

Pirbright Village News

September 2025

Presidents Day Fun

Sixty years separated the youngest and oldest players as Pirbright Cricket Club came together for a fun-packed and competitive afternoon of limited overs cricket.

Some 36 players from every group in the club took to the field for the traditional intra-club battle between President, Charlie Miller, and Chair, Graeme Marks.

Three mixed teams battled it out with many excellent performances from the youth sections, the ladies and even a few seasoned veterans.

The tournament ended in a hard-fought tie with each team winning one game.

But, as always, cricket - and club - were the ultimate winners. The tremendous spirit that runs like a lifeblood throughout the club was on vivid display.

Charlie and Graeme are grateful to everyone who supported the event from BBQ and umpiring, to staffing the bar and preparing the ground!

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St. Michael's and All Angels Church

Philip Barralet 1947 - 2025

We would like to express our thanks for the outpouring of love, kindness, and support we've received following the loss of our dad/husband Philip Barralet.

Your messages, visits, prayers, and shared memories have brought us comfort during this incredibly difficult time. Knowing how much he meant to so many brings us peace and reminds us of the impact he had on those around him.

Thank you for standing with us, grieving with us, and helping us celebrate his life. Your support has truly meant the world to our family.

Elizabeth, Sarah and Anna

A Joyful Start to Ministry

Alex and I have been ordained as priests for two months now. This means that we are now able to lead a service of holy communion and to do baptisms. It has been an absolute joy and privilege to lead communion services both on Sundays and at the monthly mid-week service, and to be able to say the absolution and pronounce the blessing.

Being able to conduct baptisms has also been an incredible delight, making new connections and meeting with families, then the actual baptisms themselves and the joy of formally welcoming a child into the family of God.

If anyone has been thinking about getting their child or themselves baptised, please do get in touch with the office. We can offer baptism either as part of our traditional services or as a private baptism in a short service with just your guests present. We'd love to meet you!

September brings many things, the start of the school term, heading into autumn and looking ahead to Harvest, Remembrance and dare I say it, Christmas. Children starting school or changing classes may be filled with nerves, excitement or a mixture of both. Parents and teachers may also be experiencing similar emotions!

I will be praying for everyone as we enter the new term.

Every blessing,

Reverend Joanne

A Prayer for the Start of Term

Dear God

We thank you for this new school year and the opportunities it brings. We ask for your guidance and protection over all children, young people, parents and staff as they embark on this new journey. May this be a year of growth, discovery, and positive experiences. We pray for a safe and supportive learning environment where everyone can thrive. Please bless everyone with good health, strong minds, and compassionate hearts.

Amen

St. Michael's and All Angels Church



ST MICHAEL'S CHURCH PIRBRIGHT

SEPTEMBER SUNDAYS

9.30am Traditional Holy Communion

1st Sunday 11.15am All Age Service at
St. Mark's Church Hall GU3 2DA

2nd Sunday 8.00am Said Communion
9.30am Contemporary Worship Service

3rd Sunday 9.30am Traditional Holy Communion
11.15am Contemporary Worship Service
St. Mark's Church GU3 2DA

4th Sunday 10.00am Church on the Green
Lord Pirbright's Hall
11.15am Traditional Holy Communion
at St Marks Church GU3 2DA

Church Ln Pirbright GU24 0JJ/pirbrightchurch.org.uk



St Michael's Pirbright & St Mark's Wyke

CHURCH ON THE GREEN IS BACK!

28th September 10am
Lord Pirbright's Hall GU24 0JE

We hope to see you in our family friendly service where both adults and children can experience church in a refreshing way!

pirbrightchurch.org.uk



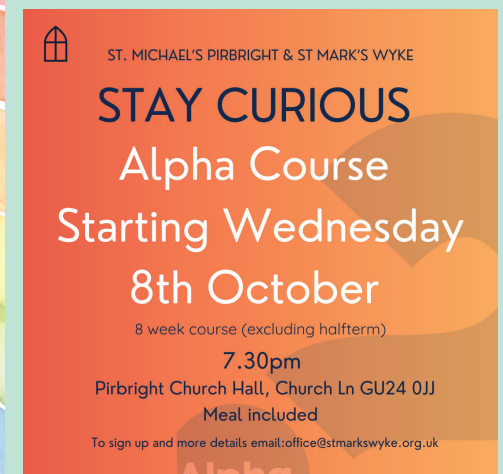
ST MICHAEL'S CHURCH PIRBRIGHT

Baby and Toddler Group

Mondays 10-11.30am
St. Michael's Church Room
Church Ln GU24 0JJ

Welcome!

(term time only)
pirbrightchurch.org.uk



ST. MICHAEL'S PIRBRIGHT & ST MARK'S WYKE

STAY CURIOUS Alpha Course

Starting Wednesday
8th October

8 week course (excluding half term)

7.30pm
Pirbright Church Hall, Church Ln GU24 0JJ
Meal included

To sign up and more details email: office@stmarkswyke.org.uk

Pirbright Parish Council

The Parish Council welcomed Al Pinkerton MP to the village last month. Al was cycling around his constituency and travelled from Normandy to Pirbright with PPC Chair, Cllr David Woollett. Al came to Lord Pirbright's Hall to meet residents and find out about their local concerns. The Parish Council has carried out works to improve the condition of the Avenue De Cagny car park with pot holes filled and the car park bays re-lined. These works were paid for from the Precept at a cost of £2,007. Surrey Highways also repainted the road tables along White Hart Corner leading to Cemetery Pales. These works were kindly funded by Cllr Keith Witham, our County Councillor, at a cost of £1,762.



The Parish Council has also taken time to repair some of the playground equipment, with treads on the roundabout and the running boards on the rocking horse being replaced. Minor repairs to the slide were also carried out. These repairs were paid for from the Precept at a cost of £494.78. A qualified Parish Councillor inspects the playground equipment weekly and the Council contracts the British Engineering Group to carry out its annual inspection at a cost to the Precept of £416 pa. The Parish Council has, this year, also contracted to Sovereign Ltd to carry out additional bi-annual inspections to give an extra level of safety.

You may have noticed the new barrier gate onto the main green close to the car park. The drop bollards were continually failing and were in need of replacing with a more practical solution. The new barrier was installed at a cost to the Precept of £1,098 and stands to protect the main green which is beginning to look a lot better.

Finally, the Council would like to thank Mark Tidy who is contracted to keep the grassed area immediately around the War Memorial in the churchyard looking so well maintained all year round. The Parish Council is proud to be the custodian of such a special memorial to the fallen.

Support LPH for Free while You Shop online!

After our successful launch at the Pirbright Village Fair, we're excited to announce that our Easy Fundraising page is now live! LPH is raising money for our much loved Village Hall, with plans to restore some of the stonework at the entrance and install new outdoor floodlights, keeping her looking as beautiful as ever.

It's simple: sign up to Easy Fundraising, choose Lord Pirbright's Hall as your cause, and every time you shop online, we'll receive a donation at no extra cost to you. With just a few clicks, you can help preserve and improve our hall for the whole community to enjoy.



Support Your Local Business

Restorative Yoga with JoJo

Discover the healing power of restorative yoga.

Feeling stressed, overwhelmed or simply in need of deep rest?

Step into a space of stillness and renewal with restorative Yoga - a gentle, slow practice designed to relax the body, quiet the mind and restore your energy.

What to expect:

- Supportive postures held for extended periods
- Use of props (blankets, bolsters and blocks) to allow the body & mind to calm & find total comfort
- A peaceful, candlelit environment with underfloor heating
- The practice is predominantly floor based with a small amount of optional standing postures
- Guided breathwork and meditation

Join me & reconnect with your body, your breath & your sense of peace.

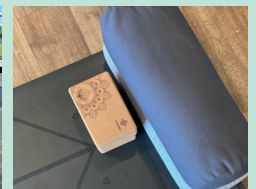
Where: Pirbright Cricket Pavillion

When: Every Sunday, commencing 28-Sep-2025, 16:00 - 17:00

Price: £12.00 per class

Limited spaces available

Email me to secure your space: jojo.phillips.yoga@gmail.com



Community Groups

Rawlins Club

We are having our next meeting on Friday 12th September between 2.00pm to 4.00pm in Lord Pirbright's Hall. The Talk will be "Alaska from a small Boat" by Prue Roome.

For further details, please contact Denise Granger on 01483 472070.

Royal British Legion

Our September meeting at the Fox will be on Monday, 8th September at 8pm.

We hope you had the opportunity to see our VJ Day display last month and we are now looking towards Remembrance Day. contact Anne Hawkins on 01252 404276

Pirbright WI

The WI serve refreshments every Thursday morning from 10.00am to 11.15am in Lord Pirbright's Hall.

If you're visiting the Country Market, why not join us for a warm drink and a chat?

For more information, contact Irene Dredge on 01483 233279 or email iredredge@outlook.com. We'd love to see you there!

Pirbright Country Market

The Country Market is open every Thursday from 10.00am to 11.15am in Lord Pirbright's Hall. Come along and enjoy a variety of local produce and goods!

Pirbright Horticultural Society

Our next talk is on the 9th September at 7.00pm at Pirbright Village Hall a virtual stroll round Painshill Park is a beautiful 18th century landscape garden. Taking you on a virtual guided tour, Michelle will introduce you to the history of the park and its creator and hopefully inspire you to visit yourself.

Pirbright Tennis Club

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

www.facebook.com/pirbrighttennisclub

Sunday 14th September: Summer Tournament Finals day. Come and watch, from 12 noon, some of our best players in action while enjoying a BBQ and drink.

Wimbledon Tickets: To enter the LTA ballot, sign in to your account at lta.org.uk and 'opt in'. Or enter the public ballot at wimbledon.com. Both need to be done beginning of September.

Tuesdays, from 6.30pm: Club Night for all members. Check our WhatsApp group to see who's playing and also to add your name to play.

Contact our coach Michael Jefferies for adult and junior coaching.

All enquiries (including all tournament entries and WhatsApp Group) please contact info@pirbrighttennisclub.com or Fiona Robotham at this address for new membership enquiries. Michael Jefferies, Coach: jefferiesmichael@hotmail.com or 07748 767339

Pirbright Historians

The new house-by-house history of Pirbright is now online! It will eventually give a full history of each house in Pirbright, who lived there, what they did for a living, and much more. As far as we know, no other village in Britain has tried to do this in such detail. Currently the histories of 350 houses can be seen by:

- Either going to www.pirbright.info/ then clicking on Pirbright Properties
- Or going to pirbrightpropertieshistory.com

We expect a further 100 houses to appear online over the course of the next 6 months in several batches, with many more to follow later.

Community Groups

Friends of Pirbright Surgery Open Evening

On Monday 15th September at 7.30pm in Lord Pirbright's Hall, Pirbright Surgery will host an Information evening sharing the latest news from the Surgery and the NHS plus an update on the new triage appointment booking system.

Also, Dr Ellie Atkins will join us to talk about how we can cope with the challenges of our children, families, and ourselves, when suffering from mental health issues such as anxiety and self-harm. She will also talk about autism.

All are very welcome to Join us

Steeple Keeper Wanted!

Interested in DIY, old technology, or historic buildings? Comfortable with ladders? Why not become our next Steeple Keeper!

The role involves helping to look after the 200-year-old church bells and mechanism with simple maintenance checks a couple of times a year, plus the odd small repair. No experience needed full guidance and training provided.

It's voluntary, light-touch, and you'll be part of a friendly, sociable group.

Curious? Get in touch: John Thornton (07720 289825) or Richard Hyde (ra_hyde@hotmail.com)

September Eco Tip

Sustainable September is a month-long campaign dedicated to encouraging individuals, communities, and organisations to take meaningful steps toward more sustainable living. It's a time to reflect on our environmental impact and explore practical ways to reduce waste, lower carbon emissions, protect biodiversity, and promote eco-conscious choices in everyday life. From food and fashion to travel and energy use, Sustainable September invites us all to be part of the solution to the climate crisis.

September Gardening Tips

Make the most of the warmth in the air and soil, before the temperatures drop at the beginning of Autumn.

To help grapes ripen, remove leaves shading fruit. Check if there are any heavy laden branches on fruit trees that need supporting. Pinch out tops of tomatoes, remove any new flowers, and remove any growth below the lowest fruit and growth shading fruit. Earth up brussel sprouts to prevent damage from wind, Earth up leeks to increase length of white stems. Dig up potatoes before slug damage spoils them. Finish trimming hedges by mid September. Perennials that have finished flowering can be divided now if they have become congested. Cut back flowered stems of jasmine. Climbing roses can be pruned now after they have flowered. Plant bulbs for spring display. Sow grass seed or lay new turf this month. Apply an autumn weed and feed to your lawns. As the weather cools begin to scarify, aerate and top dress. Cut summer flowering meadows after they have gone to seed. Leave cuttings for a few days to allow remaining seeds to fall, then rake up so that the cuttings are not left to enrich the ground. Net ponds now before the leaves start to fall. Don't be too hasty to cut everything down after it has finished flowering. Carry on filling your bird feeders. If you have sunflowers, don't be tempted to clear them away, leave the seed heads for birds to feed on. Keep bird baths clean and full of water. Leave food out for hedgehog visitors.

Pirbright Community Calendar September 2025

Date	Time	Event
Sun 7th	9.30am 11.15am	Holy Communion Service at St. Michael's Pirbright All Age Service at St Marks Church Hall GU3 2DA
Mon 8th	8.00pm	Royal British Legion at The Fox at Fox Corner
Tue 9th	7.00pm	Pirbright Horticultural Society at Lord Pirbright's Hall
Sat 13th	10.00am - 12.00pm	Operation Churchyard at St. Michael's Pirbright
Sun 14th	8.00am 9.30am 11.15am 12.00pm 5.00pm	Said Communion at St. Michael's Pirbright Contemporary Worship Service at St. Michael's Pirbright Holy Communion Service at St Marks Church GU3 2DA Pirbright Tennis Club Summer Final Day plus BBQ Taizé Services St Marks Church GU3 2DA
Mon 15th	7.30pm	Friends of Pirbright Surgery Open Evening at Lord Pirbright's Hall
Tue 16th	10.15am	Midweek Communion at St. Michael's followed by Cafe Club
Sun 21st	9.30am 11.15am 7.30pm	Holy Communion Service at St. Michael's Pirbright Contemporary Worship Service & Youth Alpha at St Marks Prayer Meeting at St. Michael's Pirbright
Sun 28th	8.00am 10.00am 11.15am	Said Communion at St. Michael's Pirbright Church On The Green at Lord Pirbright's Hall Holy Communion Service at St Marks Church GU3 2DA
Every Mon	10.00am - 11.30am	Baby & Toddler Group at St. Michael's Pirbright Church Room
Every Tues	6.30pm	Pirbright Tennis Club Members Night
Every Thur	10.00am - 11.15am 10.00am - 11.15am 7.30pm - 8.30pm	Refreshments with WI at Lord Pirbright's Hall Pirbright Country Market at Lord Pirbright's Hall Bellingring Practice in the Church Tower

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