



THOMAS WILLIAM MANSBRIDGE 1937 TO 2019



Thomas Mansbridge was born in Cliddesden in 1937 to parents Bill and Lilian, and it could be said that he was born with a spanner in his hand. There really was no doubt the Tom would follow in his father's and grandfather's garage business.

Grandfather Tom Mansbridge started his cycle repair business at Lulcott, next to the present garage: building bicycles soon followed, progressing to motorcycle repairs, then cars as ownership increased.

Educated at Cliddesden School until 15, young Tom joined Webbers Garage in Basingstoke as an apprentice until national service in 1957, mainly posted to

Aldershot which enabled him to visit his parents at weekends and replenish his supplies! As he didn't go too much on army catering Lilian packed him off with a tin of homemade goodies for the week.

After de-mob Tom not only worked at the garage but also was mechanic to Denny Pearson, a local successful stock car driver racing regularly at Aldershot stadium. Busloads of supporters from Cliddesden and area attended to cheer on the local team to their numerous successes throughout the 1960s.

'Tom was known to be very shy, surprised everyone when he courted Rosemary.' They had met

when Rosemary, when driving her car with her uncle Arthur, broke down near the village. She didn't know what to do but he said 'We'll go to Tom - he'll sort us out.' Tom took a while to pluck up courage to speak to her - as she then started bringing her car for servicing.

They married in 1970 and then Dawn was born, making the start of a very happy and confident period for the three of them.

Tom followed his in his parents' footsteps into village activities - on the parish council, and treasurer for the village hall (when it was next door to the garage). Tom served on these committees with Richard; the Mansbridge family were so involved with our hall, if there was ever to be a name change from the Millennium Hall, it could be said that the Mansbridge Hall would be appropriate!

Tom had his first fight with cancer in the 1970s; he beat it then and had over another 40 years for his family and friends to continue to enjoy his company! Tom and Rosemary took huge pleasure from Dawn's three sons William, Thomas and Harry, with Tom taking his turn to help with school runs.

Tom had a gift of mechanical know-how, repairing cars and

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TOM MANSBRIDGE

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vans, and developed a passion for restoring old vehicles, the first being a Model A Ford flatback. Sometimes they had to make a replacement part from scratch, cutting and moulding metal to replace missing or rusted items.

The model 'T' Ford followed, along with a number of others – a fire engine, vans and a number of other vehicles that reside in the museum that has grown up in the garage workshops – a treasure of mechanical wonders and restored vehicles, some of which have been seen on period programmes, but more especially at events around the country.

The vehicles in the garage are a testament to his skills, drive, patience and perseverance, and he was able to take them all over the place to shows. He was always ready and able to find a solution to any mechanical problem. He was a member of the Thorneycroft Society, organising the Basingstoke Transport Festival held in the park annually. Some of the photos show he could tackle a huge tank transporters as well as smaller vehicles.

His garage was his life, surrounded by his family and so many good friends. He was a good son to his parents, and specially his mother on the loss of his father, a great and wonderful husband, father, and grandfather.

An only son, he had a good but warped sense of humour!

He was an astute and good businessman, never stopped learning, and when his grandsons came along he learned about modern technology with them to help him. His love of his home

and community led him to support so many different enterprises, events, and village events, bringing his machinery out on display. He was a traditionalist and liked things to be done properly. He was a good friend to so many, he was a man of integrity, honesty, transparency, straightforwardness and humility. He was a great encourager, and helped many others in their aspirations, ambitions, hopes and plans.



He was not one for travelling much – even a day out or a couple of days away was enough as he wanted to return home. His delight in his grandsons was such that he invested in them and their lives, giving them a great example to follow, whilst being interested in all they were doing. Family life was very important to him, especially his beloved wife Rosemary. He was a wonderful husband, father, grandfather, looking after them all – he had

'presence' – that provided a security for them all. Rosemary, on looking through the photo album in the last week or so, remarked:

'It's been a wonderful life. They did so many nice things together, although it usually centred on all things mechanical.' One of the sayings in the workshop is: *'I may be left handed but I am always right.'*

Tom's ill health from time to time, was never a source of grumbling – he never complained, was very strong, and carried on his restoration work almost to the end – he completed the tanker, a task that took four years, but his last project remains to be completed, a London Taxi, still in pieces.

During the last few months his health deteriorated and his passing last week, surrounded by the family, into the fuller presence of Jesus Christ, ended a life well lived, well conducted, and full of grace and love.

'He has achieved success who has lived well, Laughed often and loved much, Who has gained the respect of intelligent men, And the love of little children; Who has filled his niche and accomplished his task, Who has left the world better than he found it.'

Richard Hooper, long standing close friend, with additions by Rev Stephen Mourant from family information



The family kindly asked for donations in Tom's memory to go to St Leonard's Church, and a total of £568 has been donated towards the Fabric Fund, which pays towards keeping the building in good shape. On behalf of the DCC, may I offer our grateful thanks to the family for suggesting donations came to the church, and to those generous donors who kindly gave a gift in his memory.

Stephen Mourant Associate Rector



CLIDDESSEN PRIMARY SCHOOL – VACANCIES FOR CO-OPTED (COMMUNITY) GOVERNORS

Did you enjoy your school days? Did you ever wonder how a school was run? Have you time to invest in the lives of children in your community?

Cliddesden Primary School has served this community for nearly 150 years, and although we have a full complement of parent governors, we are short of people who are not parents – we need a balance.

So you have a skill you can offer – perhaps in financial management or buildings, or in curriculum issues or educational standards?

We currently have opportunities for two people from the local community to join the Governing Body. It means a commitment of time, but also doing something that can invest in the younger generation. If you'd like to know more, please contact the school office on adminoffice@cliddesden.hants.sch.uk to arrange a visit, or contact Rev Stephen Mourant stevemourant@btinternet.com a governor for the last almost eight years, and now vice-chair, for a chat to explore the role.



The Cliddesden Neighbourhood Plan Questionnaire generated a tremendous response and some very interesting and useful comments. Thank you to everyone who completed the form as your views and opinions contribute to how the Plan develops.

We are still working hard and have now completed the analysis of all your feedback to produce the Community Engagement Report which can be found via this link:

<https://cliddesdennp.wixsite.com/cliddesdennp>

Unfortunately it is too long to publish in the Newsletter so if you don't have access to the internet you can view a printed copy displayed on the notice board in the Village Hall.

We are only a small team of 6 and really need other people to come forward and assist in the making of this important document. So PLEASE if you can spare a little time do contact any one of us. We're all volunteers doing this in our spare time and would so appreciate your help.

Thank you!

NP Steering Group

Alan Tyler, Alison Mosson, Brian Karley, David Brown, Mark Gifford, Su Turner

The annual Poppy Appeal is now approaching and the usual village Door to Door collection will take place during the period 4th to the 8th November by Simon Barker assisted by Tony Trown

It is hoped that we will maintain our status as the most generous Village in the diocese

We look forward to seeing you





Liddesden Parish Council

Next Parish Council meeting Tuesday 5th November 7.30pm
Village Hall meeting room. Everyone welcome

PARISH PLANNING APPLICATIONS

19/02774/FUL (Reg 07 Oct)
Greenlands Nursery, 3A
Hackwood Lane. Erection of a
three bedroom bungalow.

19/02303/GPDADW (Refused
16th October) Agricultural
Buildings Adjacent To Little Acre,
Woods Lane. Notification of
proposed change of use of
Agricultural Buildings to two
dwellinghouses (Class C3).

Reason for refusal...

*‘Insufficient information has
been submitted to demonstrate
that the building(s) are capable
of conversion without
significant building operations
– that go beyond what would
be reasonably necessary – to
make the existing building(s)
function as a dwellinghouse.*

*The proposals therefore do not
satisfy criterion (i) of Class Q.1
of Part 3 Sch2 Town & Country
Planning (General Permitted
Development) (England) Order
2015 (as amended); nor
guidance in National Planning
Policy. The works therefore do not
constitute permitted development.*

*Planning permission would be
required.*

19/02584/HSE (Reg 30 Sept) 27
Southlea. Erection of a two storey
side extension and a part two
storey and part single storey rear
extension; open-sided front
porch, replacement windows and
widening of existing access.

19/02634/FUL (Reg 24 Sept) Jolly
Farmer. Removal of rear garden
decking and jumberella and
erection of new pergola with new
paving to replace decking.

19/02635/LBC (Reg 24 Sept)
Jolly Farmer. Removal of rear
garden decking and jumberella
and erection of new pergola style

smoking solution with paving to
replace decking. Internal
alteration and re-configuration of
toilets to form 4x unisex WCs

19/02487/PIP (Granted 17 Oct)
Land Rear of the Mount, Farleigh
Road. Permission in Principle for
development of two dwellings.

19/02114/HSE (Granted 27th
Sept) Farleigh Dene, Farleigh
Road. Alterations and extension
to outbuilding following
demolition of garden room/store.

19/02068/FUL (Reg 30 July)
Woodland Adjacent To Audleys
Close, Farleigh Road. Change of
use of land [ancient woodland
site] to forest school including the
provision of associated parking.
**To be decided by Development
Control Committee of 11th Dec)**

TREE APPLICATIONS & ORDERS

T/00367/19/TCA (Granted 9th
Oct) 27 Southlea. Lime T1:
pollard down to 7 -8 metres.
Conifer T2: fell. Sycamores x 2
G3: fell (self-seeded). Ash x 2 G4:
fell (self seeded).

T/00356/19/TCA (Granted 23rd
Sept) The Beeches, 10 Church
Lane. Six Cypress trees: fell. *From
Tree Officer Report ‘All six trees
can be seen from the nearby
public viewpoints, but are in
either below average condition or
have defects. A TPO is therefore
not recommended.*

T/00343/19/TCA (Granted 18th
Sept) 23 Southlea. T1 Lime:
Crown lift to 4.5m above ground
level. Crown reduce to no smaller
than 12m in height, with a crown
diameter of 6m. Clear the BT
lines by no more than 0.5m.
Remove deadwood.

TPO/BDB/0673 BDBC Tree
Officer has made a temporary
Tree Preservation Order for five
Beech trees at 13 Hackwood
Lane. This is to ensure that the

potential impact on the trees can
be considered during any future
landscaping or development
proposals. This provisional TPO
will stand for six months or until
it is made permanent.

B/STOKE APPLICATION

19/02725/FUL (Reg 17 Oct)
Land At Former ITT Defence
Site, Jays Close, Basingstoke
RG22 4BA. Construction of three
employment units (class B1, B2
and B8) and two class A3 units.

*The Parish Council has noted –
in particular with reference to
BDBC’s climate emergency –
consideration should be given to
more tree planting (net gain of 10
native trees is insufficient), Green
roofs and Solar generation.*

*Light pollution is a major issue
and but the application does not
detail external lighting proposals.*

National Planning Policy
Framework (revised Feb 2019)
states that (8c) Planning has
*c) an environmental objective –
to contribute to protecting and
enhancing our natural, built
and historic environment;
including making effective use
of land, helping to improve
biodiversity, using natural
resources prudently, minimising
waste and pollution, and
mitigating and adapting to
climate change, including moving
to a low carbon economy.*

DIARY DATES

November

- 5 Parish Council meeting
- 7 Film Night Village Hall
- 9 B/stoke Lions Quiz Night VH
- 11 Coffee Morning Village Hall
- 16 St Leonards’ Quiz Night, VH
- 21 WI Craft Evening
- 28 Horticultural Soc AGM
(members only)
- 23 Nov - 1 Dec National Tree Week

December

- 6 & 7 Panto – Mother Goose

beauty



COFFEE MORNING

Monday November 11th

CLIDDESSEN MILLENIUM
VILLAGE HALL

EVERYONE WELCOME

This month we are pleased to have a visit from Denise Eggington, our very own beauty therapist. Denise has recently set up a Beauty Therapy business, **Blissful Beauty**, in Cliddesden and she has offered to come along to our November coffee morning to present her treatments and products.

Of course, we will have our usual second-hand book stall, greeting cards and stationary stall, the 100-club draw, and raffle.

With Christmas just around the corner you might find the ideal gift!

Hope to see you there. Gill



100 CLUB

Hello Members

The draw for October was called at the Coffee Morning of 14th October 2019. Here are the lucky winners

- 1st 138 Diane Rampton
2nd 230 Ollie Beresford-Davies
3rd 240 Charlie Beresford-Davies

Congratulations!

Rose Beevers Tel 475 944
100club@cliddesdenhall.org.uk

IT'S PANTO TIME AND THE CLIDDESSEN PLAYERS PRESENT...

A Story of Mother Goose (as it's never been told before)
Friday 6th & Saturday 7th December

This year's brilliant production is written and directed by our very own multi-talented, Mr C! Join us on a journey of fun, laughter, romance and tears as we follow Mother Goose and her adventurous son, Peter.

Why does true love never run smoothly? Who is plotting evil deeds behind their backs? How will Peter and his Mother survive until Act Two? What will save them from eviction?

The suspense will be gripping, the jokes and innuendoes will fly across the stage, the costumes and scenery will be amazing and, as always, all the ingredients for a traditional Pantomime will ensure a brilliant night of entertainment!

IT'S PANTO TIME AND THE CLIDDESSEN PLAYERS PRESENT

A story of
MOTHER GOOSE
(as it's never been told before)

WRITTEN BY
Darren Capehorn

CLIDDESSEN VILLAGE HALL
FRIDAY 6TH & SATURDAY 7TH DECEMBER

Saturday & Sunday Evening
8.00PM (DOORS 7.30PM)

Saturday Matinee
2.30PM (DOORS 2.00PM)

TICKETS: ADULTS £9.00 / CHILDREN (2-16) £2 MATINEE, £5 EVENINGS
CONTACT: ANGIE 01256 475848 | LICENSED BAR AVAILABLE + HOT REFRESHMENTS AT EVENING SHOWS

Evening shows at 8pm with Saturday matinee at 2.30pm

Doors open 30 mins before start (no Carols this year)

Licensed Bar & hot refreshments available at evening shows

TICKETS: Adults £9 Children (2-16) Matinee £2 Evenings £5

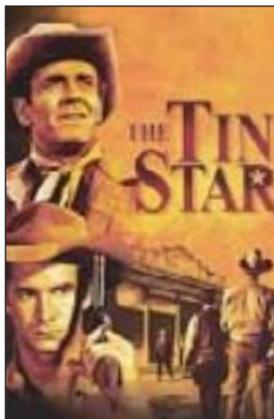
Please note that no tickets can be reserved without payment. We are trialing a paperless box office this year so no actual tickets will be issued. Information on how to pay (cheque, cash or BACS) will be given when tickets are ordered. Please advise if a wheelchair user.

Contact Angie on 01256 475848 or email angie@fewster.me.uk

Please let me know if you can help on the door, with refreshments, behind the scenes, with stage set-up, scenery or props. We would be very grateful!

SOCIAL & ENTERTAINMENT CLUB

CLIDDESSEN MILLENNIUM VILLAGE HALL



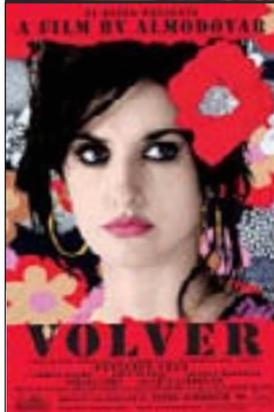
Thursday 7 November 'Tin Star' (1957)

Western starring Henry Fonda and Anthony Perkins. Fonda dominates with great screen presence. This is Perkins' first starring role and he carries it off perfectly. Neville Brand plays the evil baddy with great style. A truly great movie on a par with High Noon. Do come and watch it.

NO FILM IN DECEMBER DUE TO PANTOMIME

2 January 2020 – 'Volver' (2006)

A Spanish drama film written and directed by Pedro Almodóvar.



You'll be sure of a warm welcome and a great evening at the cinema without adverts. The bar opens at 7:30pm (please don't arrive too early as we need time to set up the equipment), we start at 8pm. There is an intermission half-way through during which ice creams are available and the bar is open.

Subscription is only £2 per person per evening, with no membership fee. Please do remember to pay at the bar. All our films are suggested by members; please suggest your own favourites or films that you missed and would still like to see. **Ted Dowson**

CHRISTMAS PRESENTS?

Cliddesden, Hatch and Farleigh Wallop by Alison Deveson and Sue Lane, £14. The well-illustrated history of these three parishes would make a good Christmas present for anyone with links or interest in this part of Hampshire.

Available from The Willis Museum, Basingstoke, the Pottery Painting Studio, Church Lane, Cliddesden, or by post from Sue Lane, Applegarth, Wonston Road, Sutton Scotney, SO21 3GX (cheques payable to 'Hampshire Archives Trust, VCH project' £16 to include p & p).

REGULAR EVENTS AT THE VILLAGE HALL

Zumba

Mondays 7.30 to 8.30pm
maz.pennington@gmail.com

Coffee morning

The second Monday of most months 10.30am to 12pm.
Contact Gill on 359413

Brownies

Tuesdays 5 to 6.15pm term time
Contact Sian Banks 333151

Film Club

First Thursday each month from 7.30pm

WI

Third Thursday of the month, from 7.30-9.30pm.

Horticultural Society

Usually on the last Thursday of each month. Contact Steve Bowcutt 324707, Marilyn Smith (Secretary) 462584

Farleigh Playgroup

Fridays 11-12 noon term time.
Contact Claire 477197
Melanie 07833 528040

Pilates

Friday 8.45 - 9.45am. All ages & abilities welcome. Vicki MacAndrew 07770 500663.

Ballet

Lisa Beaumont School of Ballet contact 321217
lisa.beaumont@sky.com



Try your luck at
St Leonard's Quiz

7 pm Saturday 16th November at the Village Hall

Teams of up to 6 in advance or on the night

Dinner included plus pay bar

Tickets are £10 adult and £5 concession.



Tickets from Ben Maunder, Mathew Jones and Eamonn Harding



POLICE UPDATE

Dear Residents

I start this month with a report of an increase in burglary of outbuildings, sheds etc from all across our area. Herriard has been the main target with six offences

having taken place at the time of writing, a theft of a motorcycle and garden machinery and garden equipment having been stolen. The locations have been both in and around the village.

Preston Candover has also had three crimes where three buildings have been entered and a gent's black Felt bicycle has been stolen, other things included a garden strimmer. In Bradley a further building was broken into and again garden equipment has been stolen. Weston Patrick has had three crimes where again garden tools and even a pair of Wellington boots have been taken.

I am aware that five of the victims were subject to the same type of crime, ie outbuildings etc broken into back in 2016. If you have been a victim and had your shed, garage or outbuilding broken into in 2016/17/18 then please make sure your security is as best as it could be. Frequently as in these cases the thieves will come back and steal the replacements that you have purchased after they stole the previous ones, and I am aware several similar crimes took place in Ellisfield back in 2016. Also since Sunday October 13th 2019, and Wednesday October 16th, several units were broken into at Bell Lane, Ellisfield. In one several items of garden equipment were stolen. Again if you can help please give me a call direct.

I cannot reiterate enough that residents need to improve security, sadly some of the crimes above were from unlocked sheds, or alarms fitted but not switched on, sadly we all need to protect our property, please record serial numbers, mark property with your house number/initials and postcode, photograph the expensive items.

Also please do not leave them in sheds where criminals can look through the windows and see what you have. Make things difficult for thieves, add shed alarms which can be battery operated, as a rule thieves will make off if an alarm or sensor lighting goes off. That said in Brown Candover, when challenged, the thieves did assault a resident, but this is very rare and I again appeal for any information from anyone who was driving on the B3046 on the night about midnight on Saturday September 29th and of whom would have passed a car parked in a driveway, perhaps as the thieves got into their vehicles, four men wearing balaclavas, can you help with this?

If you can help with any information no matter how slight or unimportant that you feel it is, please let me know and call me direct.

Many thanks

Andrew REID, Local Constable
01256.389050. 07768 776844
andrew.reid@hampshire.pnn.police.uk

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INSPIRING WOMEN

Next meeting, Thurs Nov 21st

A Craft Evening with Catherine

Cliddesden WI has members from Dummer, Beggarwood, Kempshott, Chineham, Basingstoke and Alton so if anybody from other villages or areas of the town would like to join us come along you would be most welcome.

Diane Rampton Tel 01256 467533

Our meeting held on 17 October was a Show & Tell Evening with a Ploughman's Supper.

After the normal business we all filled our plates with cheeses, ham, salad, pickles, crusty bread, crisps and grapes and had a good chat before we got down to the entertainment of the evening.

Catherine brought along samples of all the craft items we had made throughout the year which were passed around for everybody to admire. I then read a poem by Pam Ayres entitled *Fifty Shades of Grey* which had everybody in stitches. This was followed by Tricia reading from a piece by Bernard Levin about sayings we all use today which came from the writings of Shakespeare Everyday sayings which I am sure nobody had a clue came from this source. I then showed some of the items I had made at a quilting retreat I went on earlier in the month.

Pauline – who has a phobia of cats – then read a poem written by Pat Doel called *The Lament* which was all about the loss of her beloved cat earlier this year. Pat thought it would be good therapy for her and she read it beautifully! The evening was rounded off by Pat Doel showing two of her beautiful paintings showcasing a technique of painting over tiny screwed up pieces of tissue paper.

Sadly one of our members Wendy Lee who underwent a knee replacement six weeks ago fell in the car park and she has badly injured her shoulder. We wish her a speedy recovery.

BASINGSTOKE LIONS



September report

Our last business meeting was enhanced by the presence of six members of the Loddon Valley (Tadley) Lions Club who came along to renew old friendships and for a refresher course on how (not) to run a business meeting. They were made very welcome and contributed fully to the spirit of the meeting.

The Bahamas During the course of the meeting the Club approved a donation of £500 to the Lions Clubs International appeal to help alleviate suffering in the Bahamas, and the set-up of a special donations facility on our website to enable any members of the public who would like to donate to do so. This has been done and is working well.

Macmillan Nurses Coffee morning As usual the Club gave its wholehearted (and stomach) support to this annual event. Check out our Facebook page! We raised £300+. The residual cakes were then offered at sundry workplaces.

The Basingstoke Breast Cancer Self Help Group was also supported when a number of our members and families went along to the Kempshott Village Hall for a very lively evening of Motown music performed by the brilliant Lou Taylor. Over 70 people attended and the dance floor was crowded nonstop.

FOR THE REST OF THE YEAR...

Quiz Night at the Cliddesden Millenium Hall on 9th November Clearly the thought of grappling with another set of 110 excruciating questions has yet to fire your imaginations. Still, a half pint is better than no beer. And, if you would like to join us for this really fun evening there are still tables available. Email philipjhwilson@btinternet.com A team of 3 or 4 and a short pithy team name is all you need. Visit the upcoming events pages of our website www.basingstokelions.org.uk to see the full format of the evening.

A week later, on **16th November, the Heritage Light Orchestra will play a concert of music associated with places on the route of the Orient Express for us at QMC.** These concerts are specially designed for us and feature local musicians and singers. They truly are well worth supporting. And it is an ideal way of spending an evening with friends over a few drinks while being wonderfully entertained.

Community Magazines, such as the one you are perhaps reading now, perform an excellent service for the community by making sure that everyone is informed about developments, services and events which may affect them. I would urge you all to support your local magazine in any way you can.

MEMBERSHIP... STOP PRESS!!! Watch this space!

Remember you too can help to make a difference to the lives of others by joining us via www.basingstokelions.org.uk Philip Wilson



CHURCH SERVICES FOR NOVEMBER

Sunday 3rd November 9.45am

Holy Communion (Common Worship)

Sunday 10th November 11.15am

Family Communion (Common Worship)

Sunday 17th November 11.15am

Family Service

Saturday 23rd November 6pm

Holy Communion (Book of Common Prayer)

Sunday 1st December 9.45am

Holy Communion (Common Worship).

Farleigh Parish Playgroup



Cliddesden Millennium Village Hall

Friday Mornings 11-12 Term Time

November (Not 1st as half term) 8th 15th 22nd 29th

December 13th with a visit from FC (The only session in Dec)

0 - 4 year olds and their grown-ups.

Join us for an hour of fun activities,
sensory play, songs and stories.

A warm welcome awaits you - we look
forward to you joining us.

Cost: £2 per family



Contact:

Melanie Previous Pre-school Head (078333-528040)

Claire Qualified teacher (01256-477197)

CLIDDESSEN, FARLEIGH WALLOP & ELLISFIELD HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY



*Horticultural Society News for November
Hello from Claire!*



A topical gem from Chris Madden. And not that far-fetched, as there's always something that the rain doesn't reach! However...



But that was October!

Now it's November so we'll probably have a heatwave, or possibly a snowstorm, or both, probably on the same day.

WHAT'S BEEN HAPPENING?

'Perennial Pleasures – Borders' John Negus

September at Cliddesden MH

Our final lecture of the year, and nice to finish with another quite local speaker. John Negus hails from Farnham and is a photographer and writer.

His talk was interesting and informative and – according to reports fed back to me – a very enjoyable evening was had by all.

All our lectures are open to visitors, and for only £2 (non-members) and £1 (members) you get to hear a variety of talks during the year.

It is always a very social evening, and a great time to catch up with friends over coffee after the talk.

If you aren't sure you'll know anyone, come along and meet someone!

WHAT'S COMING UP?

AGM & QUIZ

**Thursday 28th November at
Cliddesden Millenium Hall**

THIS EVENING IS FOR MEMBERS ONLY.

Our annual round-up of all the year's activities, with short reports by the Chairman: Steve Bowcutt, Secretary: Marilyn Smith, and Treasurer: Claire Cooke.

Delicious food, wine and the company of friends – really a perfect end to our year.

2ND ANNUAL HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY AGM QUIZ

As the quiz was such a success last year, we're going to do it again!

You don't need to be Mastermind, as the questions are multiple-choice.

And if last year is anything to go by – the discussions and head-scratching are all part of the fun!

Please could you let one of the committee know if you are coming so we can organise the catering.

HERE'S WHAT THE RHS SAYS ABOUT GARDEN JOBS IN NOVEMBER

1. Clear up fallen leaves – especially from lawns, ponds and beds
2. Raise containers onto pot feet to prevent waterlogging
3. Plant tulip bulbs for a spring display next year
4. Prune roses to prevent wind-rock
5. Plant out winter bedding
6. Cover brassicas with netting if pigeons are a problem
7. Insulate outdoor containers from frost – bubblewrap works well
8. Stop winter moth damage to fruit trees using grease bands around the trunks
9. Put out bird food to encourage winter birds into the garden
10. Use a seasonal bonfire – where this is allowed – to dispose of excess debris unfit for composting

With 250 tulip and daffodil bulbs to go out, about 20 Dahlias to bring in, and endless amounts of cutting back/mulching/grass cutting... well, you understand... as at almost any time of year there is plenty to do. And now the evenings are drawing in there's less daylight to cram it all in. So by the 28th we'll all deserve that social glass of wine!

Looking forward to seeing you at the AGM

Happy gardening. Claire

Cliddesden Primary School



We have all returned to school raring to go and we welcomed our new Year R children who are settling in beautifully.



KS1 have had a couple of exciting events based around their Planes, Trains and Automobiles topic. Terry and Tracy kindly visited us in 'Bertie' their beloved 1939 Model Ford.

We had a good look around Bertie and enjoyed spotting the differences between vintage and new cars. We then carefully had a go at sketching Bertie which wasn't as easy as we thought.



Our trip to Beaulieu Motor Museum started in the theatre looking back at transport over the years followed by a trip around the museum. This was very exciting especially seeing Chitty Chitty Bang Bang. We couldn't believe how large a penny farthing bicycle was and wondered how gentlemen (ladies were not allowed) managed to ride them. We looked out for the racing cars and some lucky children got to be a postman, flag bearer, a lady and gentleman travelling in their car and a conductor and inspector on the bus. We all got a turn at honking a car horn and trying on some old fashion hats.

After lunch we were very eager to see Gumdrop the car as we'd listened to stories about it in class. Unfortunately Gumdrop was feeling unwell. We got a chance to sit in it and then had a ride on a very old bus.

The sky train took us on a magical adventure through the museum, past the abbey where Alice in Wonderland was enjoying the Mad Hatter's tea party and through the beautiful grounds of Beaulieu. What an exhausting but fun filled day we had.



We have attended two sporting events so far this term. On Friday 27th September our Under 11 football team took part in the annual 'Small Schools' football tournament. Schools with less than 150 pupils on roll from around the county took part. We arrived in style in a Brighton Hill minibus - ready for battle.

We played 8 games in total, each lasting 8 minutes. We started slowly with a draw followed by a defeat but gradually improved with confidence and a position re-shuffle.

We drew five games, won one and lost two in total, finishing joint overall 5th with three teams in the group out of

nine teams. In each game we showed determination and left the tournament with our heads high.

Well done to all the team for their effort and to James who was awarded 'man of the matches'.



Cliddesden have started well in the Tag Rugby Norman League this year. At the first meeting of the teams we secured a 1-0 victory over St John's and a draw with current champions Hatch Warren Juniors.



The children in Willow Class have been finding out about healthy foods and received a letter from the little old man and little old woman asking for their help. They wanted some healthy snacks as their gingerbread boy had been eaten.

Everyone drew their ideas and the Year 1s wrote some recipes. We invited the parents to come and learn about healthy food and good practices in the kitchen.

We started by sorting healthy and unhealthy food. Then we told the parents about being clean and safe in the kitchen. Everyone washed their hands and the parents cleaned the tables. We made 3 recipes and worked together to peel, chop and make the snacks.

Afterwards, we all tried the snacks and decided whether they were soft enough for the little old man and little old woman's old teeth! We had a great afternoon and hope we have shown our good healthy choices and knowledge of safety.

I think it is fair to say that the entire school community is extremely proud of Sasha, Mum to one of our KS1 children, for running the Basingstoke Half Marathon, raising funds for the school.

As a member of Friends of Cliddesden Primary School, it was discussed at the AGM that Headteacher, Mr Davies and the governors attending would like a defibrillator for the school. Sasha decided to kick off the fundraising by running the Basingstoke Half Marathon. She also decided that all the money raised would go towards the £800 needed for a portable defibrillator for children and adults. Not only did she kick off the fundraising, she smashed it raising a total of £837.50!

To add to the fun, Sasha ran in Cliddesden School uniform (second hand of course).

I am sure she appreciated those who lined the streets to cheer her on and gave her a wave and I know that she is extremely grateful for all donations received as are school.



We had an amazing Harvest Sale. Our Year 6 pupils did a fantastic job with Mrs Duffy organising and running the sale. The packet and tinned foods were donated to the local food bank. The total weight of food donated was 101.9kgs which is equal to 243 meals. The pupil parliament have made the decision to donate the £148 raised at the sale to Farm Africa, a charity that we have now supported for the past few years. It was felt that as it was a Harvest Sale that the money should go to a farming and food related charity.

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