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FRONT COVER : Busbridge Church in snow by kind courtesy of Chris Payne

# LOCAL NEWS



The Old Godhelmian Association (OGA) recently held a Reunion to celebrate 90 years since the foundation of Godalming Grammar School. It took place at Godalming College on 9th October 2021, followed by an evening get-together at The Inn on

the Lake, Godalming. This celebration was postponed from last year because of the Covid pandemic and a Zoom reunion was substituted.

## Old Godhelmian Association NEWS



Above : Sue Hindle (née Potts), Shirley Coleman, Annette Ettorre (née Pickford), Lynne Nasti (née Davey), Caroline Brooks (née Bailey) & Caroline Herlihy (née Smart) all 1965 – 72 except Caroline Brooks 1966 – 73.

Top : David Muscott (1952-57) speaking about Guildford and Godalming banknotes

Over 100 people attended the event which included a tour of the main building and grounds, an exhibition of memorabilia, a three-course lunch and the opportunity to have both real and virtual (Zoom) meetings with school friends.

The OGA is in the process of writing a book with the working title, Godalming Grammar: A School on a Hill. A selection of articles for the first edition was displayed at the Reunion. The comedian, writer and Old Godhelmian Ben Elton will be producing a preface and the author Louis de Bernières has written a chapter about his memories of Godalming town. The OGA is seeking

a sponsor to help with the publication. Anyone who has any interesting information and photos about the school could send them to Annette Ettorre via email at **[annette.ettorre@gmail.com](mailto:annette.ettorre@gmail.com)**

The OGA is the official organisation for the former pupils of Godalming County Grammar School; in 1974 the school became Godalming College.



# Harvest FESTIVAL



We were delighted at St Hilary's School that our Harvest Festival, a traditional event in our calendar, was able to go ahead as planned in October. Thanks to many generous donations we were able to support the Meath with goods for their cookery club, the Clockhouse in Milford with biscuits & preserves, and provide Mrs Wilks with a huge selection of stationery. The latter will be distributed to a primary school in the Gambia.



I was incredibly proud of our Nursery and Kindergarten children who joined us in assembly for the very first time and who sang and behaved impeccably. It is difficult to believe that some of these children are only two years old! Our guests, Helen from the Meath, Elvina from The Clockhouse, Mrs Wilks from Godalming United Church and Reverend Canon John Harkin from St Peter and Paul's Church were equally impressed.

*Mrs Jane Whittingham, headmistress*



And Busbridge Church gave thanks for the harvest on Sunday 10th October.

Gifts of non perishable foods were generously donated by local schools and congregations, such that the recipient, the Foodbank at St Mark's, was overflowing!





## Archbishop of Canterbury VISIT

The Archbishop of Canterbury, Justin Welby, visited Guildford Diocese during 24th—26th September.

During his visit he engaged in various events at venues across the area. Members of the public were invited to a 'Big Questions' event held at Prior's Field School on 26th September.

There was a unique opportunity for young people from schools and churches across the diocese to question the Archbishop and hear him speak at a special Youth Event, with rapper Guvna B, held at Christ's College, Guildford. Pictured above: Youth Minister, Anto, (far right) with local members of Icthus and Pathfinders Youth Groups meeting the Archbishop.



## Busbridge Parish Register

### BAPTISMS

12th September  
Lewin Vergara

### WEDDINGS

31st August  
Catherine Wilson and Jonathan  
Standing  
3rd September  
Hannah Worlock and Luke Culverwell  
4th September  
Rebecca Palmer and Daniel Yearsley  
25th September  
Sophie Ford and Christopher Akka

### FUNERALS

11th October  
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### BURIAL OF ASHES

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This wonderful photo of a sparrow hawk was captured in Minster Road by local resident, Higgs Wood. The hawk



obligingly posed on the bird feeder for some minutes and Higgs was able to photograph it through the window.

The 'little' birds (their favourite diet, along with pigeons it would seem) were nowhere to be seen, sensibly covering in the bushes!

You can clearly see its wonderful yellow talons and striking chevrons of its chestnut chest feathers. Apparently they have a life span of around 4 years, which seems surprisingly short. And with age, its eyes change colour, going from a bold yellow to a deeper orange, and even red!



Last issue we shared the news that work had started to convert the Busbridge Church Centre

to a café for church activities, local community and passers by. Interest in the café, and response to an ad for a Café Manager has been great, and the café management team is hoping to have the right people and volunteers ready for the café opening in early 2022. As with many building projects there have been delays; most critically we await the new windows and other fundamental fixtures and fittings (18 weeks for the comfy sofas!) The café management team is confident it will be worth the wait! The Yew Tree Café (named for the surrounding trees in the churchyard) is not for profit, and will serve barista coffee, light lunches, snacks and beverages. There will be seating inside and outside on the extended deck. The café will be open Monday to Saturday 8.30am – 4.30pm, and available in the evenings for use by church groups. Use the link or QR code above to find out more. You can also call the Church office on 01483 421297, or email [yewtreecafe@bhcgodalming.org](mailto:yewtreecafe@bhcgodalming.org). [www.bhcgodalming.org/yew-tree-cafe](http://www.bhcgodalming.org/yew-tree-cafe)





## Busbridge Junior School NEWS

What a relief to be back at school this Autumn Term without bubbles. We so missed the opportunities for our children to mix last year, but we are back to a new-normal. We have a buddy system through which we pair up each new Y3 child with a Y6 child. We have been able to reinstate it this term, which has been a real joy to see.

### Sport For All MUGA PROJECT



This term we have started in earnest our next significant fundraising project for the school: our BJS Sport For All MUGA Project. Our vision is to install a MUGA (Multi Use Games Area/'Astro' pitch) on the school field in summer 2022. This project is big, but it will have a very positive impact on sporting opportunities for all children, as well as their well-being and safety at break times. The Governors and PTA of the school are aiming high to raise £95,000 for this project, all of which needs to be collected through fundraising and grants. The MUGA will also have a community focus, providing physical activity for even more people.

It is a big ask, and we will most certainly need the help of our local community through making donations or helping us with fundraising. If you can help in any way please contact the school via [admin@busbridge-junior.surrey.sch.uk](mailto:admin@busbridge-junior.surrey.sch.uk) .



The plan is to install an all weather surface (MUGA) to cover the footprint of the markings shown. It will include pitch markings for team games.

## WHY is the Sport For All MUGA Project needed?



This question is best answered by watching the video on the MUGA page of the school website: [busbridge-junior.surrey.sch.uk/web/MUGA](http://busbridge-junior.surrey.sch.uk/web/MUGA). Put simply, the ongoing condition of our current sports field cannot support the high amount of good quality sport and physical activity that we aspire to.

## Can local residents book the MUGA for their own use and events?

Our school field is currently used every day after school by sports club providers. This will continue once the MUGA has been installed. It could be that a local sports club would like to make it their 'home' for early evening sessions. We are tentatively exploring this as an option to help with financing the MUGA. Local residents and community groups will most certainly be able to book the MUGA for use. It is very much a community-use project. Please help us to achieve this goal by making a donation today on the MUGA page of the school website at [busbridge-junior.surrey.sch.uk](http://busbridge-junior.surrey.sch.uk). Thank you.

*Richard Catchpole, head teacher*



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# I Made This Crafts

*Resilience through a lockdown*

Claire, who owns the I Made This craft shop in Church St, writes about her experience

*When the lockdown hit in March 2020, like most businesses, I panicked, especially as I am a sole trader. I locked the front door of my little shop that I have put my heart and soul into, not knowing what its future would be. I was heartbroken.*

Before I closed my shop, I brought my sewing machine and some fabrics home so I could do some projects to keep me busy. I started to make some face masks for friends and family, then a student contacted me and asked if I could make some masks for the Oncology Department at the Royal Surrey, as masks were like gold dust in hospitals. I roped in as many students as I could to help me and I personally made about 200 masks. I also donated masks to The Meath and various other charities.

After doing that, I felt it was time to start work again and I advertised on social media to say I was making masks. The response was amazing and the orders kept streaming in. Masks were being worn more and more often, even before we were told to, and early on in the pandemic, no shops were selling them. So, when I saw a gap in the market, I went for it. I posted the masks to customers until my shop was allowed to re-open and then, I actually had people queuing outside my shop. So, from April to at least September, my sewing machine was in daily use.

Crafts started to become very popular over lockdown as they were fun and something to do on your own or with the family. At one point, you couldn't get hold of sewing machines, and thin elastic trebled in price as many people then started making masks. I am a firm believer that crafts are essential for your

health and wellbeing; for me, crafts are my therapy.

Since the pandemic, my classes have increased in size as so many people have started to sew and want to learn more. Tutoring sewing to both adults and children keeps me busy, and since I re-opened, I now sell a large range of fabrics and sewing patterns as well as haberdashery. Who would have thought a little sewing shop would thrive and survive through a worldwide pandemic!

*Claire*

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# What will your 'new normal' be?

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Ed and I were in town recently and as it had started to rain and was nearing lunchtime, being illogical, we went to have a “Breakfast pot” in the Godalming Deli, at 101 High Street, near the Pepperpot. Not only was it almost a “full English”, with organic baked beans, local sausage, egg and scrumptiously thick crispy bacon, but served

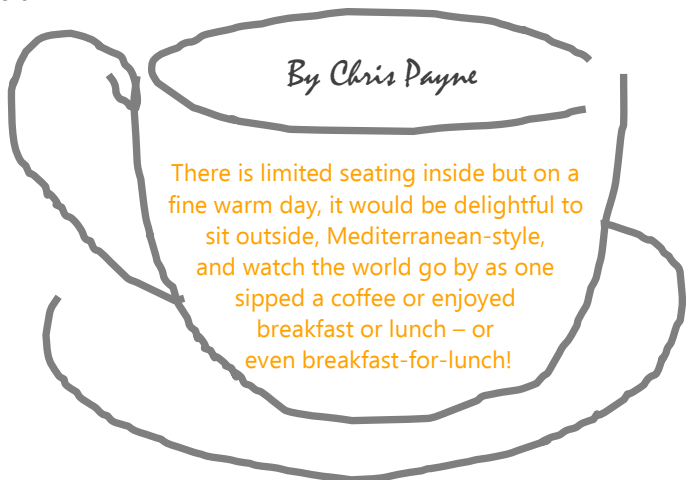
on a bed of spinach and extremely good value at £6.50. It certainly kept us going on the climb back up the steps to Butts Lane and home.

# DELicious!

We were impressed with the rest of the menu which also had vegetarian options with dishes including Deli-made sauces and hummus, avocado, tomato and locally-baked bread. In fact the policy of the Godalming Deli is to source as many as possible of its simple but high quality products and ingredients from the local area. There is a map of Surrey on the wall which indicates the locations of producers and suppliers, such as the Godalming Food Company, the Fine Cheese Company, Crosbie’s Savoury Tarts of Wormley and the Hogs Back Brewery.

At the back of the shop is a “Zero Waste” area – a refill station where one can fill up one’s own containers with grains, nuts, cereals, pasta, dried fruit, spices et al, which are bought in bulk in returnable, reusable or recyclable containers. And the shelves are full of most tempting goodies that would make lovely treats for oneself or presents for others – chorizo, salami, jams, chutneys and honey, chocolates, crisps, biscuits, wines, soft drinks and local gin.

How about choosing items to put into a gift hamper for someone’s birthday or Christmas?



# A Typical ICTHUS CHRISTMAS

By Anto Ficatier, Youth Minister

Ichthus is the youth group at Busbridge and Hambleton Church for youth ages 15 to 18, and is open to all youth. At Ichthus we grow closer to God through social activities and good conversations. Today I want to tell you a bit more about the few traditional things that happen at Ichthus during the Advent and Christmas season.

One knows Christmas is around the corner when Ichthus goes on a special outing at the end of November: ice-skating at Hampton Court Palace. It is a temporary ice-skating rink that opens between November and January right in front of the palace itself.

The view is stunning. If you've never been, I would highly recommend booking a ticket. All the Ichthus youth love it. They love messing around on the rink, playing catch and racing each other. Let's say they keep the marshals busy. The highlight of the night happens when everyone get to have a cup of hot chocolate at the rink café!



The Ichthus group goes ice-skating in November 2019



Another Ichthus Christmas event is decorating the inside of Busbridge church (top, opposite page). For one evening, all the Ichthus youth (with the help of some brave church volunteers) put garlands, tinsel, and other Christmas decorations on the walls of the church. I am not sure who started this tradition, but it was not very wise to ask a group of teenagers to decorate the church. The last time we did it, in 2019, it was such a disaster that some adults had to completely redecorate the Christmas tree! But it is great fun for the youth to be involved with the Christmas decorations in that way, and in the end it is an excellent team building exercise. When I



The Ichthus group on Christmas Eve in 2019

asked Toby, an Ichthus alumni now student at the University of Cardiff, what he remembered about the Christmas decorations he told me, "It was such fun to stand on my friend's shoulders to get all the fairy lights up". Not sure why Toby didn't use a ladder!

The final act in a traditional Ichthus Christmas happens on Christmas Eve. That night, at about 8PM, all the Ichthus youth gather together for a little celebration. For this special occasion the dress code is black tie, so no sweaters or baggy pants

allowed! We play lots of Christmas games, listen to a whole playlist of Christmas songs, and eat a potluck-style dinner. It is a great celebration. At the end of the dinner, everyone heads off to Busbridge church for the midnight carol service. This last service before Christmas Day is quite formal, so we all fit perfectly wearing suits and dresses!

*Feel free to contact Anto should you have any questions regarding Ichthus at [anto.ficatie@bhcgodalming.org](mailto:anto.ficatie@bhcgodalming.org)*

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# The UPSIDE of LOCKDOWN



We didn't see the pandemic coming but the positive people amongst all communities found ways around the many challenges it posed or learnt to adjust as best they could. Often that was by helping others with food runs, Food Banks, prescription collections, keeping in touch (safely) with neighbours and friends to help keep up spirits. I don't recall there having been so many people at one time being so innovative. Communities certainly rose to the challenge and we should be full of admiration for their efforts.

For Sandra and me, Lockdown was just that because of being high risk following my lung transplant (7 years ago now). The furthest we travelled was to the end of the drive to clap the amazing NHS on a Thursday evening with our Busbridge neighbours and how emotional was that! As you will no doubt understand, we have a strong affinity with the NHS and, as some of you will know, have been making wooden snowmen and reindeer in recent years to raise money for The **Harefield Transplant Hospital**. In the January just before Covid reared its ugly head we'd promised the hospital that we would raise a minimum of £2000 in the coming year, an increase on £1535 of the previous Christmas. We thought, "Make a few more, sell a few more and £2000 shouldn't be a problem." Ooops!

Lockdown meant no Christmas Fairs, no access to wood to make our snowmen & reindeer because we were indoors 24/7 and we'd promised £2000. To cut a long story short, we had an incredible success all round due to human kindness, ingenuity and teamwork in a time of great adversity which was reflected across so many communities. As for the £2000 target, we'd passed that by mid November. All the BYO Snowmen had sold out by then too. The final sum received by the hospital was beyond our wildest dreams. £9099.78.

We have no idea what this Christmas will bring but we have plenty of our "Made by us", Identically Different Snowmen and Reindeer. The website has been upgraded by our web man with a new, shorter domain name that is really relevant and easy to remember –

[www.christmascharity.co.uk](http://www.christmascharity.co.uk)



It has online ordering just like Amazon & Ebay etc, so it couldn't be easier. The reindeer are fully house trained and don't moult whilst the Snowmen don't melt. They need new homes for Christmas and are available now. New this year are the BYO Reindeer aimed at 8+. (No nails or screws, just wooden pegs and non toxic PVA glue).

Thank you so much,  
*Andrew & Sandra*

# BUSBRIDGE CHURCH ADVENT CALENDAR

**28 NOV**

**ADVENT  
EVENSONG** 

4pm Hambledon Church

**ADVENT LAUNCH**  
**1 DEC**

**BUDDY  
& FRIENDS** 


AT SCHOOL  
PICK-UP  
**WALKING ADVENT  
CALENDAR STARTS!**

**4 DEC**

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**5 DEC**

**10.30AM FUSE  
CHRISTINGLE**

**& COLLECTION FOR  
CHARITY HAMPERS  
STARTS**

**9 DEC**

**SHERRY WITH  
THE VICAR**  
& PREPARATION OF  
CHRISTINGLE KITS

2-4pm Old Rectory

**12 DEC**



4pm Hambledon Church

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Donations of treat/luxury Christmas items welcome. Drop off in church by 14 Dec.*

**13 DEC**

**AFTERNOON  
CAROL SERVICE**  
WITH BUSBRIDGE JUNIOR  
SCHOOL CHOIR

2.30pm Busbridge Church  
Mulled wine & mince pies  
afterwards

**14 DEC**

**ABC TODDLERS'  
CHRISTMAS PARTY**

9.30-11am  
Old Rectory

**16 DEC**

**CAROLS  
IN THE PUB**

7.30pm Merry Harriers

**SUNDAY 19 DEC**

**10.30AM**

**FAMILY CAROL  
SERVICE**

Busbridge Church



**6PM**

**BUSBRIDGE  
CAROL SERVICE**

Busbridge Church



**7PM**

**HAMBLEDON  
CAROLS BY  
CANDLELIGHT**

Hambledon Church




**20 DEC**

**BUSBRIDGE  
CAROL SINGING**  
6pm from church  
to Holloway Hill  
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**CHRISTMAS EVE**

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**11PM  
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COMMUNION**

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be helping us to express  
Christ...*

**At the heart  
of Christmas**



**CHRISTMAS DAY**

**9AM  
COMMUNION  
WITH CAROLS**

**CHRISTMAS DAY**

**10AM   
CHRISTMAS DAY  
FAMILY  
CELEBRATION**

**BOXING DAY**

**NO SERVICES  
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# Christmas

## BISCUIT HOUSES

A quick and easy craft idea for the children



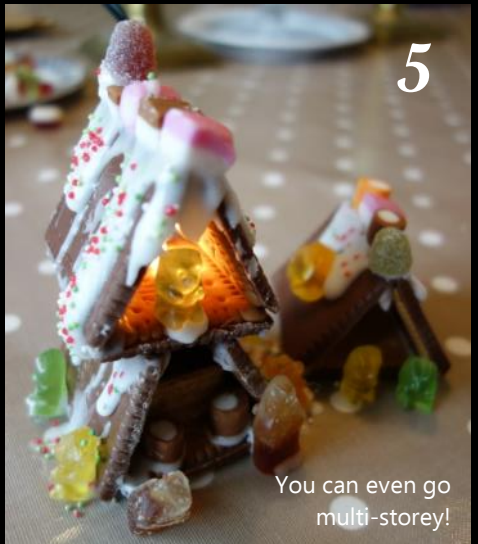
Take 3 'well known' rectangular biscuits (morning coffee biscuits work well too). Prepare some *stiff* icing; add some icing sugar to a bowl, slowly adding one teaspoon of water at a time & mix into a very **thick** paste that doesn't drip easily.



Using a teaspoon carefully spread the icing along the long edges of a biscuit, chocolate facing outwards. Place two more biscuits ( as 4) to form a 'triangle' or little house, joining the top with icing too.



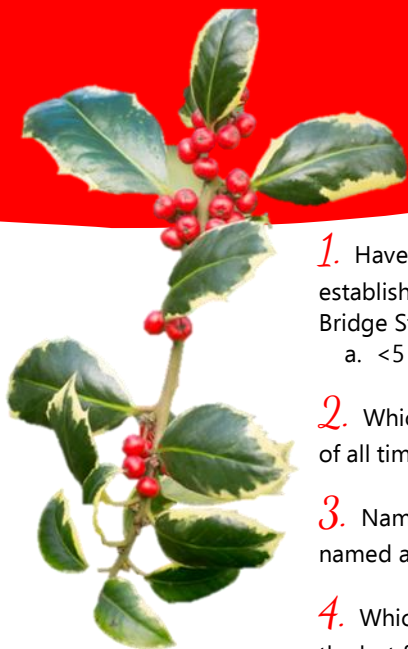
Use more icing to create a snowy roof and decorate with sweets of your choosing. Gummy bears make fun little 'people'.



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# Christmas QUIZ

By Dudley Hilton



1. Have a guess at how many barbers or hairdressing establishments you could see walking down the High Street/ Bridge Street from the Richmond Arms to Waitrose...  
a. <5                      b. 6 to 10                      c. >10
2. Which is the globally best-selling Christmas record/single of all time?
3. Name one Manchester United player who has an airport named after him?
4. Which opera had the most performances worldwide in the last full opera season?
5. Whose painting was the inspiration for Tracy Chevalier's novel *The Girl with the Pearl Earring*?
6. Which geographically isolated island was first recorded in 1615, given its name by Captain William Mynors in 1643 and became an Australian external territory in 1958?
7. Godalming pioneered electric street lighting in 1881 but reverted to gas in 1884. Why – was it because of:  
a. safety concerns    b. cost issues    c. the water-powered generator's lack of reliability  
d. complaints about light pollution?
8. Which grandchild of James I of England reigned throughout the War of the Spanish Succession?
9. The Hoover Dam in the USA sits on the border between two American states. Name one of them.
10. When was the first commercially available Christmas card posted?    a. 1799    b. 1843    c. 1859
11. Denis Healey described being attacked verbally by whom as, "Like being savaged by dead sheep"?





12. Which reality TV star married rapper Kanye West in 2014?
13. What author's surname connects the novels *The Warden* and *The Rector's Wife*?
14. Who of the following has not played Sherlock Holmes in a British TV series?  
 a. Jeremy Brett                      b. Tom Baker                      c. Ian McKellen
15. What eight letter name links Abba, an episode of bribery and corruption in Jerome K Jerome's *Three Men in a Boat* and a village just south of Brussels in Belgium?



16. After *Coronation Street* (first broadcast 1960) what is the longest running British TV soap opera?

17. The flower *Myosotis sylvatica* is known by which particularly memorable common name?

18. The Wilfrid Noyce Centre is named after an Old Carthusian who subsequently returned to teach at Charterhouse. For what is he better known?

19. Which English county has the highest density of tree and woodland cover?  
 a. Hampshire                      b. Surrey                      c. Wiltshire



20. This painting, *The Adoration of the Magi*, is by which painter?

*With many thanks to Dudley for kindly writing this seasonal quiz for us all to enjoy.*

*Answers can be found on page 37*

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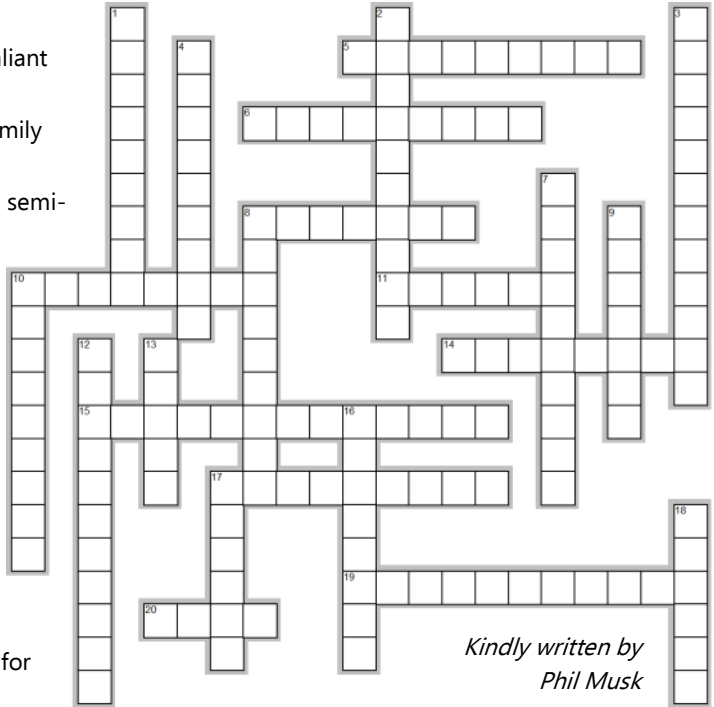
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## ACROSS

5. Deliverance from so valiant implementation (9)
6. Public holiday when family fights likely (6,3)
8. Promised deliverer has semi-detached (7)
10. Capital vegetables! (8)
11. The arrival of publicity before opening (6)
14. Crazy for biscuits 8)
15. Drastic theism disturbed holiday season (13)
17. Perhaps deter both, being engaged (9)
19. Cleverly train an icon for embodiment (11)
20. Gift from Mongol dynasty (4)

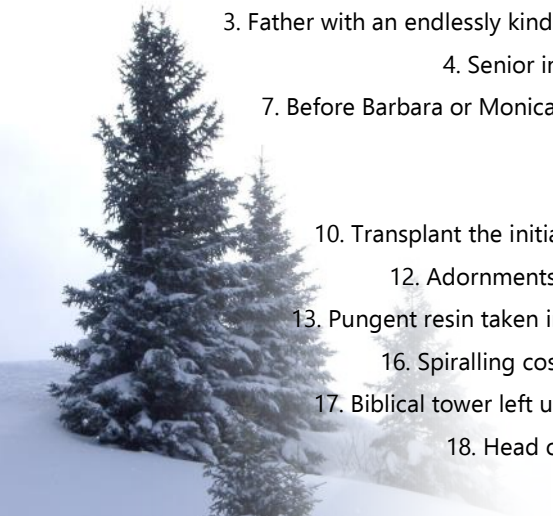


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Phil Musk*

## DOWN

1. Drovers emerge from outbuildings incorporating public house with about-turn (9)
2. Amazing gift, a manic song of praise (10)
3. Father with an endlessly kind child initially sensed heart is a special gift (12)
4. Senior intermediary mumbles regal chant endlessly (9)
7. Before Barbara or Monica, say, audibly scratches benevolent figure (5,5)
8. Exciting time: stole kiss with a piece (9)
9. A gift for now (7)
10. Transplant the initially healthy half-bent elm to stable location (9)
12. Adornments disguise code given to soldiers in a mess (11)
13. Pungent resin taken in wine for tummy or arthritis now and then (5)
16. Spiralling cost put before monarch left hanging for gifts (8)
17. Biblical tower left up as centre of truss incorporated ornament (6)
18. Head on key ring encapsulates mode of transport (6)

*Answers can be found on page 37*





## Ruby Red Spiced Sugar Plum JELLIES

These festive little jellies make perfect Christmas presents. The recipe is made on the hob and poured into a tin to set. Use black or deep red plums for a wonderfully rich colour. Makes 36.

**1** Line a square baking tin with greaseproof paper or a greaseproof liner, making sure there are no gaps.

**2** Place the plums, spices and 5 tablespoons of water in a heavy saucepan. Bring to a gentle simmer, then cook for 20-25 minutes, stirring frequently until soft and mushy. Pour the plums into a sieve over a bowl, and discard the spices. Using the back of a spoon, push the pulp through the sieve. Continue until only the stones and skin are left, which you can then discard.

**3** Pour the juice back into the saucepan and add the lemon juice, sugar, and powdered pectin. Heat gently, stirring until the sugar and pectin has dissolved, then bring to a fast boil, stirring frequently (be careful as it may spit and will be very hot) for 12-15 minutes until it thickens. It's ready when you can draw a spoon across the bottom of the pan and the jelly doesn't immediately rush to fill the gap. Pour the jelly into the lined tin, and allow to cool before placing in the fridge to set overnight.

**4** If you are dusting your jellies with sugar, cut six even strips across the tin, and six in the opposite direction, so that you have 36 small cubes. Pour a thin layer of granulated sugar into a shallow bowl and toss the jellies in the sugar so they have a thin dusting on each side. The jellies will absorb the sugar, so only dust the amount you want to use straight away. Wrap the rest in greaseproof paper and refrigerate. If you are using the jelly as an accompaniment to cheese wrap in greaseproof paper or cling film. They will keep happily in the fridge for ages, thanks to the sugar content.

### INGREDIENTS

750g ripe plums, rinsed and roughly chopped, stones left in  
1 cinnamon stick  
1 star anise  
Juice of 2 lemons  
500g sugar  
1 tsp powdered pectin  
Granulated sugar for rolling



# Beginner's Pink COCONUT ICE *with Pistachios*

Adding rose water to a soft pink layer of coconut ice and scattering over a handful of pale green, pistachios quickly elevates this simple recipe into a grown-up treat. Makes 25 squares.

**1** Line a square tin with greaseproof paper. Sprinkle the chopped pistachio nuts over the paper in the base of the tin. Mix the sieved icing sugar in a large bowl with the condensed milk, lemon juice and rose essence. Stir in the coconut and beat the mixture, which will quickly start to stiffen.

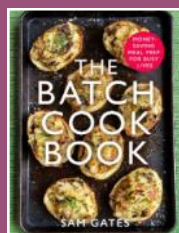
**2** As soon as the coconut is mixed in, remove half the mixture and smooth it into the tin, using the back of a spoon. If you are finding it very sticky or difficult to flatten, lay a sheet of cling film over the coconut ice, and press down with something flat and square, such as the bottom of a box or plastic container.

**3** Return to the remaining coconut ice and add a few drops of red food colouring little by little, until you get a gentle pastel pink. Tip the pink coconut ice on top of the white and smooth down as before, again using a sheet of cling film over the top if you need to. Place in the fridge for at least four hours, but preferably overnight. Cut into squares and keep in an airtight container if you are not eating immediately.




## INGREDIENTS

- 1-2 tbsp finely chopped unsalted pistachio nuts
- 400g sieved icing sugar
- 397g tin condensed milk
- 2 tsp lemon juice
- 400g desiccated coconut
- 1-3 drops red food colouring



Sam's latest book *The Batch Cookbook* is out now.

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## BUSBRIDGE EVENING WI

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### Tuesday 14th December

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Pictured right : One of 9(!) Prime Time tea parties that took place during September and early October in the Old Rectory garden. The Prime Time team issued over 100 afternoon tea invitations to its members. The aim was to reconnect with everyone in smaller groups before larger events restarted.

## Movie Matinee

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## Annual Carol Service

Covid-permitting, we are planning to be back with our annual Afternoon Carol Service on Monday 13th December at 2.30pm in Busbridge Church. We will have the usual mix of traditional carols, readings and poems and the ever-popular appearance by the choir of Busbridge Junior School!

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Everyone enjoyed the 'Autumnal Treats' **Elizabeth Silver** cooked for us at our October meeting. Elizabeth likes foraging for food and included local hedgerow blackberries in one of her desserts! Her ideas for seasonal recipes inspired us to try these at home!



For our event on **Thursday 4th November, David Rose**, will talk about '**Guildford's Lost Shops**'. David is a well-known local history writer and speaker; you may have seen his articles in the online newspaper, The Guildford Dragon NEWS! His talks are always fascinating, and he usually brings along some relevant old photos or artefacts. Whilst this talk will focus on historical lost shops, he will doubtless say something about the many High Street shop closures, following the Covid lockdowns! It should be an interesting evening, so do come and join us in the **Old Rectory at 8.00pm**. There will be a **visitor fee of £5.00** for non-members to cover refreshments, gifts or fees for speakers and charity donations. We look forward to seeing you. **All are welcome, including men!**

We're delighted that our Quizmaster duo, Alan Betts and Dudley Hilton, are happy to do a Zoom quiz for us again this year. This **Charity Quiz** run by Nexus aims to raise money for **Phyllis Tuckwell**, our **Nexus Charity for 2021**. As we did last year, we'll set up a JustGiving page online for donations. **Please put this date in your diaries: Saturday 4th December at 7.30pm**. We'll be using one of the Busbridge and Hambledon Church Zoom rooms and details of that and how to join will be on the BHC website closer to the time. Encourage your family and friends to join you in a team, or we can make up a team with others if you like. **All are welcome – the more the merrier!** Let's make it a fun evening to start our Christmas celebrations.



We haven't quite finalised our **programme for 2022**, but we're working on it!! The date of our first meeting for the New Year is **Thursday 6th January**, so please make a note of that on your calendar. The next copy of the Bridge is due to be published on Friday 7th! So, make sure you look out for further details on the BHC website ([bhcgodalming.org/groups](http://bhcgodalming.org/groups))

*Have a good festive season everyone!!*

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From **23rd November to 18th December** there will be a special exhibition by the **Meath Skills Centre** which runs sessions in arts, crafts, sewing and photography for clients of the Meath Epilepsy centre in Godalming. It is a separate venture from ArtHouse Unlimited. The talents of the artists cover a wide range of media, and they are delighted to have the opportunity to display their work at Godalming Museum.



*The Museum will then be closed from 18th December to 11th January.*

Godalming Museum has new entrance opposite the Pepperpot. Opening times are at present **Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Fridays and Saturdays, 10am to 4pm.**

There are plans to open for a further day if possible. The Local Studies library is open on Tuesdays.

Please check the website

**[www.godalmingmuseum.org.uk](http://www.godalmingmuseum.org.uk)**

for further details and updates.

Quiz Answers 1. c. >10 – including a couple not on the High Street but visible from it, there are 14! 2. White Christmas, sung by Bing Crosby 3. George Best (Belfast City Airport) or Cristiano Ronaldo (Madeira, or Funchal, Airport) 4. La Traviata by Guiseppe Verdi 5. Johannes Vermeer (his painting of the same name) 6. Christmas Island 7. b. It proved too expensive and the gas company's tender was cheaper 8. Queen Anne 9. Arizona or Nevada 10. b. 1843 – Henry Cole (first director of the V&A Museum) commissioned 1,000 cards and offered them for sale, but the venture was not commercially successful 11. Geoffrey Howe 12. Kim Kardashian 13. Trollope - Anthony and Joanna respectively 14. c. Ian McKellen (he was Holmes in an American film but not a TV series) 15. Waterloo 16. Emmerdale (first broadcast 1972) 17. Forget-me-not 18. Mountaineering – he was a member of the expedition that first climbed Everest in 1953 19. Surrey 20. Sandro Boticelli (Uffizi Gallery, Florence)

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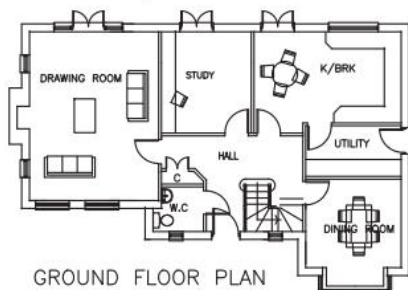
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