

# Burpham & Wepham News



*The Monthly Newsletter of the village of Burpham & Wepham*

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*From the Vicarage (almost there!), July 2017*

*Dear Friends,*

I write with great pleasure and excitement as I prepare to move to Burpham vicarage in mid-July, together with my husband Ronald and (for a short period of time), one of our daughters with her husband and three young children. The vicarage will be full! I am very much looking forward to becoming parish priest for Burpham and Poling. Some of you may already know that we are returning to a part of the world which is very familiar to us. We lived for over 20 years in the village of Walberton, and worshipped at St Nicholas, Arundel where I did a stint as churchwarden some years ago. We moved to the Cotswolds in 2007 because of my then work as a civil servant at the Home Office.

It seems that God had other ideas for me as, soon after moving to Worcestershire, I recognised a call to priestly ministry and, in 2011, resigned my job at the Home Office to train for ordination. After 3 years study at the West of England Ministerial Training College and Ripon College, Cuddesdon, Oxford I was ordained in 2014 and have now served my title post in 6 rural parishes on the edge of the Cotswolds. The vacancy at Burpham and Poling came at a perfect time for us, and we are very much looking forward to becoming part of your communities.

At the end of May we made an 'incognito' visit to Burpham fete – surely a taste of things to come! On 25<sup>th</sup> July I will be licensed as priest in charge in St Mary the Virgin Church, Burpham, and on 6<sup>th</sup> August at St Nicholas, Poling. It sounds like a continuous round of partying! We are looking

forward to joining in with the many parish and community activities we have heard about from your churchwardens, Mike, William, Peter and Billy! As we prepare to move I pray that my ministry among you will be blessed and that God's mission in Burpham and Poling will grow and flourish as we work together to spread the Good News of the Gospel and encourage all to know, love and follow Jesus in and around our villages and beyond.

With love and blessings.

*Celia*

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Dear Friends

**New Vicar.** We are looking forward very much to welcoming Celia Woodruff and her husband Ronald to taking up her duty as Priest in Charge of our church this month. Her licensing service will take place on Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> July at 7.30pm. and will be conducted by the Bishop of Chichester. The service will be followed by light refreshments and drinks and we hope that you will be able to join us on this special occasion.

**Harvest Festival.** The Festival Service will be at 6.00pm on Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> September and will be followed with a Harvest Supper in the Village Hall. There will be more details in the August Newsletter.

**Angmering Park Estate Farm Tour 26<sup>th</sup> June.** The tour was a great success and much enjoyed by all. The weather was perfect and a really interesting farm tour was conducted by Dominic Gardener the Farm's Manager, followed by a delicious BBQ and drinks. The event raised about £500 towards our



Tower Repair fund and we thank all those who attended for their support. We thank Dominic Gardener for hosting the evening and his wife Penny for providing and preparing the BBQ. Our thanks also to all



those who provided and served the salads and sausages all of which helped so much to make a most enjoyable evening,

Yours sincerely,



Mike Mills  
Churchwardens

&

William Tyler,

**Village Companions.** We have a very busy and active programme of Theatre Visits and other social events which are all open to everyone in the village. Our recent visit to the Priory Playhouse to see three Alan Bennett plays was a great success, and we look forward to another day out at the Hampton Court flower show. Our annual Pitch & Putt championships are planned for September!

**Village BBQ, Friday, 30<sup>th</sup> June, 7.00 for 7.30pm on the Village Green.** Bring your own food and tippie, come along with your friends and family for a great social evening on the recreation ground outside the Village Hall. **Heather Birch 882839.**

**Burpham and Wepham Village Committee and Parish Meeting AGM.** This will take place on **Saturday 1 July at 10.30am** in the Village Hall. All are welcome to attend.

**Hampton Court Visit Friday 7<sup>th</sup> July.** For details please contact **Heather 882839**

**Fiddler on the Roof Monday 17<sup>th</sup> July.** Chichester Festival Theatre @ the knockdown price of £28. Options available are pre-show supper and pre-ordered interval drinks, more details later. **Toria 884846**

## FUTURE VILLAGE EVENTS

**Full(ish) Moon Picnic at the Clump Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> August at 6.45pm** – Bring your own food & tippie, games for children etc. Please make a diary note, more detail by e mail when sorted out.



**Village Companions Meeting at Lavender Cottage. Monday 14<sup>th</sup> August at 7.30pm** – Sandra & Glen have very kindly offered to host the next meeting – details to follow, but do ensure that you let **Sandra know if you're going to attend on 916581**

**Village Summer Party Friday 18th August at 7.00pm, (NB Change of Date!)** at The Stables, Burpham, in aid of the Church Tower Restoration Fund. Everyone welcome for a fun evening with delicious food and wine flowing. Tickets £15 from Roger 07768 864756, Steff 884909 or Karen 884082. See separate flyer for more info. **Karen & Patrick**

**Pitch & Putt followed by Supper. Monday 4<sup>th</sup> September at 5.00pm** – Meet at the Pitch & Putt. Details to follow in August Newsletter. **Debbie 882072.**

### **Forthcoming Events**

Sat 1 Jul	10.00am	<b>Colts Cricket Practice</b>	Rec Ground
	10.30am	<b>Village Committee AGM</b>	Village Hall
	12.00	<b>Sussex Ladies U17 v Kent, Home</b>	Rec Ground
Sun 2 Jul	10.30am	<b>Family Service, Coffee &amp; Produce</b>	St Mary's
	2.00pm	<b>Cricket v Amberley, Away</b>	Amberley
Mon 3 Jul	6.30pm	<b>Stoolball v Pulborough, Home</b>	Rec Ground
Fri 7 Jul	TBC	<b>Hampton Court Visit all day</b>	London
Sun 9 Jul	10.30am	<b>Family Service</b>	St Mary's
		<b>Cricket v Littlehampton, Away</b>	Littlehampton
Sun 16 Jul	10.30am	<b>Family Service</b>	St Mary's
	2.00pm	<b>Cricket v Rustington, Home</b>	Rec Ground
Mon 17 Jul	5.30pm	<b>Fiddler on the Roof - CFT</b>	Chichester
Sun 23 Jul	10.30am	<b>Family Service</b>	St Mary's
		<b>Cricket v Rustington, Home</b>	Rec Ground
Mon 24 Jul	6.30pm	<b>Stoolball v Barns Green, home</b>	Rec Ground
Tue 25 Jul	7.30pm	<b>Licensing Service, Celia Woodruff</b>	St Mary's
Wed 26 Jul	6.30pm	<b>Stoolball v Aldingbourne, home</b>	Rec Ground
Sun 30 Jul	10.30am	<b>Family Service</b>	St Mary's
		<b>Cricket v Madehurst, Home</b>	Rec Ground
Mon 31 Jul	6.30pm	<b>Stoolball v Amberley, home</b>	Rec Ground

Please send your articles for the August Newsletter to Bob Baynes at Court Leet Cottage, or preferably by e mail to [baynes755@btinternet.com](mailto:baynes755@btinternet.com) by the last week of July 2017. All your articles of interest to the Village are welcome.  
With very many thanks, Bob Baynes