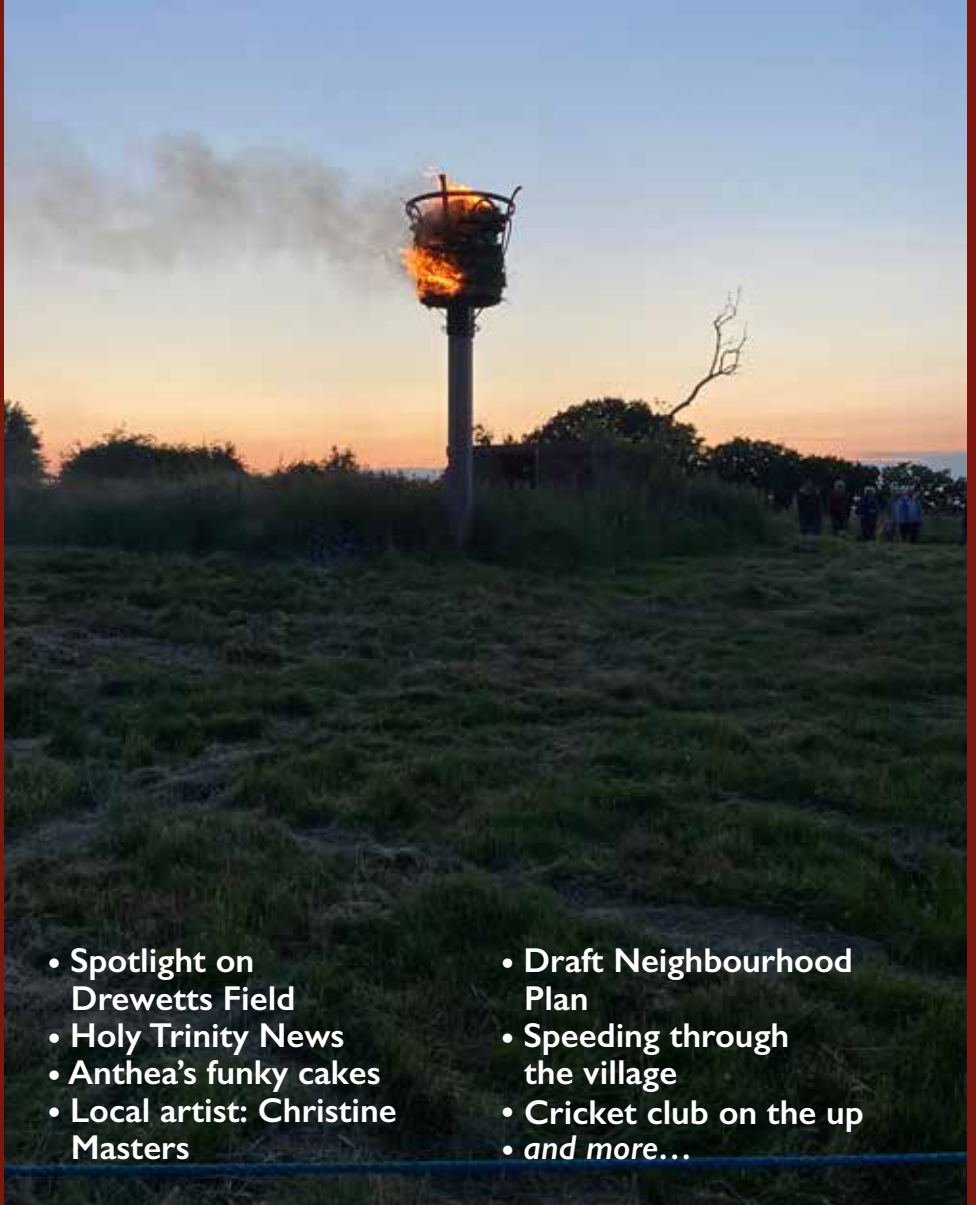


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EDITORIAL

The cover photo this quarter shows the Beacon on Stage Field which was lit on the eve of 2nd June to start the Queen's Platinum Jubilee celebrations which seem to have faded into a distant memory, all the preparations and hype, resulting in a frantic weekend of street parties, processions, and celebrations. Still, we did succeed in hosting a jolly good village fete on the cricket field, which proves that Hurst Green can pull together; the bar has now been raised for future fun days!

The choir enjoyed singing at the fete so much that we are aiming to commence again in September to rehearse a Christmassy repertoire which hopefully will be performed in a few places around the village in December. If you are interested in joining, do turn up at the church at 3pm on Sunday 4th.

You might have noticed, if you take a stroll around the field, that the second goal, which was previously covered in vegetation, brambles, saplings, and the like, has been uncovered, thanks to a couple of community minded chaps! See photos opposite.

We recently received a National Highways A21 Road Safety survey for Hurst Green. Our MP Huw Merriman assures us that there is a guaranteed £18m safety package for the A21 south of Lamberhurst which could bring about some improvements. Personally, I will be amazed if anything materialises as we have campaigned for speed cameras and more safety measures for many years, since the proposed by-pass was scrapped. However, Huw continues to plead our case so we can always live in hope!

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SPOTLIGHT ON DREWETTS FIELD

Drewetts Sports Ground (often referred to as Drewetts Cricket Field) was given in trust to the village in 1932 for the purpose of playing cricket and tennis. The field is set away from the A21 and bordered on three sides by fields. The western edge borders the back gardens of properties along the A21. The area is used year-round by dog walkers, families and others seeking a flat area to exercise or relax. During the summer, when cricket is played on most Sundays, spectators will turn out to relax and watch the game from the benches that are dotted around the perimeter of the pitch. A large oak tree dominates the view from all around the field. The only building on the field is a small cricket pavilion with associated storage space. Drewetts Sports Ground is the best maintained, largest, and enclosed green space in the village, away from roads and provides a safe and peaceful place for the community, in particular for families and dog walkers to relax all year round.

There is mention of improvements and upgrading of this gem in the Neighbourhood Plan, maybe this will be well into the future but let's make use of it now. Spurred on by the amazing success of the English Women's football team, a new net has been purchased and the goal which had been covered in undergrowth has been uncovered so come on you young footballers, girls and boys, let's see what you're made of!



HOLY TRINITY — connecting with the community



The newly painted chancel

After a short break, the Renew Café will start again on Thursday 1st September and every Thursday from 10am–12. It is always good to meet together over a cup of coffee and some homemade cake. So, if you have a spare hour or two, why not pop in, there is always a warm welcome.

Once again, we have been pleased to have the sheep in the churchyard to help keep the grass under control. This year though it has been a challenge for them to find enough green grass. Thanks to Graham Browne for the loan of these munching animals, thanks also to everyone who has volunteered with the strimming and mowing of the churchyard. Your efforts are so appreciated.

It has been another challenging year, due to Covid, for the church to host the school at various events. We hope to be more engaged

with the pupils this new academic year as part of their ongoing education through the Diocese of Chichester Academy Trust. I know that the Breakfast Club have loved being visited by small groups of children as they interact with the wider community.

Thanks to a generous legacy, the inside of the church (left) has recently been spruced up by repainting the walls at the chancel end which makes it all look bright and clean, and there is now a revamped kitchen area. Little by little we are becoming a more versatile building, with the possibility to host events as well as the Sunday services.

More than a breakfast!

Don't forget that the Breakfast Club is running every 2nd and 4th Friday of every month. The only qualification you need is to have reached that magical age of 75 and enjoy a tasty 'Full English'!

So, if you are not already a member, contact Elaine on 01580 860358 or Clive on 01580 860760. There is always a raffle, and the proceeds go towards various trips or outings. It costs £5 per year to join which entitles you to one breakfast a month and the second one costs £5 a time. Recently some of the children from the school have visited and helped out which is a good way to bridge the generation gap!



Letter from the Vicar

In his letter to the Galatians, in the New Testament, St Paul writes that the fruit of the Spirit is, love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control.

Christians believe that the Holy Spirit helps us to grow in these areas, but only if we play our part and work at them as well. They are virtues that we all need to practice, whether we are Christians or not. Kindness is often an overlooked and sometimes undervalued attribute but being kind can make an amazing difference and we can all choose to be kind in any situation. The children's author Roald Dahl said, "Kindness is my number one attribute in a human being. I'll put it before any of the things like courage or bravery or generosity or anything else... Kindness, that simple word. To be kind – it covers everything, to my mind. If you're kind that's it."

I recently read an article by an American pastor called Nadia Bolz-Weber. In the article she talks about sitting on a plane on the tarmac for four and a half hours before being told the flight was cancelled. The experience was made bearable by the good humour and grace of those around her. She remarks that, "Nothing is working right now. Not retail. Not restaurants. Not hotels. Not air travel. Not schools. Not healthcare. I mean – it's all fraying around the edges". Of course, she is talking about the USA, but we are experiencing similar difficulties here. In the last two weeks alone, I've had frustrating incidents with a hotel which had booked in two weddings but didn't have enough staff to cope and with an understaffed shop working with out-of-date technology. I have also been told that the waiting list for an operation I need is 12 months. One sister-in-law and two nieces were delayed by 4 hours at Heathrow causing them to miss their connecting flight

in the States, which caused an additional overnight delay. Another sister-in-law had to change her plans for getting to my son's



wedding because of rail strikes. Covid and understaffing have caused chaos for many travellers, and some have lost their holidays altogether. I'm sure we have all had similar experiences. Nadia acknowledges that frustration, anger, and disappointment are natural reactions

to the fact that every sector seems to be understaffed. However, she points out that reacting in these ways does not help anyone. Instead, she suggests trying to be prepared and creating a survival guide. Here are her initial ideas, but she invites us to add our own.

1. We can show lots of patience and gratitude to people in the service industries. Their lives are tough right now and most of the problems are probably not their fault.
 2. We can remember to bring snacks – especially if we are going on a long journey
 3. We can try and make difficult situations less difficult by being kind to those around us.
 4. We can lower our expectations and then be really pleased when things go well.
- Things are difficult for lots of reasons, but we can all plan ahead, be kind and play our part in making the world a better place!

God bless, Rev Annette
annette@jhbd.co.uk 01580 880282
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We meet at Holy Trinity every Sunday – we have coffee at 9am and the service starts at 9.30.

To make a donation to the work of Holy Trinity, use this QR code to go to our Just Giving page. Thank you so much – it will make a huge difference.



A LOCAL ARTIST

Christine Masters

Christine lives in East Sussex and is happiest drawing and painting from her home and garden in Cross-in-Hand. Much of Christine's artwork is inspired by the beautiful scenery of the South Downs and coastland.

However, Christine is a northern girl, from Manchester, the daughter of two primary school teachers. She always had a love of art, and followed that direction at Liverpool School of Art – just 25 years too late to share space with John Lennon!

Her love of drawing and colour was best suited to the design of printed textiles, which eventually necessitated a move to the bright lights of London. Here, she worked with international agents, selling designs in Japan, Europe, New York, often not knowing if the design would end up on a skirt, a tie, a swimsuit or tablecloth! It

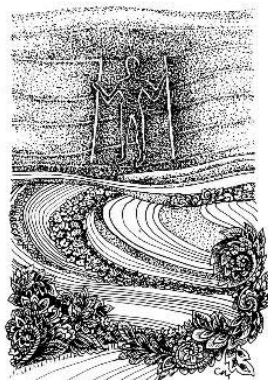
was always thrilling to catch a glimpse, on home ground, of a very familiar print in Monsoon, John Lewis or Marks and Spencer, and once even on the front of the TV Times!



After 15 years or so in the trade, and after marriage and two young children, Christine decided to train as a primary school teacher. Whilst art was still attractive, Christine felt the need to extend other areas of her brain and aim to teach at least 10 other subjects! She specialised mostly within Year 1 and 2, but taught all ages between 4 and 11 over the next 19 years.

It was in 2006 that Christine and her family moved from London to East Sussex. Neither Christine nor her architect husband had jobs set up for a soft landing this far south, but time and fortune were kind, and both settled into new jobs reasonably quickly, and the children were accommodated in lovely local schools – so much more easily than the palaver that school placement in London entails!

After another house move and children by now at university, Christine found the teaching curriculum changing and challenging! It was time to do something different, but not so different as it turned out. Christine returned to art, wishing only to draw again...



From her house in Cross in Hand she can see (through binoculars) the Long Man of Wilmington gracing the Downs and inspiring artwork. Christine enjoys the challenge



of creating tone and atmosphere in monotone and loves the immediacy of fine pens to describe the flow, texture and pattern of landscapes and landmarks. These graphic images

are sometimes personalised with her own intricate style of decorative foliage. Christine leads black and white illustration workshops in this style and plans for more this year. Small groups just 'doodle' their ways across Sussex landscapes and express themselves creatively around tea and cake breaks!



Botanical subjects attract Christine too, most often flowers and plants growing in her garden, but also fruit and vegetables. She makes detailed fine-line pen drawings and colourwashes the images with permanent



inks to fully describe the beauty of the natural form.

Christine also draws and paints houses (pubs, wedding venues etc) and their gardens to commission. There are so many beautiful properties in this part of the world, and what could be more special than to have a lasting memento of a place of your own?

Christine is extremely versatile and has been commissioned to capture various other subjects, such as house interiors, tractors and dragonflies! Look out for her work in regular exhibitions at The Green Tree Gallery at Borde Hill Gardens, Hayward Heath, and in Gallery Uno, Seaford.

She has a monthly craft stall at Wadhurst farmers Market, and will be returning to Lewes' monthly Craft Fair this autumn.

You will find her cards for sale in several outlets, most locally Eggs to Apples Farm shop, the Old Orchard Burwash and Gemini Greetings, Heathfield. If you would like to see more of Christine's artwork, do visit her website and look out for her Facebook and Instagram pages.

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Speeding through the village – is anyone listening?

It is not often that we receive a letter from our MP on House of Commons headed paper. However, this time he even delivered it himself, with a team of helpers!

Needless to say, the old subject of the A21 Road Safety was the subject and a plea for us residents to take part in a National Highways Survey. Maybe some of us did return this questionnaire to the Village Hall but with scarce hope that anything will actually change!

Here is a reply from one of our neighbours which probably sums up what those of us who live on the A21 feel:

“We are still marking time and maybe waiting until a few more deaths occur”

Dear Huw

It was great to receive your letter (26/7) re the above and the questionnaire from National Highways. Both give the feeling that after years of hope for improvements particularly in Hurst Green, something may be happening.

I live on London Road/A21 and have been urging the local council to seriously appreciate the only real deterrent to speeding motorists through the village – an average speed camera system (such as that successfully fought for and won at Charlton Village near Shepperton, even without a trunk road priority). If Surrey CC can understand the merits of such a scheme, which paid for itself within a year, then surely our three decision makers can cut through all the years of research on traffic speeding and head scratching over proven ineffective signage/road markings and adopt a bolder strategy.

As you know from personal experience walking through our village there is virtually total disregard for 30mph legal limits. I get so angry at the sheer blinkered ignorance of drivers who flout all the legality and lack of respect of a village unfortunate enough to still bear the full weight of the A21 burden.

Sorry for the rant but my blood boils every time I walk or cycle through the village north, south or west. It is no wonder that non-residents joke about Hurst Green being a place where people are seldom seen on the pavements.

I would be very pleased if you could forward my plea to the key people at Nat Highways, Sussex Safer Roads, and

the Police. I understand our Chief Constable is particularly keen on road safety.

Perhaps within your power on the Transport committee you could suggest a free national distribution of the new Highway Code!

Yours sincerely
Allan Cheek

So, despite all the rhetoric, debates and protests we are still marking time and maybe waiting until a few more deaths occur.

Here are some facts to support the plea for average speed cameras:

Average speed cameras are more effective than spot speed cameras because they encourage greater compliance with the speed limit over a longer stretch of road, in both directions, rather than just in the vicinity of a spot speed camera. Anecdotally they are reported

as being preferred by motorists too, as they are considered fairer. This is because there is less likelihood of being issued with a penalty due to a momentary lapse, and it is not possible to slow down and then speed back up again as can be the case with a spot speed camera. Average speed cameras also improve journey time reliability by reducing traffic collisions that can cause disruption to the network. They also help to smooth traffic flow and reduce the amount of pollution resulting from frequent deceleration and acceleration.

Will the upgrade result in more penalties being issued? No, not necessarily. The overall number of penalties being issued is limited by the capacity of the administration office to process offences. The aim is not to issue more penalties, instead the aim is to deter motorists from

speeding and jumping red lights at locations that had previously suffered a history of collisions. If however, drivers ignore the warnings of enforcement and continue to commit offences, then they risk the possibility of being issued with a penalty.

Who is paying for the upgrade?

The cost of the replacement is being funded via the police, using money specifically for upgrading safety cameras. The ongoing operating costs of safety camera enforcement is now fully self-funding at no cost to the police or county council. This is because all costs are recovered from part of the fee charged to offenders for attending diversionary courses (such as speed awareness courses) instead of paying the usual £100 fine and 3 penalty points. Part of this money is also reinvested in improving road safety through the Drive SMART Partnership.

These facts are supplied by the RAC Foundation

Some helpful local services

Building and Renovations Mark Roby 07586 702809. Pioneeringcarpentry@yahoo.com

Cars Mobile Car Mechanic: Cliff Mercer 07909 911869

Dogs Holiday and day care: Lorely Watson 01580 880061 / 07796 392653

Pippin's Pet Sitting and walking: 07717 681972
Sarah.janeheasman@hotmail.co.uk

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Electricians Gareth Skinner 07929 839309
Tim Russell 07771 687636

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House Portraits Christine Masters Art 07833 342020 www.christinemastersart.wordpress.com

Leather repairs Kay Lloyd, Wealden Saddlery 01580 860860

Pest control Paul Messenger 07940 744411
paul@roecallservices.com

Plastering and tiling Edd Ripley, 07875 494493

Plumbers Aaron Plumbing & Heating Ltd - Aaron Rowsell 01580 230330

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Private car hire and taxi service Hugo, 01435 883803 Mob. 07931 605057

If you or anyone you know would like to be included in this list please email thehurst.hg@gmail.com This is a free listing..



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We plan to hold a coffee morning in Hurst Green Village Hall

on Saturday 24th September 10.00 am to 2.00pm

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Public Consultation on the draft Hurst Green Neighbourhood Plan

After several years of evidence gathering, public events and resident consultation the Parish Council is pleased to present the 'pre-submission draft of the Hurst Green Parish Neighbourhood Plan' for public consultation. Just in case you happen to have missed the banners, the letter, posters, and the social media activity, the Parish Council is currently running a public consultation on the pre-submission version of the Neighbourhood Plan, which runs until 5pm on the 17th of September 2022.

Designed to provide guidance and influence over how Hurst Green should be developed in the future, the draft plan is a big achievement, and the Parish Council is grateful to the volunteers and councillors who freely gave their time to the preparation of this plan, and for the commitment of the hundreds of residents and stakeholders who provided feedback as the plan was developed.

Looking inside, the draft plan takes an objective view of the future. Parish councillors understand that not everyone will support everything within it and share the community's frustration that the Parish Council doesn't have any jurisdiction over the much-needed major road and utility infrastructure projects that Hurst Green requires or have control of the housing development numbers for

our area that have been set by successive Governments.

Evidence gathering for the plan has shown there is a local need for additional affordable and market housing, and that road safety concerns, and noise and pollution are high on the list of issues residents want to see addressed. These are closely followed by a need to improve the aesthetics of our residential areas, addressing antisocial behaviour, particularly in public areas such as the park and inconsiderate parking throughout the village.

Positive design themes such as policies to support new parking for homes that were built decades before car use was widespread are included, as well as tackling several decades of poor planning decisions, historical lacklustre housing design and poor area master planning. The housing policies within the plan are the most environmentally sound of any of the options presented and will provide strong foundations and financial contributions for new recreational facilities in the parish.

If you have internet access, the easiest way to view the draft plan and its supporting materials, including the Strategic Environmental Assessment, is online at: www.hurstgreen2030.uk/ consultation

You can also view a printed version of the draft plan at the Village Hall and at various locations around the parish. For more information please call 01580 860111 (answerphone and call back service).

YOU CAN COMMENT ON THE DRAFT NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN IN A FEW WAYS:

- Completing the online survey accessible from the website at: www.hurstgreen2030.uk/consultation
- Picking up and returning a printed copy of the survey form from **Hurst Green Village Hall or from local businesses.**
- By email to: clerk@hurstgreen-pc.gov.uk
- By post to: **Hurst Green Parish Council, The Parish Office, Village Hall, Station Road, Hurst Green, East Sussex, TN19 7PL**
- Responses must be received by 5pm on the 17th of September 2022.

Hurst Green School rules OK!

Open days at Hurst Green Primary School and Nursery for those parents looking for school places in 2023.



This year, the year 6 children have scored the highest SATs results out of our surrounding schools and we are above the national average!

This is due to the hard work and determination of the children who put in continuous effort to achieve, as well as the parents who have supported their learning – we are very proud of them, so well done Year 6!



Hurst Green Cricket Club on the up!



A Cheek, D Nicholls, R Blackaby, I, L and M Hirst

So OK, we've not actually won a game, but we're definitely getting better, playing more often and are well set to continue improving into the future as we rebuild.

Our first fixture of the season was against Wadhurst, where we reached 100 runs in our innings for the first time as a new look team, but our fielding and bowling wasn't the best, conceding 182 runs for just one wicket and dropping a few catching chances.

In the second fixture at the Clappers, we played the Robertsbridge Development XI and took seven wickets with only 9 players on the pitch, but our batting could only muster 91 runs, falling far short of the target of 159.

Our third game, and our first at home, was against Pett where we took 5 wickets in the field and improved our top score to 105, but unfortunately we still lost by a fair margin.

The most recent game against Flimwell was another loss, but 6 wickets taken and getting within 20 runs of the opposition.

Overall, we're progressing nicely with the bowling and fielding and have seen improvements in every game. We now have several bowlers able to turn their arm over and take wickets. Our batting is still a little too reliant on one or two players to make a score but with more experience comes confidence and bigger scores are on the horizon, I'm sure.

Best of all, we now have a pool of almost 20 players to select from, mostly from the village and surrounding area.

Of course, more players are always welcome to join us (no experience necessary) so why not send an email to hurstgreencricketclub@gmail.com or check our facebook page at [facebook.com/hurstgreencricketclub](https://www.facebook.com/hurstgreencricketclub)



Grizzled veterans sharing a word at the end of the game

JUBILEE CELEBRATIONS!



The Council and residents of Hurst Green thank the organizers of the Jubilee Fete for all the hard work, time and effort you and all the people involved put into achieving a truly memorable and enjoyable day for the community which was greatly appreciated by all.



Burwash over 50's Walking Football

Any hopes of a Summer League have faded and so we await details of a new winter league in due course. In the meantime we arranging a few friendlies to keep us ticking over and maintain our 'match fitness'

We recently held a Pizza and Petanque evening at The Etchingham Bistro which proved a great success for players and their partners. We had a great selection of wood-fired pizzas courtesy of Paul and a drink or two to wash them all down.

So keen are we that we now have a match arranged against Ticehurst Petanque Club for the middle of the month. We may have to change our name to 'The Burwash over 50's Walking Football and Petanque Club for Players and Partners'.



We have arranged another trip to Lakedown Brewery Tap Room the day after our 'friendly' match against Heathfield so there will be plenty of time to congratulate ourselves on our victory, or mull-over where it all went wrong.

We also have a great opportunity for anyone who may be interested in training as a walking football referee. No experience required. You don't have to be over 50 and you don't have to be a bloke. We pay the training fee and you can either just referee our training sessions or go on 'the circuit' and officiate matches and tournaments. Plus you get to do all the social things too!

Fancy having a go?

Contact Steve 'Minty' Mintram on 01435 882444 for more information.
www.burwashwalkingfootballers.co.uk



**Peter Manning
in action**

Anthea's Funky Cakes

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150g blanched whole/ground almonds
1 tbsp cocoa powder
200g dark chocolate broken into pieces
100ml extra virgin olive oil
Pinch of flaky sea salt
4 large eggs, separated (at room temperature)
180g caster sugar
¼ tsp cream of tartar

Preheat oven 170C/335F/gas mark 3½

1. Grease a 20cm diameter cake tin with a bit of olive oil. Combine the ground almonds with the cocoa powder.
2. Put the chocolate in a heatproof bowl over a pan of barely simmering water. As it begins to melt, add the oil and salt and stir. Remove the bowl from the pan and whisk in 2/3 of the sugar, and the almond mixture until combined.
3. Whisk the egg yolks. If the mixture starts to get cold, it may "seize" or look grainy. If this happens, place the bowl back over the simmering pan and stir until it loosens again.
4. Put the egg whites in a very clean bowl and whisk until just frothy. Then add the cream of tartar and continue until foamy. Sprinkle in the remaining sugar and continue to whisk until the whites hold soft peaks.
5. Without delay, use a rubber spatula to stir a small portion of the whipped whites into the chocolate mixture to loosen it, then gently fold in the remaining whites until the batter is just combined and no streaks remain.
6. Immediately pour the mixture into the prepared tin, smooth out the top and

bake for 35-45 minutes, until a toothpick inserted comes out with moist crumbs attached. Let the cake cool completely, then remove from the tin and sprinkle with sea salt.

PLUM AND WALNUT CAKE

150g butter
150g unrefined golden caster sugar
16 plums
3 large eggs
75g plain flour
1½ tsp baking powder
100g ground almonds
50g shelled walnuts

1. Set the oven at 175C/gas mark 4. Line the base of a 20-22cm cake tin with baking parchment.
2. Beat the butter and sugar until pale and fluffy. A food mixer will do this far more efficiently than by hand. Stop when the mixture is light, soft and the colour of vanilla ice cream. Meanwhile, halve the plums, remove the stones, then cut each half in two.
3. Break the eggs, beat lightly with a fork, then add them bit by bit to the butter and sugar. Sift the flour and baking powder together and fold them gently into the mixture. Do this with a large metal spoon rather than the food mixer.
4. Fold in the ground almonds, then chop the walnuts so they are the size of small gravel, then fold them in too.
5. Scrape the mixture into the cake tin. Place the quartered plums on the cake mixture. Bake for 40-45 minutes, then test with a skewer. If it comes out clean, the cake is ready. Remove from the oven and leave to cool for 15 minutes before turning out.

Could you help in an Emergency?



In the last year Hurst Green and the surrounding areas have faced a number of emergencies which have lasted more than 24hrs.

It has become clear that sometimes the organisations we rely on are too stretched to help in time, or simply cannot be reached as the phone network is out of use.

Often the most effective and timely response comes from members of the community co-ordinated through a local emergency plan with local organisations.

Hurst Green Parish Council are looking to establish a group of people across the community to discuss what could be done within our parish to help prepare and respond to any future emergencies.

Perhaps you own a 4x4, generator, gas heater, tractor or pick-up? Maybe you own a business who could help or you are willing to help in an emergency by collecting water or checking on those who are vulnerable?

If you are interested in getting involved or providing some ideas please come along to a initial discussion

We are the community – you could make a difference when it counts

13th September 2022
Village Hall
19:30



HURST GREEN VILLAGE HALL

WHAT'S ON WEEKLY

- MONDAY** 11am Lunch Club (2nd Monday each month, 07798 556999 to book)
 7pm Short Mat Bowls
- TUESDAY** 8.45am Pilates (07798 663820)
 7pm Jive & Lindy Hop (07766 881045)
 8pm Parish Council Meeting (4th Tuesday of each month)
- WEDNESDAY** 10am Upholstery (termtime)
 5.30pm Brownies (termtime)
- THURSDAY** 8.45am Pilates
 1.30pm Short Mat Bowls
 8pm Zumba
- FRIDAY** 10am Breakfast Club (2nd & 4th Friday each month)

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The Campaign

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The News

We are extremely delighted to let you all know that this has been achieved by the generosity of a number of donors as well as some community grants

Grants

- Greymoor Construction, brought and donated a defib and cabinet.
- Arnold Clark community grant has purchased a defib and cabinet.
- A grant from Rother District Council will provide a third defibrillator and cabinet



Crowdfunding

£149.00 was raised by eight supporters and a further £239.00 was raised from the proceeds from the jubilee fete.

Government

The fourth will be funded by central government as part of their new commitment to provide each public school with a defib.

Next Steps

Locations for the defib is currently being discussed. Hopefully within the next few weeks defib training will be arranged at the Village Hall. Dates will be notified via Facebook on the Hurst Green Village and Family News site.

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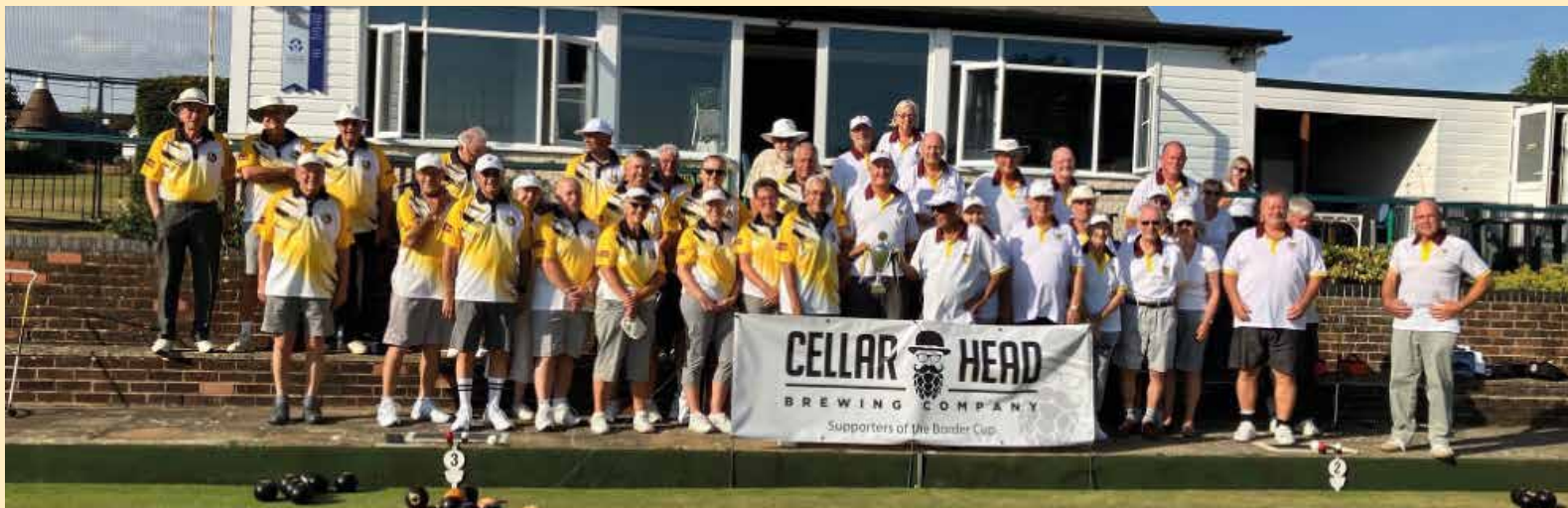
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We hosted an evening for another of our sponsors, Tate Fencing, where friends and family and employees all came over for a fun evening.

Our most prestigious event was hosting a County Billingham League game involving



bowlers from all over West and East Sussex.

But let's not dwell too much on the past... During August we played our Mixed Triples Open Competition with teams coming from far and wide in the hope of walking away with the £300 prize money and we were also selected to host two National Area Finals involving Kent and Sussex clubs. A neutral venue had to be chosen and with the quality of our green and warm nature of our members Wadhurst was a no-brainer, top-of-the-list choice! A great honour for our club and green-keeping team.

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