

St Michael & All Angels Church **Pirbright Parish Council**



WE WILL REMEMBER THEM

REMEMBRANCE DAY 11th November REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY 13th November

This year the dreadful reality of war has really been brought home to us, as Ukraine defends herself from Russian invasion. Once again we have seen the impact of modern warfare on soldiers and civilians. We applaud the courage of those who are standing up to evil, and we weep with those whose lives are shattered by it.

Remembrance Day, and Remembrance Sunday are our opportunities to join together to pay tribute to all those affected by wars, past and present,, those in our community who

> lost their lives, and those whose lives were changed forever by war in the 20th and 21st centuries.

At the same time, we acknowledge and thank those who stand ready to fight for us today, the young men and women in our own community who serve in our armed forces, and the families who support them.

ROYAL BRITISH LEGION.

November is the time when we remember those who gave their lives in both World Wars and subsequent conflicts around the world. Remembrance Sunday is 13th November. Please join us as we and other village organisations lay our wreaths at Pirbright Church (service begins at 10:00am, Act of Remembrance at 10:45). Our apologies, but we have had to change the date for our Annual Dinner at Lord Pirbright's Hall from 21st January to Saturday 11th February. Further details available soon. Monday 12th November at 8pm is our regular meeting at the Fox Inn, Fox Corner which will also incorporate our AGM and all Branch Members are invited to join us.

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SCHOOL WINTER FAIR

Prepare yourself Pirbright - the Winter School Fair is back, think things all kingly, twinkly and festive! PirBRIGHT is set for Friday the 25th November at Pirbright Village Primary

School. Tickets will be available online from mid October.

We are delighted to be hosting the Pirbright Christmas Trail again in December! The designs last year were utterly fabulous and we can't wait to see which lane in the village will have the most! For more information about how you can take part, go to http://www.pta-events.com/fops

ST MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS CHURCH

Just a thought.....

The Good, the Bad and the Indifferent

As each year passes, the number of men and women who served in the armed forces in the war of 1939-45 dwindles; very soon there will only be people's childhood memories to remind us of those dark days. But of course there are still many veterans of more recent conflicts who continue to suffer the consequences of wars in the late 20th and early 21st centuries. In many ways the technological advances that have enhanced all our lives have also impacted the methodology and material of war. However, the ongoing war in Ukraine has shown that deep down nothing about the personal impact of war has really changed at all. The cruelty, horror and terror that pervades any such conflict is as present now as it was in the Dark Ages.

It is a sad fact that wars and conflict will

always be with us; they are, if you like, part of the 'human condition'. Wars happen because bad people do bad things and good people resolve to stand up to them. Wars also happen because too many other people are indifferent to the reality of what is going on around them and are guite happy to stand (or sit) by and let the bad people do their thing. It happened in Hitler's Germany: reeling from the aftermath of the war of 1914-18 people allowed him to seize power and turned a blind eye to so much of the evil that was being done in their name. They just 'did what they were told', 'followed orders'...'it seemed the right thing to do at the time'. It happened in the Falklands...Irag... Afghanistan. But although the good will usually overcome the bad they often do so at great loss to themselves (at the sharp end) and their families left alone at home (the blunt end, if you like).

It is always encouraging to see so many people come together at a Service of Remembrance to pay tribute and remember the awful cost to the *good* ones. But it's also worth reminding ourselves that the *bad* ones are always out there, somewhere. And most importantly it's up to all of us not to be *indifferent* to *either*.

Revd Gary Williamson



THE CIRCLE OF LIFE IN PIRBRIGHT

We welcome to the family of our church Hector Terkatz-Cameron following his baptism in October.

Warmest wishes for their life together to Simon Anderson-Edwards and Emma Harrison following their marriage in October.

We remember with gratitude the lives of Onk Cheeseman and Peter Brown

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CUNNINGHAM HOUSE

November being the month for Thanksgiving, and as Cunningham House Executive Chairperson is American, I thought it appropriate to share with PeriNews readers what our residents are feeling thankful for. Top of the list at the moment was being thankful that they didn't have to worry too much about the cost-of-living crisis, as their bills are all included in their monthly rent. Second, was being thankful for their supportive families, whom they moved from further afield to be near. And thirdly was being thankful for the nice hot cooked meals served to them every day. This reminded me of saying grace at primary school...always the same without much thought to it; "Thank you for my mum and sister and for the food we're about to eat, Amen". Recited on automatic pilot back then, but it shows that whatever age we are, the most important things in life are food, warmth and supportive family, and I myself am thankful that our residents all feel they have these.

CRAFT, COFFEE AND CHAT



22 November. 10- noon. Craft, Coffee and Chat. All crafters are welcome to this friendly group which meets in the Church Room of St. Michael and All Angels Church. Please ring Jay Kleinberg on 07703 834636 if you have any guestions or need a lift.

COUNTDOWN TO CHRISTMAS

Christmas Carols in the Churchyard 16th December, 6pm

By popular request, Community Carol singing in the churchyard is back, with music, lights and decorations, hot drinks and festive snacks (and who knows, a special Someone might be persuaded to visit!).

CAROLING

Flower Fund Coffee Morning Saturday 3rd December 10am

We all love to see the church 'decked out' for special occasions like Christmas, Easter and Harvest, but have you noticed that there are always flowers, to welcome you into the building throughout the year? Please help to make it possible by supporting the flower fund coffee morning,

PIRBRIGHT HISTORIANS

In August, out of the blue, Shirley was emailed via our website by the manager of a vintage shop in Sheffield, who had discovered a document relating to Pirbright when having a clear out. He generously offered to send it to us no charge, & when it arrived, it turned out to be a handsome parchment Manor Court Roll transferring ownership in 1823 of just over an acre of land behind Pirbright Lodge. Henry Halsey, Lord of the



Manor, had bought The Lodge in 1801 after the death of Admiral Byron, but died 6 years later, leaving a considerable portion of his estate to his eldest son, Henry W R W Halsey, then a child, with trustees to administer it. A trustee purchased it for £200 in 1823 from William Russell Skerrett. And thereby hangs a tale, which must wait until next month's PeriNews - how the dickens did it end up in Sheffield?

PIRBRIGHT PARISH COUNCIL

A date for your diaries -Litter Pick Saturday 5th November

In order to keep our village looking beautiful, the Parish Council is organising another volunteer based litter-picking session on Saturday 5th November, at 2pm. Volunteers to please meet outside LPH; equipment will be provided, but please bring suitable gloves, and wear sturdy footwear. We look forward to seeing you

Lord Pirbright's Hall

there.

By the time this lands through your letterbox, I will have taken over the management of LPH for six months! Six months....I've no idea where the time has gone.

I've thoroughly enjoyed learning about our wonderful community, meeting and getting to know our societies, hirers and implementing several new operating systems. It has been challenging at times, but seeing the physical upgrades taking place this week is extremely rewarding

and I am excited for the big reveal of the freshly decorated Committee Room, hallway and storage area at the end of October.

This is just the start of upgrading the facilities at LPH. I thank each and every one of our regular hirers. Your understanding and patience are received with gratitude. It's never the right time to carry out such works, but you have made it possible. I look forward to sharing the plans of the kitchen upgrade, which I've been working hard on, once they are available.

I am always open to hear from you. At the end of October you can find me located in the Committee Room, Monday to Thursday 8:45am to 12:45.

Victoria, Secretary LPH



Dan, from Chameleon Painters & Decorators, working hard to refurbish the Committee Room at LPH

PIRBRIGHT SINGERS Christmas Concert Sat Dec 3rd

Let the sound of festive music and single carols get you into the Christmas Spirit with the Pirbright Singers in concert at St Michael & All Angels Church.

The programme starts at 7:30, for tickets see the flier with this edition of PeriNews.

BULLSWATER COMMON Volunteer working party Mon Nov 7th

Fresh air, fun and helping to maintain our important local wildlife habitat for rare and precious species - what better way to spend a Monday?

To find out more, e mail mole.project@surreycc.gov.uk



Before you marry a person, you should first make them use a computer with a very slow Internet connection, to see who they really are.

PIRBRIGHT PLAYERS PRESENT: TREASURE ISLAND

Panto time is here again, 10th/11th December are the dates for this years extravaganza, Treasure Island, plus a bonus of a short revue of poems, songs and sketches to start the fun off. Tickets will be available from the middle of November for matinee and evening performance on Saturday, plus a matinee on Sunday, priced at £14 for adults and £8 for children.



All children who come dressed as a pirate will be able to have a free ice cream or lolly ice in the interval. Come and join the fun and laughter of a revue in the first half and a exciting panto in the second half, something to please everyone! Oh yes it is! Flyers for booking are in this PeriNews or you can book on line at www.spanglefish.com/pirbrightplayers. Carole Gailer



Our child has a great deal of willpower ...

... and even more won't power!

PIRBRIGHT WI.

Our meeting on Tuesday 15th November, at On Tuesday 8th November at 8pm in the 7.00 pm in Lord Pirbright's Hall, is our Annual Meeting where we review our year, select and form our Committee, and agree the Budget for 2023.

There are still seats available to The National Archives at Kew, on Wednesday 16th November, cost £14, pick up at Glaziers Lane or Goldworth Park.

For more information and details please contact Irene Dredge 01483 233279 or email irenedredge@outlook.com

TWINNING ASSOCIATION

Time to book your tickets for our annual Beaujolais Dinner on Saturday 26 November at 7pm in Lord Pirbright's Hall. We offer a delicious home cooked dinner and a taste of the 2022 Beauiolais Nouveau. There is a wine bar and a raffle. Tickets from James Grimshaw, £16 for members and £18 for non members. Bank details: sort code 30-90-80 a/c 01174367 We need someone to help with serving and washing up on the night. Please get in touch if you are interested and available. You will be paid and fed! Lucy Baker <u>lucyb2477@qmail.com</u>

HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

Clubroom of Lord Pirbright's Hall our speaker will be Jim Buttress, on Greenwich Park, the Naval College, the Old Royal Observatory and the National Maritime Museum. Jim was formerly in charge of some of the Royal Parks in London. Visitors and guests welcome, and refreshments available.

Don't forget our AGM and Christmas social at 8pm on Tuesday 13th December, Lord Pirbright's Hall Philip Barralet

RAWLINS CLUB

Our next meeting is 2.00 - 4:00pm on Friday 11th November when harpist Margaret Watson will entertain us. Denise Granger 01483 472070

PIRBRIGHT COUNTRY MARKET

No matter what the weather we are in Lord Pirbright's Hall every Thursday 10am to 11.15am. Drop in to say hello and sample our wondrous range of homemade cakes, savouries, crafts and greetings cards plus a range of seasonal plants and planted baskets. As Christmas fast approaches now is a good time to order your Christmas Cakes, so come and chat with one of our cooks about your requirements.

SUPPORT OUR LOCAL BUSINESSES - Christmas at The Cricketers, 'owsatt!



As Christmas approaches, how does a Christmas Wreath making session appeal? Or Christmas cookie decorating? You might be surprised what's on offer at The Cricketers on The Green this Christmas, alongside traditional carol singing and party menus for groups of all kinds and size. For generations our pubs have been at THE CRICKETERS the heart of the Pirbright community and Jan, Mat, Karl and Natasha, the new management team at The Cricketers, are determined to

keep it that way, so whether you fancy something a bit different, or homely and traditional, it's worth a peek at their website https://www.thecricketersonthegreen.co.uk/.

PIRBRIGHT TENNIS CLUB

https://clubspark.lta.org.uk/ PirbrightTennisClub



Party on Saturday 12th November, 7.30pm: All invited. Prime Numbers, live local band will play the music in Lord Pirbright's Hall. Visit the website's New

Events page for more info and buying tickets at £10 each.

Summer Tournament Finals Sunday

The finals day on 25th September was very enjoyable with some great tennis and lovely food. Visit the website's Tournaments page for the winners and photographs.

Shorts or Longs?

Winter is coming and I have this dilemma, should I risk cold legs or look cooler in shorts? The important decision, for me, is to keep playing through the winter. The courts have floodlights when it's dark and each court is very resilient to the bad weather.

Visit the website's Club Activities and Coaching pages on our website for all regular tennis activities.

You can still join the club: for new membership contact Monika Driscoll: e-mail: driscollmonika@gmail.com Visit also Pirbright Tennis Club on Facebook for the latest news

David Greenland

PIRBRIGHT CRICKET CLUB.

Chairman spent a happy day watching Gympie and



Maroochydore playing cricket as this report comes from outskirts of Brisbane! I actually was lost in the game... I was a world away!

The season ended with a fabulous match, during which cricket surely was the winner... nice to see so many youngsters playing, on both sides... we lost gallantly against old favourites the team who are named after a type of Rabbit... anyone tell me their name? Personally it certainly was a pleasure to play amongst so many up and coming PCC members.

It was of course the last game of the old pavilion..... Peter Austin

It isn't a normal fitness tracker. This calculates how many glasses of wine you've earned.

CHURCHYARD CHRONICLES

Here in the churchyard we are expert at living without central heating so here are some of our top tips for keeping warm this winter. 1) Grow an extra layer of something soft and fluffy underneath your normal fur or feathers. 2) Make sure that your burrow is set up to keep the wind and rain out. We make the entrances to our tunnels away from the wind direction, and put bends in tunnels to baffle the draughts. 3) Collect soft nesting material that you can snuggle around you to hoard your own warmth. 4) My favourite winter strategy - eating! No one is going to know if that extra midriff bulge is tummy or

woolly vest. 5) Hibernation is a little extreme, but hunkering down and dreaming the winter away does have a particular appeal. 6) And finally, when it gets really cold, you just can't beat a group huddle with the other animals in your burrow. However you do it, stay warm and look out for each other this winter.

Yellow Rabbit



NOVEMBER GARDENING TIPS from Wellie

Aerate your lawn now before winter sets in, either use a lawn aerator or simply insert a garden fork at regular intervals and lean it back slightly to let air in. Continue to clear fallen leaves off the lawn to keep it healthy using a light rake. Set your lawn mower to a higher cut-height for winter. Prevent containers becoming waterlogged by raising them off the ground for the winter using bricks or 'pot feet'. Encourage hungry birds into your garden by investing in bird baths and bird feeders, they will keep garden pest numbers down and bring joy on a bleak winter's day. Leave the seedheads of herbaceous plants, such as fennel, verbena bonariensis, teasel and echinacea for house sparrows and gold-finches. Plant a pot of nectar-rich crocuses now to feed hungry queen bumblebees in spring. Use the prunings and clippings of shrubby material to create a dry wildlife stack, out of the way, eg behind a shed or at the back of a border. Prune roses by between 1/3



- 1/2 their height, to stop them swaying in strong wind and prevent roots coming loose in the soil. Remove fallen leaves from around the base of rose bushes which suffered from blackspot or rust this summer to reduce the chance of reinfection. Lift parsnips after the first frosts, when their flavour will have sweetened. Keep planting onion, shallot, and garlic sets. Spread well rotted farm manure across the surface of your vegetable beds to rot down over winter. Stake top-heavy brassica and leafy green plants. Draw up some soil around the base of their stem to prevent wind from rocking the plant and causing damage to the roots. Tidy strawberry plants, cutting off any dead leaves and removing runners. Prune apple and pear trees any time between now and February. Don't prune your plum trees now as they will be susceptible to the silver leaf fungus - wait until midsummer.

PIRBRIGHT COMMUNITY CALENDAR NOVEMBER 2022			
2	Wed	10:15am	Said Communion & Café Club in Church Room, Rev Bev Hunt
5	Sat	2:00pm	Volunteers Litter Pick, start from LPH
6	Sun	10:00am	Family Service with Church Band (with zoom), Rev Bev Hunt
7	Mon	10:00am	Bullswater Common Restoration volunteer working party,
8	Tues	8:00pm	Horticultural Society meeting, LPH
9	Wed	2:00pm	Craft Circle in church room
11	Fri	11:00am	Remembrance Day Commemorations
		2:00pm	Rawlins Club with Harpist Margaret Watson
12	Sat	7:30pm	Tennis Club live music party with Prime Numbers, LPH
13	Sun	10:00am	Remembrance Sunday Service, Rev'd Gary Williamson
15	Mon	7:00pm	WI Annual Meeting, LPH
16	Tues		WI visit to National Archive, Kew
20	Sun	10:00am	Holy Communion (with zoom) Rev Bev Hunt
22	Tues	10:00am	Craft, Coffee & Chat in Church Room
25	Fri	3:30pm	School Winter Fair, at Pirbright Village Primary School
26	Sat	7:00pm	Twinning Association Beaujolais Supper LPH
27	Sun	10:00am	Advent Sunday Holy Communion, Rev'd Paul Fenner

Why aren't dogs good dancers? Because they have two left feet.

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NOW PLAYING HM The Queen: Lying-In-State BBC

join queue

PIRBRIGHT BROWNIE'S MOMENT IN HISTORY

Proud Pirbright Brownie, seven year old Lavinia Cooper, displayed her commitment to the cause by lining up with thousands of others to see The Queen Lying in State on Friday 16th September 2022. Lavinia stood stoically with her Nanny for fifteen hours from 11am at the start of the queue in Southwark Park, until 2.08am on Saturday 17th September 2022 ending at Westminster Hall after filing past the catafalque where the late Queen Elizabeth lay. Practising her curtesy along the route, Lavinia took in many of the city's sights and learnt about the history of London from members of the crowd and the plaques from famous landmarks, such as the bronze statues of Dr Salter of Bermondsey and his family. Well done Lavinia!

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