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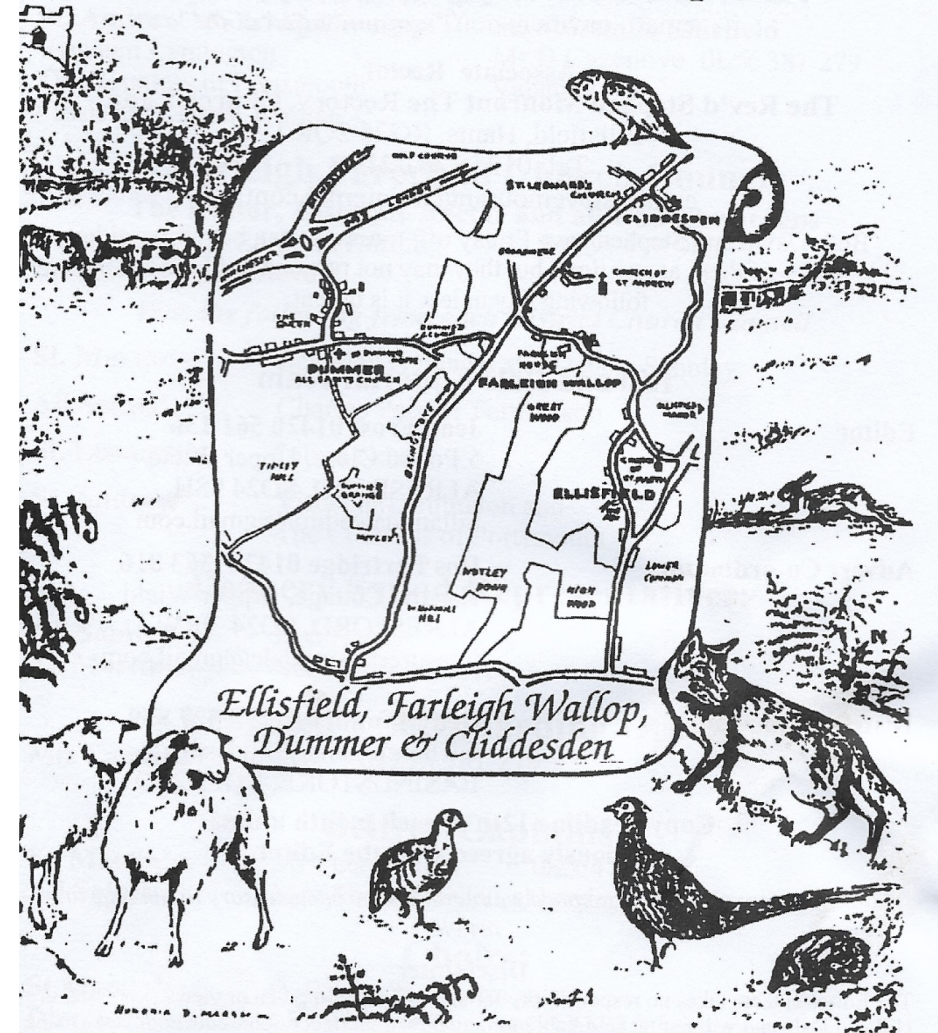
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The Benefice of Farleigh, The Candover and Wield

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*Key to initials:*

*IDT = Ian Thaker: PR = Peter Raine: JG = Julian Gibbons LH = Lyn Hardy:*

*AL = Anne Luneburg: BC = Bernard Cazenove: CPT = Charlie Palmer*

*Tomkinson:*

### Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> October Trinity 19

08.00	Ellisfield	Holy Communion BCP IDT
09.45	Cliddesden	Morning Prayer PR
10:00	Preston Candover	Morning Prayer JG
11:00	Northington	Harvest festival IDT
11.15	Dummer	Sunday Special
5.00pm	Wield	Harvest Festival, Holy Communion IDT

*Readings Job 1.1 2:1-10 Hebrews 1:1-4 2:5-15 Mark 10:2-16  
Psalm 26*

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### Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> October Trinity 20

08:00	Dummer	Holy Communion IDT
09:45	Ellisfield	Morning Prayer BC
10:00	Preston Candover	Holy Communion IDT
11:15	Cliddesden	Family Holy Communion


Register

18:00	Wield	Evensong IDT
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*Readings Job 23:1-9 16-end Hebrews 4:12-end  
Mark 10:17-31*



*Psalm 22:1-15*


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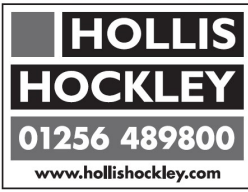




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### Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> October Trinity 21

9.00 Wield Holy Communion BCP IDT  
 9:45 Dummer Morning Prayer  
 10:00 Preston Candover Family service JG  
 11.15 Cliddesden Family service PR  
 Readings *Job 38:1-7 Hebrews 5:1-10 Mark 10:35-45*  
*Psalm 104 1-10 26, 35c*

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### Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> October Last Sunday of Trinity

8:30 Bradley Holy Communion CW. IDT (JG to preach)  
 9:45 Dummer Holy Communion CW Register  
 11:00 Brown Candover Morning prayer JG  
 11:15 Ellisfield Holy Communion Register  
 Readings *Job 42-1-6 Hebrews 7:23-end Mark 10:46-end*  
*Psalm 122*

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### Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> November All Saints Day

08.00 Ellisfield Holy Communion BCP IDT  
 09:30 Wield Matins PR  
 09.45 Cliddesden Morning Prayer IDT  
 10:00 Preston Candover Morning Prayer JG  
 11:00 Northington Holy Communion IDT  
 11.15 Dummer Sunday Special  
 Readings *Isaiah 25:6-9 Revelation 21 1-6 John 11:32-44*  
*Psalm 24*

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## Message from Ian

It was going to be a brilliant shot. The heron was perched on the far side of a pool. The weather was perfect, the water was still. I had the camera on autofocus with the focusing square locked onto the bird. The exposure was right; all was well. I was in a hide on the other side of the road about 60 yards from the animal and all I had to do was wait. And wait and wait and wait. Just as the bird moved a couple of times and started to open its wings, a lorry drove past. When the lorry cleared the field of view the bird had gone and I was left muttering words I wouldn't have used if the bishop was sitting next to me.



One thing I've learned from wildlife and sport photography is that you are going to have missed opportunities. You look the wrong way, you focus on the wrong thing, you don't press the shutter in time, all lead to lost images that would have been competition entries. Most people can identify with this. A failed job interview, a missed appointment, a botched relationship can so easily end up with a sense of "what if."

The things that professional photographers say is don't worry about the missed opportunities, rather get ready for the next one. If we focus on the regret of not achieving what we want, we miss out on the next thing that comes along. There will also be another opportunity, but we don't grasp it by looking back. But while there will be more opportunities the number and quality of opportunities are affected by what we do. There is a well know military phrase about following the 5 p's I won't tell you what specifically these are. If you want to know, ask an old soldier. But loosely translated they say that proper preparation prevents a below standard performance. The thing I've learned as a husband, father, grandfather, priest and photographer is that the more investment I put into asituation the greater the outcome.

But what about when the outcome isn't so good? There are a few instances in my career where I deeply regret a choice I've made. I was offered two posts as a second curacy. I choose one in good faith but with hindsight should have taken the other one. When I'm in a dark mood and think about the "what if" moments I come back to the rocks in my life of faith and family and continue to be grateful for what I have.

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All Saints' Dummer	27 Oct 9.45am	Lyn Hardy	Mervyn Mann Micheal Hill King
All Saints' Dummer	3 Nov 11.15am	Melanie Gill	
St Martin's Ellisfield	Oct 6 8.00am	Vicky Reed	
St Martin's Ellisfield	Oct 13 9.45am	Debbie Scholey	Beverley Guinness Dee Haas
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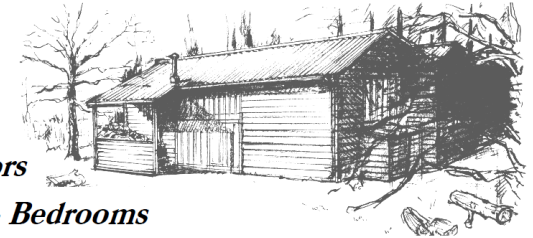
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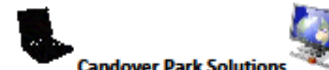
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*To find out more please contact Jo or Fiona on 01256 398172.*

**Attention all past and present pupils of  
Cuckoo Meadow Preschool!**

**Fiona Cotterell and Jo Harman are celebrating 30 years at Cuckoo Meadow this year, and to mark the occasion we will be holding a presentation at a Quiz Night at The Fox at North Waltham. The Quiz Night will be held on Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> November.**

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To confirm number and that your payment has been made to:

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**Grants and benefits to help you pay your energy bills**  
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8<sup>th</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup>, 22<sup>nd</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup> November

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## Cliddesden WI

September 2024



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The ladies played a game to guess the member from photographs taken before their 10<sup>th</sup> birthday. Diane Rampton was the winner, guessing 9 out of 11 members correctly.

Suzanne, Treasurer reported back that the Crafty Lunchers event held on 27<sup>th</sup> August was enjoyed by members although only raised a small amount for Cliddesden WI after costs.

The Christmas wreath making workshop was a great success in 2023 and we plan to run the event again on Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> November at 10am. An instructor and refreshments will be provided but we ask attendees to bring along their own choice of base (advice available on request), greenery from their garden as we all like to share to ensure a good variety plus any extras eg ribbon etc although there is usually someone happy to share. The cost will be £10 each, you do not need to be a WI member to attend but space is limited. If you would like to add your name to the list, please contact Julia Ross at [cliddesdenssec@hampshirewi.org.uk](mailto:cliddesdenssec@hampshirewi.org.uk).



**Cliddesden Social and Entertainment Club**  
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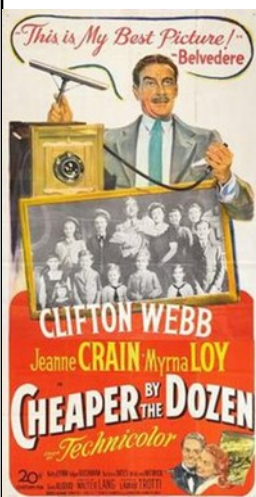
*Thursday 5 December*  
*Paddington 2*

(2017, 104 minutes, cert PG)

Starring Hugh Bonneville, Sally Hawkins, Brendan Gleeson, Julie Walters

Directed by Paul King and written by King and Simon Farnaby. It is based on the stories of the character Paddington Bear, created by Michael Bond.

It is the sequel to the 2014 movie *Paddington* and has equally glowing reviews.



*Thursday 2 January 2025*  
*Cheaper By the Dozen (1950)*

(108 minutes, cert 12A)

*Not to be confused with the more modern versions of 2003, 2005 and 2022 by the same name.*

*Cheaper by the Dozen* is an American comedy based upon the autobiographical book by the same name.

*Films start at 8pm, bar opens at 7:30pm, intermission halfway through when drinks and ice creams can be purchased.*

*Admission £2 to cover the cost of the DVD, surplus is donated to the village hall.*

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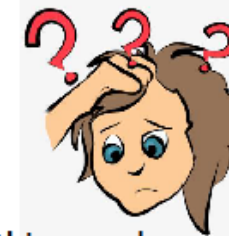
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Tickets, priced £15 per person, to include a hot meal  
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As ever, there will be 6 question rounds, plus table  
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**Hope to see you there again!**

Cliddeden Millenium Village Hall



2024



Yes, we now have table tennis available at Coffee Mornings at Cliddesden Millennium Village Hall.

Please come along to have a natter and make new friends, browse the second-hand book stall, select some pretty stationery from Penny our stallholder, and of course enjoy a good cuppa and a slice of cake!

The 100 club is also drawn here each month.

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# Candover Valley Store

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## Two ways to support the air ambulance

Throughout September sales of raffle tickets to raise funds for the Hampshire and Isle of Wight Air Ambulance, were in full swing as participants daydreamed about which store goodies up to a value of £100, they would choose if theirs was the lucky £1 ticket. As this magazine went to press there was more than a week's worth of sales to go and the holder of the winning ticket was still unknown, but £500 was already in the coffers.

A match funding promise (up to a maximum of £2500) was agreed by the store committee as a way of benefiting our wider community through support for this vitally important charity. An update will be published next month. Meanwhile, look out for the big **yellow "Heli Ali"** bin outside the store where you can bring your aluminium drinks cans for recycling. It's

another easy way to help the air ambulance. Please be sure only to put drinks cans into the bin. (Food tins are made from steel and are not acceptable. Neither is aluminium foil, unfortunately).

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## It's pumpkin time again!

Why not hold a family competition for carving the scariest pumpkin this Hallowe'en? (Responsible adults only to wield the knife of course)! The store is expecting a delivery of the amber orbs in the next week or so. Make sure to get yours early!

### Candover Valley Pre-School

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As we embark on a new preschool academic year, we're excited to embrace a journey guided by the curious minds and natural interests of our children. Our child-led teaching philosophy puts the children at the centre of their learning, allowing them to explore, question and discover at their own pace. In our classroom, children are encouraged to follow their interests, whether that means exploring nature, diving into imaginative play, or creating their own stories through art and movement. Our dedicated teachers act as guides and facilitators, providing a rich environment full of opportunities for exploration while supporting each child's unique learning path. This year, we look forward to partnering with our families to create a community where each child's voice is heard and celebrated, and where learning is a joyful adventure.

Candover Valley Preschool is a vibrant and nurturing learning environment. Please contact us if you would like to enquire about a place for your child. Places are currently available for Autumn 2025.



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## Juliet Henderson Hampshire County Councillor

### Hampshire County Councillor report

#### Savings Programme SP25

You will be seeing a fair bit of coverage about the Savings Programme SP25. The consultation took place earlier this year. I know the retention of HWRCs (household waste recycling centres) and school crossing patrols, maintenance of vital community transport routes and the continued provision of homelessness grants to the end of their planned contract term are important to residents. I am continuing to push for continuation of these vital services.

The Leader Nick Adams-King stated: “Before making any decisions, my cabinet colleagues and I will carefully consider the officers’ recommendations in the context of the consultation responses, the feedback from the select committees and any deputations made to us.”

#### Make Attendance Top of The ‘Back to School’ Checklist For 2024/25

Hampshire County Council is renewing its call for parents and carers to prioritise regular school attendance in the new academic year. The latest figures show that 93.4 per cent of all possible school sessions were attended by Hampshire pupils in the 2023/24 school year, compared to 95.5 per cent in 2018/19.

Hampshire's attendance rate remains above the national average of 92.8 per cent.

However, we still have further to go to get back to where we were before the Covid-19 pandemic.

Make attendance top of the ‘back to school’ checklist for 2024/25 | Hampshire County Council ([hants.gov.uk](https://hants.gov.uk))

#### County Council Farms – Start Up Opportunities

County Farms - Hampshire County Council provide start up opportunities for young people hoping to make farming their career.

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## In the Fields—Seumas Foster

### Summers end

The beginning of September is the Met office official end of summer and the start of autumn. It's the signal for us to be bombarded with talk about autumnal colours, cold nights, fires, cocoa, etc., but that's jumping ahead a bit, we don't have to rush into winter when September and October still have wonderful weather to enjoy.

Temperatures may drop a bit but are still very comfortable for summer clothes, the sun still has warmth, the countryside is fresh green after rain, the soils are still warm. Winter is coming, but emphatically is not here yet!

Harvest is over, the fields have been cleared, crops cut, and preparations are beginning for the next round of agricultural activity.

By October the maize will have been cut and stored for the Anaerobic Digesters it has been grown for as a feed stock.

### Cover crops

During September you will surely have seen the bright yellow sunflowers in many local field margins, where they were sown as part of seed mixes for pollinators, wild birds and plant diversity. Minimal tillage and 'No-Till' farming needs the soil to never be without a green growing cover, which protects the soils from erosion, nutrient leaching, and soil structure damage. The cover crop will pick up nutrients in the soil and 'capture them' keeping them for the next crop.

### Wild Hops and History

I found a wild hop growing in a hedgerow the other day. Hops are used as a bittering flavour, and a stability agent in beer, to which, in addition to bitterness, they impart floral, fruity, or citrus flavours and aromas. I presume these plants that I found are left over from when people brewed their own beer. Local farmers would have had a brewery in the farm buildings for themselves and all the people working on the farm. It would have been a condition of employment that the workers were given beer as part of their wages. Brewing also meant the water used was purified and so was 'safe' to drink.

The flower or 'cone' is the part that is used, which is grown on female plants harvested from the bines or stalks, and dried in oast houses with the chimney cowl on top. Hops have separate male and female plants, only female plants produce the cones. Pollination is prevented by only growing female plants in hop gardens. Pollinated seeds are not wanted in beer production

The first record of hops being used as flavouring in the UK was in the late 8th century with hops imported from the continent. The first record of hops being grown was in Kent in 1524. Ales were brewed without hops; beer is brewed with hops. It seems that monks were the original brewers on the European continent. Kent is the stronghold of hop growing in the UK, there were also important hop growers in Hampshire around the Alton and Farnham areas, and in Worcestershire. Hops are grown in 'hop gardens' with rows of tall posts, and stringing is done each year for the bines to grow up.

From here hop growing spread to the USA in 1629 with Dutch and English settlers. The type of hops grown varies with the local tastes where they are used.

## Benefice Recipes

Well, we're bowling along into Autumn. The great tidy up and putting to bed of the garden, that sweet smell of bonfire smoke, the smell of leaves rotting down, lovely stewing apples. Even the sun seems more golden and magical, the air has a crispness, and everything is fresher. Then that thought of only 12 Fridays to Christmas pops into your head and bursts your Autumn bubble!

The recipe this month is a for a tasty Coleslaw.

Curried Celeriac, Red Cabbage, Pear and Walnut Coleslaw

### **You will need**

300g Red cabbage, 200g Celeriac,  
2 large ripe but firm Pears  
3 tbsps Sultanas, 2 handfuls chopped walnuts  
2 tbsps finely chopped shallots,  
6 tbsps natural yogurt, 6 tbsps Mayonnaise,  
2 tsp medium curry powder, 1 and a half tsp Dijon mustard,  
1 and a half tbsps red wine vinegar  
3 tbsps finely chopped cornichons or dill pickles  
2 handfuls of fresh chopped parsley

### **Method**

Whisk the vinegar, mustard, curry powder, mayonnaise and yogurt in a large mixing bowl. Add the chopped shallots seasoning with salt and pepper then mix again.

Cut the celeriac into matchstick size strips and toss with the dressing to stop them browning. Cut the pears into matchsticks but leave the skin on and stir into the celeriac.

Finely shred the leaves of the cabbage and add to the bowl. Stir in the sultanas, walnuts and cornichons and cover and chill until needed. To serve stir in some of the chopped parsley and scatter the rest over the top. Dare I say it this would be lovely with Boxing Day cold meats.

Enjoy!  
Tracey





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### Hello From Claire

Bonfires and golden leaves, hot chocolate and darker evenings. Good excuse to snuggle up and watch a movie?

Not a hope! Before we can rest and relax for the winter, we should take advantage of every fine moment to get the garden tidied and sorted. Watch out for hedgehogs heading for hibernation under the cut back vegetation, especially if that vegetation is going to be burnt. With any luck we'll have a few decent frosts this winter to knock back the slugs and bad bugs, saving our young plants from the munching in spring.

The herb for this month, well is it a herb? Or a bulb? Or a vegetable? Widely used in cookery, with other varieties that look stunning, and very useful for keeping pests at bay, garlic is a 'love is or hate it' plant. And while I don't think its benefits as a vampire deterrent will be put to much use, read on for how to keep the greenfly off your roses!



Garlic: Botanical name: *Allium sativum*: Family: Alliaceae

So, let's talk varieties.

The culinary garlic you can buy from any grocer can be roasted whole, crushed, chopped, minced, added to sauces, mince, mushrooms...it's so versatile!

However, when you buy a bulb of garlic you aren't just getting the ingredients for a meal – you're gaining the next seasons bulbs as well.

Separate the individual cloves, use what you need in the kitchen, and plant the remainder in the garden close to your

roses. As companion plants both benefit – the garlic keeps aphids and greenfly at bay, enhances the scent of the rose and keeps it healthy, while the rose provides a good windbreak that protects the garlic.

If you aren't a fan of eating garlic, there are the more decorative *Allium* with multiflowered globe heads. These are relatively easy to grow and come in a range of sizes and colours.

For those who are interested in foraging then late winter/early spring is the time to look out for wild garlic, *Allium ursinum*, whose distinctive smell will lead you

## Ellisfield Christmas Fayre Saturday, 16th November 2024 at the Memorial Hall from 2pm to 4 pm



**Come along to shop at a variety of stalls  
 and see friends over a cuppa and mince pie**

**Hamper Raffle** – buy a ticket to win the luxury Hamper

**As in previous years**, any money raised is shared between the Church and the Memorial Hall

**Santa by Harry Krauklis-Gould**



## **Ellisfield** Distributor - Ali Swanston 07881088123.

Debbie Scholey will be very pleased to receive your Ellisfield news. Contact Debbie on [debbie@ivycottage.aero](mailto:debbie@ivycottage.aero)

### **Nicki Palmer**

It is with great sadness to announce that Nicki Palmer passed away peacefully at her home earlier this month.

Nicki was a valued member of the Ellisfield community and was a great supporter of Hill and Dale, acting as the Ellisfield distributor for many years.

A more detailed tribute to her life will be included in next month's issue.



### **PLEASE SAVE THE DATE** **Friday Oct 25th 7pm and Sat Oct 26th 2pm**

The Belles Choir at Ellisfield Village Hall in aid of Home Start and St Michaels Hospice.

£10 a ticket to include a glass of wine or soft drink with ice creams on sale during the interval.

The Belles x

unerringly to the shady spots it favours. Both flowers and leaves are edible and make a welcome addition to salads.

There are downsides to garlic, the lingering 'death-breath' being the most well-known. It can also cause heartburn, diarrhoea, and gas. However, on the plus side, it can help lower blood pressure and cholesterol, contains vitamins C and B6, and allicin a type of antioxidant. I also have a very good friend who swears by chewing raw garlic when he has a cold. Ok, he washes it down with vodka from the freezer, so I'm not sure which helps more, but he's generally cold-free so I won't argue.

And don't overdo the garlic if you have diabetes or any cardiovascular issues, or even a romantic evening with a partner who ISN'T eating it ☐

### **What's been happening?**

Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> September – Cliddesden Millenium Hall 1930 for 1945 start  
Tim Woodland – Planting and Growing Winter Bulbs

A return visit from Tim, this time for our winter bulbs instead of summer.

If the last talk was anything to go by, Tim is enthusiastic and well-informed, the bulbs are of good quality and reasonable priced. All in all, well worth coming along.

*Due to editorial timings a full report will be in the next issue.*

### **What's coming up?**

Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> November – Cliddesden Millenium Hall 1930 for 1945 start  
AGM and Social Evening

The years update, food, wine and quiz.

Need I say more!

### **Would you like to join us?**

Keen gardeners, new planters, or 'haven't got a clue!' everyone will receive a warm welcome.

Come along and make new friends, get ideas for your own patch of heaven, and have fun.

Email Seumas Foster on [Seumas@cropfosters.co.uk](mailto:Seumas@cropfosters.co.uk)

Or come along to one of our meetings as a guest, and chat to any of the committee about joining.

See you soon

Happy gardening!

Claire

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## A Hint of Mint

As the seasons change, the vibrant colours of summer give way to the rich russet hues of autumn. Along the edges of our chalk streams, water mint plants are displaying their last splashes of pinkish purple. From July to October, this native plant brightens up riverbanks with its dense clusters of tiny flowers. Even in the colder months, you can still spot its square stems and oval, hairy, jagged-edged leaves.

Water mint is one of about 15 mint species that grow in the UK, although many of these are hybrids. Did you know, for example, that peppermint is a cross between water mint and spearmint – another of our native mint species? In fact, peppermint plants can sometimes be found growing in the wild near their parents.

As its name suggests, water mint loves to grow in damp places. It favours ponds, bog gardens, marshes, floodplain meadows, wet woodlands, and the margins of rivers. In an ideal habitat, it can grow to over 50cm tall and spread sideways through rhizomes (thick stems that grow underground) and runners (thin stems that grow on or close to the ground).

Like other plants that grow in and around our chalk streams, water mint plays a key role in protecting the habitat. It offers shelter to animals that frequent the margins, like juvenile fish, small mammals, and emerging riverflies. Its root system helps to stabilise the bank and shield it from erosion, which saves fish eggs from being smothered by sediment. Its flowers provide nectar to peacock, comma, and small tortoiseshell butterflies, while its leaves are a favourite food of mint leaf and green tortoise beetles.

As with the kind you can buy from the supermarket (which is usually spearmint or peppermint), water mint has aromatic leaves that can be used to make flavourful drinks and meals. But it's best not to use wild water mint for this purpose, because there may be pesticides, herbicides, or pollution in the area. Instead, see if you can safely get close enough to detect its bright and refreshing scent – a real treat on an autumn walk!

If you'd like to learn more about chalk stream flora and fauna, check out the Watercress and Winterbournes scheme by visiting [hiwwt.org.uk/winterbournes](http://hiwwt.org.uk/winterbournes). Our work is supported by the National Lottery Heritage Fund.

### Free Online Talk

Water Meadows: The Myth and Magic of the Drowner  
23<sup>rd</sup> October at 7pm, Online

Water meadows were a central part of Hampshire's landscape for more than 300 years. Join us to learn about their role in sustainable agriculture through the centuries, and why they remain important to our county's history and ecology today. Book your ticket at [hiwwt.org.uk/winterbournes](http://hiwwt.org.uk/winterbournes).

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Welcome, to Chris, Andrew and their son, Sebastian to Eastcombe House, Farleigh Lane. We hope you enjoyed our Harvest Festival service and look forward to meeting you again.

## All Saints Church

What a marvellous Harvest Festival we had. A Sunday Special and it was! Cody from Worthy Earth talked about the work they do encouraging schools to create gardens and to get young people interested in growing vegetables etc. Cody also made a generous donation of vegetables to our Harvest produce. A fast pace and fun auction of fresh goods took place, and we raised £405 for the Church. I took 2 boxes and 2 large bags full of tinned & dry goods and the Camrose Centre was so pleased they promptly popped a photo on their Facebook page. Thank you to all who brought items for the Harvest Festival and then bought the lovely offerings. Thank you to the ladies who made some beautiful flower arrangements in the Church as well.

Our next Sunday Special is on Sunday October 6<sup>th</sup> and Michael Hill-King will continue with his interesting research on All Saints Church.

We need another Sacristan (or two). The more people who do this task reduces the number of times the volunteers have to do it. Sacristans are needed on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of each month. Many hands make light work!

Lyn Hardy  
Churchwarden

## Dummer Village Hall

On Friday September 13<sup>th</sup> we had the pleasure of watching "Into the Breach" a play written and performed by Mark Carey. Based on characters from Shakespeare's plays (Mark has performed as Macbeth, Bottom and Stephano) we had a pantomime Dame, a simple but kind man from George Crocker's (the main and only character in the play) village, and an ebullient agent and a leading Shakespearean actor whose leading lady was called Kate and many more characters. There was pathos, humour, dry wit, bawdiness, each character was so different. Mark Carey is a talented all-rounder, he has

appeared tv programmes such as Luther, Shakespeare's plays, voice overs etc. It was an amazing evening and thank you to Jackie Pryce for organising it and to all the helpers.

The next play will be on February 7<sup>th</sup>, 2025, but we have much more to come first.

Dates for your diary:

October 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Coffee Morning
October 5 <sup>th</sup> :	Dummer Oktoberfest at Dummer Down Brewery.
November 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Harvest Supper
November 14 <sup>th</sup>	Village Hall AGM
November 24 <sup>th</sup> ,	Xmas Fayre, Village Hall
December 27 <sup>th</sup>	Annual Treasure Hunt.

Dummer Village Hall Committee.

## 50 years of Fun, Frolics and Foolery

(Formerly The Harvest Supper)

Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> November  
Dummer Village Hall

The Village Hall is now 50 years old so let us look back over the years and enjoy some good old-fashioned fun.

As well as those who are happy to appear on stage, we also need a team to prepare food etc. **Please speak to Lyn H, 397507 or email [villagehalldummer@gmail.com](mailto:villagehalldummer@gmail.com)**

Coming to  
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**Soon!**

**Coffee Morning**

2<sup>nd</sup> October

**XMAS FAYRE**

Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> November

Dummer Village Hall, Put the date in your diary.

**Dummer Village Hall AGM**

14<sup>th</sup> November.

**Treasure Hunt**

27<sup>th</sup> December