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# Vicar's Letter

Dear All

Writing this over the late May Bank Holiday Monday, with the prospect of the long summer holidays ahead of us, we can't help asking are you in need of a holiday? In fact, what is the purpose of a holiday? Some of us have felt as if we have been on a constant holiday during the months of restrictions we have experienced, particularly last summer when we had exceptionally good weather.

But even if you have enjoyed the simpler life that lockdowns imposed, with less unnecessary socialising, less travelling to meetings and no daily commuting, isn't a holiday more about freedom than simply leisure? Away from our usual surroundings, away from regular chores and commitments, having new experiences and meeting new people, aren't we more likely to be refreshed and recharged when we return to normal life?

Asking around the team what makes for the best sort of break, we all agreed that there are different kinds of holiday. There's the 'once in a lifetime' experience, which might involve swimming with dolphins or climbing Machu Picchu, risking heat stroke and digestive ailments. Then there's the 'learning' holiday, which could mean trailing around every chapel in Florence to study the great artists and suffering no more than aching feet and neck from staring at the high ceilings. Or maybe you'd opt for the 'physical challenge' holiday, whether it be trekking the foothills of the Himalayas or going on the Santiago de Compostela pilgrimage.

All of these options are beneficial in different ways, giving insights into different cultures, adding to our store of knowledge and taking

us beyond our normal boundaries. But are they truly holidays? Thinking more about what is really restful, most of us would choose the simplest of breaks, possibly somewhere we've visited many times. Returning to the same village in Cornwall or Norfolk, the same campsite in Devon, the same b&b in Suffolk, already knowing how to reach the best beach, where to find the best fish and chips and realising there is no need to get back in the car until it is time to go home, can be immensely relaxing. All that is required of us then is to listen to the gentle rippling of sea, observe the murmurings of starlings and wait for the sun to finally fall behind the headland.

Most of the team agreed that we favour the simple holiday but also felt that holidays are only beneficial because they contrast with the daily round, whether it be full-time work or other regular activities. As George Bernard Shaw wrote, a perpetual holiday is a good working definition of hell. We need the contrast between activity and rest for a healthy life balance and even if we are unable to escape our normal environment, we can break away from our regular routine perhaps by taking a picnic on a walk, visiting one of the many open gardens in the area or maybe with 'a day trip to the seaside'.

May you all enjoy the summer, whatever the weather, returning afresh to new challenges in September. And remember, although we all relish a break from responsibility, service is perfect freedom, as it says in the Book of Common Prayer.

*Yann and the team*

## YOUTH UPDATE

If in 2018, when I was finishing my degree, you told me my first youth work job would involve leading a group of young people through a global pandemic, I would have thought you've got a wild imagination and I simply wouldn't have believed you! But here we are, 18 months into said pandemic, hopefully coming out the other side, and I've done things I never thought I would do. Like filming very silly videos of myself for school assemblies; planning, recording and editing an entire Christingle service for everyone at home; navigating the fact that youth work can exist online, and it's not as bad as it sounds(!); and reevaluating the church's entire vision and values for our youth and children's ministry.



With a vision of relational ministry, nurturing independent faith and sharing the Good News to all, our youth and children's team have come together every other week to pray about what it will all look like in the Autumn. And the short answer is, we don't know! But I am so encouraged by the passion and enthusiasm the team has for our children and young people that I don't think we need to worry about the future. So, watch this space and soon enough I will be able to update you on all our plans for our regular youth and children's ministry.

In the meantime, as a one-off summer event, I am putting together an event called

Creation Trails – the poster can be found further on in the magazine. The idea being that God made our world and we are asked to look after it, so what can we do to help our planet? There will be posters put up around Bentley and Binsted, between the 9th and 15th August, with a QR code which will link to a video, and an activity to do. On our church website you'll find an information pack which contains more information, including a list of the stops, and a bingo sheet to take along with you!

**Gemma Ball**

*Pastoral Assistant (Youth) and  
Administrator [gemma@benbinfro.co.uk](mailto:gemma@benbinfro.co.uk)*

# Holy Cross Binsted *Reordering Update*

The Reordering Committee didn't meet in May so our only news is about the architects' meeting mentioned in the May magazine. Our church architect (Antony Feltham King), Ben MacDonald and Ron Neil met at the church, looked round inside and out, and considered all the options for siting a toilet block, bearing in mind the implications of each and how they might affect the future use of the building. It was concluded that the best route forward would be to produce some revised sketch plans and these will be shown to Winchester Diocesan Advisory Council, who will be invited to visit the church again to give their input and guidance to help us find the best solution.

There is already a reordering section on the BenBinFro website ([www.benbinfro.co.uk](http://www.benbinfro.co.uk)) and the formally approved minutes of all meetings will be uploaded to that area.

We welcome feedback from anyone and everyone on the discussions and plans as they evolve, preferably via email to the address [binstedreordering@benbinfro.co.uk](mailto:binstedreordering@benbinfro.co.uk). All feedback received will be considered and discussed at our next meeting and a response given.

Looking forward to hearing from you.

## The Reordering sub-committee

Andrew Hunter Johnston (Chair of the Reordering sub-committee)

The Rev Yann Dubreuil (Vicar)

The Rev Christopher Ogilvie Thompson (Assistant Priest)

The churchwardens - Stella Croom-Johnson and Kathy Ogilvie Thompson

Angela Dunne (PCC Secretary)

Kay Hunter Johnston (PCC member and Reordering secretary)

Piers Wilson (PCC member)

Nick Carter (PCC member)

Ron Neil

Helen MacDonald

Claire Fargeot (Co-opted)

Ben MacDonald (Co-opted)

# Church Register

## Bentley

26th April 2021 Internment of Ashes for Ruby Spice

26th May 2021 Funeral of Jo Dobson

## Froyle

29th May 2021 Wedding of Ross Sellar and Poppy Marshall

# Holy Cross Binsted Church *Help needed...*

You may be aware that we've been working hard behind the scenes during the last year of lockdown and have made good progress with the Quinquennial repair programme to ensure the church is structurally sound and weatherproof as well as restarting the Reordering project which will ensure the church is fit for purpose for years to come.

All of this costs money and although we already have a number of established fundraising activities our main income for these projects will need to be from organisations who offer grants for work on churches, such as (but not exclusively) Heritage Lottery Fund or the All Churches Trust.

To make this easy for everyone – and we hope fun – the PCC would like to bring together a small team of 2-3 people to work with the PCC to organise and co-ordinate our fundraising activities. Please pray about whether you, or someone you know, might like to be part of this. It would be lovely if we could get a mixture of people from both the church and the village involved.

The work falls into two categories which will probably appeal to different people:

1. Identify organisations offering grants, and complete their application forms. There is already a spreadsheet with a lot of information on it, so you wouldn't be starting from scratch. Some

members of the PCC already have experience of completing similar forms and would be happy to work with the new team.

2. Organise events to help raise funds for one or both of these projects, or even just towards the day-to-day running and maintenance of the church. One of the questions the grant organisations ask on the application forms is about our local fundraising and it would be good to have plenty to put in there.

There's a lot more background information but I'm trying to keep this article as short as possible. If you think you or anyone you know might be interested, or if you just want to know more then please do feel free to contact me by email ([binstedwarden@benbinfro.co.uk](mailto:binstedwarden@benbinfro.co.uk)) or telephone (07740 861256) and I will try to answer your questions.

Stella Croom-Johnson, Churchwarden, Holy Cross Church Binsted

# OUTDOOR SERVICES

**4TH JULY - BINSTED**

11am, Outside the main door on the green

**11TH JULY - FROYLE**

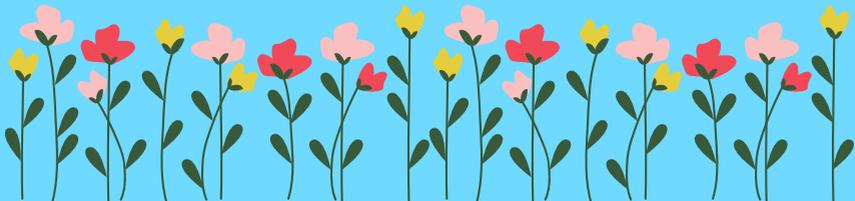
11am, Froyle Rec

**18TH JULY - BENTLEY**

11am, At the bottom of the graveyard

With live hymns and songs (singing outside only), prayers and fun. Everyone is very welcome; we would really love to see you!

Please bring your own chairs and if the weather turns we'll move inside the churches.



# CREATION TRAILS

## TRAILS

"Then God looked over all he had made, and he saw that it was very good!" - Genesis 1:31

**9TH - 15TH AUGUST 2021**

Stop off around our villages of Bentley and Binsted to learn about God's creation, the world we live in, and how we can look after it.

You'll need a smartphone to scan QR codes for videos, and bring your bingo sheets which can be found on the church website [www.benbinfro.co.uk](http://www.benbinfro.co.uk) in the Creation Trail pack.





Sadly, due to the Government changes to the Binsted fete and other factors involved, we are no longer going ahead with Messy Church as planned in July. We are taking our usual break in August too but we hope and pray that we can return to in-person Messy Church in September.

Watch this space!

Have a great summer,  
*The Messy Church Team.*

# LIVE@5

**Sunday 25th July & Sunday 22nd August  
at 5pm on YouTube**

Join us on Zoom at 4:30pm for tea and cake

Meeting ID: 830 1145 2668

Passcode: 739842



Subscribe to our Youtube channel: BenBinFro Churches



# School News - Binsted CE Primary

At Binsted we believe in the Christian values of Faith, Hope & Love.

Oak Class have been learning about our seven continents and five oceans. In our art sessions we have been travelling to warmer climates...Africa. The children have been enjoying exploring and creating the different artwork



We made Maasai headbands



We created our own African sunsets using paint and black card. Which animals can you see? *Benedict and Oscar*





# School News - Binsted CE Primary

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We explored different patterns



We designed and made our own African masks



Masks - Marley, Alba, Bradley

## Wellbeing Award 2021

We have been delighted to be awarded the national 'Wellbeing Award' after two years of work led by super PSHE Lead, Mrs Charlie Vogel. A team of parents, staff and governors reviewed what was working well and areas for development. They surveyed pupils, staff and parents at both ends of the process and of course will continue working on this important aspect of school life.

Our assessor for the award spent a day reviewing the evidence and then spent a busy three hours speaking to staff to follow up. Mrs Vogel said, "It was an intense experience, but so rewarding to reflect on what we offer as a school. We have always taken pupil and staff wellbeing seriously and this award reflects that commitment and how our children at Bentley flourish".



The many changes and impact of Covid was a key area discussed. We have a bespoke section on our website with helpful contacts and signposts to professional services. Increasingly, we support parents with advice and resources. We know that many mental health services for adults and children are overwhelmed so ensure that 'Every interaction is an intervention' in school, but also we have a carefully planned curriculum programme offering personal, social and emotional development for all of our pupils.

One example of this has been our child led PTFA events, which have been once a month this school year. The School Council chose these very carefully, from the silly (Break the Rules day!) to the comforting (Favourite clothes day and World book Day), every special day has helped our children to feel a little more 'normal' and to have a lot of fun too.



The pupils have also been keen to continue to make a difference whole school have also voted and chosen our charity fundraisers and they always make thoughtful choices. This year the school has supported our partner school in The Gambia through the Kaira Konko charity. The children raised money and worked on Eco projects to support the World Wildlife Fund plus they supported the Alton Food Bank. At Bentley we certainly think helping others makes you feel great and the enthusiasm and positivity of our pupils is evidence of this!

Staff care and thoughtful planning was highlighted in the Wellbeing Award feedback. The assessor notes "The staff team is a real strength of the school" and that the Personal, Social, Health Education curriculum is a "particular strong point of eth school with the focus on resilience and life skills to meet the pupils' needs. The emphasis on children's emotional literacy has reaped considerable rewards for pupils and staff alike".



# CURTIS MUSEUM & ALLEN GALLERY, ALTON

(01420 82802)

## OPENING TIMES

Friday, Saturday and Sunday Curtis 10am – 4pm. Allen 10.30 – 3.30pm

Please see our websites to book your visit

[www.hampshireculture.org.uk/curtis-museum](http://www.hampshireculture.org.uk/curtis-museum)    [www.hampshireculture.org.uk/allen-gallery](http://www.hampshireculture.org.uk/allen-gallery)

and observe the Government's current health and safety advice while visiting.

## SUMMER IN THE ALLEN GALLERY



**Alton Art Society** is mounting an exhibition in the main Exhibition Space from Friday 2nd July to Sunday 31st July.

In the Café, from Friday 2nd July to Sunday 22nd August, there is an exhibition of work by artist **Clifford Dsouza**.

Both are FREE

The main summer event will be Dinosaurium from 7th August to 19th September. This exhibition looks at the long history of our relationship with dinosaurs, from the remains found in the Gobi Desert that gave birth to a mythical winged beast, to the creatures brought to life in "Jurassic Park". Visitors will be able to **learn** about other animals

that were around at the time of the dinosaurs and are still with us today; **find out** about the passion and dedication of fossil hunters; **have a go** at lots of hands-on family friendly activities.

There will be two bookable children's workshops – one on Saturday 17th July which will be garden and plant themed, and another on Saturday 31st July which will be dinosaur themed, including **How to make your own dinosaur puppet**. There will be a charge for each of these events.

We hope that the very popular **Music in the Gallery Garden** will return on Saturday 14th August. Keep an eye on our website and the local Press.



# News from Binsted Parish Council

## **Farewell to Sue; and welcome to Lisa**

After twelve years as Parish Clerk, Sue Hodder passed the reins as Binsted Parish Clerk to Lisa Spindler in May.

We were sad to say 'farewell' to Sue, who's done a sterling job in representing the parish for so many years. As well as doing 'visible' tasks, such as managing the recreation ground, Sue has also been very successful behind-the-scenes, for example by obtaining grant funding for partnership projects. And she has provided dedicated and invaluable support to the councillors, through many transitions and changes. The whole council team wishes Sue a long, happy and well-earned retirement.

We're delighted that Lisa Spindler, our new Parish Clerk, is now getting into her stride as Sue's successor. Lisa will normally work Monday to Thursday, from 09:00 until 15:00, based mainly in the Binsted Pavilion - so do call in if you're passing.

## **A return to physical parish council meetings**

From June, the parish council has also now returned to physical meetings, after the legislation that gave councils permission to hold meetings online expired and councils were instructed by government to return to, and vote in, physical meetings. The Binsted Pavilion is large enough to accommodate councillors, and the parish council meetings are also being webcast online, so that members of the public can follow proceedings remotely.

## **Come and say 'hello' to the council team at the Binsted Fete**

The Parish Council is very much looking forward to having a stall at this year's Binsted Fete on 3 July. It'll be great to be able to meet up in person this year - 2020's Virtual Fete was a tour de force, but there's no substitute to actually seeing people. We hope it doesn't rain!

Do pop in to say 'hello'. Various new councillors have joined the parish council team in recent months. There's a brief introduction to everyone on the parish council website, at [Parish Councillors - Binsted Parish Council](#).

# Binsted Eco Network – summertime plans

**It's now fifteen months since Binsted Eco Network was first launched.** Almost all of this time has, of course, been lived under lockdown conditions! Throughout, we've been continuing to publish a fortnightly newsletter. Big thanks for everyone's encouragement and positivity, which has really helped keep the show on the road.

Now, as lockdown starts to ease, it's exciting to be able to re-connect and to gradually resume sociable activities.



**Our 'First Friday' of the month coffee rendezvous.** Some of us have started to meet up for a coffee or similar on the First Friday of the month, between 10:00 and 12:00, in the Tipi at the West End Flower Farm, Upper Froyle, Alton, Hampshire GU34 4JG. We're planning to continue this throughout the summer, and you're very welcome to join us. There are no formalities - just turn up! It's a friendly affair, with no fixed agenda, other than being a great excuse for an old-fashioned natter. For anyone who doesn't already know the West End Flower Farm, directions are as follows: From the Hen and Chickens and BP garage junction, drive 200m southwest, along a small road that runs parallel to the A31, then turn right into a driveway of pollarded willows, to the Flower Farm carpark. Once parked, go to the flower shop (where the takeaway coffees are currently being sold), then walk through to our rendezvous point in the Tipi.



**Binsted Eco Network will be at the Binsted Fete on 3 July.** We'll be launching 'Plastic Free Binsted', an initiative to tackle single-use plastic in the parish. There'll also be information about local projects and kindred local groups who're involved in protecting our beautiful area in various ways. Do come along, to find out more.

**Why not join the distribution list for our fortnightly newsletter?** All you need to do is to email [binstedeconetwork@gmail.com](mailto:binstedeconetwork@gmail.com). The newsletter's full of information about local environmental events and activities, and it's completely free. The network is completely uncommercial, and you can unsubscribe at any time, should you want.

**You don't have to join. Just join in.** Binsted Eco Network was formed to make it easier for people in Binsted and its surrounding area to take personal action to support the environment. Our philosophy is that we don't need a handful of people doing sustainable living perfectly. Instead, we need millions of us doing it imperfectly. Let's normalise sustainable living and make it something that everyone wants to do!

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# Bentley Fete & Flower Show

## Saturday 17th July.

As a result of the recent announcement of the extension of Covid restrictions by the Government the Bentley Fete committee has decided, and very much regrets, that it will not be able to hold the Fete this year.





# ENVIRONMENTAL PERMIT APPLICATION FROM VEOLIA

Following Veolia's recent application for an environmental permit for their proposed massive commercial incinerator near Alton, we are aware that a number of supporters have asked how they can help respond to this.

We want to reassure you that the No Wey Incinerator team are fully aware of the permit application, which runs parallel to the main planning application for an incinerator in the rural Wey Valley. We can confirm that this kind of permit application is standard practice. The application documents are available on the Environment Agency's website [here](https://consult.environment-agency.gov.uk/psc/gu34-4jd-veolia-es-hampshire-ltd-epr-vp3290er-v004/).

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We are liaising with the relevant bodies and will submit a technical objection after reviewing the application material with our consultants. If there are aspects which would benefit from public objection, then we will offer advice to supporters, through this mailing list, our website [www.noweyincinerator.com](http://www.noweyincinerator.com), [Facebook](#) and [Twitter](#) feeds. We will let you know as soon as we have more information!

**Thank you for supporting our campaign**



## BENTLEY MEMORIAL HALL 100+ CLUB

The winners for the July draw of the Bentley Memorial 100+ Club are below

Contact Steve Fice, Chairman Bentley Memorial Hall 01420 22197  
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| 1st Prize | Patric Curwen           |
| 2nd Prize | Bill & Chris Whitfield  |
| 3rd Prize | Ian & Melissa Salisbury |

## Congratulations to the Winners

# WAYMARKS...

## Alton Walking Festival

The Alton Walking Festival offered a wide range of walks throughout May and was a great success, despite the often indifferent weather, which occasionally made May seem more like February! Full marks to Alton Town Council for organising such an ambitious event in what were, at the time of initial planning, very uncertain times indeed.

Nearly 20 walk leaders offered 50 walks of varying lengths, from short tree walks and town walks to a wide range of interesting country circuits of between 5 and 10 miles in length. The longest walks were a Winchester to Alton walk (always a popular challenge at 20 miles) and two long walks to open and close the Festival, a 20 mile linear walk to Overton on May 1st and a final 26 mile walk to Whitchurch on May 31st. Both towns are, like Alton, Walkers are Welcome accredited towns and both groups of walkers received a very warm welcome on arrival and the comfort of a coach back to Alton, courtesy of Alton Town Council.

Within Binsted parish, four popular circular walks were again offered during the festival, as in previous years, and these were very well supported.

Alton's walking festival is one of the largest and longest in the country and, despite the lack of promotion apart from online this year, support for the walks on offer was enthusiastic. Hopefully the 2022 event will be even more ambitious!

## Improvements to steps on the hanger on path 9

Three members of the Rights of Way Group spent the morning working on the steps on the hanger near Forty Acres on May 26th. About halfway along path 9 (which runs from near West Court to Wyck) the route climbs the hanger near Forty Acres. For several years this spot has presented a challenge to walkers, particularly when wet weather has made the climb slippery. Old steps had, in some places, become partly covered in vegetation and users had bypassed them in places, adding to the slipping hazard.

The steps are now a combination of old risers, now cleared of spoil and vegetation, and new risers to further ease the slope. We hope that the improved steps will serve footpath users for many years to come!

# How are we doing with our trees?

The Woodland Trust has published a 245-page report on the state of Britain's woods and trees in 2021. In the words of the Trust's President,

"There is some good news to report. There are more woods and trees in the UK today than at any time in the last 100 years. But we remain one of the least wooded countries in Europe. And we keep losing ancient woodland – ecologically our most valuable resource. The past century has seen dramatic changes in the type, age, location and value of woods and trees. This has been in response to a host of factors which bring both risk and opportunity. Over the years our growing and largely urban population has developed ever changing needs from our land. Huge technological developments, an explosion in global trade, new transport links and climate change have all had their impact."

In summary, the report recommends that there are four priorities for us all:

## **Expand woodland and tree cover**

We need to accelerate woodland creation and increase the proportion that comprises native tree and shrub species to help counter climate change, adapt to its unavoidable impacts and give nature a fighting chance of recovery.

We must extend existing native woods and connect patches of semi-natural habitat and target creation to reduce flood risk and improve water quality, as well as to create beautiful landscapes and opportunities for access to nature.

When planting trees, saplings should be sourced and grown in the UK and Ireland.

More native woods and trees must be built into new development and infrastructure.

## **Enhance existing woods and trees**

All damaged ancient woodlands should be restored by removing non-native trees and invasive species like rhododendron, manage grazing and browsing to enable growth of saplings, and reduce damaging ammonia emissions from intensive farming systems.

Prevent new threats becoming a problem, and thus avoid larger long-term 'clean-up' costs. We urgently need to introduce tougher border controls and reduce demand for imports of live plants which could harbour disease. We must also enhance protections through the planning system for ancient woodland and ancient and veteran trees, including improved direction and guidance for planners and developers

Improve woodland resilience by increasing connectivity across landscapes (more hedges, trees outside woods and expanding woods) and the diversity of tree ages and species composition within woods.

Boost benefits to people. Make existing woods more accessible, e.g. with new footpaths, close to where people live, to promote health and wellbeing and a long-term connection with nature.

Promote learning and understanding of woods and trees at all levels. The current curriculum pays scant regard to the importance of trees to our future wellbeing.

**Improve the evidence**

We need more information about our ancient woodland, wood pasture, ancient and veteran trees and trees outside woods to more accurately identify gains and losses, and to help target action.

There data gaps, such as levels of soil carbon in ancient woodland, the impact of landscape-scale flood risk reduction, or mapping invasive species, to direct much-needed investment at significant scale.

We can all help by undertaking regular woodland and tree monitoring to identify

threats early, improve woodland quality, as well as enhance the long-term survival of trees outside woods.

**Invest in the future**

With so many public benefits to be achieved, public money should be seen as a vital investment in the future. Local authorities, regulators, and those creating and managing woods and trees for public benefits, must all have sufficient resources if we are to see a step-change in action.

It might seem OK to be able to say we have 10% more trees than we did in 1998. But our need for trees is very much greater than it ever was, and, given how long it takes for a tree to grow big enough to help us, the need for action is urgent.



**THE WICKHAM INSTITUTE  
(Binsted Village Hall)**

**WICKHAM INSTITUTE – UPDATE**

Have a look at the photos below that show-off works that we have just had completed.

New flooring – wood effect vinyl flooring, easy to keep clean and looks amazing

Acoustic panels – the “Wickham echo” has been drastically reduced



# BENTLEY SMALLHOLDINGS AND SHOPS OF LONG AGO *(Part 4)*

The next in our series of articles written by Walter Sherfield, who lived at Jenkyn Place Cottage that appeared in the Bentley Parish Magazine between 1981 and 1982 recalls The Star Inn and The Quinta.

“On to the Star Inn. This public house and the Bull Inn along the Farnham end of the village are the only two now going strong. Years before my time there was another pub at Glade, somewhere near the cross-roads, called the Bee Hive. This pub, so the old hands said, was used for the cattle and sheep drovers as the last rest before the slaughter house which was at ‘Doras Green’ on the road to Ewshot.

Well back to the Star Inn, the first Landlord that I can remember was Jim Payne, he was there for many years and on retirement he lived in the cottage next door. Many others came and went including Dick Elliott who also had the butchers shop for a time and was also a keen cricketer and played for Bentley. Then on to our present landlords Dave and Ina who are making a success of the Star Inn. A few yards on was the villages butchers, The Limes. Two lime trees stood, one each side of the path into the shop. Mr Ted Hall was the manager and lived in the house adjoining. Mr William Smith ‘Billy’ to all people, was the ‘shop man’; several local boys became delivery boys through the years. The shop changed owners several times before it finally closed, it is now the Antique Shop.

The next house along known now as The Quinta, was in my early days the village Doctor’s house, The Elms. One elm tree

stood in the pathway outside the front gate for many years, leaving little room for passers-by, but was finally cut down and the pathway widened. Dr Hancock was the Doctor and for those who knew this house, the surgery was the small room attached to the side of the house near the stables. This was not the original house, as that stood much closer to the road but was destroyed by fire, ‘not as I remember it, but told by my parents’. A little incident that happened years ago – the gardener was a small man, Mr Faithfull by name. Dr Hancock was on the front drive one day when a seedsman traveller called to see Mr Faithfull, ‘well’ said Dr Hancock ‘here comes the roller, I expect Faithfull is behind it’. That roller incidentally is the same one now on the Recreation Ground and was given to the Cricket Club by a Major Smith who lived at The Quinta and played for Bentley, and I think that I am right in saying he named the house The Quinta”.

# BOOK REVIEWS

## Author of the month: John Goldingay

**John Goldingay is a former Principal of St. John's Theological College in Nottingham, and Professor of Old Testament in Fuller Theological Seminary in California. Described by others as a world-class scholar, Goldingay has described himself as a pastor first and a professor second.**

**His many books include the popular Old Testament for Everyone series. Each volume has his own translation and study notes of individual Old Testament books.**

**Books of the month (at the time of writing, copies are available from [www.bookfinder.com](http://www.bookfinder.com) at the prices shown, including postage and packing).**

**Book 1: "The Bible for Everyone", by John Goldingay (Old Testament) and Tom Wright (New Testament), SPCK, 2018, hardback, 1269 pages, very good copies from £13.00.**

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**Book 2: "Reading Jesus's Bible: How the New Testament Helps Us Understand the Old Testament", Eerdmans, 2017, paperback, 262 pages, new copies from £12.49.**

For Jesus and his contemporaries, the Old Testament ("the Scriptures") was the fundamental basis of how people understood their relationship with God. Goldingay uncovers five major ways in which the New Testament uses the Old Testament.

He gives us an overview of how Jesus and the first Christian writers read the Old Testament, and provides a straightforward introduction to the Old Testament in its own right. He also sheds fresh light on Jesus, God and the church for readers today.

# BENTLEY GARDEN CLUB



Covid-19 lockdown restrictions are still in place. The Government's "Road Map" issued in early February indicated that restrictions are not likely to be removed enough for us to restart our monthly get togethers before 21st June at the earliest. Hopefully, we will be able to meet again by the Autumn. As soon as this is possible, and speakers are booked, we will let you know.

After a frosty and dry April, May has made up for it with rain! Although some cold nights, at least the days were longer and somewhat warmer. A lot of plants in the garden are late flowering/coming into leaf and I notice some wisterias have failed to flower at all! The grass is growing though! Let's hope now June is here that summer has arrived. (warm sunshine to end May and start June).

Our British weather!!

Do keep an eye open for details of the village Flower Shows in July, details of which are in the Parish Magazine and on Facebook.

Stay safe and have a good summer.

From all the Committee.

## MAY WEATHER STATISTICS

### Temperature

Daytime maximum	25.8°C (30 <sup>th</sup> ) to 11.7°C (21 <sup>st</sup> ) 13 days below 15°C & 5 days above 20°C
Nighttime minimum	- 2.9°C (1 <sup>st</sup> ) to 4.2°C (1 <sup>st</sup> ) 19 nights below 5°C of which 6 were below 0°C

### Rainfall

Total for month	3.54 inches (90.0 mm) over 24 days
Wettest days	0.66 inches (16.8 mm) (16 <sup>th</sup> )

### Wind

Dominant wind direction	South West
Maximum gust	30 mph (3rd)

*Parish Weatherman*



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### *The Wickham Institute 100+ Club*

As promised, listed below are the lucky winners of the June 2021 draws:

#### June 2021

1<sup>st</sup> prize Stella Croom-Johnson

2<sup>nd</sup> prize Grace MacNeill

3<sup>rd</sup> prize Kathy Ogilvie Thompson

Details of the July & August 2021 draws will appear in the September magazine.

**REMINDER TO TICKET HOLDERS:** Many ticket holders will have needed to renew their subscriptions in June and should have received details by email or in the post, unless they pay their subscriptions by standing order. Thank you to those that have renewed their subscriptions. If you still wish to participate and have not yet returned the renewal form, please do so as soon as possible so that you can be entered into the next draw.

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# Binsted parish councillor steps down after 56 years of service

On 21 May, John Retallack stepped down from Binsted Parish Council after an incredible 56 years of service.



## A commemorative bench at the Recreation Ground

To commemorate this exceptional feat, Councillor Alison Melvin presented John with a bench, and thanked him for all the help and knowledgeable support he had given to the parish council over the years. The bench is being

sited at Binsted Recreation Ground. In his younger days, John was a talented footballer and cricketer, and played for both Alton and Binsted. In accepting the bench, Mr Retallack commented that he had thoroughly enjoyed my time on the parish council, and will very much enjoy having a reason to continue to spend time at the Binsted Recreation Ground, watching the Binsted cricket team in action.

## A family tradition

John, a lifelong resident of Binsted, is in fact the third generation of councillors from his family. His father, George Retallack, was also both a councillor and a talented cricketer, playing in the Binsted team that played in the l'Anson Cup matches. His grandfather, Alfred Retallack, combined being a parish councillor with being the Manager of Binsted School and a Committee Member of the Binsted Horticultural Society.

## Farming links

At the presentation, East Hampshire District Councillor David Ashcroft also gave a vote of thanks to John. As well as noting that representing your community for over 50 years is a remarkable record of service, Councillor Ashcroft also pointed out that John's retirement marked the end of an era: now will be the first time in memory that there is no farmer on Binsted Parish Council. Councillor Ashcroft, himself a farmer, said that John's farming knowledge has been much appreciated by the parish council over the years. *"Although John is unassuming, he is a great farming character, who has had the uncanny knack of always having a finger on the pulse. He has been a stalwart of the 'Grow More' club for over fifty years, and its Secretary for forty years. John has grown all types of hops (and sampled a few as well!) and has a strong love of horse racing."*

We all wish John the very best in his retirement.



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## Mr Callaway's Birthday

Hi Everyone, I hope you are all well and enjoying the sunshine. Christopher Smallwood and I need your help and the power of networking to help us celebrate Phil Callaway's 70th Birthday. Mr Callaway turns 70 in September and we thought that he would love to receive some Happy Birthday messages from past pupils, parents and staff. We know that he would love to hear from as many people as we can find, to hear about where you are in the world, what you are doing and any memories you have of your time at Bentley Primary School. Christopher Smallwood and I would also love to hear from you all too! Please share this message with whoever you know that has at one time been part of the Bentley Primary School family. We would love you to send a short video message to us via the email: [mrcallawayis70@gmail.com](mailto:mrcallawayis70@gmail.com) There is plenty of time - the videos deadline is the middle of August! Please do help us to reach as many Bentley Alumni as possible.

*Many Thanks Liz Dodge (Evans) and Chris Smallwood*



## **BINSTED TENNIS & CROQUET CLUB 2021** *Latest Information and 2021 Membership*

The Club will welcome new members for the membership year (which commenced 1st June and will run until 30th April 2022). Membership fees remain unchanged ( Annual Tennis family membership has been kept the same as in recent years at only £50). The court was refurbished in 2018 and remains in great condition.

You can find out more and download a membership application form from the website on <http://e-voice.org.uk/btcc/>

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*Chairman, Binsted Tennis and Croquet Club.*



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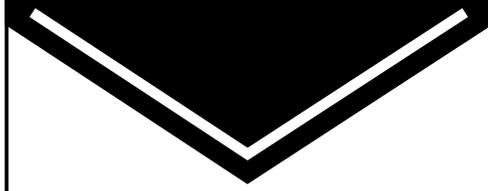
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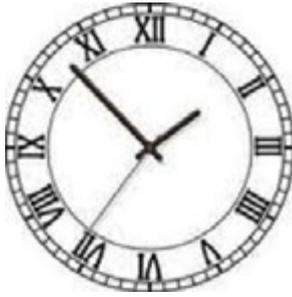
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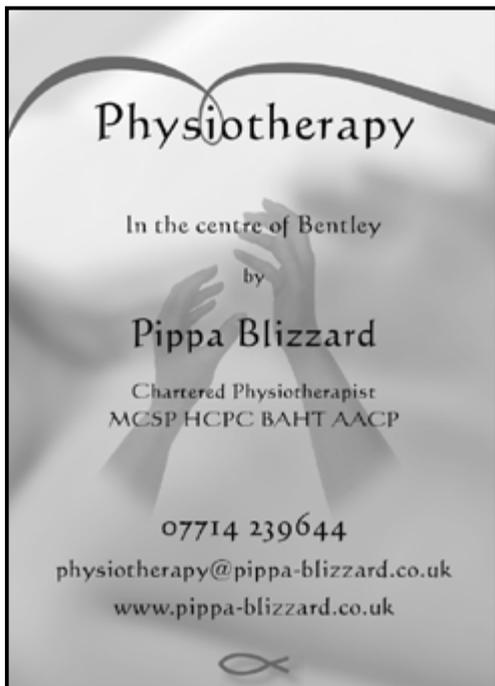


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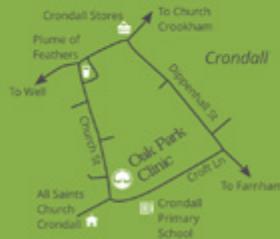
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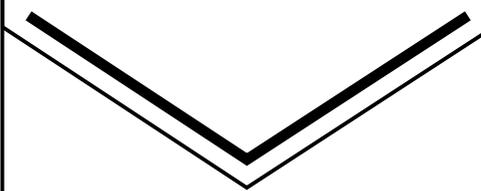
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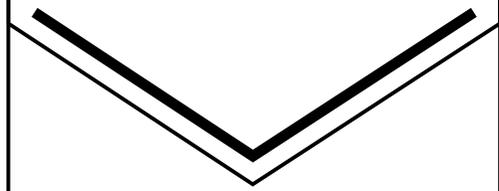
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5pm Live@5 Online  
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6:30pm Froyle Evensong

1st Aug

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8th Aug

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