

# Editorial

Dear Villagers,  
Well, "Freedom Day" has arrived, not so much with a bang as a whimper. For the Eeyores amongst us, now may be a good time to read T S Elliot's "The Hollow Men". (For those who wonder what an Eeyore is, read Winnie the Pooh!) We now, each individual and organisation, have to make up our own minds about the level of Coronavirus protection we wish to adopt. I'm sure that, over the summer, the village organisations will each be doing their risk assessments and consulting their members as they seek to restart and return to some form of normality. On a literally brighter note, we have a summer, even if it is a by-product of global warming. I hope it continues through the school holiday period and enables people to get together and enjoy the outdoors. Finally, I've included a short piece about the way Contact works. If anyone wants to join the large team of people who produce this village publication, particularly as an occasional distributor, do get in touch. Clive.

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## Letter from Revs. Nigel and Linda, St. Mary's

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Dear Friends,

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What sparked this renewed interest in growing plants and when, I wondered, did we, as a nation, first become gardeners? It prompted me to do a bit of research.

Was there a wartime mood in the country? After all, it was during the two Great wars of the last century that we saw a marked increase in cultivating the land. In the First World War the number of allotments grew from 600,000 to 1,500,000. And during World War II there was the famous 'Dig for Victory' campaign.



This country's interest in gardening went back much further than the wars. Curiously, historians trace the beginnings of the English cottage garden back to a previous pandemic, the Black Death.

But how did this devastating event lead to a growth in home gardening? Well, as much of the peasantry was killed, those who remained had more bargaining power than before. These formerly landless peasants now became free cottagers. And they made sensible use of their extra land by cultivating them into gardens, and so began the tradition of growing one's own plants for food and decoration.

It seems that there are always at least two possible ways to respond to a crisis. Some might be tempted to panic, withdraw, lose hope or even give up; others, on the other hand, see the importance of having a focus, setting themselves new challenges, like gardening, and refusing to give up. In a word they are people who have a vision.

One person we read about in the Bible who always strikes me as a visionary is David. Vision has been defined as a combination of '*a deep dissatisfaction with what is and a clear grasp of what could be*'. If we have a vision, we will always

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## Letter ctd. *plus* HVH 100 Club

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flourish; we will always believe there is more to look forward to.

David says: *“I am like an olive tree flourishing in the house of God”*. David lived much closer to nature than many of us today. Although a shepherd, he would have wondered at the small miracle of sowing a seed and seeing a spear of green life shoot up from the soil. He would have known something of the experience described by Francis Bacon who, in 1625, wrote that to plant a garden is the *“greatest refreshment of the spirit of man”*. No wonder David sees himself as an olive tree that flourishes, because it’s established in the place offering the perfect conditions for protection and growth: in the very house of God.

It is good that people have returned to their gardens; it has given them something to look forward to. In fact, a recent study conducted by the Royal Horticultural Society confirmed that gardening is good for you. The report says that daily gardening has as big an impact on wellbeing as has regular cycling or running. It leads to greater energy and lower stress, and eases episodes of depression ... and that’s because the sights and sounds of the outdoors provide a distraction, making it easier to keep going.

So even as the promise of normal life draws nearer, I won’t be putting the rake and hoe back in the shed. For the greatest restoration of our souls no research beats what David discovered, many years ago, that to go on thriving we must trust in God’s unfailing love, praise Him for all He has done and continue to hope in His name. Then we too will be like a flourishing olive tree in the House of the Lord.

with love and prayer

Nigel and Linda

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## HVH 100 Club

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The winner of the 100 club for the month of July is number 75 belonging to Nicky Thornton-Greet of Christian Close

If you wish to be part of the 100 Club and have the chance to win £50, please contact me at: [hvhtreasurer@btinternet.com](mailto:hvhtreasurer@btinternet.com).

The money raised each month helps to fund the upkeep of the Village Hall.

*Dave Thew, Treasurer,*

*HVH Management Committee*

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## Harlington Village Show *plus* HNH

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**35<sup>th</sup> HARLINGTON VILLAGE SHOW**

**28<sup>th</sup> August 2021**



We are excited to be having the Village Show once again this month, after sadly being cancelled last year. It will be a little different this year, but we are hoping it will be a very special show. You should have received a list of the Classes in your July Contact magazine, which was delivered to every home in the village. This also included the Muffin recipe, and the “Izzy Doll” pattern. The Izzy Doll may be donated after the show to the Bananabox Trust – a charity that works with families in Malawi. The Rules and Entry forms for the Show are available at Harlington Newsagents, and also outside 43 Barton Road, 126 Goswell End Road, and 14 Pilgrims Close. Also check our Facebook page for updates and further information. The Show organisation will take into account any Covid guidelines relevant at the time, but we hope to ensure that visitors are able to enjoy the Show without the village hall being too busy. There will be a small entry fee to the show, and refreshments will be available for a set charge of £2 - £3, so please bring cash along on the day.

Please contact Tricia: 07711 511729, [tricia.murphy5@ntlworld.com](mailto:tricia.murphy5@ntlworld.com) for any questions or for further information. We look forward to seeing you on 28<sup>th</sup> August -with your entries (8 – 10.30 am), or in the afternoon (2 – 4 pm) to enjoy viewing the Show!

HVS Committee

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## HNH Good Neighbour Scheme

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### **Harlington Neighbourhood Help Good Neighbour Scheme Update**

We are still driving clients to appointments where other options are not available as our drivers get vaccinated and have regular Covid checks.

We also help with shopping, dropping off and collecting prescriptions from local doctors and the pharmacies in Toddington, Barton and Flitwick, and do errands around the village including a bit of lawn mowing, paper bill paying, paperwork and help with IT.

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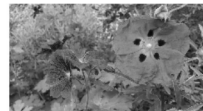
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Please note that for much of the walk, we shall be on a boardwalk leading to the pond and this can be slippery when wet. The area surrounding the pond and some areas of the Reserve can be wet and muddy. Please keep children under supervision at all times. Please make sure you have appropriate footwear. It would be a good idea to bring binoculars if you have them.

We very much look forward to seeing you!

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## Flittabus *plus* Harlington Heritage Trust

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#### Burghley House

**Wednesday 11th August 2021.** Burghley House and Gardens. £30 per person with self-guided tour of the house. A full day excursion leaving about **10.30am** to allow time for a stroll round the gardens and lunch before our booked time for admission to the house at 2.00pm.

#### Brighton

Derek is arranging a lovely seaside trip. **Sunday 22nd August 2021**, leaving at **9.00am**. Return from Brighton at 4.30pm. Grab your bucket and spade and book your seat fast! £26 per person (*limited availability*). **Note:** We will have a comfort break stop on both the out and return journeys.

#### Ely Cathedral Christmas Market

**Friday 19th November 2021.** A specially designed Christmas Village will be located in the grounds of the Cathedral creating an outdoor wonderland, with a mixture of stalls, food traders, entertainment and lots of twinkling lights. £26 per person.

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## Harlington Heritage Trust

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The Harlington Heritage Trust always leaves the calendar for August clear for holidays with no events planned so no change there. As to what happens for the rest of 2021 is still unknown. I hope to have more details for the September Contact so fingers crossed. Meanwhile, I hope you all enjoy the summer weather and take care, everyone.

Barbara Thurston

HHT Secretary

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## Harlington WI *plus* August Quotes

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As July 19th means the end of most Covid restrictions, our monthly meetings are now all in the Village Hall and start at 7.30 pm.

Our August meeting on Tuesday 17th features Frankie Styler a stand-up comedienne, who used to be a psychiatrist's secretary!

It should be a fun-packed evening.

We will be providing refreshments at the Village Show on Saturday August 28th. It will be slightly different this year, please see our newsletter regarding details and help needed.



Our September meeting on Tuesday 21st is very significant as we are celebrating our 70th birthday. A special cake has been arranged and we would love our former members to come along, reminisce and join in the celebrations. Please let Lin know if you can attend, we would love to hear from you and would be made very welcome. It promises to be a really special evening.

Our October meeting on Tuesday 19th features The Blood Biker, with a very interesting talk from a motorcycle blood delivery rider.

Please look out for Sara's newsletters with all the details, updates, news of rambles and visits. There is a lot to look forward to at last!

In the meantime, please take care and see you in the Village Hall. It's good to be back!

*Sally Tombe*

**For further information please call Lin Merrison on 01525 757161.**

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## August Quotes

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“Did you know that a bee dies after he stings you? And that there's a star called Aldebaran? And that around the tenth of August, any year, you can look up in the sky at night and see dozens and dozens of shooting stars?” – **Elizabeth Enright**

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## Even more adventures of an ex-editor, Celebration

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Well, here I am – still on the IOW. I wish I could say it was sunny, but it's not – pretty much like the rest of the UK by the looks of the weather forecasts!

Not quite so much on the agenda this month, another friend, Jo, came over for a whistle-stop visit and we had a lovely couple of days exploring the island. She was rather disappointed she couldn't stay longer as there is so much to do so has now booked a ticket for the IOW Festival and will be coming back for that and more sightseeing in September.

One of the other normally annual events is the 'Round the Island' yacht race, which thankfully was back on this year.



We went in to Cowes the evening before to soak up the atmosphere and look at some of the yachts.

The day of the race we checked out where the boats were on the radar tracking app (a bit like following Santa

Claus's progress on Christmas Eve, you can click on a specific boat icon and be told the name and all the spec of the boat etc.) then headed off to Seaview to watch them sail past.

The Motorhome is holding up well despite discovering she has a cracked wheel rim, so that is currently being sorted.

Not much else to report at the moment but looking forward to Cowes Week at the end of the month. Lois x

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## Celebration Days in August

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30 August - Summer Bank Holiday - The last Bank Holiday before Christmas!

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# Harlington in Bloom

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Thanks for everyone who came on 3 July to weeding and pruning morning.

Great that the rain held off!

General bed-weeding and trimming took place of the village beds and containers as well as heavier work. Tony Price did stalwart work digging holes and planting shrubs in the Dry Bed by the crossroads which has also been improved with extra compost, whilst others of us engaged with the dreaded *bind-weed*. Ongoing work took place on the war



memorial bed and Dave Kingham started tackling a trim of the bordering hedge to tidy it up. See more of our photos on the *Harlington in Bloom* fb page.

Summer judging of front gardens, containers and baskets has taken place in July.

**Please return currently held trophies** for all categories to a committee member so that we have them back in good time for September Awards.

We will have a presence at the Village Show at end of August where we would

love people to drop by the gazebo and chat with us about Harlington in Bloom projects.



Everyone very welcome to our events below: Trowel and secateurs, large garden forks, gloves, green bags all handy for the weeding party. All welcome – just turn up! Social Distancing and the current Covid-19 guidelines will apply.

## ***Dates for your Diary***

21 August 2021 – Weeding working party Meet Village Hall 10.00 – 12 noon

28 August 2021 - Gazebo Village Show

24 September 2021 – Awards Evening Parish Hall 7.30pm

*Vivienne Dunlop on behalf of HiB Committee <https://www.facebook.com/HarlingtonInBloom/>*

*or Tricia Murphy Secretary 07711511729 [tricia.murphy5@ntlworld.com](mailto:tricia.murphy5@ntlworld.com)*

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# Brain Tumour Research

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What a great growing season even after a slow start and now the produce is beginning to arrive. So far I have available courgettes,



rhubarb, redcurrants and free range eggs as well as containers of spent coffee grounds; these are available for a minimum donation of £3, they are great for adding to your compost, feeding your plants, as an exfoliator, there are many uses for them, just google! if you do donate for a pot of coffee grounds could I please request that you return the pots for them to be refilled, thank you. I am hoping there will soon be runner beans, beetroot, kohlrabi, spinach and even some red and green cabbage, cauliflower, sprouts and celery later in the year and maybe some fruits: pears and apples if the blossom on my trees was anything to go by! Of course there may always be some surprises if anything arrives at my door from kind donors. Thank you to them especially.

Thank you to all those who have admired “Fleur” our flowerpot lady sitting on the edge of a table with her flowerpot hat, we have had some lovely comments and I have loved watching people’s reactions as they walk down Goswell End Road minding their own business fairly expressionless and then they catch sight of Fleur and they carry on their walk with big smiles on their faces, brilliant! I even had visitors who had driven past; the car driver saw Fleur and they asked their passenger if they had seen her and then just had to stop to see her more closely and for their partner to get a closer look, I feel like my 2 hours labour creating her with my daughter has given me more than just some creative fun with my daughter. I had planned to remove Fleur after the wear a hat with flowers event but one visitor said she reminded them of Carmen Miranda and so I will leave her outside and her flower hat will soon become a hat of fruit and vegetables in the style of the artist Giuseppe Arcimboldo so on the strength of that she will assume her full name “Madame Fleur Legume”!!! 🌻🍷🍷🍷🍷🍷

On another note I am once again blown away by the generosity of all of those of you who support whether by donating plants or calling by to buy a plant or 2 or 3. some of you must have bought a lot more than that because since the beginning of March this year, 4 months you have raised £2008.96 how amazing is that!

If you receive this magazine before the end of August I will hope to see you at the Fruit and Vegetable show please come and say hello and maybe buy a plant or some vegetables, come and support Brain Tumour Research and I will report on the day in the next contact magazine, all being well!

Our thanks to all of you

Jane, Alice and Emma

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## Contact—the Team

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First come the contributors, without whom there would be nothing to publish. There are a whole collection of these. Many are regulars, sending in news or articles month by month, usually about the various groups in, or covering, the village. There are, however, people who send in one offs, or series covering things ranging from local walks to recipes. In addition to these there are advertisers. These all come in to the Editor, who's role is to put it all together each month, and send the completed magazine to the printers.

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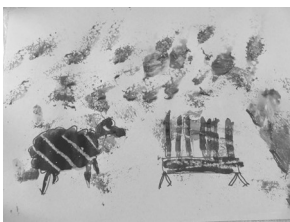
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In our June Messy Church we continued the story of Jacob. You remember how we talked in April about him having cheated his brother out of the birthright and blessing, and how he ran away to escape. Well, after he dreamed of a big ladder up to heaven (and, by the way, how many “Jacob’s Ladders” do you know of? Tina and I descended one in Warwickshire on



our holiday in June) he continued to run till he came to his Uncle Laban’s house. You may recall how Laban was as big a cheat as Jacob, and how Jacob ended up married to both Rachel and Leah!



We made masks, model wells and stripy sheep.

There is no Messy Church in August. We hope to be back face-to-face in September in the Methodist Church and halls, although we are looking at ways to continue live streaming.



Our September session will take place on the 18<sup>th</sup>, starting at 4pm. If you signed up on our contact list then we will email you.

If you haven’t done all the previous activities and you want things to do during the summer holidays, then they’re available on our website, <https://cliveandtina.co.uk> and you can download them from there.

Don’t forget, while children need an adult, Messy Church, live or virtual, is not just for children.

Clive

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## Contact—the Team Ctd.

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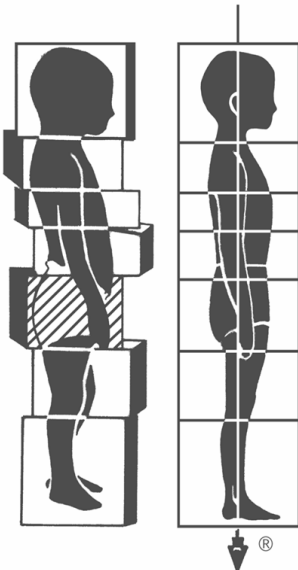
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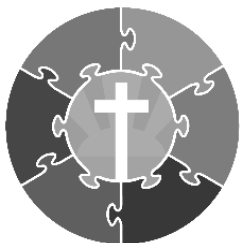
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### **MEETING TOGETHER AGAIN FROM SEPTEMBER**

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**Starting from 5th September in The Parish Rooms each Sunday at 10.30am.**

Life Church belongs to the Pioneer Network of Churches and as a group of people who love God we meet together to worship and explore the relevance and truths for life that are found in the Bible. Afterwards there is always time to enjoy a catch up over coffee.



We are committed to encouraging and caring for each other, and to work together with other believers locally. You will see the churches in Harlington supporting each other's various events which over the past year have included the Nativity and Easter Trails, the Prayer Weekend and an Alpha course. We also enjoy getting involved in Village events.

Our values as a church aim to demonstrate God's love for all by providing an environment where everyone feels equal and valued.

You are very welcome to join us whether you are a believer or just interested to know more.

All information and special events will be posted in the Contact magazine, on social media and our new website which will be live very soon.

*Life Church has no meetings formally planned for August, although there may be things run at short notice, depending on who is available.*

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## Methodist Church *plus* Walking for Health

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We are still considering the removal of COVID regulations and how we will continue to hold services etc. in the church in ways that are safe and effective. As well as being present in the building, our services will continue to be available on Zoom and streamed to YouTube on the Harlington Methodist Church YouTube channel. We are also now serving refreshments after the morning service.



### August preachers are:

- 1st August 10am Come and See led by Tina and Clive;  
6pm Communion led by Martin Wallis
- 8th August 10am Worship Group
- 15th August 10am Communion Led by Rev. Nina Johnson
- 22nd August 10am Michael Adams
- 29th August 10am Rev. Nina Johnson

Our circulated material is available on <https://www.southbedsmethodist.org.uk>.

If you want to join us on Zoom, the Zoom link is normally sent out the day before. Email me, [clivedsalmon@aol.com](mailto:clivedsalmon@aol.com), or phone 874481 to be added to the link email list. Or you can watch us live on YouTube, or see the recording later, on the Harlington Methodist Church YouTube channel.

We will be holding a (Live and/or Virtual) **Coffee Morning** on Saturday 28th August 2021 from 10am to 12 noon. Look out for the details nearer the time.

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## Walking4Health

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**Walking for Health Harlington – a safe way to stay fit, enjoy the village and meet fellow residents**

Join our friendly group for a local walk – meet new friends, enjoy the fresh air, and join us afterwards for refreshments. There is no charge for the walks.

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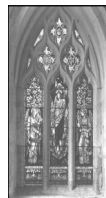
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# St. Mary's Church Services in August

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**YOU ARE WELCOME. Just come, sit and be....**

This is a really good time to welcome new worshippers who would like to join a service occasionally, once a month or more often. We are pleased when new people join us on a Sunday morning. The more the better. We assure you of a very warm welcome and in August, a free and sunny one we hope. Come and sing, come and be...



All Sunday services are at 9.30am except where stated.

1<sup>st</sup> August 8am BCP Holy Communion  
9.30am Holy Communion  
8<sup>th</sup> August 9.30am Holy Communion.  
15<sup>th</sup> August 9.30am Morning Prayer  
22<sup>nd</sup> August 9.30am Holy Communion  
29<sup>th</sup> August 9.30am Holy Communion

There is a weekly Church information newsletter issued by email. Let us know if you would like to receive this.

We also have a **Wednesday Morning Service** which starts at 10am. All welcome.

A Quintet **Upper Room Service** takes place **each Sunday at 6pm**. Join people from across the Quintet in an hour when you do not need to stray from your home. There's music, scripture, reflection and prayer in a time where you can just sit and listen. Contact a minister for a zoom invitation to the Upper Room.

**Morning Prayer services** are held via Zoom on Tuesday and Wednesday mornings at 9.30am. Again, do contact a minister for details.

Please check the **Church Noticeboard** and websites for updates.

The church is also available for Private Prayer by arrangement. Please contact Linda or Nigel or a churchwarden for access and for more information.

Useful links: [www.harlingtonchurch.org](http://www.harlingtonchurch.org)

Facebook: [www.facebook.com/stmarysharlington/](https://www.facebook.com/stmarysharlington/)

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If you would like a chat or prayer, or would like to discuss marriages, funerals or baptisms, do call us on 01525 714442 or email Nigel: [nwashy2@gmail.com](mailto:nwashy2@gmail.com) or Linda: [revdtoddington@gmail.com](mailto:revdtoddington@gmail.com)

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# St Mary's Churchwarden *plus* More August Quotes

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## St Mary's Church



**Churchyard update:** If you have visited the churchyard recently you may have noticed the “wild” areas of grass left uncut in the churchyard. In an area to the right, inside the church archway, Lady’s Bedstraw flowers are there in abundance. The frothy, yellow flowers have a sweet honey-like scent and flower from June to September. The name is said to be derived from the tradition of stuffing straw mattresses with the flowers, particularly for women about to give birth. In the other “wild” area the Burnet Saxifrage is starting to flower (as I write in mid July). This is not a rare flower, but still lovely. The metal archway itself has seen different flowers decorating it recently, as several weddings have taken place in the church in the past few weeks, with more to come.



Many congratulations to the couples who have celebrated their big day with us recently. The photo shows one couple’s mode of transport on their special day.

**Bells:** you may have noticed that we seem to have some glitches with the bells again with one note in particular sounding quieter than the others, so the engineer may be paying us a visit again soon! By the way, I walked past a church recently and I clearly heard two bell-ringers arguing. They were having a right old ding-dong.

Best wishes, Tricia  
Churchwarden

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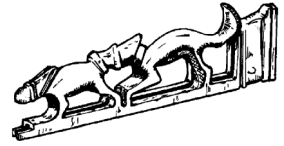
## More August Quotes

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"August rain: the best of the summer gone, and the new fall not yet born. The odd uneven time." - **Sylvia Plath**

“When summer opens, I see how fast it matures, and fear it will be short; but after the heats of July and August, I am reconciled, like one who has had his swing, to the cool of autumn.” – **Ralph Waldo Emerson**

## **Amphill & District Archaeological & Local History Society**



### **Programme 2021 - 2022**

Despite the Covid pandemic, the Amphill and District Archaeological and Local History Society ran a full monthly meeting programme during its 2020-21 season after switching to Zoom meetings. The situation for members and venues is still not clear and hence the society has committed to a Zoom programme for the start of our season from October to December 2021. Once Government guidance permits we will then review the situation with our members for the remainder of the season.

Our 2021 – 2022 programme is:

Monday, October 4th 2021

**The Secret Archaeology of the Chilterns - Revealing Our Landscapes' History Through LiDAR and Citizen Science**

Speaker - Dr Wendy Morrison

Monday, November 1st 2021

**Forewarned is Forearmed – The Royal Observer Corps in Peace and War**

Speaker - David Skillen

Monday, December 6th 2021

**Aristocrats on Tour - The Development of the Gardens at Wrest**

Speaker – Jo Bishop

Monday, February 7th 2022

**Flitwick Manor Park and Grounds: A 19th Century Visitor Attraction and Botanic Treasure House**

Speaker – Stephen Coleman

Monday, March 7th 2022

**The Pyghtle Works, Baillie Scott & Sir Albert Richardson**

Speaker - David Fowler

Monday, April 4th 2022 & AGM

**Tudor Houses; Architecture and Ways of Life**

Speaker - Adam Smith



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## Crafternoon Tea *plus* ADALHS

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How do you use what you make? Last month I showed you repurposed Pringles pots.

These are knitted crown jewels – tiara, necklace and garter sash with attachments. I made them for my daughter for a fancy dress parade at the Lower School (planned a year in advance, of course!). Only plain and purl necessary.

Crafternoon Tea meets fortnightly on Monday afternoons, between 2 and 4 pm. You do not have to be working at any particular craft, we welcome any and every craft, and all logics for crafting!

Our August meetings will be 2<sup>nd</sup>, 16<sup>th</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup>. Yes, that is the Bank Holiday, but if you aren't doing anything else, you will be welcome to join us, either in person at the Methodist Church, or virtually on Zoom, as we will be doing both. Over recent weeks, church coffee mornings have taught us something about trying to be both present and on line, so we will continue to adapt.

**Contact: Tina Salmon ([christinasalmon60@gmail.com](mailto:christinasalmon60@gmail.com)), 874481, website: <https://cliveandtina.co.uk>.**

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## ADALHS Ctd.

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New members would be very welcome and guests too once we return to hall meetings. If you would like to join us then please follow the link on the meetings tab on our website or alternatively contact the secretary. For non Zoom meetings, a hall meeting fee of £2.00 for members & £3.00 for visitors is payable on the door.

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