Pirbright Village News

November 2025

Church on the Green: Gladiator Special!

Sunday 23rd November, 10am - Lord Pirbright's Hall

We've got an action-packed Church on the Green coming up this month, and you won't want to miss it!

Those of us who grew up in the 90s will remember watching Gladiators on TV, and one of its stars, Ace, is joining us right here in Pirbright! He has an incredible story of transformation to share, and we can't wait for you to hear it.

This will be a Gladiator-themed morning for the whole family, filled with fun, faith, and a few surprises!

Expect: Gladiator jousting, sumo suits and themed refreshments.

An inspiring story of transformation from Ace himself!

There's something for everyone - children, teens, and adults alike. Get ready for a morning of laughter, hope, and community.

So spread the word, invite your friends and neighbours, and join us for what promises to be an unforgettable Church on the Green!

With blessings., Revol George Watkinson St. Michael.'s., Pirbright & St. Mark.'s., Wyke



In this month's Newsletter

COG Gladiator Special page 1

St. Michael's and All Angels page 2

Pirbright Parish Council page 3, 4

Support Your Local Business page 4

Community Groups page 5, 6, 7

Gardening & Eco Tips page 7

Calendar page 8

St. Michael's and All Angels Church









Pirbright Parish Council

Dawney Hill Roadworks

The roadworks on Dawney Hill are part of the Mindenhurst Village project 5 miles away in Deepcut. An additional 1,200 houses, a primary school and a pub are being built in the heart of Deepcut. Here in Pirbright, an additional lane is being created by the developer at the top of Dawney Hill to help traffic flow from Dawney Hill along Gole Road. Unfortunately, neither residents, nor the Parish Council were made aware of these major roadworks until the week before and they will no doubt be causing significant inconvenience to residents across the Parish. These roadworks are due to continue until March 2026. The Parish Council will endeavour to keep residents informed of progress via its Facebook page and website.

Farnborough Airport Expansion

Residents will already be aware of the proposed airport expansion. If the in-

creased number of flights are approved, Pirbright will be affected as we are on the flight path. On a typical Sunday there are currently 40 aircraft passing overhead at around 3,000-3,500 ft with an average separation of just 12 minutes between flights at peak times. If the weekend cap were to be lifted and raised from 8,900 to 18,900 then we may well see 85 aircraft passing overhead each day with an average separation of just 5 minutes be-



tween flights at peak times. If you wish to object to the expansion, the easiest way is to sign the petition is to go onto the Change.org webpage and search for "Stop expansion of Farnborough Airport".





Support LPH for free while you shop online!

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. Since our launch in August, £92.97 has been donated — all at no cost to anyone.



Support Your Local Business

Refresh & Restore by Tom Barker



Having grown up with close ties to Pirbright and worked locally at Fulks Bros Butchers, I'm proud to now offer our Refresh and Restore services to the village and continue those valued community connections.

At Refresh & Restore we are passionate about bringing life back to your outdoor spaces, focusing on patios and driveways. Based on a foundation of reliability, craftsmanship, and attention to detail, we offer expert restoration services tailored to both residential and commercial properties.

Key Services

Cleaning: Utilising industrial machinery to tackle a magnitude of different types of dirt and grime on all outdoor surfaces.

Repair Work: Comprehensive repair services on a large variety of surfaces whether that is natural stone, tarmac, concrete or many more.

Pointing services: Expert pointing to enhance the durability and appearance of all outdoor spaces.

Contact us today for a free no obligation quote!

Phone: 07557 884998

Email: tom@refreshandrestore.co.uk Website: www.refreshandrestore.co.uk





Community Groups

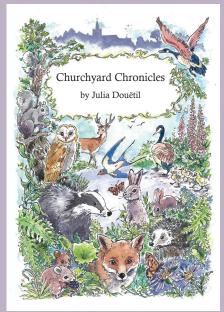
Churchyard Chronicles book available to order now!

From 2006 Yellow Rabbit and his churchyard friends featured in some amazing stories of the antics they got up to in the churchyard. All the adventures were cleverly written by Julia Douetil. When Julia retired as editor of the monthly newsletter, she was presented with a book containing all the lovely stories, which were wonderfully illustrated by local artists.

You now have an opportunity to order a copy of this book for £16 a copy.

All orders need to be in by 20th November. Please contact Helen on: 07777659138

helenwelliewhitworth@btinternet.com to order this unique book......a great Christmas present idea..





Pirbright players

Gosh it's November already almost time for winter to start appearing, with this in mind please note and save the date for Pirbright players winter production, this year it's Robin Hood. Oh yes it is! Complete with his Merry men! There is no getting away from it, it's not behind you it's in front of you! Yes, the bookings open on the 1st of November.

The pantomime will be on Saturday 24th of January 2026 at 2 pm and again at 7 pm, also on Sunday 25th of January 2026 at 2 pm. As usual tickets for the matinee performances go extremely quickly, so don't miss out!

Adults £16 children £8

Bookings can be made by going directly to the Pirbright players website. This year you can also book tickets at the Thursday morning market in the village Hall, please seek out Lucy Baker who will help you.

₄ 5

Community Groups

Rawlins Club

We are having our next meeting on Friday 14th November between 2.00pm to 4.00pm in Lord Pirbright's Hall.

Entertainer Steve Poole is returning to play his Guitar and Sing.

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

Pirbright WI

Our meeting this month is on Tuesday 18th November at 7pm in the Club Room in Lord Pirbright's Hall and is our Annual Meeting when we will be reviewing the past year and deciding on the new committee...

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 irenedredge@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!

Royal British Legion

November is the time for Remembrance for anyone who has served in whichever area of combat and support services, and we hope to see many of you at the church on Remembrance Day. Sunday 9th November as we remember the fallen and lay our wreath.

Monday 10th November is our Branch AGM at 8pm at The Fox and both members and visitors who would like to learn about the Legion are welcome to join us. For more information, contact Anne Hawkins on 01252 404276

Pirbright Horticultural Society

Tuesday, 11th November at 7.00 pm in the Club Room at Lord Pirbright's Hall. A presentation by Mark Gregory

Join Pirbright Horticultural Society for "A Life's Work at the Chelsea Flower Show"! Mark Gregory will be presenting an engaging, illustrated one-hour talk about his Chelsea journey, spotlighting the 2018, 2019, and 2023 gardens.

Expect to see captivating time lapses of these iconic gardens as we delve into the fascinating world of plants, trees, and garden construction. Don't miss this lively session! There will be refreshments and a raffle.

Non member tickets £5 and can be booked on pirbrighthort.co.uk

For more information, please contact: Email: Secretary@pirbrighthort.co.uk Phone: 07815 847941

Wednesday Art Group

There is a small art group now running in the committee room at LPH at 7.30pm on Wednesday evenings.

Perhaps you have started art classes and want an encouraging group to practise with; or maybe you used to paint or draw and want to get back to it.

We do not have a tutor but are experienced artists willing to help.

There is a modest charge to cover room hire. For further details, pelase contact Lucy Baker 07815 847 941.

You may have noticed that last month there was an error in the title. The Wednesday Art Group was mistakenly listed as the Pirbright Art Group. As you can imagine, we receive a high volume of submissions each month. and this was an unintended mistake. As the editor, I sincerely apologise for any confusion or inconvenience caused.

Community Groups

Pirbright Tennis Club

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

www.facebook.com/pirbrighttennisclub

WINNING AND LOSING REFLECTIONS

I look forward to my weekly tennis games, knowing I'm getting exercise and enjoyment from playing and sometimes winning. Losing is disappointing even with friends, as in any life activity. But I try to accept it and get better next time. It's strange how great it feels to win, but not to lose. Even though it can matter losing, there is still the exhilaration of just playing. Shaking hands at the end somehow keeps the friendship between opponents - win or lose! David Greenland

November Gardening Tips

November may seem like a sleepy month, but your garden — and the wildlife that shares it — is quietly getting ready for the year ahead. So pull on your gloves, enjoy the fresh air, and know that every small bit of care now helps your garden thrive in spring. Clear leaves off lawns and paths to keep things safe and tidy. but don't be too thorough — a pile of leaves tucked behind the shed makes a wonderful winter shelter for hedgehogs and insects. Move half-hardy plants like geraniums and fuchsias into a frost-free spot, and wrap outdoor pots with bubble wrap or hessian to keep roots snug. It's the last call for tulips, daffodils and alliums. Plant tulips deeply (three times their height) for a bold show come spring. This is the ideal time to plant new fruit trees, shrubs, and hedging. The soil's still warm and moist, helping roots settle before winter. As the cold sets in, wildlife needs a bit of extra help from us gardeners. Put out fat balls, sunflower seeds, and peanuts — and remember to keep feeders clean. Birds quickly come to rely on your offerings! A quiet corner with leaves or a log pile makes the perfect hedgehog home. Avoid turning compost heaps at this time of year — there could be a sleepy resident inside.

November Eco Tip

Make sure you close your curtains when it gets dark to stop heat escaping. Get draft proof to stop loosing heat. Installing a chimney draught excluder could save around £15 a year as well. Make sure your hot water tank is insulated with a thick jacket. It will save you lots of money not to mention reducing your carbon emissions. Has your loft got loads of insulation? It's one of the cheapest and easiest ways to save energy and will pay for itself in hardly any time. www.energysavingtrust.org.uk/homeenergy-efficiency/energy-savingquick-wins

Pirbright Twinning Association -Beaujolais Supper 2025

Beaujolais Dinner - Sunday 23rd November 2025 at 6.30pm.

Delicious homemade food, locally sourced, and a taste of the 2024 Beaujolais Nouveau, with wine bar and

Tickets £16.50 members, £19.50 nonmembers available from Alex Henneberg via secretary.twinning@gmail.com

Payment please via bank transfer (BACS)

Account name: Pirbright Twinning Association

Account No: 93560249 Sort code: 51-81-22

Pirbright Community Calendar November 2025

Date	Time	Event
Sun 2nd	9.30am 11.15am	Holy Communion Service at St. Michael's Pirbright All Age Serivce at St Marks Church Hall GU3 2DA
Sat 8th	10.00am - 12.00pm 8.00pm	Operation Churchyard at St. Michael's Pirbright The Rev's Round at The White Hart Pirbright
Sun 9th	10.00am	Remembrance Sunday Service at St. Michael's Pirbright
	2.00pm	Remembrance Day Brookwood American Cemetery
Mon 10th	8.00pm	Royal British Legion at The Fox at Fox Corner
Tue 11th	7.00pm 7.30pm	Pirbright Horticultural Society at Lord Pirbright's Hall Pirbright Parish Council Meeting at Lord Pirbright's Hall
Fri 14th	2.00pm - 4.00pm	Rawlins Club at Lord Pirbright's Hall
Sun 16th	9.30am 11.15am	Holy Communion Service at St. Michael's Pirbright Contemporary Service at St Marks Church Hall GU3 2DA
Tue 18th	10.15am 7.00pm	Midweek Communion & Café Club at St. Michael's Pirbright Pirbright WI annual meeting at Lord Pirbright's Hall
Sun 23rd	9.00am 10.00am 11.15am 6.30pm	Parish Dash meeting at Lord Pirbright's Hall Church On The Green at Lord Pirbright's Hall Holy Communion Service at St Marks Church GU3 2DA Pirbright Twinning Association Beaujolais Dinner
Tue 25th	10.00am	Craft, Coffee and Chat at St. Michael's Pirbright Church Room
Thur 27th	7.00pm - 8.00pm	Carols in The White Hart Pirbright
Sun 30th	10.00am	Joint Communion Service St Marks Church GU3 2DA
Every Mon	10.00am - 11.30am	Baby & Toddler Group at St. Michael's Pirbright Church Room (term time only)
Every Wed	7.30pm - 9.00pm 7.30pm	Pirbright Gospel Choir at the Pirbright School in the Stefanetti Music Suite (term time only) Wednesday Art Group at Lord Pirbright's Hall
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 Bellringing Practice in the Church Tower

Pirbright Village News is produced and delivered by volunteers on behalf of St. Michael's and All Angels Church and Pirbright Parish Council.

Editors: Gemma Hyland, Heidi Gower and Jo Hurst.Please send content to: editor@pirbrightvillagenews.org.uk

Pirbright Parish Council

Parish Clerk: Helen Myers,

clerk@pirbright-pc.gov.uk 07485 411214 Chair of the PPC: David Woollett

Parish website: www.pirbright-pc.gov.uk Lord Pirbright's Hall: Catherine Loots 07494 485056 LPH@pirbright-pc.gov.uk St. Michael's and All Angels Church

Vicar: Rev George Watkinson

Admin: admin@pirbrightchurch.org.uk

07984323709

Website: www.pirbrightchurch.org.uk