



HURST GREEN NEWS

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Waiting

During August many of us will have witnessed the Olympic games on television and the amazing achievements of all of the athletes from GB and across the globe who congregated in Tokyo, a whole year later than originally planned, to participate in their chosen sport.

I cannot imagine just how difficult it must have been for the Olympians who had to persevere with training and pushing forward for a whole extra year due to the delays brought on by Covid.



In my humble opinion, the sheer hard work, stress, anticipation, and discipline, that it would have taken to maintain their peak performance for an extra year in these challenging times makes me believe that heartfelt congratulations are due to every single one of the Olympians whether they were successful in bringing home a medal or not. They all deserve to be celebrated and we can learn lessons from them.

In life, sometimes our plans may get delayed whether that be by a few seconds, minutes or hours. For example when a bus, train or plane that we are waiting for is delayed, or that friend we are meeting is running late again! Our heart beats with anticipation as we wait and we keep looking at the clock.

The disappointment is even deeper when we might have experienced delays that are even longer, possibly days, months or years. For example, due to Covid, an operation or consultation that we were hoping to have may have been delayed; or a job or a course of study that we were hoping to commence has been delayed due to circumstances beyond our control.

Waiting is not always easy especially when there is so much at stake and so much uncertainty around us. However, as we wait for those things that are dear to our hearts, let us remember to invite God to be with us in our particular 'waiting' situations because ancient scripture in Isaiah reminds us that 'they who wait for the Lord shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings like eagles; they shall run and not be weary; they shall walk and not faint'. When we invite God into our situations and allow His Spirit to lead and guide us, just like those Olympians, whether we gain medals or not, we will all get to where we need to be, and that is something to celebrate.

Reverend Lotwina Farodoye, Curate, Oxted Team Ministry

Hurst Green Village Fair

The Fair is all set to go ahead in September, and the theme this year is 'Holiday Staycation', so come along dressed for your summer holiday!

We're hoping to have a range of stalls, a bouncy castle, hot food, licensed bar, ice cream, and of course teas, coffees and cakes from our good friends in Aggies.

Live music is from the wonderful Oxted Band, and there will be demonstrations of dancing, taekwondo, and for the first time ever the scouts will show their axe throwing skills!



Come along and have some late summer fun. It's on the Green on **Saturday 25 September from 1 till 4pm. And as ever, it's free!**

Celebratory thank you!

The original thank you and farewell planned for Steven and Margaret Cox, former Hurst Green Evangelical Church Pastors, was cancelled due to lockdown. You are now invited to come along for a celebratory thank you for their amazing hard work and the contribution they made to all our lives. This will be on

Saturday 4 September, 2pm - 4pm
Hurst Green Community Centre
Oak Close

(behind the shops on Pollards Oak Road)

Depending on the weather, the event may take place in the community garden but to assist with Covid issues, please bring a mask for the inside areas and your own glass or cup.



If you wish to bring a cake or contribute something this would be appreciated. Please contact Carmen 07815 074236 or email carmen@hgcc-surrey.org.uk

Everybody is very welcome!

Meadow Browns



This year has been a momentous year for what has not happened, and for what we have been unable to do, like go on holiday abroad, or have parties. But it has been a good year for butterflies. They have been a common sight all around us for some time, and for me, that has been a real bonus. The wild flower garden in St John's churchyard has seen a profusion, particularly of Meadow Browns, pictured on a flower there. These butterflies may be common, but it has been so good to see them. *Mary Seller*

HURST GREEN CHURCHES WELCOME YOU

At St John's there are services of Holy Communion on Sundays at 8.30am (said) and 9.45am.
The 9.45am service is sung (service also available via Live Stream) - congregation are requested to wear masks.
There is also a communion service on Thursdays at 12 noon from 8 September
The church is open for private prayer on Sundays and Wednesdays from 10am to 4pm.
For updates and the latest information, please check the church websites given below.

ST JOHN'S, CHURCH WAY

Rector: Anna Eltringham, 712674, 14 Oast Road
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Assistant Priest: Mary Seller, 715675, 11 Home Park
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Monica Fenton, 715769
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East Surrey Walkers - Outwood Windmill

I consistently extol the physical and mental health advantages that walking provides, not to mention the opportunities to get close to nature. I have discovered an additional benefit. Residents are sometimes vaguely aware of local places of interest, perhaps only briefly noticing them in passing. Walking often allows one to look at things more closely and may induce a desire to learn more about such places and in turn learn a little more general background and history.

Many of our walks include such landmarks and our walk leaders will give you a brief insight into such places. Typical is a circular walk from South Nutfield via Outwood taking in Outwood Windmill. Indeed known to many but did you know it was one of a pair on the site? The surviving mill is a post mill, the earliest type of European windmill. Its defining feature is that the whole body of the mill housing the machinery is mounted on a single vertical post, around which it can be turned to bring the sails into the wind. The earliest post mills in England are thought to date from the 12th century.

The Outwood post mill was built for Thomas Budgen commencing in 1665. It is believed to be the oldest working post mill in England and the original deed for its erection is still in existence. Budgen borrowed the money to finance the project, clearly a good investment as he was able to repay the loan within two years. Rumour has it that the builders of the mill could see the Great Fire of London (1666) glowing in the distance. The mill continued to be used through the centuries but by the 1930s it was little used and had deteriorated. Planned restoration was postponed due to World War 2. Milling ceased in 1949 following the failure of the breast beam and collapse of the sails. During the mid 20th century to the present day various owners have carried out restoration and indeed repairs following several severe weather damage incidents.

The second mill on the site was a smock mill. This type of windmill consists of a sloping, horizontally weather boarded, thatched, or shingled tower, usually with six or eight sides. It is topped with a roof or cap that rotates to bring the sails into the wind. The name came from its resemblance to smocks worn by farmers in an earlier period. In 1796 William Budgen was granted leave to erect a windmill on a plot of land near the original post mill. This was in fact built to be in competition with the original mill following a family dispute.

The smock mill was run by the Budgen family until 1885 when the lease was sold to the Scott family (of Woolpits Mill in Nutfield. The mill continued to be worked by the Scott family. In 1903 one of the sails broke and it was then worked with only two sails, assisted by a portable steam engine. In 1953 a survey revealed rot had penetrated the cant posts and sills at the south west side (so facing the prevailing weather). The cost to repair was prohibitive and unfortunately the mill finally collapsed in November 1960.

We hope that you may consider joining us on some of our walks. Please see our website for details:

www.eastsurreywalkers.org.uk

East Surrey Walkers wish you happy walking.....



Building for the Next Generation

We have been working tirelessly towards getting the centre fit for the future. We've researched other REEMA buildings (a system of building using prefabricated reinforced concrete panels which came into being in the late 1940s) travelling to Wiltshire and beyond to see what success looks like!

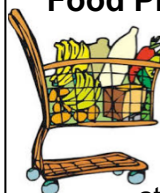
This development journey is going to take us about two years but if you are a project manager or builder or surveyor with a background in REEMA buildings or just buildings, we would welcome your experience and knowledge. We are a group of volunteers with no practical knowledge and we simply need you.

We are applying for funding from the National Lottery, CIL funding, parish council, rotary club AND Your Fund Surrey of course. Can you help us with funding applications?

Are you one of those people who could help us raise our aim of £1 million to redevelop our lovely community centre and leave a legacy behind for the future?

Any enquiries, please contact Carmen:
Carmen@hgccc-surrey.org, 07815 074236

Food Provision in Hurst Green



As a Referral Agency for the Trussell Trust, St John's Church can issue vouchers for anyone in need, to be redeemed at local foodbanks at Caterham and East Grinstead.

Alternatively, food parcels can, by prior arrangement, be collected on behalf of local residents and distributed on Wednesdays at Aggies on the Green.

If you need an emergency food voucher, please contact Oxted Team Ministry Curate Reverend Lotwina Farodoye on lotwina@stjhurstgreen.co.uk. You can also phone or text on 07586 863079.



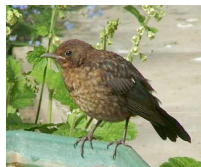
A Wildlife Garden Part 5

My garden is looking the worse for wear at the beginning of August. Flowers and grasses dying back and everything flattened by recent heavy rain. But Nature has a great capacity for rejuvenating itself and already the second flowering of fox and cubs is evident.

Referring to grasses - what an attractive and varied feature they can be! I guess people today see a field of grass ready for hay or silage and just see a sea of green with no variety, but the hay meadows of my childhood, growing up in the 1950s, were full of different grasses, attracting a myriad of insects, especially butterflies.

I have several kinds of grass with evocative names - meadow fescue, tufted hair grass and ryegrass. The latter, as children, we called 'love me grass' because you could pick the flattened heads off one by one: 'He loves me, he loves me not', like we did with flower petals.

A footnote from last month's ramblings: self-heal's Latin name is *Prunella*, an old word for a sore throat, so presumably a drink was brewed up to help the sufferer. Good news too - one young blackbird has turned up, so all is not lost! *Suzanne Hill, Old Oxted*



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Hurst Green Garden Club - Brian Parrott

After such a long wait we have enjoyed a garden party, passing rain just gone for long enough to share good company and good food. In August, another first: a meeting with an extraordinary display of conifers - Paul Grimmer of Plants and Gardens sharing his wide knowledge about them. There is more to them than just Christmas trees!

Your next chance to meet us will be at the Hurst Green Village Fair, with plants for sale. If you are still interested, you can come to our next Speaker meeting on Wednesday 13 October, when Rosy Hardy of Hard Nursery will bring autumn flowering perennials, telling us about them with probably a chance to buy some as well. Don't worry if you are not yet a member, please come along, learn something new, enjoy a cuppa, and maybe take home a raffle prize as well. Look out for poster details nearer the date.

As Constable said, every day in the garden is different, for me today it is seeing the first autumn cyclamen in flower.

*A gardener is never rich yet
he is ever raking together.
There is no man who has
more beds than he, but
never a one worth lying on.*
1635



Tandridge Club for the Visually Impaired

The Club opened again in August at its new venue of the York Rooms, St John's Church. Meetings will continue on the 2nd and 4th Mondays of each month, 2.45 - 4.15pm. On 13 September, Will Reid's topic is 'We are the CWGC' (Commonwealth War Graves Commission) and on 27 September Ben Wheeler of Optalec will speak on 'Low Vision Talk'.

New members and volunteers are always welcome
Any queries, please telephone Diana on 01883 742708



Climate Sunday

The Climate Sunday initiative is calling on all local churches across Great Britain and Ireland to hold a climate-focused service on any Sunday before COP26, the 26th United Nations Climate Change Conference to be held in Glasgow in November. St John's, Hurst Green has chosen **Sunday 19 September** as Climate Sunday, and the services at 8.30am and 9.45am will be devoted to this theme, with carefully chosen readings and music. The preacher will be Revd Professor Mary Seller, who will emphasise the theological dimension of the subject.

Come and join us for COFFEE and a CHAT!

Our get-togethers are primarily (but not exclusively) aimed at those who live alone and are a great way to make new friends and catch up on local news. It could be a good way to start venturing out again after a long time of restrictions. We serve 'real' coffee and tea with biscuits (and occasionally cake if we're lucky!) in convivial surroundings. We will, of course, comply with any remaining covid-related requirements.

Where?
When?

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