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Film Club



Do you know where you can get two tickets to the cinema, a pint of beer, a glass of wine and an ice cream for £10?

Well the answer is **Cliddesden Film Club**.

We meet on the first Thursday of the month 7.30 for 8pm

And you can even choose the films you would like to see.

What could be better than that?

Hope we will see you on the 1st June when the film will be “The Good Liar”

Look out for what’s on each month in the newsletter - see page 5 this issue.

100 Club



A big thank you to all who have continued with their membership and welcome to new members.

The draw was called at the yoga class held at the Village Hall on 11th May 2023. Here are the lucky winners:

April

1 st	63	<i>Ian Hopkins</i>
2 nd	117	<i>Freya Jones</i>
3 rd	407	<i>Robert McGregor</i>

May

1 st	162	<i>Mia Stolojan</i>
2 nd	90	<i>Robert Randall</i>
3 rd	76	<i>Pat Rampton</i>

NEW MEMBERS are always welcome – contact me using the details below. Thanks again for everyone’s support of the village hall.

Rose Beavers Tel: 475944 (100club@cliddesdenhall.org.uk).



Job vacancy:

**RELIEF
CARETAKER**

Cliddesden Village Hall

- ad-hoc work
- mainly required to cover for illness
- letting hires in/out
- occasional late-night lock-up
- weekend work
- cleaning



This is a paid position

If you would like to discuss further details please contact:

01256 475848

or vacancy@cliddesdenhall.org.uk



Yes, we now have table tennis available at Coffee Mornings at Cliddesden Millennium Village Hall.

Please come along to have a natter and make new friends, browse the second-hand book stall, select some pretty stationery from Penny our stallholder, and of course enjoy a good cuppa and a slice of cake!

The 100 club is also drawn here each month.

And, if you fancy, have a turn at table tennis. We have all the equipment you will need.

We meet on the second Monday morning of each month, from 10.30 – 12 noon.

Our next date is Monday June 12th.

Hope to see you there, all ages are welcome.

Gill (01256 359413)

THE CLIDDESSEN PLAYERS PRESENT...



HOME IS WHERE YOUR CLOTHES ARE

BY ANTHONY MARRIOTT AND BOB GRANT

Fri 16 & Sat 17 June 8pm

Cliddesden Village Hall

BBQ from 6pm - 7.15pm on Sat 17 June
£4 per serving

Adults
£10
Under 16s
£5

Tickets: Angie 01256 475848

Licensed Premises. This amateur production of "Home Is Where Your Clothes Are" is presented by arrangement with Concord Theatricals Ltd. on behalf of Samuel French Ltd. www.concordtheatricals.co.uk



The Cliddesden Players' 2023 Summer Production

“Home Is Where Your Clothes Are”



Friday 16th & Saturday 17th June 8pm
By Anthony Marriott and Bob Grant

Why do a young barrister and his fiancée, her rather frightening QC father, a retired army Major and his ex-wife, her new rather dodgy husband, a young business woman and a certain Jacqueline from ‘The Agency’ all end up at a London basement flat one Monday? And who does the teddy bear belong to?

The Major certainly has his work cut out dashing around, fielding all the visitors whilst trying to keep his head above water, as his situation and the play descend into farce!

Tickets No physical tickets issued.

Advance payment is required for Play or BBQ – via cash, cheque or BACS (preferred option) with details

given at time of booking.

Adults **£10**
Children (U16) **£5**

(Please advise if wheelchair user)

Saturday 17th BBQ 6.00 – 7.15pm
 (burger or hot dog + salads) £4 per serving. BBQ token to be issued at check-in desk.

Please state on booking if vegetarian option required or any allergies. Special requests cannot be made on the day.

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

Licensed Premises.

To limit transaction charges, we prefer to operate a CASH bar and

refreshment service. So please bring some real money with you! For your convenience, we have a card payment machine available for larger transactions.

If you can help on the night with refreshments or the Door, or help with stage set-up the previous weekend, then please get in contact. We rely on volunteers to cover all these jobs and new faces would be most welcome and appreciated.

This amateur production of “**Home Is Where Your Clothes Are**” is presented by arrangement with Concord Theatricals Ltd. on behalf of Samuel French Ltd.

www.concordtheatricals.co.uk

St Leonard’s Coronation Celebration!

St Leonard’s celebrated the coronation in style with a special service.

The Children’s Singing Group sang a beautiful song they learnt for the occasion. Ross rocked the church with his accompaniment for the National Anthem.

Children decorated porcelain crown shaped tea-lights to remind us of Jesus’ light inside each of us. We prayed that this light would shine from King Charles III. Adults were treated to a sermon from Rev Ian.

After the service everyone enjoyed an amazing brunch with bubbles!



Help!!

St Leonard’s Church is looking for your support.



We have a very small group of people that presently assist with a variety of tasks all of which help to create a clean, pretty, and welcoming church.

Some of us are feeling our age and it would be lovely to have some younger volunteers to learn the ropes.

This could be, for example, to prepare the church for a service and welcome people into the church.

Perhaps to give support to our cleaning team who clean the church once a month at present.

Occasionally help is needed with general maintenance and simple repairs, or with meeting and greeting contractors if they are required.

If you have some free time, however little, or have a talent in one of these areas, and you are interested in lending a hand, we would really love to hear from you.

Many thanks, the DCC St Leonard’s Church.

Please contact any member of our church committee:

Church Warden
 Mrs Lynda Plenty

dancetheworld@aol.com

Mrs Val Gofton- Salmond
 (01256 474425)

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Mrs Hazel Metz

hazel.metz@hotmail.com

Mr Julian Nunn

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Cliddesden, Farleigh Wallop & Ellisfield Horticultural Society

The three villages Gardening Club

Chairman: Steve Bowcutt, tel: 324707, email: stephen.bowcut@btinternet.com
 Secretary: Marilyn Smith, tel: 462584, email: willow.ms@btinternet.com



Horticultural Society News May 2023

Hello from Claire!

I sat outside at 530 the other morning listening to my first cuckoo, the dawn was breaking through the mist, and the bluebells and forget-me-nots made a sea of blue across the flower border.

A moment of calm, five minutes of perfect peace, and a chance to be truly thankful for where I live.

If you haven't yet walked the woodland paths and experienced the beauty that we have around us, make the time, and appreciate how blessed we are.

What's been happening?

Sunday May 7th – Plant Sale Cliddesden Millennium Hall

Our major fundraiser of the year.

What a weekend!



Our heartfelt congratulations to their Majesties on their coronation. What a magnificent pageant, with all the heraldry and ceremony that we are so good at.

However, the main event was, of course, the plant sale.

Thank-you to everyone who came along and supported us, we raised nearly £280, which is brilliant!

Funds go towards paying for our varied and experienced speakers, and leftover plants were donated to Preston Candover Horticultural Society, who have their sale next weekend.

What's coming up?

Thursday May 25th 730 for 745 start – Kat Freeman "Help your plants thrive the natural way"

Imperium Organics

Well – you planted them in the peat-free compost – now you've got to feed them!

Literally, superfood for your plants. Because the goodness in compost only lasts about 6 weeks.

I highly recommend this – I use it myself and have seen fantastic results.

Kat definitely knows her stuff, is fun and engaging to talk to and listen to, and we will have a great evening!

Members £1, Guests £2, and refreshments are available before and after the talk – donations please

Guests are able to join on the night

Garden Visits

13th June 6.30 pm garden Visit to Fairbank, Old Odiham Road, Alton, owned by Jane and Robin Lees (01420

866650) who will put out signs for us on the day. They ask that we car share as much as possible to help with parking. Refreshments included.

findagarden.ngs.org.uk/garden/31468/fairbank

'The planting in this large garden reflects our interest in trees, shrubs, fruit and vegetables. A wide variety of herbaceous plants provide colour and are placed in sweeping mixed borders that carry the eye down the long garden to the orchard and beyond. Near the house (not open), there are rose beds and herbaceous borders, as well as a small formal pond.'

Friday July 21st at 2.00pm Behind The Scenes at Hardy's Nursery

hardysplants.co.uk/a-day-in-the-life-of-a-hardy-perennial

A look behind the scenes at Hardy's Nursery, well known to us for the success they have had producing top quality cottage garden plants.

Hardy's Garden Plants, Priory Lane Nursery, Freefolk Priors, Whitchurch RG28 7FA (*sat nav users- RG28 7NJ*)

Use the first car park which is signed Hardy's Cottage Garden Plants. This will take you to a large car park by our retail area. Refreshments included.

Book your Place

Book your place by emailing Seumas
seumas@cropfosters.co.uk

To help with costs there is a charge for the visits:

Alton members: £3.00 guests/visitors: £5.50
Hardy's Nursery members: £5.00 guests/visitors: £7.50

Please pay using BACS if possible. If you prefer to use cash please pay Steve Bowcutt or Seumas Foster

BACS Details

Bank	Lloyds
A/C	Cliddesden Hort Soc (note this is a business account)
Sort Code	30-90-53
Account No.	01029579
Reference	your name and visits booked

New members are always welcome, whether you are a keen gardener, or can't tell your pansies from your petunias.

Email Steve Bowcutt on stephen.bowcutt@outlook.com to join.

See you at the next meeting.

Happy gardening!

Claire

Social and Entertainment Club

Cliddesden Millennium Village Hall

'You'll be sure of a warm welcome and a great evening'

The bar opens at 7.30pm and we start at 8pm. There is an intermission half way through during which ice creams and the bar are available. Admission is only £2 per person.



The Good Liar

A crime thriller directed and produced by *Bill Condon* (two twilight films, Chicago) and It stars *Ian McKellen* as a career con artist who meets a wealthy widow (*Helen Mirren*) online, and then discovers that his plan to steal her fortune has expected roadblocks. Rated 85% audience score on Rotten Tomatoes.

Mamma Mia! Here we go again

A jukebox musical romantic comedy film written and directed by *Ol Parker*. It is the sequel to the 2008 film *Mamma Mia!*, again using the music of *ABBA*. The film features an ensemble cast, including *Dominic Cooper, Amanda Seyfried, Pierce Brosnan, Colin Firth, Stellan Skarsgård, Lily James, Julie Walters, Andy García, Meryl Streep,* and *Cher*. Both a prequel and a sequel, the plot is set after the events of the previous film, and is intersected with flashbacks to Donna's youth in 1979, with some scenes from the two time periods mirroring each other. Rated 66% audience score on Rotten Tomatoes.

Ted Dowson



Thursday 6th July

Mamma Mia! Here we go again

2018, 114 minutes

Certificate PG



WINE WALK

We are urgently looking for volunteer host houses for the Cliddesden Wine Walk this year on 8th July.

Please let John or Miche (07770 950111 or 07984 077555) know if you could host, we really want this event to go ahead!



In April we held a Show and Tell morning. It was a very varied program. Tricia read an extract from a Joyce Grenfell book; Muriel recited a poem about the demise of the old Basingstoke when it became an overspill town for Londoners. This was followed by Pat Doel showing us two of her paintings. One depicted some of the Basingstoke landmarks which were demolished for the new town and another of a part of Southampton before it was redeveloped.

Pat Rampton showed us a couple of her paintings and a machine embroidered picture, whilst Julia brought along a lovely piece incorporating several crafts from hand dyed fabric to embroidery and embellishment. Suzanne, Doreen and myself showed off our needlecraft from cross stitch pictures to quilts and bags.

Our new member Sharon brought along 3 dresses which she had worn when she was part of a sequence dance team that performed on Come Dancing. These were accompanied with photos showing her wearing the

dresses at the actual TV performance. Our other new member Gill brought along some photos of her son performing with the group XTC which is still playing now.

Rosemary showed us some of the original souvenir magazines of the abdication of Edward VIII and the coronation of George VI which was very appropriate as we will be celebrating Charles III's coronation on May 6th. Catherine brought along lots of the lovely cards she makes and sold some of them as well and Wendy brought a dish of the most beautiful stones which she had collected whilst in South Africa.

Our adviser, Alison Woolford joined us and afterwards had a chat with the committee members about the AGM as she will not be able to attend. All in all it was a lovely relaxing meeting which we all enjoyed.

**Next meeting Friday 23rd June at 2.30pm
Afternoon Tea Party**

Please note that on this occasion this is not an open event but for members only and invited guests. However if you are interested in coming along to our meetings please let me know so that I can forward details of our future program.

Diane Rampton Tel 01256 467533
Email dianelrampton@gmail.com



REPORT FROM THE MAY PARISH COUNCIL AGM

May elections The newly elected Parish Councillors took office for the next four-year term. Alan Tyler was re-elected Chairman for 2023/24.

Accounts and audit 2022/23, forms agreed and signed, to be published on Parish Council website.

Jolly Coronation Day To record the Parish Council's appreciation to the Jolly Farmer for hosting the very successful Coronation day event. Due to inclement weather, the 'British afternoon tea', musician and crown making all had to be brought indoors. Fortunately this was achievable if more crowded. Comments received that cheerful

and much enjoyed despite the rain. Also that a lot of children engaged with the craft and crown making activities and the event brought a wide range of people together.

Local Plan Update The Draft Local Plan (Reg 18) consultation is still scheduled for the Autumn.

Neighbourhood Plan The team is working as quickly as possible to Draft Plan (Reg 15) consultation, preparing for meeting with BDBC.

Next Parish Council meeting Tuesday 05 July, 7.30pm in the Village Hall, all welcome.

PARISH ASSEMBLY NOTE

Thanks to everyone who attended the successful (enjoyable) evening with food and drink appreciated by all.

The Chairman welcomed the public attendance. Support and new ideas always needed. Please be in contact and come to Parish Council meetings.

Congratulations to Onnalee Cubitt on her re-election as Ward Councillor.

Presentations were well received; from Alan Tyler on Finance and Planning; Mark Gifford on the Neighbourhood Plan; Alison Mosson on Conservation, and Simon Barker on STaNHd, Neighbourhood Watch and the Speed Indicator Devices.

Conversation topics included CIL-funded projects. A full report will also be on the Parish Council website.

JOLLY FARMER CORONATION EVENT



Thanking BDBC for their community grant funding towards the Coronation event

LICENSING APPLICATION

Kingsmore Copse, Northgate Lane, Ellisfield RG25 2QT Cosmic Roots Music & Arts Festival. New premises licence.

'If you wish to make any comment in support of, or representation against, this application, you should do so in writing to the Head of Environmental Services, BDBC, Civic Offices, London Road, Basingstoke RG21 4AH, or by email to licensing@basingstoke.gov.uk'



**PUBLIC NOTICE
LICENSING ACT 2003
NEW PREMISES LICENCE APPLICATION
Ref no: 23/00390/PREMN**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an application was made to Basingstoke and Deane Borough Council for a NEW premises licence under the above Act on 12th May 2023

Applicant(s)	Harry Jay at Cut Shapes. Throw Polygons Ltd
Address of Premises	Cosmic Roots Music & Arts Festival, Kingsmore Copse, Northgate Lane, Ellisfield, Hampshire, RG25 2QT
Proposed licensable activities:	Licensable Activity Times:
Films Live Music Recorded Music Performances of Dance Provision of late-night refreshment Supply of Alcohol	Thursday 14:00 - 02:00 Friday 11:00 - 05:00 Saturday 11:00 - 06:00 Sunday 11:00 - 23.59
Opening hours	Thursday 11:00 - 23.59 Friday 00:00 - 23.59 Saturday 00:00 - 23.59 Sunday 00:00 - 23.59 Monday 00:00 - 17:00
Activities take Place	On the premises

The postal address of the licensing authority where the register is kept and the application may be inspected is: Civic Offices, London Road, Basingstoke, RG21 4AH. Any person wishing to make representations on this matter shall give notice, in writing, stating the precise nature of such representations to the Head of Environmental Services, Basingstoke and Deane Borough Council, Civic Offices, London Road, Basingstoke, Hampshire, RG21 4AH within 28 days of the publication date of this notice given above.

Further details on how to make a valid representations is on the licensing authorities website www.basingstoke.gov.uk or from the licensing team on 01256 844844, email licensing@basingstoke.gov.uk It is an offence knowingly or recklessly to make a false statement in connection with an application and the maximum fine for which a person is liable on summary conviction for the offence is £5000.



PARISH PLANNING APPLICATIONS

- 23/01325/HSE** (Validated 26 May)
Bona Vista, Woods Lane. Granny annexe garden room.
- 23/00909/FUL** (Pending 11 April)
Land At Greenlands Nursery, Hackwood Lane. Erection of one bungalow.
- 23/00773/RET** (Pending 04 April)
2 Coldharbour Cottages Woods Lane. Erection of new boundary treatments and hard and soft landscaping.
- 23/00772/FUL** (Pending 31 March)
The Jolly Farmer. Retention of existing public house and erection of a four-bedroom detached dwelling (use Class C3) utilising the existing access, including associated parking and landscaping, and reconfiguration of the pub car park and beer garden.
- 23/00601/HSE** (Granted 09 May)
Swallick Cottage, Alton Road. Part single, part two storey rear extension.
- 23/00450/HSE** (Granted 18 April)
Bona Vista, Woods Lane. Single storey rear extension and roof enlargement.
- 22/03290/FUL** (Pending 16 December)
Land south of Myhaven, Woods Lane. Erection of 28 new dwellings and demolition of Newland Lodge.
- 22/02233/HSE** (Pending 09 Aug 2022)
27 Southlea. Home workshop/office/playroom; new access, entrance gates. (New plans published March and May.)
- 22/01550/PIP** (Refused 24 April)
Land to rear of Manor Farm. Permission in Principle for up to nine dwellings.

APPEALS

- 23/00023/REF** (Appeal lodged 04 May 2023) Land South Of Woods Lane. Permission in Principle for the erection of up to nine dwellings. (22/01551/PIP refused by BDBC 23 March.)
- 23/00002/ENF and 23/00003/ENF**
APP/H1705/C/23/3314607 (lead case) and 3314608 (Start date 09 February)
Faerie Meadows, 14 Hackwood Lane. Appeal against Enforcement notice relating to alleged breach of planning control that without planning permission, material change of use of the land from agricultural to residential together with associated paraphernalia.

LICENSING APPLICATIONS

- New premises licence. Kingsmore Copse, Northgate Lane Ellisfield RG25 2QT (Cosmic Roots Music & Arts Festival)



MAY REPORT FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR JULIET HENDERSON

Pot holes and other road defects are a big issue locally so to talk a bit about why so many and what is being done about them. A combination of heavy rain and sub-zero temperatures creates the perfect environment for potholes to form. The freeze-thaw action of water when it gets into cracks can rapidly weaken and break open road surfaces, and then the hydraulic effect of vehicle tyres constantly going over standing water in cracks and other small surface defects. This is why, even though we are moving into summer, potholes are continuing to develop and why some of the temporary fixes are beginning to break down. HCC Highways team took the decision to carry out more emergency temporary infill repairs to keep roads safe and serviceable. In the region of four to seven temporary infills can be completed for one permanent repair and so 40,000 of these potholes were filled in December to February.

Please do continue to report!

hants.gov.uk/transport/roadmaintenance/roadproblems/potholes

Schools Parents in Hampshire who applied on time to HCC for a school place for children starting school in September 2023 – either in Reception Year or in Year 3 in a junior school – have been sent the outcome of their application. Parents are being encouraged at this time to consider how their child will travel to and from school, and whether they may need transport assistance. School transport is available for children who meet specific eligibility criteria, after they reach compulsory school age (five years old). The deadline to submit transport applications is 31 July 2023. For more information about school transport assistance, please visit the County Council's website.

The Big Fix – Repair Cafe Network Residents are encouraged to give old items, gathering dust or potentially destined for the bin, a new lease of life by visiting their local Repair Café. The Big Fix is a national campaign to promote the growing number of Repair Cafés across the UK, run by volunteers who teach residents how to fix items at home so that fewer end up as waste. There are 17 members of the County Council's Hampshire Repair Café network which offers training and general advice. Since May last year, the network has collectively run over 90 events restoring over 1,000 items to usable order. These include electronics, garden equipment, clothing, jewellery, and much more. The initiative is supported through HCC's waste prevention community grant programme.

To find a local event, search for 'Hampshire Repair Café Network, or visit: therestartproject.org/networks/hampshire

Beware ticks Ticks can cause serious illnesses such as Lyme Disease. HCC Countryside Service advises residents to be 'tick aware' when spending time outdoors as the summer approaches. Advice includes to avoid areas of tall grass, reduce the amount of exposed skin, check yourself, your children and your pets for ticks and use insect repellent. They advise that you should remove any ticks as quickly as possible with fine-tipped tweezers or a tick removal tool, clean the area, and for several weeks monitor the bitten area for any rashes that may appear. Contact your doctor immediately if you begin to feel unwell with flu-like symptoms or develop a spreading circular red rash.

BDBC Strengthening Communities Grant scheme – Open to 18 June – basingstoke.gov.uk/funding

Applications up to £15,000 for projects to be delivered over 12 months.

CRITERIA This scheme does not fund capital costs. It is a revenue-only scheme. Expenditure such as physical improvements or changes to premises and facilities is not eligible under this scheme.

Funding can however be applied for to retain an existing staff member, recruit a new member of staff or increase working hours of existing staff where their activities are directed towards building the organisation's sustainability and/or enhancing services. Likewise, should an organisation decide to start the delivery of new services aimed at increasing income generation while addressing community needs, funding can be applied for to kick start delivery

Know Your Councillors

Do you know who represents you on your County, Borough and Parish Councils?

Experience recently would say that we don't and so over the next few issues we will be presenting pen pictures of the people who represent us.

This month it is our County Councillor on Hampshire County Council and our local Ward Councillor on Basingstoke and Deane Borough Council.



Hampshire County Council: Juliet Henderson

Juliet.Henderson@hants.gov.uk

I have lived in North Hampshire for approximately 30 years with my husband and three children, My career started in the City as an Investment Analyst and after having Children, I became a Maths Teacher specialising in teaching children with learning difficulties and challenging behaviour. For eleven years I worked in Parliament, and this has given me an insight into how Government works.

Having been elected to Hampshire County Council in May 2021, my main focus at Hampshire County Council is children and young people. I am vice chair of the Children and Young People Select Committee which scrutinises policy across Hampshire. I am also on the Council of Partners for the North Wessex Downs Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty and am a stakeholder Governor at Hampshire Hospitals Foundation Trust. My priorities for my County Division are protecting the integrity of our rural villages and Countryside, ensuring high academic standards in our Schools and ensuring that we have a strong vibrant local economy.



Basingstoke and Deane Borough Council: Onnalee Cubitt

Cllr.onnalee.cubitt@basingstoke.gov.uk

I can't thank you enough for electing me to be one of your Borough Councillors. I promise I shall continue to fight for your interests, the Ward and the Borough. As many of you know I was expelled by the Conservative Group for daring to speak the truth and say in Full Council in October 2022 that neither the Conservatives nor Dame Maria Miller were blameless for failing to get the annual target numbers of houses built reduced. You voted for me as an Independent Councillor. This WILL make a positive difference. Cllr Sven Godesen and Cllr Kate Tuck resigned from the Conservative Group in support. We work very closely together. The increasing strength of local independent voices in our Council can and will change things for the better. I am a local mum aged 57. I grew up in Weston Patrick and have been one of your Borough Councillors since 2008. I love Basing and Upton Grey Ward. I love Basingstoke. I shall continue to fight to stop over-development around Basing, Lychpit, Cliddesden, Upton Grey and the villages. I shall try and protect the River Loddon, River Lyde and the Loddon Valley from yet more pollution, look after the Basingstoke Common, fight to keep the weekly bin collection, build council houses for our residents, protect the most vulnerable in our society, make Basingstoke Beautiful, protect the Council's financial support for the arts, the Anvil and the voluntary sector, help residents with planning matters and get things done for you. Most important of all I want to make sure local politicians actually do what they promise. We are under threat like never before.

Please contact me if there is anything I can do in relation to the Borough.

On the 18th May, Councillor Onnalee Cubitt became the Cabinet Member for Major Projects and Regeneration in the new administration for Basingstoke and Deane Council.

Coronation Celebration

On Sunday 7th May some residents from Station road, Hoopersmead and Century close got together and celebrated the coronation.

Thanks to Pat Doel for organising this.

Carol Hawkins



Camrose, Gilles, Hackwood & Beggarwood Surgery Patient Participation Group

Email: cghb.surgeryppg@btinternet.com Website: cghppg.co.uk

Patient Participation Group Update

Feedback from patients:

March and April comments into the PPG via the email account and other on-line and personal reports revolved around two main themes, Dr.iQ and telephone wait times.

Dr.iQ was mostly received positively when ordering repeat prescriptions but was held in disrepute when it came to trying to contact the surgery for an appointment/call back as the system was often "switched off" during regular surgery hours or call backs were not happening as per the stated timetable. This was particularly annoying as the patient was then forced to ring the surgery and the first message they get is that instead of waiting on the phone for a response from the surgery it was best to use Dr.iQ!!

Call wait times was of course exacerbated by the above and the lack of receptionists to answer the calls in a timely manner. See comments below from Operose about challenges in recruiting surgery receptionists. If you'd like to apply, please contact any of the surgeries for further details about these important roles, either full or part-time.

Google Reviews

It's interesting that if you review the Google rating for the surgeries (just search for CGH partnership using Google and look to the left of your screen to see the reviews) it comes out with a 3.9 rating out of a possible 5. Maybe you'd like to leave a review of your experiences here?

Alternatively you can send the PPG an email to the above address. We would be interested to know whether you feel that the surgery has improved in the last year. Please let us hear your positive and negative comments so we can feed back to Operose.

Volunteering in Surgeries

The project relating to the updating of surgery noticeboards will be pushed back until later in the year because of conflicting initiatives for some members.

One of our Digital Team has agreed to lead the Dr iQ training project and we will email Operose try to get a consensus of dates when this can happen.

Prescriptions

As we all know the Lloyds pharmacy in Sainsbury's is now closed this will undoubtedly put more pressure on the surrounding chemists. Please bear this in mind when ordering repeat prescriptions and leave plenty of time when ordering. We have also been talking to the local pharmacies and Operose about how they can both help each other to improve this service. We are reassured by Operose that meetings have recently been held with at least two pharmacies and work is now being undertaken to streamline this important service.

Joining the PPG

Membership of the PPG Group is open to all patients of the Operose surgeries. We meet once a month using the on-line tool Zoom with meetings lasting around 60-90 minutes starting around 7 pm. *We are particularly interested in recruiting people who are willing to attend the face-to-face meetings with Operose to help take the minutes from the meeting. These are normally held around 4pm on a Wednesday. We are also actively*

recruiting for our Newsletter Team. If you'd like to speak to us about any of these roles, please drop us an email using the email address above.

Surgeries Update From Operose

Operose advised that the NHS year-end is now complete which will mean that staff workload is somewhat reduced.

Blood tests wait times continue to be a challenge with surgery wait times of 2-3 weeks to get a test and almost the same waiting time through the hospital. Operose advised that there is a general lack of phlebotomists, which is affecting the NHS as a whole.

Staffing

Two new receptionist/administrators have started since the last meeting.

They have made two successful offers to new Clinical Pharmacists and they are currently going through the onboarding process.

A new nurse manager is currently working her notice period and will join Operose in June.

A Healthcare Assistant has completed her nursing training and has now moved to a Practice Nurse role. They have welcomed a new Healthcare Assistant to replace her previous role.

They continue to have challenges with recruitment, on top of absence challenges and this has deteriorated the call queue slightly, although not to the levels experienced previously. They are awaiting one more new starter on reception at CGH and they are trying all they can to recruit further.

Complaints?

For Beggarwood and CGH complaints, please visit the CGH web site to register your dissatisfaction. The web address is :-

cghpartnership.co.uk/about-us/comments-and-complaints

Operose employ a full time Patient Experience Manager and so you should get a speedy response and certainly an acknowledgement within 3 working days. If you are not satisfied with the way they have dealt with your complaint, you can contact the Parliamentary and Health Service Ombudsman to review your case on 0345 015 4033 or via their website:

www.ombudsman.org.uk.

Items of Interest/Information

Respiratory Support

Asthma+Lung UK - Breathe Easy Support Group meet on the last Tuesday of each month (except December) at : Brighton Hill Community Association, Gershwin Court, Brighton Hill, RG22 4NN from 1:30 to 3:30. The organisation provides support to people with any kind of respiratory disorder.

We are a welcoming, friendly group which help people to manage their condition with help from: Speakers, Respiratory Nurses, Seated Exercise, Tea/coffee and biscuits.

Cliddesden Primary School



We had the pleasure of Viscount Lymington from The Farleigh Wallop Estate visit our school. He enjoyed the visit and was toured around by our Year 6 Junior Leadership Team and commented on how polite and confident our children were.

In other news...



Our Year 6 Basketball Team travelled with Mrs Jordan to Southampton Solent University to compete in the County Basketball Championship Finals.

Earlier in the year, Cliddesden came runners up to St Mary's Old Basing in the Basingstoke schools' competition and qualified for the finals as highest placed small school in the county. At the finals we were one of sixteen schools who qualified for the top level from across the county including Southampton schools.

The team demonstrated incredible grit and determination during the county finals, working incredibly well as a team supporting each other and showing good sportsmanship towards the other teams. The team worked hard mastering defending, footwork and shooting throughout 9 fast paced games. They played seven teams in a row. Winning 4 and losing 3. After a short refuel at lunch we had the great news that Cliddesden had made it into the quarter finals. The team played a further two matches and gained 6th place overall out of 16 teams across the county. Mrs Jordan said "It was a pleasure spending the day with such a kind and hardworking group of children."

The players gained stickers for a variety of values such as determination, passion and teamwork. Being the 6th best primary school basketball team in the whole of Hampshire is an outstanding achievement for a school our size! Well done Bailey, Sofia, Tyler, Sonny, Annabella and Hugo and of course Debs who introduced basketball to our school.

World Penguin Day

Tuesday 25 April was World Penguin Day and to celebrate, the children in Willow and Beech Class came dressed in black and white.

On the day, we explored Antarctica and the lives of different penguins.



The children enjoyed this opportunity to fully immerse themselves in the lives of penguins.

Coronation

The children thoroughly enjoyed celebrating the Coronation of King Charles III.



They were able to come to school in their 'best' clothes or red, white and blue. They also feasted on a Coronation lunch, made crowns, learned songs and enjoyed sharing these during our special assembly.

Everyone was looking forward to the long weekend break celebrating with their family and friends.

Design and Technology project

On Friday 5th May, Oak class invited our parents in to school to finish the final part of our Design and Technology project. We had been constructing miniature fairground rides, like carousels and Ferris wheels.

The final stage was to link our construction skills with our computing skills. We had been developing our

coding skills throughout the term and we then used these to create codes which controlled the lights and motor. We all had to think logically and problem-solve – if we made the motors go too fast, our passengers would be sick or even fall off!



We all really enjoyed the project and our families were very impressed. We would like to thank the Friends of Cliddesden, who were kind enough to fund the purchase of the Crumble kits for our class.

Joseph and James, had a fabulous time in Sheffield at the England Ice Hockey Draft Showcase. Both did really well and tried their hardest both on and off the ice. We are always very proud to share extra curricular achievements our children make.



To find out more about our school, please see our website. Visit the class pages where we now have a blog showcasing recent work.

Paula Lavender

Farleigh Parish Playgroup



Cliddesden Millennium Village Hall

Friday Mornings 11am-12noon Term Time

Closed on 2nd and 16th, open on 9th, 23rd & 30th June

0 - 4 year olds and their grown-ups

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

Cost: £2 donation per family



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CHILDREN'S SINGING GROUP



Come along, meet new friends, and learn new songs!

Our new term starts on Friday 28th April, then runs every Friday during term time

3.45pm snack, 4-4.30pm singing

ST LEONARD'S CHURCH, CLIDDSDEN

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