

HURST GREEN NEWS

June 2022

Hip Hip Hooray!

We start this month of June in true celebratory style as we commemorate the Platinum Jubilee of our Queen Elizabeth II, marking 70 years of Her Majesty's accession to the throne.



During this month, many will experience the joy of connections made through street parties and community events, where we will come together to share food and drinks with people from all walks of life who live in our neighbourhood, in honour of our long serving Monarch.

This image of coming together and sharing food is a beautiful one reminding us that whichever part of Hurst Green we reside, we are one community.

Jesus lived in a community with others and often shared meals with everyone showing great compassion and love. The feeding of the five thousand comes to mind as re-counted in all four Gospels. Here, we read how Jesus takes two fish and five loaves donated by a young boy, gives thanks, raises the food heavenward, blesses it then gives it to the disciples to distribute among the hungry multitude. The great miracle is that all in the community are fed and none go hungry with even a surplus left over at the end of the meal.

In these challenging times where energy bills are set to rise exponentially and many people will struggle to meet their needs, wouldn't it be wonderful if we too can be like this young boy who gives the little that he has for the sake of the community? This could perhaps be a little of our time, our resources, or our attention to help someone in need in whatever way we can. God can bless every little thing that we offer to each other be it a smile, a greeting, a conversation. For a lonely person, this could make a huge difference.

Through conversation, we become more aware of one another's needs. Therefore, as we journey through June and beyond the Jubilee celebrations, let us take time to continue to truly connect with one another.

Lotwina Farodoye, Curate, St John's

Sunday 5 June at St John's Church



9.45am A Platinum Jubilee service with special prayers and music - for All Ages with puppets!

11.15am **Platinum Praise** - grab a coffee or glass of fizz and enjoy an informal half an hour singalong concert including Coronation and Jubilee music.

Hurst Green Village Fair

We recently published the exciting news that the Hurst Green Village Fair will take place on the village green on:

Saturday 17 September 2022

The fair has been running for more than 40 years and will include stalls, performances, a bouncy castle, and a pet show.

Don't miss out on the fun and put the date in your diary!

For more information on having a stall or volunteering please email: hgvfair@hotmail.co.uk

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Ruben's Fund

Ruben was born on World Heart Day (29 September), and unfortunately died at just 3½ months old, due to dilated cardiomyopathy. His family, who

live locally, aim to raise £200,000 in his memory for further research into heart disease. One of their fundraisers is a local raffle, and they have over £1,000 in prizes. You can buy the tickets from 1 June in Oxted, at any retailer displaying Ruben's Fund posters in their window.

St John's Church have a longstanding relationship with Ruben's grandfather, Nick Ireland, who has printed Hurst Green News each month for us for many years. We wanted to make the community aware of this appeal and see if members and friends of St John's would consider supporting Ruben's Fund.

For further information, or if you simply wish to donate, please go here:

www.rbhcharity.org/appeal/rubens-fund or visit Ruben's Fund on Facebook.

Windmill Manor Memory Cafe



Every Tuesday at 11am

01883 718120 windmillmanor@barchester.com

HURST GREEN CHURCHES WELCOME YOU

At St John's Church there are services of Holy Communion on Sundays at 8.30am (said) at 9.45am (sung) and at 12 noon on the 4th Wednesday each month, followed by lunch. The 9.45am service is available via Live Stream The church is open every day from 10am to 4pm. For updates and the latest information, please check websites below.

ST JOHN'S, CHURCH WAY

Rector: Anna Eltringham, 01883 712674,

14 Oast Road (day off - Monday)

Assistant Priest: Mary Seller, 01883 715675, 11 Home Park

Lotwina Farodoye, 07553 305087 Curate:

Southwark Pastoral Auxiliary:

Monica Fenton, 01883 715769 www.stjohnshurstgreen.org.uk

HURST GREEN EVANGELICAL CHURCH

Pastor: Keith Dickson, 01883 712017.

Pastor@hgec.org.uk / www.hgec.org.uk

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Hurst Green Community Centre **AGM / Volunteer Needed**

All are invited to the Hurst Green Community Centre's AGM on the 5th July at 7.30pm in the building on Oak Close. Come and find out more about the development project planned to change the centre for the next generation. Refreshments will be provided and you will be welcomed by volunteers that run the centre.

Hurst Green Community Centre are also looking for a secretary who can take Minutes for their monthly meeting, draft an agenda each month a few days before the meeting and manage the filing. If you are interested in having a chat please email c.lambertsinger@hgcc-surrey.org.uk or text 07815 074236 to arrange a meeting. Help getting to the venue can be arranged.

Garden Wildlife Week 2022

The 6th-12th June is Garden Wildlife Week. British gardens are full of wonderful flowers and creatures and we should celebrate these amazing ecosystems.

To help our gardens to flourish you could think about all the different ways to encourage wildlife into your garden such as building bug mansions, bee hotels and mini ponds or if you are a little bit more adventurous you could try a bat box or a hedgehog home. You can find out more at https://www.surreywildlifetrust.org/

Changes in the Hurst Green News Team

We wanted to let you know about some changes in the team which brings Hurst Green News to you each month:

Janet Harman, who has been collating articles and arranging the layout of each edition has stepped down after over 11 years - we've calculated that this means she has put together around 140 editions! Thank you, Janet, for this amazing amount of work. June Thompson, our Delivery Co-ordinator is retiring after 25+ years. Again, another amazing feat for which we thank vou. We have over 50 people who deliver this newsletter to 2.800 households each month and **Julian Taylor** is taking on the co-ordination role. He can be contacted at hgndistribution@gmail.com. Do let him know of any distribution issues.

Cathy Booth, our Compiler who has been gathering and editing articles is stepping down after 6 years.

Alison Richardson is remaining as our Advertising Co-ordinator and she can be contacted at hgnewsad@gmail.com. We do have some limited space for new advertisers, so please contact her if this is of interest.

Finally, welcome to our new Editor / Producer - Lucy Kay. Lucy is taking on a role which combines those previously carried out by Janet and Cathy. Lucy lives locally, has a young family and is keen to be involved with a newsletter which actively promotes our local community. If you would like to write an article or let her know about a local event, then please email her at hgncompiler@gmail.com. She would love to hear from you. And regular contributors can see that Lucy will be using the same email address as Cathy used before so please continue to send your articles in the same way.

The outgoing team wish the new team every success for the future.

Tandridge Friends of St. Catherine's Hospice Summer Concert with Croydon Male Voice Choir

On Saturday 2nd July at St John's Church from 7.30pm Croydon Male Voice Choir will be performing a lively selection of old and new songs to raise much needed funds for a local Hospice. Croydon Male Voice Choir has been singing for almost fifty years. Founded in 1975, it now has some sixty members. It has a rich and varied repertoire, ranging from popular classics such as Nessun Dorma and the Soldiers' Chorus, to modern-day hits like Bridge over Troubled Water and Angels.

Tickets are £12 including glass of wine or soft drink. Tickets available from Monica 01883 712969 paulbartholomew28@hotmail.co.uk or Wendy 07973 116695 wendy.hall.mail@gmail.com



Come and join us for **COFFEE and a CHAT**

Where?

St John's Room St John's Church

When?

Fortnightly on Thursdays 2nd. 16th and 30th June 10.30am-12 noon

Need a lift? Ring Barbara on 715636

Dates for your Diary 2022

3 June: Oxted Country Market, every Friday, Woodhouse Centre, Oxted, 9.30-11.30am, cakes & savouries, vegetables, eggs, crafts. To order in advance call 01883 623273

8 June: Yo Yo's playgroup, every Wednesday in term time, York Rooms, St John's, Church Way, Hurst Green, 9.15-11.30am

8 June: Hurst Green Gardening Club, St Agatha's Hall 8pm. To include scented rose class. Speaker: TBC. Contact: Brian Parrott 01883 723916

9 June: Pollards Oak WI, York Rooms, St John's Church, from 7.45pm: The weird and wonderful world of the law. Speaker: David Allen More info from Jan Ward, 712143

13 June: Tandridge Club for the Visually Impaired, 2nd & 4th Mondays, 2.45-4.15pm, York

Rooms, St John's Church: Quiz Contact: Carol Leach 01883 382031 27 June: Tandridge Club for the Visually Impaired, Tea outdoors

St Agatha's Hall

To enquire about booking, contact the

Booking Administrator: 07769 001796 or aggieshall@gmail.com

or complete the form on the website: stagathashall.weebly.com/ contact.html

Art in June 2022

ART Local artists from Hurst **IN JUNE** Green took part in Art in

June for the first time last year and are opening up their house again this year.

You can pop along to 41 Chestnut Copse, RH8 0JJ on 3rd, 4th, 5th, 11th, 12th, 17th, 18th & 19th June, 10.30am - 5pm, where you will see pottery, printmaking, quilting, embroidery and other fabric art exhibitions.

For further information visit www.artinjune.org

Local schools have also been taking part in a competition organised by Oxted Library for Jubilee inspired art. Entries will be displayed at the library from 31 May - 14 June.

Holland Sports Party in the Park

On Friday 3rd June to celebrate the Queen's Platinum Jubilee Holland Sports in Mill Lane are having a party in the park.

At 1pm to open the event there will be an RAF Spitfire flypast.

There will also be live music from the Whiskey Sours and The Nameless, a BBQ, walking football, cars of the decades, craft stalls and cream teas.

There are lots of other Jubilee events taking place locally including a special Jubilee breakfast for dog walkers at Master Park on 3rd June plus other events and Limpsfield High Street are having their party on 5th June.

Whatever you do we hope you enjoy the celebrations!

PARISH REGISTERS

Holy Baptism

We welcome into the family of God's Church: 12 June Franklin John Floyd

Funerals

Our sympathy goes to all their relatives and friends:

9 May

Anthony Stanton

St John's Book of Remembrance

To have a name entered, email office@stjhurstgreen.co.uk

East Surrey Walkers (ESW) News

www.eastsurreywalkers.org.uk

We hope you are enjoying this fine spring weather and as we move into summer ESW are busy arranging the summer walks programme which will published on our website in late June.

In the course of our walks we happen upon strangely named places often accompanied by odd tales. One such location is The Enterdent a small parcel of land just off The Eastbourne Road south of Godstone village. The origins of this unusual name are opaque it has been known as Henterden and in the 19th century Polly Pains Bottom. The origins of both older names are equally obscure.

A legend is recorded of an old lady who lived in one of the original cottages in the area and practised witchcraft. The legend holds that she had the ability to change herself into various animals and so disguised would execute her malign plans. One such story is that having changed into a dog she frightened a team of horses pulling a cart of hay causing the cart to crash and be destroyed. She also bewitched a black cat so that it became very small however when picked up by a stranger it would grow larger and larger. On one such occasion a stranger picked the cat up and took it to show a friend, as she did so it grew larger. The friend had heard of the stories of the witch and urged that it be taken back to The Enterdent (or Polly Pains Bottom as it was then known). As they got nearer the cat grew smaller and on arrival suddenly vanished into thin air.

As other strange incidents occurred locals began to notice that on such occasions a hare was seen nearby but the old lady was never at her home!

The locals decided to organise a hunt for the hare. Hounds were deployed and on one occasion got on the trail of the hare which ran into a drain to escape. Apparently one of the dogs managed to bite the hind quarters of the hare as it made good its escape.

Post this incident it was said that the old lady developed "a terrible limp" and was always in discomfort when she sat down. The strange incidents also ceased.

The area of the Enterdent is crossed by footpaths a number of ESW walks cover the area. We hope you may join us for any of our walks although we can't quarantee expanding cats, hares or witchcraft we can offer the prospect of lovely, perhaps even magical, walking experiences. ESW wish you happy walking. Stephen Hanks

Oxted & Limpsfield **Music Society**

Oboist Hannah Condliffe accompanied by pianist Mark Rogers will be performing a selection of Chopin's waltzes and mazurkas for solo piano.

11 June, 7.30pm **Hazelwood School**

oxtedandlimpsfieldmusicsociety.org.uk



Oxted & Limpsfield Choral Society Teatime Summer Concert

A pot-pourri of British songs with afternoon tea to celebrate the reign of Queen Elizabeth II.

11 June, 3pm, United Reformed Church, Oxted

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