how quickly adulation turns to violence. On Maundy Thursday we are washed, fed and loved in the tenderness of Jesus' last supper finally watching with him as he bears the agony of what is to come in the solitude of Gethsemane. On Good Friday in a church stripped of all colour and ornament we watch with bewildered and breaking hearts as our Lord dies a criminal's death on the cross. And we wait and wonder as he passes from death to life, to greet us with overwhelming joy at the Easter Vigil, a joy which spills over into Easter Sunday with joy and beauty.

The liturgy helps to shape us as Christians, preparing us for the deaths and resurrections in our own lives. It draws us closer in community. It changes us, strengthens us to witness to the risen Lord. When we have walked the whole way of the cross, our experience of Easter is far richer and more joyful.

Our Holy Week and Easter Services can be found in this Newsletter. I hope you will join the parish community at The Priory for as many of these as you can - bring your friends! All are most welcome.

But I should also like to point out that Boxgrove Priory is YOUR CHURCH your Christian Spiritual Home. I am aware that this News letter goes through the letter boxes of all of you in the Parish. It reflects the whole prism of life we share as a village.....I for one have found some of the adverts very useful! So I wish to use this opportunity to remind you all that the doors of the Priory are open seven days a week during daylight. Open not just for worship and sightseers but for all of you. This beautiful building which has stood over the centuries as a witness to the presence of God amongst us welcomes you.

Pop in for a moment of quiet and reflection. Offer a prayer for someone or some situation. Light a candle as a sign of the warmth and light such prayers can bring. Just sit quietly, soak up the years of prayer. No mobile phone, no noise no pressures from work the kids or who ever.
YOU AND GOD this is your haven, your place to recharge.

/Continued.....

I very much look forward to sharing the sacred time of Holy Week and Easter with you. Please be assured you are all welcome See you in church!

God Bless you; your families, friends and all who you hold dear.

God Bless you all

Father Peter.

As you are now all aware Father Ian has retired as Vicar of Boxgrove. If any of you have enquiries regarding Baptism, Weddings, Funerals or Pastoral Care please do not hesitate to get in touch with me.

Mobile 07554353785

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I know that Fr Ian had his photograph at the beginning of the news letter and I was asked by someone if I would do the same. I think rather a picture of my other half Harriett would be better. She is much better looking.



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Tel: 01243 537934 ~ Email: admin@stonepillow.org.uk
<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 ...!

HOLY WEEK AND EASTER at BOXGROVE PRIORY

Sunday 13th April

PALM SUNDAY

8.30am Mass and Distribution of Palms

10.30am Blessing of Palms *meet in S. Blaise Centre* Procession
and Solemn Mass

Monday Tuesday Wednesday of Holy Week

10am & 12 noon Low Mass

7.30pm Low Mass & Devotional Music

MAUNDY THURSDAY

7.30pm Solemn Mass followed by watch at The Altar of Repose

9.30pm Night Prayer

GOOD FRIDAY

Confessions 1pm

2pm Solemn Liturgy of The Passion

HOLY SATURDAY

7.30pm Easter Vigil & First Mass of Easter

Followed by Fizz & Canapes

EASTER DAY

8.30am Mass

10.30am SOLEMN MASS

Followed by Easter Egg Roll

THE BUGLE

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DATES 2025

NB: There is no Bugle in January or August

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Boxgrove Junior Church

Come and join us at the St Blaise Centre in Boxgrove at 16:30 for 30 minutes of activities before the mass @ 5, every second Sunday of the month (excluding school holidays.)

We use craft activities, games, songs and stories to help us learn more about Christian teachings

After Junior Church, we walk over to church together, to meet up with parents and carers and to enjoy Mass @5 .

We cannot wait to see you at the next Junior Church.

Vicky Willavise

Amici Concerts

Classical music series at Boxgrove Priory

12th February - Cellophonics with Ben Rogerson

5th March - String Dimensions trio with Bogdan Vacarescu

21st May - Bibi Heal (Soprano) & Milos Milivojevic (accordion)

18th June - Bogdan Vacarescu (violin) & Mikhail Lezdkan (cello)

27th June - Harriet Mackenzie (violin) & Morgan Szymanski (guitar)

All concerts: 7.30pm - 9.30pm (doors & bar from 7pm)

Tickets: www.thenovium.org.uk/boxoffice Tel: 01243 816525

www.amiciconcerts.com [facebook.com/amiciconcerts](https://www.facebook.com/amiciconcerts) @amiciconcerts

CALENDAR AND INTERCESSIONS

APRIL

1	Tue	Feria	Church architects
2	Wed	Feria	Composers
3	Thu	Feria	Authors
4	Fri	Feria	Teachers
5	Sat	Feria	Church diplomats
6		SUN LENT 5	Parish and people
7	Mon	Feria	Local politicians
8	Tue	Feria	Faithfulness to the Gospel
9	Wed	Feria	The Press and media
10	Thu	Feria	The RSPCA
11	Fri	Feria	The motor industry
12	Sat	Feria	Civil servants
13		PALM SUNDAY	Parish and people
14		MONDAY IN HOLY WEEK	The medical professions
15		TUESDAY IN HOLY WEEK	Artists
16		WEDNESDAY IN HOLY WEEK	Those in poverty
17		MAUNDY THURSDAY	Greater love and charity
18		GOOD FRIDAY	Those facing death
19		HOLY SATURDAY	Trust in the Lord's promises
20		EASTER SUNDAY	Parish and people
21		MONDAY IN EASTER WEEK	The Abbey of Le Bec-Hellouin
22		TUESDAY IN EASTER WEEK	Registrars and all who deal in data
23		WEDNESDAY IN EASTER WEEK	The Diocese of Chichester
24		THURSDAY IN EASTER WEEK	Sacristans
25		FRIDAY IN EASTER WEEK	That we might learn forgiveness
26		SATURDAY IN EASTER WEEK	Greater charity and love
27		SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER	Parish and people
28	Mon	SAINT GEORGE, MARTYR, PATRON OF ENGLAND	The English Nation
29	Tue	Saint Catherine of Siena, Virgin & Doctor	The nations of Europe
30	Wed	Feria	Tax officials

Poppies at the Priory
September 3rd 2025 will mark the
80th Anniversary of the final
end to World War II

Help us create a
Poppy Cascade

to trail from as high up the Church as we can get
and as far as our **Poppies** will take us!

We not only desperately need Poppy makers
but also donations and sponsorships

to provide wool, felt, needles, hooks etc...

There will also be regular informal
lessons and get togethers ☕🍰🎉



Please register your interest with us now and
come and collect your supplies or bring your
donation to Boxies at Boxgrove Village Store

13th February onwards 🙏
Boxgroveunited@gmail.co.uk

BOXGROVE PARISH COUNCIL

From the Parish Council, March 2025



The Parish Council is dedicated to improving life in our four villages: Boxgrove, Halnaker, Crockerhill, and Strettington. We hold meetings on the first working Monday of each month, lasting a couple of hours, and encourage everyone to attend. While our decision-making powers are limited, we engage with other organisations to represent concerns and promote community interests.

COMMUNITY RESPONSIBILITIES

We address issues such as planning applications, playgrounds, the playing field, bus shelters, the car park, allotments, footpaths, and other resident-raised concerns. If you'd like to share your thoughts, join our coffee mornings at the Village Hall (Mondays and Fridays), attend a Parish Council meeting, or contact Parish Clerk Imogen Whitaker at 01243 575094 / clerk@boxgroveparishcouncil.gov.uk.

SUSSEX DEVOLUTION CONSULTATION

The government is consulting on a Mayoral Combined County Authority for Sussex. This will involve an elected mayor overseeing transport, public safety, health, housing, and more. Share your feedback by 13th April 2025: <https://www.gov.uk/government/consultations/sussex-and-brighton-devolution> For local updates, visit: <https://www.westsussex.gov.uk/about-the-council/news-and-campaigns/>

TRAFFIC AND DRAINAGE

- Complaints about the mini roundabout at Crouch Cross Lane are under review. We're pushing for better signage and road adjustments.
- Vegetation near the Tangmere footbridge has been cleared, and A27 drainage cleaned, thanks to National Highways and the Boxgrove Rangers.

VE DAY 80th Anniversary - Celebrate with us

- Fish & Chip Supper (vegetarian option available) and period music at the Village Hall. Tickets: £15.
- Beacon Lighting up near Halnaker Windmill.
- Join our Poppies at the Priory project! We're creating a cascade of handmade poppies to honour this historic event.

Contribute by: Donating wool, felt, or tools and or making poppies.

Regular informal lessons and gatherings will be held to bring the community together for this project.

Please contact us to collect your supplies or bring your donations to BOXiES at Boxgrove Village Hall.

Cont'd.....

COMMUNITY INFRASTRUCTURE LEVY (CIL)

CIL money is money we receive for any housing development that has taken place in the Parish.

Recent CIL-funded projects include:

- Cricket/ playing field mower.
- A bouladrome behind the Village Hall.
- Speed Indicator Devices for traffic calming.

Upcoming needs

- Strettington: Notice board.
- Halnaker: Wind-resistant bus shelter.
- Suggestions for wildlife areas, hedges, or a Community Garden.
- We're exploring safer footpaths to connect Boxgrove to Maudlin and Boxgrove to Chichester, so that walking the few miles to Chichester is not a danger.

Let's tackle these challenges! Send your ideas to

parishcommunity@boxgroveparishcouncil.gov.uk.

MORE NEWS

- Crockerhill: Ongoing issues with abandoned vehicles.
- Street Naming: 'Priory Drive' may become the official name for the lane leading to The Priory.

NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN: Residents show strong support for housing but resist commercial developments at Temple Bar. Share your ideas at parishcommunity@boxgroveparishcouncil.gov.uk.

NEWSLETTER LAUNCH: Watch for our new biannual newsletter covering directories, events, and key dates.

GET INVOLVED!

• If you're interested in volunteering with the Rangers and enjoy cleaning or tidying up areas (but not too tidy - let's ensure we don't deplete wildlife any further), contact Graham Dipple: g.dipple@boxgroveparishcouncil.gov.uk. (The high path between Boxgrove and Halnaker often needs someone with a broom, shovel, and secateurs!)

• We plan to bring back the Community Speed Watch group in Boxgrove and Halnaker.

If you have any time to spare during daylight hours and would like to join, please contact Jim: jmcdon2016@gmail.com

The next Parish Council meeting will be held at 7pm on Monday 7th April at Boxgrove Village Hall, everyone is welcome to attend!

Cate Matters, Councillor on Boxgrove Parish Council
c.matters@boxgroveparishcouncil.gov.uk

Boxgrove Neighbourhood Plan Update

The results of the survey carried out following the Neighbourhood Plan Open meeting have now been presented to the Boxgrove Parish Council at the March PC meeting. These results are now posted on the website for all to see, the link at the bottom of this notice can be used to view these.

As we advised last month, essentially, most residents are in favour of the proposed housing developments in the parish and our NP Policies, but against the commercial and industrial proposals at Temple Bar and Boxgrove Quarry.

The report contains details of the suggestions that have been made for infrastructure improvement that could be financed from the CIL payments that will be raised from the building of the developments. These suggestions will be discussed and considered by the Parish Council in due course.

Our modified Neighbourhood Plan has been commented on by the statutory consultees over the last 6 weeks. We now have considered these and where necessary will be modifying the plan accordingly. These changes will be incorporated into the plan, presented to the PC in April and if they are accepted will be submitted to CDC as part of the next stage later in April for a further period of consultation.

It is likely that our finalised NP will be subject to a referendum of the residents in the Autumn.

It is expected that the planning application for the Folly development will be submitted soon. Comments can still be submitted for or against the Temple Bar and Boxgrove Quarry developments on the CDC planning website.

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

David Leah
Chair of Boxgrove Neighbourhood Plan Team

14 March 2025

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GOODWOOD

a dog event like no other



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17 | 18 May 2025

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Hello from the Hall!

Thank you to everyone who attended our children's good as new sale- it was great to see so many people out from the local community and giving those pre-loved goods a new home! Thanks also to Little Belle's Events for bringing their pop up soft play along for the little ones to enjoy.

Our Summer Fayre is fast approaching; this year's date is Saturday 7th June and we have lots lined up to entertain you with, including the Chichester Community Singers' fantastic choir and local celebrity magician Nick Clark! We've got our Local Sellers market going on at the same time, as well as hopefully having visits from the local fire and police service. There will be pizza and a BBQ, licensed bar and hot drinks and sweet treats inside the hall.

All proceeds from the event go directly towards the running of the hall, and the ever-rising running costs a building of our size incurs. Please do pop the date in your diary and come along and support us! We'd like to share a big thanks to Heaver Commercial for sponsoring this event and helping put this fantastic day on. If you'd like to volunteer on the day or find out about having a stall yourself then please get in touch at community@boxgrovevillagehall.co.uk

We are also collecting for our raffle, if you are a local business/individual that can donate a prize, please do get in touch!

Until next time....!



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Sunday - closed

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NEWS FROM THE BOXGROVE BELLES

Due to the deadlines for The Bugle submissions, we have had two of our monthly meetings since I wrote for the March issue.

Our February speaker was Dave Winsor who gave a very interesting and enlightening talk about the work of the Kent; Sussex; and Surrey (KSS) Air Ambulance Service. He detailed the set-up of the Service, which started as the Kent Air Ambulance and later incorporated both Sussex and Surrey. Dave explained that the Service is voluntary funded and this involves a lot of fundraising throughout the area on a continual basis.

As an independent Service, the NHS will request the support of the KSS Air Ambulance Service, but their response is dependent on many factors, not least of all, the weather and if it is safe to fly. The KSS Air Ambulance Service has a doctor on each flight which enables a greater level of anaesthesia to be administered at the incident site, as well as emergency, life-saving surgery at the 'roadside'.



The KSS are in the process of changing the livery on their helicopters and road vehicles to red – Belles' members wore red to acknowledge this change.

Left: A few Belles' members with Dave by our new banner.

Our March speaker was Graham Minett, a local author, who spoke about his writing journey into being a published author; he now has four of his novels published and has a contract to write a further two. Some of the Boxgrove Belles' members had heard Graham speak previously when he attended a Boxgrove WI literary lunch; he had spoken so well and proven so entertaining, that his talk to the Belles was greatly anticipated – he did not disappoint.

April will be our Second Birthday meeting on Wednesday 9th April at 2pm in the St Blaise Hall. We will be celebrating with birthday cake and an assortment of cakes and savouries. Dawn Gracie will be entertaining us with a selection of burlesque and cabaret from her repertoire. Many may already know of her through her performances locally at the Chichester Cabaret Club and at events such as at Goodwood.

The Boxgrove Belles' Craft Group is supporting the Cascading Poppies display, being organised by Jane Barnes from the village shop. This will be in the Priory later in the year, in recognition of the cessation of hostilities at the final end of WWII. We are making poppies in an assortment of designs using knitting; crochet; paper; and sewing/patchwork. The Craft Group meets at 2pm on the 4th Monday of the month, in the St Blaise Hall.

Our monthly meeting with speaker/entertainer is every 2nd Wednesday of the month in the St Blaise Hall at 2pm. New members will be very welcome to join us.



Bognor Regis Vision Support Centre
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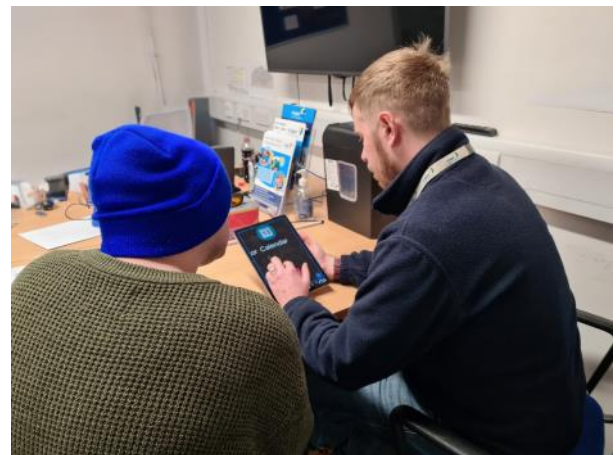


Making the Most of Technology: Advice for Those Living with Sight Loss

4Sight Vision Support supports blind and sight impaired children and adults, their families and carers, across West Sussex. Their free services help clients maintain independence, with advice on education, employment, obtaining financial assistance, social activities, and health and wellbeing. In addition, a key area of their expertise is an Accessible Technology Service, to help clients with daily tasks following sight loss.

Equipment such as magnification tools or adapted lighting may at first spring to mind, but every day more technologies are becoming available which can be adapted to support varying needs.

For example, a Smart Speaker can access news, weather forecasts and talking books; set alarms and reminders, and manage a daily calendar. A wide choice of phone apps can access public transport information, read written documents to you and control your central heating remotely. Other technologies can help monitor emails, convert text to audio, and by scanning codes using apps such as Navilens, provide information on food packaging, public signage and public transport to name a few. The built-in screen reader on a TV will provide information about what programmes are audio described, and settings on a PC screen can adjust the display to suit those with impaired vision.



If you or someone you know would benefit from advice on maximising technology for visually impaired people, contact 4SVS on 01243 828555 or email enquiries@4sight.org.uk .

4SVS also runs several Low Vision Solutions Open Days allowing hands-on experience with products and technology, visit www.4sight.org.uk for details. Please contact 4SVS if you'd also like to find out more about their social and walking groups in your locality.

Petworth House & Park News for April

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

Details at <https://www.nationaltrust.org.uk/petworth>



Spring Festival

Saturday 5th – Sunday 27th April

Join us for our annual Spring Festival to celebrate the arrival of a new season with spectacular bulb displays, talks, demonstrations, a community art installation, art and craft workshops, and family activities.

Makers Market: 5 & 6 April, 10am-4pm

The festival starts with a two-day Makers Market, held in partnership with Petworth Pop-Up.

Garden Talks: 22-27 April

Join a variety of horticultural experts for free talks in the Garden Theatre Marquee. Speakers include Gardeners' World presenter Adam Frost, Head Gardener of Knepp Charlie Harpur, authors Vanessa Berridge and Rebecca Bevan, daffodil judge and exhibitor Richard Hilson, and National Trust gardeners.

Free with admission. No booking required. Check our website for the full programme.

Family Trail: 5-21 April, 10am-5pm

Pick up a free 'Ben Plants a Butterfly Garden' trail to explore the Pleasure Garden and discover fun games and activities along the way. Free with admission.

No booking required.

Look What I found in the Woods: 11 April, 11am & 1pm

Author Moira Butterfield leads families on a one-hour nature treasure hunt around the Pleasure Garden, inspired by her book *Look What I Found in the Woods*.

Booking essential. £13 per child including a copy of the book, £5 without the book.

Herbal Foraging Walk: 23 & 25 April, 10.30am

Laura Uphill from Gwen's Garden will lead a 2.5-hour foraging walk and talk through the Pleasure Garden and Park. This walk will show how to apply plants as medicines at home and regain knowledge which has been lost over time.

Booking essential. £30 per person.

Workshops: 24-27 April

Attendees can have a go at a heritage craft, including botanical drawing, Indian block printing, cyanotype printing, and willow basket and bird feeder weaving, all at a gentle pace in a relaxing and friendly environment.

Booking essential.

Evening Cabaret: 25 April, 7.45pm

An evening of cabaret and burlesque, inspired by the sights and sounds of spring. Hosted by award-winning vintage and vaudeville producer Dawn Gracie, expect joyous songs, impressive high kicks, and plenty of belly laughs.

Suitable for adults only.

Booking essential. £15 per person.



Brides
AT BOXGROVE

HISTORIC & MODERN WEDDING DRESS EXHIBITION

◆ MAY Fri 2nd - Mon 5th ◆

2025

An exhibition of exquisite local and historical bridal gowns within the stunning architectural features of Boxgrove Priory, with a rich legacy that continues to inspire those who visit.

Programme:

Friday 2nd May 2025

Exhibition opening hours 10.00am-5.00pm

Saturday 3rd May 2025

Exhibition opening hours 10.00am-5.00pm

Cavatina Quartet Concert 7pm - £20 per adult and this includes a glass of wine

Sunday 4th May 2025

Exhibition opening hours 12.00pm-5.00pm

Monday 5th May 2025

Exhibition opening hours 10.00am-5.00pm

Grand Raffle draw 4.45pm

Light refreshments available throughout in the St Blaise Centre.



Grand Raffle Prizes

1. The Pig -in the South Downs. The Gift Voucher from the Pig offers: Three Course Lunch for two, the vouchers can be spent on food and drinks up to the value of £60 per person.
2. Farmer Butcher Chef at Goodwood. Dinner for two.
3. Luxury M&S Hamper.
4. The Anglesey Arms. Voucher for £60

Plus many more exciting prizes.

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Latest News from St Wilfrid's Hospice

April 2025

Marathon Month

For the entire month of April, St Wilfrid's Hospice are challenging the local community to take on a "marathon" of an activity of their choice. This could mean baking 26 new cakes, spending 26 hours knitting or reading 26 books! Whatever challenge you set yourself, you have the whole month of April to complete it.

We ask that you get your friends and family to sponsor your challenge, as well as set up a fundraising page, to raise vital funds for St Wilfrid's. The palliative care that the hospice provides is done free-of-charge, and with running costs of over £9 million a year, the support of people like you in the local community is vital in allowing the hospice to continue to offer their incredible care services.



Get some ideas on what challenge you could set yourself here:

www.stwh.co.uk/marathon-month

Fill a Bag

Save these dates to secure yourself a bargain!

St Wilfrid's Hospice have announced multiple dates for Fill a Bag sales they will be holding over the year, at their Terminus Store.

These sales are great opportunities to get yourself lots of amazing pre-loved clothes, at an incredible price.

The upcoming dates to remember are:

Saturday 28th June

Saturday 27th September

Doors open at 10am, however, there are a limited number of early bird tickets, allowing people to enter an hour early to browse the rails for some great finds.

Get your entry pass to the sale and find out all the details here:

www.stwh.co.uk/fill-a-bag

Moonlight Walk

One evening walk could make a difference to local lives.

St Wilfrid's Moonlight Walk returns this **Saturday June 14th**, inviting the local community to join together for a walk to support hospice care. The event takes walkers on a 5 or 10 mile route around Chichester, and asks that they fundraise and collect sponsorship for their walk.

The money that you raise, will directly help us to provide expert care to people in your community who are living with a terminal illness.

Get your tickets now: www.stwh.co.uk/moonlight



Plant Sale



The sun's starting to come out, so let's get your garden ready!

The wonderful gardeners at St Wilfrid's Hospice are holding a **plant sale on Sunday 11th May, from 10:30am to 1pm**. Held at the Hospice in Bosham, this is a wonderful place to find lots of plants and garden sundries, as well as enjoy some wonderful refreshments.

All the money raised will go towards the care, upkeep and development of the beautiful Hospice gardens. Make sure to save the date in your diary!

Gifts in Wills

Did you know that one in four of St Wilfrid's patients are cared for thanks to gifts left in Wills?

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The Optimistic Gardener

Beautiful Bantams - part 2

Last month I wrote (at length) about our adventures with the new incubator and hatching a number of bantam chicks. I didn't mean to witter on quite so much about their early days but unless you have been involved in the process of producing life from a breakfast item you can't know how eggsiting it is. Last egg-related pun I promise.



The Flock's first time free-ranging

The chicks were reared safely in a brooder in the utility room with a heat lamp to act as the mother hen with chick crumbs and water away from the heat for them to discover. But it soon became clear that we would need to move them out into the big wide world when they needed cleaning out daily to avoid a public health hazard.

So at the age of 7 weeks their world changed completely. From the cosy confines of the High Trees utility room they found themselves out in the fresh air in what we laughingly call the Bantam Palace. (See pic in last month's Bugle) This consists of a structure on two levels - sleeping quarters above and dining room below as well as an area to shelter from the weather.

The coop is attached to a large fruit cage which is fox-proof and accessible to the hens through a pop-hole from the Bantam Palace. But at the age of 7 weeks we decided they weren't ready for the big wide world and the possibility of coming face-to-face with the local rodents so they were confined for a couple of weeks to the immediate confines of the Palace.

They took a while to learn the skill of climbing the ladder into their bedroom. So each evening in those early days we could be found scrooched down in the cage making rugby tackle lunges to catch each bird and put her (and him) to bed! Fortunately for our backs and knees it didn't take too long for them to work this out for themselves.

The next stage in their development was to be let out, little by little, into the big wide world. At first we provided a mini-caged area within the rolling acres of the fruit cage. This comprised 4 netted panels which we constructed next to the pop-hole so that they could experience the sky overhead - something they had not yet done. Again this took them a while to investigate, but once one had led the way the rest poked out their beaks and revelled in the plat-du-jour provided by scratching around in the soil.



The stairway to bed



12 weeks old - expanding the range of their diet

A fortnight later we took away the frames and gave them free-run of the fruit cage. If we ever thought to get any more gooseberries, blackcurrants or loganberries from this structure we were living in cloud-cuckoo land. The very first thing they did when released into the whole space was to dash over to the fruit bushes and gorge on their lower leaves. It never ceases to amaze me why, with the variety of a hen's diet, they don't keel over more often with food poisoning. But they will try absolutely anything - particularly if it wriggles!

Now you can see them as fully grown birds perhaps I had better introduce you to the

various breeds we succeeded in hatching.

The most numerous (three) are a variety called the silver laced Wyandotte. From the word 'go' they have been the feistiest of all the birds but, in true 'ugly-

duckling' fashion, they have turned into the most beautiful bantams with an intricate feather pattern.

There are 2 hens and 1 cockerel.



Silver-laced Wyandotte cock & hen



Light Sussex - Marilyn

(I'll leave you to guess why).

The dumb blond which was the last to emerge from her egg and, the only archetypal Easter chick, turned out to be a Light Sussex bantam.

We named her Marilyn

But my current favourites are the 2 New Hampshire Reds who have the most gorgeous golden feathers. They are a breed which was developed in New Hampshire US from the Rhode Island red which many of you will have heard of.



New Hampshire Reds

They are not at the top of the pecking order but they are fearless and very docile - they will feed out of your hand as you can see.

The final breed we have is the Pekin. There is one of each sex. The hen is a lavender Pekin - a soft Smokey grey in colour and quite cuddly in appearance. She is decidedly at the bottom of the pecking order - poor dear!

The cock is also a Pekin but with an extraordinary appearance. At first, as a young chick, he developed tips to his wing feathers which were longer than normal and stuck outwards; for this reason I named him The Caped Crusader. But as he grew, more and more of his feathers took on a backward growing appearance so he looked like he was having a really bad hair-day! As a possessor of a mop of curly hair I can empathise with him.

And as a full-grown cockerel he defies description!

He is a Pekin but he has what is called a frizzle gene. This is not a breed but the result of a genetic mutation that affects the feather structure.

So out of the 8 chicks which we hatched we have 6 hens and 2 cockerels.

RESULT!



Frizzle

Unfortunately keeping both the cockerels was not wise with such a small flock and bantam cocks are notoriously feisty with other cockerels. Some of you may remember Jake Thackray's song *The Bantam Cock* - if not I recommend you Google it; very funny!

So since the Silver Laced Wyandotte was considerably larger than Frizzle (as he just **had** to be called) we moved Big Boy (as **he** just **had** to be called) in with the big girls in the main hen-house. They had been a harem without a Sultan for a considerable time and took a little while to get used to this young stud!

So now we have 2 contented flocks - each with their own Lord & Master - and we have the yellowest scrambled eggs you will find anywhere.



The timeless value of property ownership in England

For centuries, land and homeownership have been at the heart of English society, shaping wealth, stability, and status. From rolling countryside estates to the charming townhouses of London, property has always been considered the greatest asset one can own.

As Mark Twain famously put it, “Buy land, they’re not making it anymore.” In a country like the UK, where land is both finite and highly sought after, this statement rings especially true.

Historically, owning property in England was the privilege of the aristocracy, but over time, it became a goal for the middle class as well. Today, despite the challenges of much higher house prices compared to incomes, the aspiration to own a home is as strong as ever. And in a world of economic uncertainty, bricks and mortar remains one of the safest and most tangible investments.

But homeownership is about much more than financial gain; it is about creating a personal sanctuary. A house filled with books, for instance, is a home that enriches the mind. One quote that particularly resonates with me was shared by a client last year. The American educational reformer and abolitionist Horace Mann, said, “A house without books is like a room without windows”.

It is striking to see so few books in homes today, compared to the personal libraries that were once a staple of English houses. In the 1990s, I would frequently visit homes with a library, and many rooms featured bookshelves displaying an impressive collection of both old and new books, but as the years have progressed, people seem to read less, and book collections have fallen out of fashion.

Here is a selection of interesting quotes which might give you some food for thought about our relationship with our homes, and how they impact our lives. Some wise – and some simply amusing!

Real estate cannot be lost or stolen, nor can it be carried away. Purchased with common sense, paid for in full, and managed with reasonable care, it is about the safest investment in the world.” -
Franklin D. Roosevelt

The best time to buy a house is always five years ago” - **Ray Brown**

I would give a thousand furlongs of sea for an acre of barren ground." - Shakespeare

Buy land, they're not making it anymore." - Mark Twain

The wise young man or wage earner of today invests his money in real estate." - Andrew Carnegie

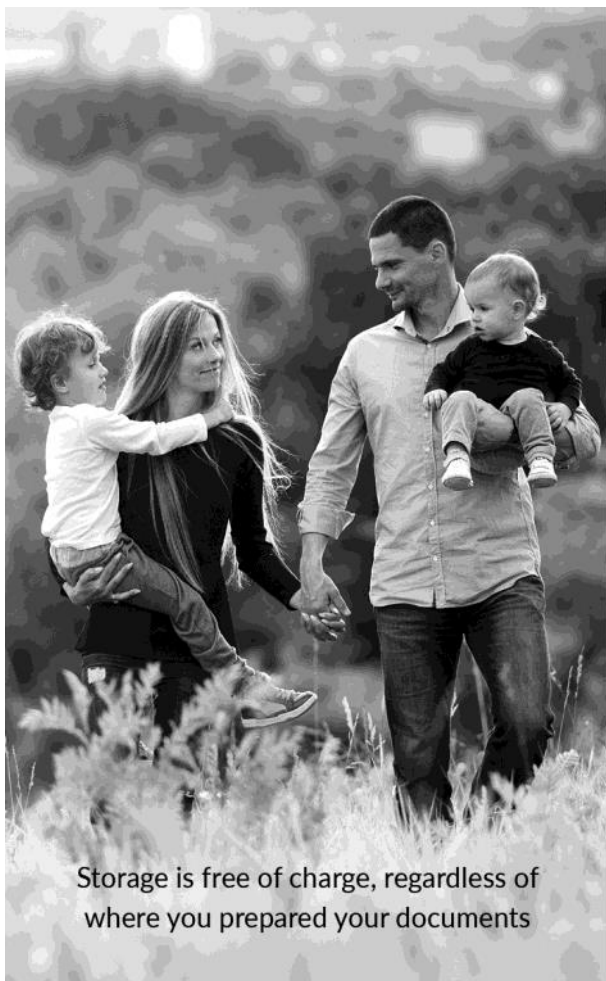
Landlords grow rich in their sleep without working..." -John Stuart Mill

Buying real estate is not only the best way, the quickest way, the safest way, but the only way to become wealthy." - Marshall Field

Land monopoly is not only monopoly, but it is by far the greatest of monopolies; it is a perpetual monopoly, and it is the mother of all other forms of monopoly." -Winston Churchill

Every person who invests in well-selected real estate in a growing section of a prosperous community adopts the surest and safest method of becoming independent, for real estate is the basis of wealth." – Theodore Roosevelt

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Dates for your diary.....

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

APRIL

- 2nd April "Getting Started with Ancestry.co.uk— 10 a.m. workshop at West Sussex Record Office (£8)
- 11th April Mayor of Chichester's Charity Concert—7p.m. The Selsey Shantymen (£20) at Assembly Rooms, North Street, Chichester—details www.chichestercity.gov.uk
- 12th April Teddy Bear Picnic Theatre Event at Boxgrove Village Hall
- 26th April Flower Show, North Mundham Village Hall 12-1600 £5 including refreshments

Ongoing exhibitions:

"Religion, Rebellion & Reformation" at Chichester Cathedral—part of the Chichester 950 celebrations. See Cathedral website for details:

<https://www.chichestercathedral.org.uk>

"I Grew Up 80s" at the Novium Museum—See website <https://www.thenovium.org.uk>

"Dora Carrington—Beyond Bloomsbury" at The Pallant Gallery until 27th April

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Please see the cathedral website for details of the many events being held there: www.chichestercathedral.org.uk

During April, there is only one of the popular lunchtime concerts held at

1.10pm on Tuesdays. There is no charge for admission but a

minimum donation of £3 per person is invited (Gift Aided as appropriate).

29th April—Elena Toponogova, piano

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Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday and
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Wednesday at noon

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Please see page 5 for details of Holy Week & Easter services

Please see page 7 for Boxgrove Junior Church 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.

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