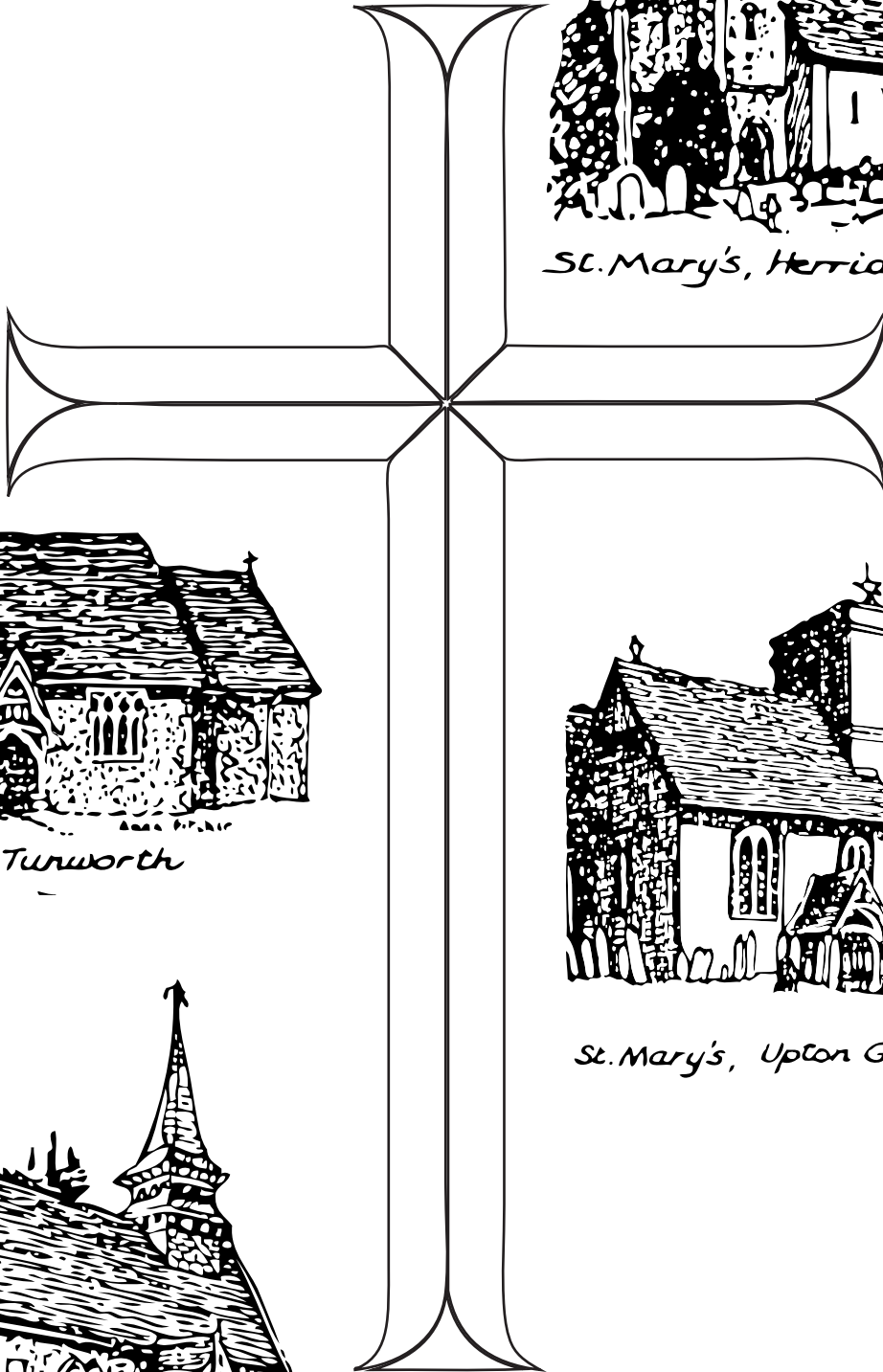


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BENEFICE MAGAZINE – September 2021
Edition for the Parishes of Herriard with Winslade, Tunworth,
Upton Grey and Weston Patrick

From the Benefice Ministry Team

My birthday is in the middle of August, and as I write I wonder how it has come around so soon. It seems as though my previous celebration was only weeks away! How has the year gone so fast?

Our perception of time changes as we age. To a child of five, waiting for Christmas seems endless, after all from one Christmas to the next the time is equal to twenty per cent of his/her life so far. Calculations are not my forte, but it doesn't take much imagination to work out that this



percentage of life has decreased dramatically by the time one reaches fifty or sixty or even more.

I began to think about time, and what it means and what it is. Watching the Olympics, one is struck by the huge importance of time. It measures progress and achievement, it dictates winners and losers, it establishes records and determines whether they are broken or not.

The word “time” means different things in different contexts. “It’s time you did ...” may relate to routine, responsibility or development.

Does “time” actually exist? The present moment was in the future, and in a nanosecond becomes the past.

Can time be “wasted”? Is it a loss of opportunity? Could it be that, in losing sense of the passing of time or of its limitations, one passes, albeit temporarily, into an awareness of “no time” - of eternity?

Sitting on a beach, watching the waves roll in, one after the other, without ceasing, aware that all this movement has continued for thousands of years and will do so until the end of time, knowing that the tides will continue to ebb and flow without human interference, makes me very conscious of the closeness of eternity.

While we live and breathe and have our being it is impossible to imagine everlasting life. Time measures out our lives, makes history of the past and helps us to plan our future.

So where is God in all this? How does the life of Christ, lived on our earth and in our time, fit in? Very briefly, Christians believe that by His birth God broke into our time and by His death on the Cross he gave all of us the gift of eternity.

A first century philosopher defined eternity as the “complete, simultaneous and perfect possession of eternal life; (to him) God enjoys a tenseless life, in which there is no past or future... but a joyous present, in which everything is known at once.” This “joyous present” is the gift and the future which awaits us.

I believe that life on earth is also a “joyous present” and I shall celebrate my birthday with my family and will enjoy their presence and (hopefully!) their presents! Life is for living, for sharing the glories of creation and for trusting in the love of God wherever we find it.

Enjoy September, the “season of mists and mellow fruitfulness”, with best wishes.

Jill Lestrille

(Licensed Lay Minister, North Hampshire Downs Benefice)

FROM THE REGISTERS

Baptism Ross Benjamin Gallop at All Saints Tunworth on July 4th
Baptism Poppy Olivia Brooke Lowndes at All Saints Tunworth on July 25th

CHURCH NEWS

Church Services

Sunday 5th September

9.00am **Tunworth** - Book of Common Prayer Holy Communion

11.00am **Upton Grey** - Morning Service

Thursday 9th September

10.00am **Upton Grey** - BCP Holy Communion (said)

Sunday 12th September

9.00am **Herriard** - Book of Common Prayer Holy Communion

11.00am **Weston Patrick** - Holy Communion Common Worship

6.00pm **Tunworth** - Evensong

Thursday 16th September

10.00am **Herriard** - BCP Holy Communion (said)

Sunday 19th September

9.00am **Tunworth** - 1662 Morning Prayer

11.00am **Upton Grey** - Holy Communion Common Worship

5.00pm **Weston Patrick** - Evensong

Sunday 26th September

9.00am **Tunworth** - Family Service

11.00am **Herriard** - Morning Service

11.00am **Upton Grey** - Harvest Festival

Harvest Services and Meals

The harvest services and meals at our four churches are as follows.

Upton Grey: Harvest Supper in the Village Hall 7.30pm Saturday September 25th, Harvest Service 11.00am September 26th.

Weston Patrick: Harvest Service 11.00am October 3rd, followed by Harvest Lunch in the Village Hall.

Herriard: Harvest Service 11.00am October 10th (harvest meal information to be published separately).

Tunworth: Harvest Evensong 6.00pm October 10th (no harvest meal this year).

Services online or telephone based

With some parishioners not in a position to attend church services, the streamed services are continuing. Most services from All Saints Odiham are live-streamed (and then available online afterwards) - see the website www.moretolife.church for details.

In addition to streamed services, the Church of England has established 'Daily Hope', a telephone line offering music, prayers and reflections as well as full worship services from the Church of England. The line, which is available 24 hours a day on 0800 804 8044, has been set up particularly with those unable to join online church services in mind.

Private prayer

In this group of four churches, **St Mary's Upton Grey** is open **every day** - generally in daylight hours. **St Lawrence Weston Patrick** is open **Monday-Saturday** (and Sunday if there is a service), usually from **9.00am to 5.00pm** though times may vary. St Mary's Herriard and All Saints Tunworth are available for private prayer on the same basis as before Covid.



KidsZone

Hi Everyone!

Sorry if I fall asleep half way through writing this - but I've only just got back from 4 days away on our More To Life Youth Pilgrimage! Here's what we did!

Pilgrimage:

A special journey to a Holy place, to help you understand what you believe and learn more about God.

Thursday August 12th

We got to St Mary's Greywell in time for sausages in a bun and a cup of tea before we started our 4-day pilgrimage. Showing hospitality to pilgrims is a very old tradition, and Libbie showed us the crosses which had been made by pilgrims hundreds of years ago in the stone around the church door. We didn't want to damage the church, so instead of carving our own crosses, she gave us a wooden cross each, to help us remember why we were on our pilgrimage. Throughout our journey we read the Gospel of Mark – and in Greywell we read our very first chapter. We were reminded to go out into the surrounding villages – so we did!



On to Newnham, and some delicious pizza, before making our way to Nately Scures, where Monica had kindly organised for us to visit Miller's Ark. There we met up with the Mayor of Basingstoke and Deane, and she shared with us the environmental challenges faced by our area.

In the evening we headed over to the old cress beds near Mapledurwell so that Jake could be baptised in the river. This was a real highlight, and helped us to think about how we are all part of God's family. We also all renewed our baptismal vows.



Friday August 13th

After spending the night at Up Nately, we headed out to Mapledurwell and then Tunworth, where we enjoyed some delicious fish and chips, and even some ice cream! Just what we needed, before we headed off to Herriard with our guide, Fiona. We'd barely made it through the church door, when we were whisked off to the canal for some kayaking, and then sandwiches and cake in the garden. Perfect end to a tough day.

Saturday August 14th



Fiona continued as our guide on our way to Weston Patrick, and as we went along, she taught us about the history of Weston Corbett - our very own plague village - and brought us right up to date with a visit to the automated milking barns. We were all amazed at how the machines could recognise each cow, and knew exactly how to milk her.

After a delicious lunch in Upton Grey, laid on by Granny Mo, we headed over to our last stop of the day - South Warnborough. We were treated to The Red Arrows flying past in the clear blue sky, before marching to the church, up-beat music playing from our speaker helping to inspire our tired legs. A dose of pool and barbecue at the Kennet's house, organised by Biddy, was just what the doctor ordered after a long day!

Sunday August 15th

We had a good send off from South Warnborough, with English Breakfast at The Village Shop and then a smoothie from Naked Refills.



Almost onto our last leg, we made it to Long Sutton in plenty of time for their Communion service. It wasn't the kind of service we were used to, but everyone made us feel so welcome and we were humming 'one more step along the world' for quite a while.

We decided to power march the last bit, all the way to All Saints, Odiham, to a rousing playlist on Naomi's speaker. Once there, Chris and Amber helped us think about what we were grateful for on our trip and we read our final chapter from Mark, where Jesus sends his disciples to all four corners of the world, to tell others of the good news.

We had a lot of adventures on our journey – although it wasn't all fun. We read in the Bible that Jesus told us to carry our crosses if we want to follow him. We all had a cross to carry at some point. It might have been blisters, lack of sleep, worry about exam results. But we persevered, just like Jesus challenged his disciples to.

We also discovered the true meaning of the feeding of the 5,000 – we set off with barely any provisions in our bags, but God provided (through the people who hosted us) and we ended our journey with 2 big bags of snacks. We're saving these for future youth events!

Finally we learnt how important it is to journey with others. Whether it is a walk in the fields or our walk of faith, God surrounds us with people to support and encourage us along the way.

If you'd like to join with others your age who enjoy fun activities while learning about God and our place in His world, why not join us on the first and third Sunday of every month? Younger group from 7-11, older session 11+. Get in touch on youth@moretolife.church for more information.

See you next time!



Helen Chatfield (Youth Pastor)
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NEWS FROM THE VILLAGES

Andy Jones' Police Report



I have been working tirelessly covering the whole of Basingstoke Rural South and have had the pleasure of meeting many Parishioners and Councillors within the Upton Grey & Candover area. I attended the Ellisfield Coffee morning where I was made to feel very welcome. I hope to see many more residents in the coming months and attend as many functions as possible, so please keep me in the loop as to what is going on in the area in the coming months

The Hare Coursing season is upon us, and plans are in motion to tackle this activity whilst going about our day to day business. We have managed to ascertain details of several vehicles involved in this type of criminal activity and will be looking at stopping these vehicles and engaging with the persons within to gain as much intelligence as we can.

There have been several reports of excess speed on the A339 Herriard & Winslade area. It is believed to be Motorcycles that are responsible. From the local Officer perspective, I have had the opportunity to park up in a layby and witness some of the speeders. I have also witnessed them braking harshly when they see the marked Police vehicle parked up, so no doubt more brake pads will need to be purchased in the not-so-distant future, by the speeding motorists

themselves. There is no quick fix in relation to this, but every effort made helps.

Finally, a Quad bike was stolen in the early hours of the 11th August in Herriard. The quad is a Honda Big Red. It was stored in a shipping container and damage has been caused to the container as the bike was removed. Enquiries are ongoing. If anyone has information that could assist, please contact the Police, and refer to crime ref 44210318530.

I am always happy to receive emails or phone calls but for obvious reasons I still need all crimes and ASB to be reported through the correct process.

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A Note from Former PC Andy Reid

Dear Residents, I write to briefly take this opportunity to thank you all most sincerely for the kind presents, wishes, cards etc. that I received upon my recent retirement as your local Beat Constable.

Both my wife and I were overwhelmed, and we literally cannot thank you all enough for your kindness.

Thank you also to everyone that came to my leaving event at Brown Candover club on July 23rd, it was so wonderful to see so many people. May I also thank both Lord Portsmouth and Mrs. Andreae for their most kind presentations and to Mr. Jonathan Moseley for arranging the event and working so hard with all his support for me both in this instance and during my service.

I send my sincere best wishes to you all and again thank you for your kindness and indeed support over the years.

With all best wishes for your futures, **Andy Reid**

Superfast Broadband Update

We are now onto our 3rd Openreach liaison person, Yasmeeen Mohammed, who has provided the following update –

"We will be in touch with you again in the next few months to provide a further update. However, I just wanted to make you and your community aware that as things stand, barring any unforeseen circumstances we are still on track to complete the network by November 2021."

However, none of the questions that I have previously raised have received a response and I have informed her of this. **Roger Clark**

**Advance Notice - Andrew Roberts talk on George III on Monday
13th December at 6.30 pm in the Upton Grey Village Hall.**

Application for tickets at £30 via Eventbrite link to what promises to be a fascinating talk by noted historian Andrew Roberts on Monday 13th December 2021 (doors open 6.30pm). [Andrew-roberts.net](http://andrew-roberts.net)

Wine and canapés will be served during the evening, thereafter a pay bar. All proceeds in aid of Tunworth Church.

If of interest, you are **strongly** advised to apply soonest as tickets will be sold on a first come-first served basis. Any enquiries to **james.whitcombe03@btinternet.com. Tel. 0780 110 3665**

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Farming News

Harvest is in full swing now after a steady start with rain delays, but at least it stopped us from trying to harvest crops that aren't just quite ripe enough. It must be in every farmer's blood that if they see their neighbours harvesting, you must also be harvesting which inevitable means you start earlier than you should, but it makes you feel better for getting the combine up and running.

So, with this weather delay it has given the crops time to fully ripen and the combine is working in the conditions that are best suited. For a typical farmer the weather is never right, and we could do with bit more sun! I thought Joe summed harvest up very well in his article last month, as we all head into harvest full of optimism and usually just come up short but are occasionally pleasantly surprised. This year is no different, the weather seemed to be on our side when we needed it from the Spring until the lead up to harvest, but rain on ripe crops is always a nerving time as the clock starts ticking on the quality of the grain. This is because the grain will start to germinate and use all the energy inside the grain to grow again.

Like Joe, we grow wheat for milling and barley for malting, so the quality of the grain must be at its best, but when the grain starts to germinate it uses all the energy within it for growing and this degrades the quality of the grain which means it will only be good enough for animal feed. We are yet to send any grain off, but we have seen signs of grains starting to germinate on the earlier planted crops but for the later planted crops there could still be hope so the jury's out until my next article. Early yields are looking a good average which is promising.

As we harvest this year's crops, we have already started planting next year's harvest. We have made the gamble and decided to plant Oil Seed Rape again this year, whether it gets to harvest next year or not, will be down to the population of 'Flea Beetle' that will want to forage on it. Early stages are looking well at the moment, but I don't think I will relax until we see yellow blooms across the field.

We are hoping to have harvested most of the crops by the end of August and will expect to harvest the linseed and Canary seed in early September to bring our combinable harvest to an end. This leads us onto the Maize harvest, for which we will be hoping for dry conditions again, to prevent making a mess whilst harvesting. Seed will also be arriving on farm soon, in preparation for planting next year's harvest in the Autumn as well. This always causes headaches when barn space is limited. Ready to start the cycle all over again!

Will Cheyney

UPTON GREY NEWS

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Window on the Past (Upton Grey) – Website Launched



WINDOW ON THE PAST UPTON GREY

The new website and database on the history of the village is now live (link below).

We have a wonderful rich collection of research, pictures, records, documents and objects from over 2,000 years of our history. Most of the best items have now been loaded onto the database. The website gives access to this with an 'Explore' facility that will help you home in on what interests you most – perhaps your own house, or a particular period like the Civil War or a theme such as local trades. The 'front end' website also has an evocative photo gallery of historic pictures of the village (there are over 400 in total) and other highlights from the database.

We are adding new material all the time and always keen to hear from anyone with more history of our village, which we can reference and upload onto the database.

You can also follow us on social media where we have posted some fascinating picture sequences showing how the village has evolved over the years (links below). Do join the conversation!

If you would like more information or would like to receive our email newsletter, please contact us (email below).

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Upton Grey Bridge Club

For obvious reasons we have not been able to meet and play bridge and I am afraid that this situation will remain the case for the remainder of year 2021. Our venue at the Hoddington Arms has had its own problems with accommodation and most of the tables and chairs have been moved into the marquee. The marquee is due to be removed towards the end of Autumn, and after a short period a decision will be made as to opening days. At present the pub is shut on Mondays and Tuesdays.

With regret therefore I must advise that the club will remain closed until further notice. I hope that we may be able to recommence in January 2022 but it will be dependent on The Hoddington Arms being able to accommodate us. I will advise later in the year.

Peter Haynes Tel. 01256 862433

Tea@3 – Thurs 30th September

It was so good for us all to gather after such a long absence and to welcome some new friends as well, at Jill and Terry's lovely house and garden in July, and our thanks to them both for their kind hospitality.

We are hoping to hold another tea on Thursday 30th September at Viv and Richard's house - Christmas Cottage off Weston Road.

For practical reasons, and to make the numbers more manageable, we regret that we feel it is necessary to restrict the attendees in future to 20. We think the fairest way to do it is on a "first come first serve" basis, so if you want to come, please get your name down quickly by calling one of us. This does **NOT** mean that you are not welcome!

This is the first time we have had such a large group, and if we have more than 20 space becomes a priority – we are sure you all agree that being in someone's home is much nicer than the village hall.

We hope to see you in September!

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Following on from Upton Grey Drama Group's success in raising £1000 for the Hospice on Sunday July 4th with "Promenade". We have been invited by Carol & Richard Butler-Adams to use their garden again on Sunday June 19th, 2022, with "Platinum Promenade" which will also be in aid the Hospice.

"Platinum Promenade" will be in the afternoon and as before the audience will go round in timed entry groups and we are hoping that it won't rain as much as it did at this year's "Promenade"!

More details will follow in due course but please put this date into your 2022 diary. **Sarah Gray** (Upton Grey Drama Group Producer)

Upton Grey Village Hall

After 16 months, the Village Hall is back in circulation – and available for hire – just as it was before the world changed in March last year. You may know that while it could not be used as a meeting place the hall was made available to Suki and the team from our wonderful shop.

Now that restrictions are being lifted and the shop has returned to its customary home, the hall can resume its former use. We have had the floors sanded and resealed as well as the entire premises deep cleaned. The parish council will be holding their monthly meetings in the hall, and there are a few other bookings in the weeks ahead.

However, we need more people to hire the hall if it is to remain viable: there are many bills to pay just to stand still (heating, lighting, refuse collection and insurance to name just four). So please consider using the hall if you need flexible space in the area at an affordable rate. The hourly charge is £10, though there may be reductions for regular users.

Villagers are especially welcome, but others from further afield are also able to use the hall. For more information, please email Elaine Lewington on em.lewington@hotmail.co.uk or phone 01256 862894.

Hugh Chevallier, Chair, Upton Grey Village Hall Committee

Upton Grey Village Hall 100 Club Draw

Winners in the draw for July were:

1st Prize N Sproule and 2nd Prize L Wills

The Autumn Festival - Saturday 30th October

The **evening** Autumn Festival is going ahead, and all parties have confirmed their support. The start time will be **6.00pm** (not 7.15pm as wrongly previously advised by me) on Halloween's Eve. In addition to our "Guy Fawkes in the village" competition, we will also be having a "Jack O'Lantern (carved pumpkin) in the village" competition. Cups for the winners of both competitions will be presented outside the Hoddington Arms at the 6.00pm start time.

Full details www.uptongreyautumnfestival.co.uk. **Roger Clark**

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Fur and Feathers Herriard Planned Events

- ***Saturday 11th September: Spanish Night.*** Details to follow.

Herriard Parish Council Meeting – Monday 27th September 7.30pm

The next Herriard Parish Council meeting will be an open meeting, for residents to attend (unless current lifting of restrictions changes) on Monday 27th September at the RBL hall.

Complimentary drinks will be served at the bar from 7pm, the meeting will start at 7.30pm.

Come and meet our two new Councillors and PCs Ross Holdsworth and Andy Jones. Find out what's going on in Herriard with the chance to have your say.

Reminders and/or changes to this meeting will be posted on the Herriard Facebook page and website nearer the time.

Herriard Poppy Party- Saturday 11th September to celebrate 100 years of the Royal British Legion.

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Herriard Royal British Legion Hall

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Herriard Gardening Club

August and September are busy times for cutting back your perennials to the ground. The crown (base of plant) stays dormant over winter, Hardy Geraniums, Aquilegia, Irises, Aстранtia, Catmint, Delphinium to name a few. Not all perennials need cutting back now so please check first as some, like Penstemons, don't need cutting until spring as the old stems provide protection for the new shoots.

Plants with seed heads such as grasses, thistles and those with hollow stems will provide interest over Winter plus a vital food source and over wintering shelter for wildlife.

If you have not pruned your Wisteria, do it now. Cut whippy green shoots of your current year's growth back to five or six leaves. This controls the size which can cause damage to tiles, guttering and will encourage new buds.

In January/February cut back same growth to 2/3 buds. With an older Wisteria, severe pruning maybe needed to remove old worn out growth. Remove sections of older stems to just above a strong young branch or growth shoot lower down.

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2 tsp olive oil

2 cloves garlic cloves (crushed)

1 tbsp fresh thyme leaves, finely chopped

400g tin plum tomatoes

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3 medium courgettes (about 500g) coarsely grated

250g tub quark

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150g fresh lasagne sheets

50g feta, (crumbled)

15g of hard cheese (vegetarian if necessary) finely grated.

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Heat 1tsp oil in medium pan over low heat, add garlic and thyme, cook for 2-3 minutes gently. Add tomatoes and some seasoning, increase heat to medium/high and bubble for 12-15 minutes stirring regularly until tomatoes have broken down and reduced.

Meanwhile, heat remaining oil in large frying pan over medium/high heat add leeks and courgettes cook for 10-15 minutes, stirring occasionally until softened and any moisture has evaporated from pan.

Remove from heat, stir in quark, nutmeg and some seasoning.

Spread ½ leek mixture over the base of a 1.8-2litre ovenproof dish (rough 21 cm square) and arrange ½ pasta sheets on top. Spoon over ½ tomato sauce. Repeat layers once more. Sprinkle over feta, hard cheese.

Cook for 25-30 mins, until browned and bubbling.

Patricia Pegg

TUNWORTH NEWS

Ride & Stride - Saturday 11th September

Tunworth Church will be open (10.00am - 6.00pm) to welcome all those participating in this year's Ride & Stride Event. For full details of the event and how you can take part see www.hihct.org.uk

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OTHER NEWS AND EVENTS

North Warnborough & District Garden Club

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We are delighted to be welcoming Tim Woodland as our Speaker. He will be talking about “Container Planting with Bulbs for Year-long Colour”. He will have bulbs available for sale. The competitions will be:

1. A few Roses.
2. 3 Stems of Fuchsia.

Club Information and News can now be found at our new website, which is at <https://www.nwdgc.org.uk/>. Visitors are very welcome to join us. We are a friendly Club whose members share an enthusiasm for gardens and gardening. For further information, please telephone 01252 843848.

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STaNHd (stand up for North Hampshire Downs) is a group set up by local people to protect and promote North Hampshire Downs for the community and future generations to experience and enjoy.

The Portsmouth Estate have submitted a Concept Document for “Upper Swallick Garden Village” which would ultimately be a new town consisting of at least 2,500 houses. The area under threat of development

stretches South and West of Basingstoke from Cliddesden and the M3 to the A339 reaching as far as Winslade and Ellisfield.

This pristine chalk greenfield downland needs our protection from being concreted over. We are looking for like-minded people who would be prepared to spend some time (however small) that might have some expertise in Planning, Wildlife Protection, Highway etc.

Please send your information to email address office@stanhd.com.

Patricia Pegg

Hampshire & Isle of Wight Wildlife Trust



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Birds of prey

Few birds inspire awe as often as birds of prey, those athletic aerial predators that rule the roost when it comes to avian food chains. Luckily you don't have to travel far to see many of our more common species. Some can be seen in parks and gardens, or even found in city centres. Here we introduce you to four of the species that can be easily confused.

Sparrowhawk

This is the bird of prey you're most likely to see in your garden, but they can be tricky to identify. Sparrowhawks are fairly small, with the largest females roughly the length of a woodpigeon, whilst males are smaller. They have grey backs and a barred breast, belly, and underwing – grey barring in females and orange in males. Their legs are slender and yellow, and they have fierce orange-yellow eyes. In flight, they show short, broad, and blunt-tipped wings and a long, square-ended tail. Sparrowhawks hunt smaller birds with surprise attacks, often flying fast and low through bushes and around buildings to catch their prey unawares. As well as gardens, they can be seen in parks, forests and other areas with tree cover.

Kestrel

A common sight along roadsides and over farms, and other open areas, kestrels are usually easily recognised by their habit of hovering on the spot. They seem to defy physics as they hang in the air, tail spread out like a fan, wings fluttering but their head fixed in place as they scan for small mammals on the ground below. Kestrels have longer wings than a sparrowhawk, and they glide less frequently. Their reddish-brown backs

are speckled with black spots and their buffy breasts and bellies have bold, black spots, unlike the horizontal bars of a sparrowhawk. Males have a blueish head and females have a brown head, but both have a dark moustache-like strip running down from the base of the beak.

Buzzard

Buzzards are another bird regularly seen along roadsides, often perched on posts or in trees. On warm days they can be seen soaring high in the sky, flying in lazy circles on stiff wings. Numbers of buzzards declined dramatically following years of poisoning and persecution, but happily the population has since recovered, and buzzards are now our most common bird of prey. Buzzards are medium-sized, stocky raptors, with a compact body, short neck and relatively small, black-tipped yellow beak. Their plumage is incredibly variable, ranging from dark brown all over to almost white on the underside.

Peregrine falcon

Peregrine falcons have moved into many of our cities, hunting pigeons and even parakeets: the ledges of tall buildings filling the role of the cliff-sides they would naturally nest on. Peregrines are heavily built but a little smaller than a buzzard, with a dark back that reaches up onto the head to form a hood, with a broad 'moustache' stripe. They have a white throat, cheeks, and underparts, with dark barring across the breast and belly. Young birds are buff-white below, with dark vertical streaks instead of barring. In flight they cut a sharp silhouette, with pointed wings and powerful flight. When they spot prey, they put on a burst of speed and often hunt by diving down from above. This behaviour is known as stooping, and the falcons can reach speeds of around 200 miles per hour.

Walk for Hope Returns in Real Life!

Wessex Cancer Trust's flagship fundraising event, Walk for Hope, returns to Burley Park in the New Forest in real life on Sunday 26 September, and the charity is looking for 400 walkers to step out and raise vital funds for local people living with cancer.

You can do your bit by signing up to walk five, ten or 20 miles. You can do it alone or with friends and family and at your own pace, making the event perfect for supporters of all ages and abilities.

Rachel Billsberry-Grass, Wessex Cancer Trust's CEO, says Walk for Hope will be extra-special this year:

"This is our fifth Walk for Hope and it'll be a poignant day; both because we turn 40 in July and because we're so thrilled we'll be able to come

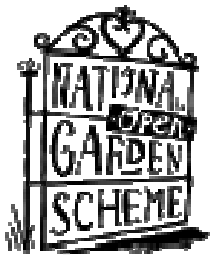
together again in person after last year's virtual event. The peace and beauty of the New Forest make it a fitting setting to give hope to friends and family undergoing cancer treatment, to remember loved ones and to support everyone affected by cancer. If you prefer, you can still do the Walk for Hope your own way, from home. If you'd like to dress up in 80s clothes to help celebrate our 40th birthday we'd love that too. Please join us to make our 2021 Walk for Hope the biggest and best yet! And if walking isn't your thing, there are plenty of volunteering opportunities available – from laying out signage to handing out water and snacks.”

Entrants will receive an official Walk for Hope t-shirt, sponsorship forms and all the training and event information you'll need for the day. After being cheered over the finish line, walkers will be presented with a medal and will be able to celebrate over a slice of 40th birthday cake.

Tickets are £25 adults, £15 for under 16s, £85 for a team of four adults and £5 for dogs.

Visit <https://www.wessexcancer.org.uk/event/walk-for-hope-2021/> for more information and to sign up. There is a sponsorship goal of £100 for the five-mile route, and £150 for the ten and 20-mile routes. All of the money raised will be used to provide practical and emotional support to people living with cancer in Hampshire, Dorset and the Isle of Wight. The event is being sponsored by Irwin Mitchell Solicitor, Brewin Dolphin Investment Management and Drive Personnel.

National Garden Scheme - Hampshire



In 2018 the National Garden Scheme Trustees voted a grant of £85,000 to make a major contribution to a brand new Outdoor Learning Centre for Treloar's, the Hampshire school and college that enables education for disabled children.

In July 2021 the new centre was opened by Treloar's Patron, Alan Titchmarsh who said, "It was such an honour to be there and to be part of it. Outdoor learning is vital for our health as individuals and as a community, and Treloar's are a wonderful example of how that connection with nature can be achieved and how it benefits us all. I hope the garden thrives."

This really shows the NGS “AT WORK”. At Treloar’s they concentrate on the student’s ability - not their disability. To read the full report click on the link

<https://ngs.org.uk/treloars-new-outdoor-learning-centre-opened/>

We have just a few gardens opening during September, within 20 miles of Upton Grey. These will be the final ones for 2021.

BERE MILL: London Road, Whitchurch, RG28 7NH

<https://ngs.org.uk/view-garden/19432>

Opening: Sunday 12th September: 1pm to 5pm

Admission: £7.50, children free **BOOKING ESSENTIAL:** Click on link above for details. Now available to book.

Refreshments: Home-made teas

On the Upper Test with water meadows and wooded valleys, this garden offers herbaceous borders, bog and Mediterranean plants, as well as a replanted orchard and two small arboretums. Back in the day the working mill was where Portals first made paper for the Bank of England in 1716

BRAMDEAN HOUSE: Bramdean, Alresford, SO24 0JU

Open: Sunday 12th September 2pm to 4pm

Admission: £7.50, children free

Refreshments: Home-made teas

Beautiful 5 acre garden renowned for its mirror image herbaceous borders. 1 acre walled garden featuring prize winning fruit and flowers and so much more...

<https://ngs.org.uk/view-garden/3145>

I am pleased to say that the second half of 2021 has been very busy with garden visitors, despite - in some cases - the dire weather. We now start planning for 2022!!

Pat Beagley, National Garden Scheme, Hampshire

SMALL ADS SEPTEMBER

Pick Your Own. West Green Fruits, West Green Road, Hartley Wintney RG27 8LP. Open June to September for a wide selection of PYO & Ready Picked Summer Fruits and Vegetables, Honey, Jams and Free Range Eggs; and Christmas Trees etc from end November. For information please call 01252 845772 or visit www.westgreenfruits.com

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Church Services are listed under CHURCH NEWS near the front of the magazine

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

All events remain subject to cancellation following Government advice, and restrictions on events and public meetings resulting from Coronavirus. If in doubt, please check with the organisers before attending an event.

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| 11th Sep | Sat | Fur and Feathers Herriard: Spanish Evening | |
| 11th Sep | Sat. | Herriard Poppy Party, RBL Hall | 1.00-4.00pm |
| 25th Sep | Sat | Upton Grey Harvest Supper. | 7.30pm |
| 27th Sep | Mon | Herriard Parish Council Meeting. | 7.30pm |
| 30th Sep | Thurs | Tea @3 | |
| 30th Oct | Sat | Autumn Festival Bonfire & Fireworks | 6.00pm |
| 13th Dec | Mon | Andrew Roberts Talk – George III | 6.30pm |
| 19th Jun 2022 | | Platinum Promenade, Upton Grey | |

HALLS FOR HIRE

(subject to government guidance and local constraints)

Upton Grey Village Hall for hire from £10 per hour (discounts possible for regular users). Functions, meetings, parties, private and commercial. Full kitchen facilities, central heating and sound system, chairs, tables, crockery and cutlery available. Contact Elaine Lewington on 01256 862894.

The Royal British Legion Hall, Herriard, available for hire: wedding receptions, functions, parties, meetings, and events. Fully licensed bar, full kitchen facilities, garden, tables and chairs, sound system, disabled access, central heating, pool table and darts. To reserve, email bookings.herriardrblhall@gmail.com, or contact Tracy Crawford on 07769 220390.

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