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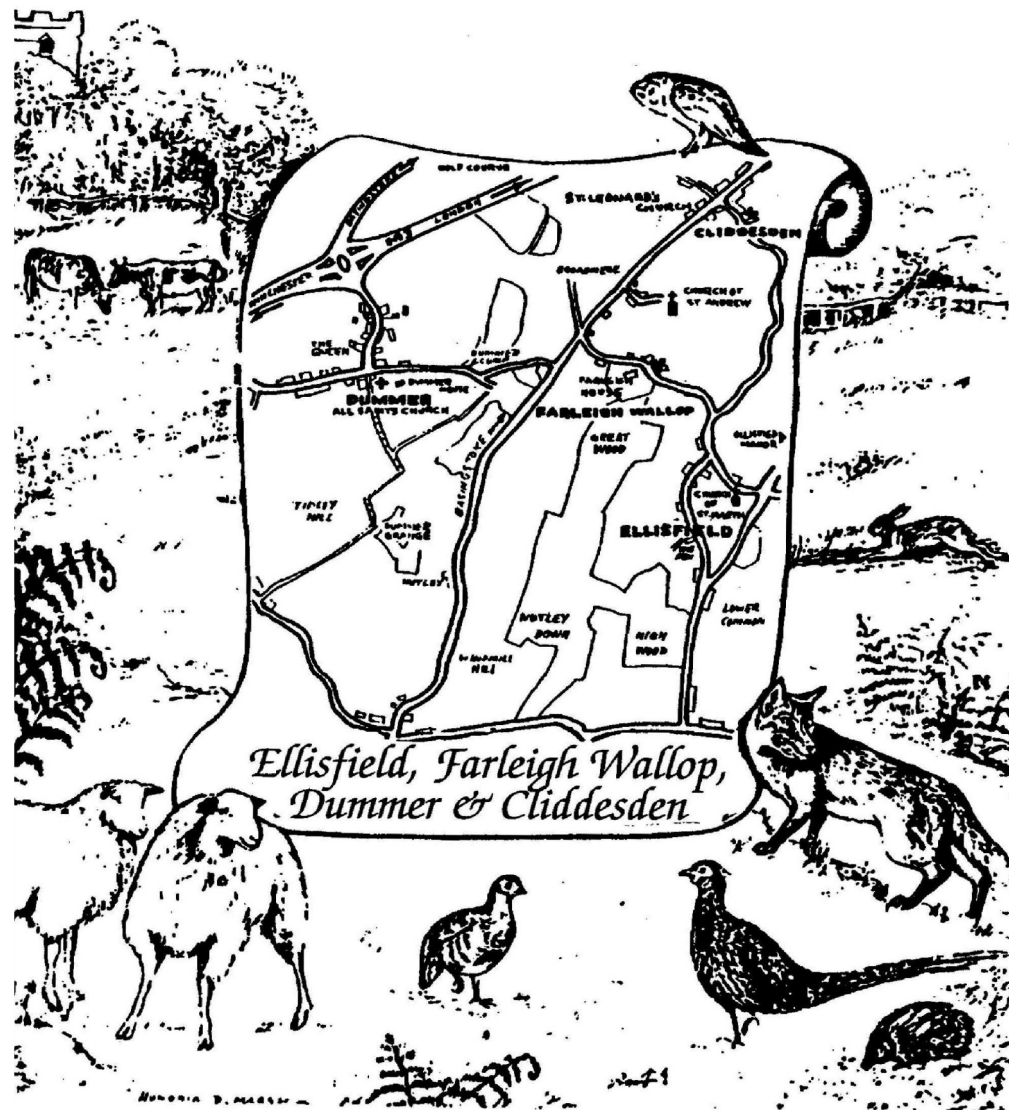
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BCP = Book of Common Prayer CW = Common Worship

Sunday 3 January 2nd Sunday of Christmas
8.00 Ellisfield Holy Communion BCP
9.45 Cliddesden Holy Communion CW
11.15 Dummer Family Service /Sunday Special
Readings Jeremiah 31:7-14, Ephesians 1:3-14, John 1:10-18 Psalm 87
Sermon: What does receiving Jesus mean?

Sunday 10 January 1st Sunday of Epiphany
8.00 Dummer Holy Communion BCP
9.45 Ellisfield Holy Communion CW
11.15 Cliddesden Family Communion CW
Readings Genesis 1:1-5, Acts 19:1-7, Mark 1:4-11 Psalm 29
Sermon: Being baptised with the Holy Spirit

Sunday 17 January 2nd Sunday of Epiphany
8.00 Ellisfield Holy Communion BCP
9.45 Dummer Morning Prayer CW
11.15 Cliddesden Family Service
Readings 1 Samuel 3:1-10, Revelation 5:1-10, John 1:43-end Psalm 139:1-5, 12-18
Sermon: Can anything good come out of....?

Saturday 23 January
6.00 Cliddesden Holy Communion BCP

Sunday 24 January 3rd Sunday of Epiphany
9.45 Dummer Holy Communion CW
11.15 Ellisfield Family Morning Praise
Readings Genesis 14:17-30, Revelation 19:6-10, John 2:1-11 Psalm 128
Sermon: Don't you just love a wedding?

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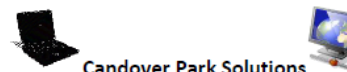
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Sunday

**31 January 4th Sunday of Epiphany,
2nd before Lent (Candlemas –**

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St. Andrew's Farleigh Wallop Holy Communion CW

11.00

Readings

Deuteronomy 18:15-20, Revelation 12:1-5, Mark 1:21-28

Psalm 111

Sermon:

Deliverance is still needed today

Sunday

7 February Last Sunday before Lent

Ellisfield Holy Communion BCP

Cliddesden Holy Communion CW

Dummer Family Service /Sunday Special

11.15

Readings

Proverbs 8:1,22-31 Colossians 1:15-20, John 1:1-14

Psalm 104:26-end

Sermon:

Are you "Walking in the Light"?

Candover valley

Sunday

3 January

Wield

Preston Candover

10.00

11.00

Northington

2nd Sunday of Christmas

Matins BCP

Morning Worship CW

Holy Communion CW

Sunday

10 January

Bradley

Preston Candover

10.00

6.00

Wield

Holy Communion CW

1st Sunday of Epiphany

Family Service

Evensong BCP

Sunday

17 January

Wield

Preston Candover

10.00

2nd Sunday of Epiphany

Holy Communion BCP

Holy Communion CW

Sunday

24 January

Preston Candover

10.00

11.00

Brown Candover

3rd Sunday of Epiphany

Family Service

Morning Worship CW

Sunday

31 January

Bradley

11.00

**4th Sunday of Epiphany –
2nd before Lent (Candlemas)**

Benefice Communion

Sunday

7 February

Wield

Preston Candover

10.00

11.00

Northington

Last Sunday before Lent

Matins BCP

Morning Worship CW

Holy Communion CW

Dear Friends

I know many were pleased to see the end of last year as the chapter of 2020 closed but of course nothing really changes just because the earth has completed another orbit around the sun! Our hope is that COVID-19 will be controlled through the new vaccine as the vaccination program is rolled out over the next months and that we can enjoy unrestricted lives again.

As we marked 2020's end, reflecting on the extraordinary year our nation and indeed our world has had, we may have wondered how things can recover in the future? Perhaps we pondered the passing of time as lockdown changed our lives and philosophised on the bigger questions of life about purpose and meaning as we faced futility and frustrations? We measure out our lives allotting time to our work obligations in years, for income's sake, in days when planning a holiday and seconds if we are heating food in a microwave.

The digital world in phones and computers runs on clocks which divide the second into billionths and in each billionth of a second something happens in a computer's microprocessor. But however we measure time it still passes and we have less of it and with the passing of time regrets often come following on.

As Rob Parsons of Care for the Family (great website) asks this question, "If the two thieves of joy are a hankering after a perfect past and a yearning for a change of some kind in the future, what have they stolen from us?"

He answers, they steal our only opportunity to find fulfilment, happiness and peace – they steal today."

Someone said, "Yesterday is history, tomorrow is a mystery, and today is a gift—that is why it is called the present."

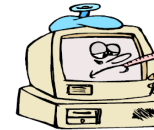
One of the prayers that we sometimes use in a funeral service says,

"You are tender towards your children and your mercy is over all your works. Heal the memories of hurt and failure.

Give us the wisdom and grace to use aright the time that is left to us on earth, to turn to Christ and follow in his steps in the way that leads to everlasting life."

Let's not live with regret but live with the one who gives eternal life. Only days ago we sang carols of One called the Light of the World so that those

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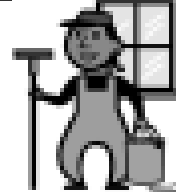
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who 'sit in darkness', of any kind, might receive illuminating, focus giving light. So, what might we see in this light? We see the glory of God in Jesus Christ, love, compassion, justice and mercy, we see that in God there is the greatest clarity about life and that despite the past, in God, there is hope for our future.

But with the announcement of Jesus as light, came an observation that people deliberately rejected the light as "their deeds were evil".

Perhaps we sympathise with that as who wants every thought, word and deed exposed? But God shines his light for health reasons! Jesus came to make it possible for change within the human heart, there is power in prayer in his name that God answers and things change! Perhaps you say this amazing article on the BBC new site, "Burnley's Pastor Mick - from dangerous drug dealer to lifesaver"

Mick, about to shoot a man, saw a blinding light that stopped him in his tracks, the rest is history as it was the beginning of God's work in his life for change, healing and freedom from many things.

We, hopefully, may not be violent like that, but still have the power to harm others with our actions and words....

Here is a little prayer you may like to use; Dear God, I would like 2021 to be different and better, less regrets and more hope. Please shine your light in my heart, and with your light and power remove darkness and may the light of Christ lead me this year. Amen.

Every Blessing
David

Sidesmen and Readers

<u>Church</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Sidesmen</u>	<u>Readers</u>
St Martin's Ellisfield	3 January 8.00am	Caroline Allen	
	10 January 9.45am	Lucinda Rule	Janette Bacon & Peter Raine
	17 January 8.00am	Bernard Cazenove	
	24 January 11.15am	Nickie Palmer	Mark Duncan & Annie Duncan
	7 February 8.00am	Susie Deane	
All Saints Dummer	3 January 11.15am	Melanie Gill	
	10 January 8.00am	Stafford Napier	
	17 January 9.45am	Lyn Hardy	John Swinburn & Sue Swinburn
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Are you interested in finding answers to life's questions? Have you got questions that you've always wanted to ask but been afraid to admit you don't know the answers? This course is for you!

There's some homework to do – for anyone seriously interested, doing a little research and reading always helps hugely.

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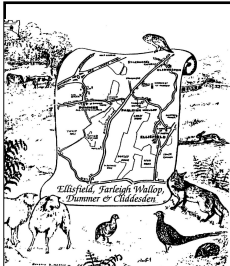
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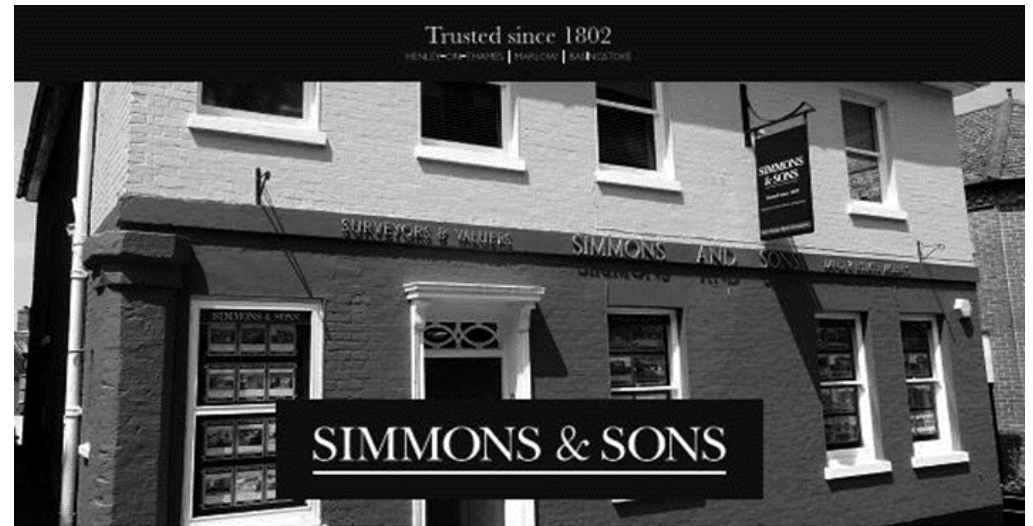


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Jane's Watch

December 2020

Dear Residents

Firstly may we wish you all a very Happy New Year and hope you all had a good Christmas period. As in previous years PC Reid will provide an update of parish crime for the communities covered by this magazine in the February edition.

We are appealing for any information in relation to the following crimes within the area of this magazine. Overnight of November 29th and 30th fields that are directly south of the M3 were driven over and substantial damage was caused to the growing crops. The padlocks were broken on the gates that lead into the entrances of the fields from both Woods Lane and at the other end Garlic Lane. It is suspected that this damage was caused by poachers looking to chase and kill hares and deer. Sadly, this was an exact replica of the same damage caused in the same area overnight of November 13th and 14th 2020

Poachers were also very active overnight of November 28th and 29th when substantial damage was caused to fields at Moundsmere. Similarage was caused to a field in Green Lane, Ellisfield the same night. Between November 28th and 30th similar damage as a result of poaching was also reported at Dummer Grange.

PC Reid is also appealing for any information in relation to a nasty incident where two 10 month old lambs were killed by a dog(s) on Thursday November 26th in a field next to the by-way on Oakhill Lane, Preston Candover. Sadly, both lambs died of bite wounds. The dog ran through an electric fence in order to get at the sheep. It cannot be reiterated strongly enough that this is a very serious matter and all dog owners are urged to please make sure their dogs are under proper control and on leads near livestock. Please be aware that farmers have authority to shoot any dog found worrying livestock on agricultural land. This is the third incident of sheep worrying that has been reported to PC Reid in as many weeks.

If you can assist with any information on this or any other crime, please call PC Reid direct on 01256 389050 – 07768.776844 or email andrew.reid@hampshire.pnn.police.uk as always all calls will be treated in the strictest of confidence.

We would like to wish you and your families a very happy and healthy 2021. Sincere wishes and many thanks for your continued support and vigilance.

Jane Popkin

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Candover Valley Store
community made

Happy New Year to all our customers and volunteers!

After the many challenges 2020 threw at us, let's hope for a calmer, safer and more hopeful year ahead. Garry, Emma and the whole store team are looking forward to seeing you soon. We all hope you had a peaceful and happy Christmas.

January means marmalade!

Bright days may be in short supply this month but there will be plenty of Spanish oranges from Seville available if you feel like creating your own pots of edible sunshine! All the ingredients you need to make delicious marmalade will be in stock in the store, together with a free recipe sheet to take away if you're a novice. We may even run a "Community Marmalade Challenge" if you are really feeling keen! More next month! If you happen to have any spare clean jam jars to offer fellow makers please let us know.

AGM

The AGM of the Candover Valley Store was held by Zoom on 19 November. Treasurer, Chris Smith, presented the accounts for the year ending 30 June 2020 and Jane Laws, committee chair, reported on the year and the store's current trading position. Shareholders approved the accounts and elected Jocelyn Rogerson to the committee. (The accounts, business review, chair's report and minutes of the AGM are available on request or can be downloaded from the website). In the first full year of trading and as a result of exceptional trading levels related to Covid-19, CVCS has returned a substantial profit, allowing sufficient reserves to be established and for a sum to be set aside to establish a Community Projects Fund. This is an exciting development which was not expected to be possible for a number of years.

Launching the Community Projects Fund

The idea of the fund is to enhance community spirit, bring local people together and build strong relationships across our villages. The fund aims to help support local organisations and improve the places and spaces that matter to members of the community. So for example, if a local scout group, gardening club, church or community organisation in the defined catchment area (largely that of the combined benefices) requires funding for equipment or a particular project, they can now apply to the CVCS Community Projects Fund. Applications will be considered by the CVCS committee twice a year, in February and August. To request an application form and further information, please contact Jocelyn Rogerson on 01256 389611 or download from the website www.cvcs.org.uk

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Happy New Year from CVP!

We hope you had a wonderful Christmas and New Year with your family. It's time for new beginnings and we are excited to start the new spring term

After the holidays we will be learning all about our adventures at Christmas, people who help us and focusing on alliteration for our Letters and Sounds work. We will be diving into The Three Billy Goats and Going on a Bear Hunt books and linking this with our sensory story trays, so the little ones can experience different textures and sensations throughout the story.

Our Forest Leader Annie will be out with the children at our Forest School sessions on Tuesday and Thursday mornings, exploring and learning about nature. This term the key focus will be around music and creating rhythms with the natural resources they find. We are out in all weather, so it's wellies, hats, gloves and puddle suits at the ready!

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We look forward to welcoming you very soon! Best wishes,
Lisa Collisson, Pre-School Head



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Benefice Recipes



Apple and Mincemeat sponge From Tracey Gilver

This is a lovely warming pud to use up mincemeat and stored apples.

- 2 Bramley apples or tart eating apples
- 2 tbsp soft brown sugar
- Grated zest and juice of a lemon
- 150 g butter
- 150 g castor sugar
- 3 medium eggs
- 1 tsp vanilla extract
- 6 tbsp mincemeat
- 150 g plain flour
- 1 and half tsp baking powder
- Quarter tsp salt
- 1 tbsp milk

Turn the oven to 170c fan and butter a dish size 25x19x6

1. Mix Apple and brown sugar and put in a buttered dish
2. Cream butter and sugar till fluffy
3. Add eggs one at a time mixing thoroughly
4. Stir in vanilla extract and mincemeat
5. Sift flour baking powder and salt into butter mix and stir until just combined
6. Finally stir in milk
7. Pour the mixture on top of apples and bake for around 45 minutes or until an inserted skewer comes out clean.
8. Sprinkle with castor or Demerara sugar.

Enjoy!

A circle cut from the leg can make an excellent seal for a tap on a waterbutt. Even in the summer old boots are essential for that Village fair favourite 'Welly Wanging'.

P.S.

Maybe a Snood is almost as useful in the winter as wellies, what do you think?



Keeping up the Strain

During the winter fencing is a job that is needs to be done, ready for the turn-out of livestock in the spring. I look forward to seeing more hedge laying in the countryside as a consequence of the new environment management proposals. A nicely laid hedge is a delight to look at.



IN THE FIELDS

In the Bleak Mid -Winter

The Winter Solstice has just passed, the days are getting longer, but it doesn't feel like it, and the cold bites a bit more. I always noticed that soil temperatures fall below that needed for plant growth after Christmas. The potential of crops sown in the autumn is made up to Christmas, after the turn of the New Year it is a question of encouraging and protecting that potential.

Homage to the Boot

Visits to the fields in January are likely to be for pleasure, a good walk on a sunny day perhaps or a day out in search of a pheasant or pigeon, or maybe doing a bit of 'wooding'. If the weather is not so good then clothing to keep you dry and warm is essential. A draught up a sleeve or a wet collar can get very uncomfortable in an irritating way, but wet and/or cold feet is the worst!

A good Wellington boot is the first line of defence against almost anything. Start with a good boot and then build from there. Without a good boot all efforts to stay comfortable and functioning in the winter are going to fail ultimately. Rubber, Leather, Neoprene, even plastic will suffice.

Hands can be stuffed into pockets, heads can be wrapped in a beanie or scarf but there is only one place for your feet. Of course a good boot sock should be chosen to go with your boots. The modern way is to use an insert called a 'Footbed', which seems to be rather technical but once pushed into your boots can give very comfortable support for your feet and will keep the cold out. (Does this make me an 'influencer?!'). The more expensive the wellington then all these details will be included, my daughter has what I call 'land agents wellies' which are very well equipped.

The boot, when it finally starts to leak and is no longer your best wet muddy friend, still has uses.



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Hello from Claire!

Welcome to a New Decade!



I hope you had a good finish to 2020, and were able to share it with loved ones.

With the mild weather continuing as it is (well, I hope the weather stays mild and we aren't buried under 6 feet of snow!) there are a myriad of things we can do in the garden.

As we do need to remain careful, our gardens will still be the place to meet and socialise for the time being.

What a fabulous opportunity for us to share time with each other, and help one another out!



What needs to be done this month? And some simple tips for helping our friends and neighbours.

The Christmas Tree!

For those who love a real Christmas tree, it's now time to dispose of it. If you already have garden waste collected then Basingstoke and Dean are collecting trees this year.

Or you can take it to one of the collection points listed at: <https://www.basingstoke.gov.uk/christmas-tree>

The other option is the green waste section of the recycling centres.

How to help – do you know someone who doesn't drive? Can you take their tree away with yours?

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I hope you all enjoyed a very happy Christmas, after a ghastly year.

A new day has dawned. We left the European Union – Britain has officially set sail to trade independently with the world. There is hope. The vaccine is here – some of you may have already had it – and rapid testing is in full swing. We can now look forward.

Even with the challenges we've faced, I have not – and will not – stop working for you. Our constituency is a fantastic place – but we can make it even better. ☐☐I will never give up, and will keep pushing on with the projects you elected me to get done.

Regeneration of our 'High Streets' has never been more important. COVID-19 has accelerated the change that was on its way, and many businesses have adapted to cope with this surge in online orders. That's not to say that there is no role for bricks and mortar though! It's just it's clearer than ever that our retail centres need to change – regeneration will lead to their revitalisation.

The importance of our NHS has been reinforced – the amazing lengths staff went to keep us protected during the pandemic left us all in awe. The future is even brighter. We are getting a new hospital in north Hampshire, and our pledge to recruit 50,000 new nurses is fully underway – some of them are already here. This, backed up with the extra £33.9 billion in frontline funding by 2023/24, on top of the boost to pay for the pandemic, shows that we are delivering.

We are delivering more police officers too. We pledged to recruit 20,000 extra police officers and, though we live in a safe area, I am determined to keep it that way by getting more of them onto our streets. There are already more boots on the ground and, with your help, I will continue to lobby our Police and Crime Commissioner and the Home Secretary to keep us safe all year round. Sign the petition at ranil.uk/policing and share it with your friends and family.

These are but a few of the issues I'm focused on right now. With last year behind us, I'm ready to fight harder than ever for the things that matter to you and your family. As ever, if I can help you, please drop me a line to: email@ranil.uk

Greenhouses and pots!

Not the most glamorous of jobs – washing down the outside, sweeping and tidying the inside, and making sure the pots are clean and ready for the new season.

How to help – make the best use of your skills. If the outside is a challenge, ask for help and offer to wash pots in return. Share tips on the best use of greenhouse space.

Digging over 'that patch'

The bit of the garden that's been waiting (and waiting) to be sorted. New flower bed, or vegetable patch. Or the area that's got overgrown and needs some extra attention.

How to help – there are many people who find longer periods of digging challenging. Can you offer an hour? A task shared is a task halved.

The beauty of a garden is there is never 'nothing to do', you're guaranteed fresh air, and who doesn't like to show off a little and take pride in their planting!

A cup of tea, a stroll around the garden, and a chat. Perfect.

Looking forward to 2021

As I write we are hopeful that, with care, this meeting can go ahead.

If this changes we will let everyone know as soon as possible.

January 28th Cliddesden Millenium Hall 745pm

Andy Small – Garden Photography, An Artistic Touch

Andy Small is an expert on our doorstep as he lives in Cliddesden.

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Claire



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ELLISFIELD CHRISTMAS FAIR

Who would have thought this time last year, that the fair in 2020 would require face masks, hand sanitizer, social distancing, controlled entrance and doors wide open to the winter elements? I think everyone would have been shocked – but these were the prerequisites for our fair last Saturday and although it was different and there were fewer stalls, we had tremendous support from the village and managed to raise over £2000 to be shared between the Church and the Memorial Hall.

A staggering amount bearing in mind we wanted to hold it to bring some Christmas cheer into the village and any small amount of money raised would be regarded as a bonus. So thank you for coming and supporting the fair and hopefully hot mulled wine will be on tap again next year!

However the fair couldn't take place without any stalls and I want to thank Hannah Hosten-Lacey for the huge amount of time and effort she put into producing such an attractive craft stall. All her items were of the highest quality and it is a tribute to her that she virtually sold out of everything.


Further thanks must go to Debbie Foster for producing such a splendid bulb stall with paper whites, narcissus and hyacinths all potted up most beautifully. Debbie too was sold out early and you were fortunate if you managed to buy in time.

And ultimately I have to thank everyone in the village who contributed to the food stall – as we were setting up, one delicious cake after another arrived, followed by roulades, scones, mince pies and cheese biscuits and I feared that we would never sell all that food – but we did! Only a few items went on to be sold or given away.


A big thank you to Jacqui Matthews for organizing it all and to her team of helpers who wrapped and ribboned goods in the morning and helped to sell them as well. The gift stall and hamper raffle all produced excellent results thanks to Ed Fellowes and Steve Loftus for their raffle selling success.

Thank you too to Diane Sandeman who ran the tea stall so well and to Beverley Guinness who produced copious mince pies to serve with the tea.

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A very successful Christingle was held on Sunday December 6th at Manor Farm. A stable, a donkey, reasonable weather and “takeaway” Christingles all added up to a very successful afternoon. Thank you to the Gammells for providing a lovely setting and to Alex and Melanie who “womanfully” filled bags with oranges, ribbons, sweets, raisins etc.

Communion services resumed but sadly, once we moved indoors, we could no longer “make a joyful noise unto the Lord” and our Christmas services had to be restricted. But there is always hope and we look forward to when we can join together in our Church fully.

Lyn Hardy
Church Warden

Dummer Village Hall

We look forward to welcoming back our regular Hirers in the New Year, even if it will not be possible to hold the amount of events that we normally do. Our regular cleaners and Jackie Pryce have done a sterling job over the past few months ensuring the village hall is spotlessly clean and we will continue with our strict regime of cleaning in line with Government regulations and advice.

We have made an improvement outside with fresh shrubs and setts and bulbs should appear in the spring.

Dummer Village Hall Committee

DUMMER STARS

Liz Fraser of The Queen has really been amazingly supportive of the Dummer community this year.

She not only made sure fruit, vegetables and meat were available for sale from her pub but offered also take-away meals on a regular basis.

Liz always has a smile on her face and comes up with creative solutions when she knows her customers want some cheery company at The Queen.

Other stars collected shopping, medicines and offered help in all sorts of different.

A big thank you to all known and unknown Dummer Stars!!

Christine Northam

This year we had two stalls run by younger residents of Ellisfield, Jane Lang-Horgan and Sonny Freeman. Jane was selling homemade gift tags, Christmas decorations, real gingerbread decorations for the Christmas tree and other items to help fund her DOE school trip to Rumania, Sonny was selling his home made mince pies, chutneys, cupcakes and we were grateful for their added contribution.

Last but not least, I want to thank our “cheerful policeman”, Gordon Dunse, on the entrance door, who made sure that everyone followed instructions and limited the flow of customers.

There was a great Christmas atmosphere, lots of catching up with friends and your support and generosity has ensured an unexpected Christmas present for the Church and the Memorial Hall.

Caroline Cazenove.



What a year 2020 was!! Amid all the gloom and doom - we were open for 10 weeks before the first shutdown, closed for 15 weeks then open again for another 17 weeks before the second shutdown hit.

And with your help we were still able to donate countless sugar fixes to the Basingstoke NHS, we gave nearly £600 to the charities for Treloars and Naomi House as well as paying just over £1,100 to your Memorial Hall.

In 2021 we will open just as soon as we can - we want to continue with a designated charity once a quarter - please let us know if you have a preference. (Our vote goes to something Ellisfield related no matter how tenuous the link).

So many, many thanks for your support in the past and we hope to serve you again just as soon as it is sensible to do so.

Have a super 2021.....

Your TCC team.



Xmas Hampers

A big thank you for all those throughout the Benefice who were involved with this project.

In addition to the regular food donations that several churches support for either the Basingstoke/Alton foodbanks we felt called to respond to the request to help with the preparation and packing of Xmas hampers to support the wider Basingstoke Church communities.

How many could we commit to? We went for 20 and reached out across the benefice for contributions of food or money and hands to help pack etc. In the end we made and filled 26 hampers full of special treats including Xmas puddings/cakes and mince pies as well as more standard items. 14 of these went as planned, via the Foodbank, to be distributed across the wider Basingstoke communities, but as they had exceeded their target we decided to distribute the remaining 12 within our own community.

We are very grateful for the generosity of people across the Parish of Farleigh and the Candovers including support from the CVS. We have had some lovely notes of appreciation from the local recipients, so many thanks to all those who generously gave items and money to support this project.

How many can we do next year??

Outdoor Christmas 2020



Covid restrictions this year meant that if we wanted to sing at our annual carol services we had to have the services outside. So all you need is dry weather and warm clothes! (No such thing as bad weather just inappropriate clothing!)

So on Saturday December 19th the sun came out for our "6 Lessons & Carols" service at St Leonards, of course, led cheerfully by Stephen, and which lasted

more or less for its intended duration.

Then the cold wind came with a rush and was chased by the rain, so we were blessed! Lots of families with children attended, along with our regulars. Music was supplied by Sylvia and Ross and we all sang!! It was different this year but we made it joyful.....and the gazebo didn't take off!!

On Sunday 20th Dummer had open air carols in the morning sunshine, where 30 warmly dressed carollers enjoyed the singing. This was followed by Ellisfield in the afternoon.

The sun continued to shine for "6 lessons and Carols" at St Martins Ellisfield, it was a beautiful afternoon with bright skies and late afternoon sunshine! Music was supplied by Caroline and singing was heard down the lanes.

About 60 people came along including many families and a dog (didn't hear him sing though). Stephens's adaptation of the nativity story with Covid restrictions was entertaining!



The finale of the outdoor Carol services will be held in front of Farleigh house on the afternoon of Xmas eve.



Dummer

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About Dummer

It is 2021 and, hopefully, a better year for many than 2020. But many positive things came from imposed lockdowns, self-isolation and Covid-19. Dummer pulled together and formed a self-distancing but united unit. Penny Reynolds and team made sure that everybody could reach out for assistance if needed, Liz, landlady of The Queen Inn, formed a home delivery service of vegetables, meat and groceries, even arranging fish and chips for Friday suppers. The Rev Stephen Mourant and team rose to the challenge of arranging Church services outdoors and everyone's gardens bloomed and blossomed under the constant attention they received during the excellent weather. Because we live in such a beautiful village and area, many were able to go for long walks, greet neighbours over fences and we all stood outside our houses and applauded our wonderful NHS. The downside was that weddings had to be cancelled or re-arranged with few people in attendance and the funerals were very small affairs. But we overcame that by making sure we stood outside our gates to ensure we paid our last respects to our friends as the cortèges passed by. We remember our friends, John Hayden, Ray Snowdon, Rene Crook and Peter Padmore. The village hall had to close and there were no normal events such as Fetes, cricket matches etc. Winter drew in and it grew harder to see people and Church Services over Christmas had to be restricted but still we pulled together and worked through it. So here is to 2021, hopefully, a successful vaccination programme, and a return to normal. The residents of Dummer can be proud of the way they handled the pandemic.

We say goodbye to Kirsty and Neil Porazinski and their children, Chloe, Cara and Max from Biblefields who are now living in Steventon. We are sure they will be happy in their new home.

Children in Need

Thanks to the marvellous generosity of all I know, by December 10th I had raised £1000. My Just Giving page is still open. Unbelievable. Only 36 people have donated. To raise that much from so few people is fantastic. www.justgiving.com/fundraising
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Rachel Beresford-Davies and Gill Westwood will be very pleased to receive your Cliddesden news. Contact Rachel on rachelbd@hotmail.co.uk or Gill on westwoode@btinternet.com



Foodbank

Huge thanks to the generous people of Cliddesden who so kindly gave to the foodbank at St Leonard's this year. We will hear in the New Year our annual total, but we donated a healthy weight of dry goods throughout the year, and contributed to the parish wide initiative to send Christmas Hampers. Your generosity is greatly appreciated by those in need.

Christingle Take-away Craft Kits

This was enormously successful, with every single kit bag being taken in a day. We had lots of messages of thanks from families around Cliddesden who enjoyed the activities. What a brilliant way to spread Christ's message and a little bit of festive spirit!

Virtual Nativity



What a lot of talent we have at St Leonard's! Lots of children and young people attached to our church took part by acting or narrating scenes from the nativity, filmed by their parents (brilliant job by the way, mums and dads!). Added with clips from other families across the parish and with carols sung by the Belles of St Martins, this was a beautiful Christmas project. Congratulations to everyone involved!

Santa Claus Came To Town!

(...well, Cliddesden Hall)

Farleigh Parish Playgroup's last walk of the year had a very special visitor; Father Christmas! He came with gifts for the children. We meet again at Cliddesden Village Hall car park in January for our new term. We always follow the latest government guidelines. Please see poster in this edition of the Hill and Dale for more details.



Out the other side!

Cliddesden emerged from the second lockdown unscathed and all a-twinkle with Christmas lights. St Leonard's opened its doors for services once again, as well organising a virtual nativity and a socially-distanced outdoor carol service (not yet taken place at time of writing).

A reminder that there is a plastic box by the church door for any **food bank donations**. It's been nice to see lights coming from the village hall again now that groups and activities have resumed.

The hall committee are on the lookout for new fund raising ideas. If you have any suggestions or would like to volunteer your time/skills, please contact volunteering@cliddesdenhall.org.uk.

The Jolly Farmer was busy over this recent lockdown creating a large, semi-permanent eating area to the rear of the bar, complete with wood burning stove, comfy sofas and plenty more tables for eating.

To book, call 07900 646472.

On 3rd December, we had a visit from Ofsted. This was part of the short inspections that they are carrying out across a selection of schools in order to gather information and monitor the impact of the pandemic on schools. The visit will be ungraded and the inspectors only spoke with Mr Davies, Head teacher and subject leaders. They did not walk the school, go into classes, look at work or meet and speak to the children or parents. Although it wasn't a full inspection as such, it was still a gruelling day with lots of questions that we were well prepared for. They asked about attendance, which is far higher than it is normally this time of year, safeguarding procedures, how we have had to adapt our curriculum and about our remote learning should we have to switch over to it.

A report will not be given but a letter from Ofsted will be published with a short overview of what was discussed and learned from the visit. Once the letter is released by Ofsted for public viewing we will put it on our website.

We wish you all a very Happy 2021.

Paula Lavender

Ellisfield Parish Council **Allotments**

The longstanding licensee of Ellisfield's Lower Allotments, Rose Gray, sadly recently died.

The Lower Allotments are one and a half acres of woodland used for coppicing.

Whilst we have had some interest in taking this licence over, as a public body we need to advertise the opportunity. Therefore please will anyone interested in taking on the licence let Gordon Dunse, Councillor responsible for allotments or Peter Raine, Ellisfield Parish Council Clerk, know.

Terms and conditions of licence to be agreed.

Email: clerk@ellisfield.gov.uk **Tel:** 01256 381221

Mail: Ellisfield Parish Clerk, Church Cottage, Church Lane, Ellisfield, RG25 2QR.



**CLIDDESSEN SOCIAL AND ENTERTAINMENT CLUB—
aka The Film Club**

Please note that the schedule will change due to any further lockdowns

Thursday 7 January “Somethings Gotta Give” (2003, 128 minutes, cert PG, Contains infrequent strong language and moderate sex references).

2003 American romantic comedy film written, produced and directed by Nancy Meyers. It stars Diane Keaton and Jack Nicholson who in the later phase of his acting career Nicholson has created a niche for himself in comedy roles.

The film received generally favourable reviews from critics, and was a box office hit eventually grossing \$266.7 million worldwide. For her performance Keaton received a nomination for the Academy Award for Best Actress, and won the Golden Globe Award for Best Actress, Nicholson also received a nomination for the Golden Globe Award for Best Actor.

Thursday 4 February “The Guard” (2011, Cert 15, 94 minutes, contains very strong language, strong violence, sex references and drug use, but don’t let that put you off)

An Irish buddy cop comedy film written and directed by John Michael McDonagh, starring Brendan Gleeson, Don Cheadle, Mark Strong and Liam Cunningham.

The film received critical acclaim and was a box office success. It received acclaim for Gleeson’s and Cheadle’s performances, with Gleeson receiving a [Golden Globe Award](#) nomination. McDonagh was in turn nominated for a BAFTA Award for his writing achievement. It is the most successful independent Irish film of all time.

Ted Dowson

**CAGE meets Maria Miller MP., Kit Malthouse MP., Stephen Reid, HCC., Hannah Golding, CLLR.,
At a public meeting on 2nd December 2020.**

Once again, our MPs, and local politicians stated that they are opposed to the possible warehouse development on J7, M3. They support CAGE’s campaign to stop the warehouses for 3 main reasons:

1. These plans completely ignore the CLIMATE CRISIS.
2. Any jobs at the warehouses will be low grade, low paid.
3. Warehouses of this gigantic size have never been planned.

People present asked about the Vision Document published by Basingstoke Council for the South West area of the borough. This sets out in broad terms where housing, employment, transport and roads might be. Many of the ideas shown on a map at the meeting will cost hundreds of millions of pounds. It is a document that may shape our quality of life in the future and can be seen on the Council’s website.

**Join CAGE’s campaign to protect the area.
Visit cleanairegreenenvironment.org or call: 0208-638-6131.**
Christine Northam

Cliddesden Primary School

Although there were many traditional Cliddesden Christmas events that we had to either cancel or adapt this year, there was still a festive feeling at school. At the time of writing, we still have our Popcorn and Pantomime afternoon, our Dress for Christmas Day, the school Christmas Dinner and we will end the term with a special remote assembly.

Bikeability

Our year 5 children took part in Bikeability. This fantastic programme promotes confidence and teaches road safety skills. The children showed great enthusiasm, laughing and smiling as they set off in some very wet conditions. The trainers commented on how polite and friendly the children were to each other and how hard they tried. The children received certificates and badges to recognise their achievements.



Cross Country

This was the first of these competitions. The children took part in a series of long and short runs during their normal PE session. It was great to see how hard they tried, especially on the long run, which for KS2 was 16 laps of our playground and for KS1 8 laps! The enthusiasm and excitement on their

faces was inspiring. We were, as always, pleased to see how well they reflected the sporting values that we encourage throughout the school. The events were timed and the results are submitted to the Hampshire School Games Co-ordinator, who will let us know if any of our children finished in a top 3 place.



Bench Ball

We held an inter house bench ball competition for KS2. The sporting values shown were really impressive and the skills and enthusiasm were of a high standard. All the Houses tried really hard.

Nativity

A different format but beautifully performed Nativity by KS1. Both classes enjoyed listening to the Christmas story and Beech Class then studied the characters and what they might say. This resulted in our very own version of the Nativity.

With the challenges presented to us; class bubbles, singing outside, performing outside and the use of new technology everyone was up for the challenge

On the next page you can see Beech Class, followed by Willow Class.