

# Tilford Life

The Tilford Parish Council Newsletter



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## GIGABIT BROADBAND VOUCHER SCHEME

Good news for half the village!

If your property is served by the Frensham telephone exchange, you can now sign up for Superfast Broadband. This should improve your broadband speed to at least 300MBs and up to 1GB. To put this in perspective, our current average speed is 8MB.

This upgrade is being funded by a £130,000 government grant under the Gigabit Broadband Voucher

Scheme. This means Openreach can apply for a grant on your behalf for a new FTTP (Fibre To The Premises) connection to your property. The scheme is open for both residential and business properties.

Please don't miss out, if you decide you'd like better broadband after this scheme has closed, it will cost you £1000s to get connected.

The map is a rough 'best guess' at which postcodes are eligible for this scheme. You can check your postcode and sign up here: <https://www.openreach.com/connectmycommunity>

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions on: [steve.windsor@icloud.com](mailto:steve.windsor@icloud.com).

## Aircraft Noise

You may have noticed we are hearing an increasing amount of aircraft noise over Tilford. This is because new airspace and



flight paths to Farnborough were introduced during lockdown. The noise is coming from the private jets, light aircraft and helicopters that now have to fly lower to avoid the restricted airspace. A formal review of the flight changes is taking place during November as part of a public consultation process. If you would like to know more, please have a look at the Farnborough Noise Facebook page:

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/505992344059468>

or email:

[farnboroughnoise@gmail.com](mailto:farnboroughnoise@gmail.com).



Welcome to our  
Village newsletter

## Casual Vacancy

Following the resignation of Cllr Mack due to his relocation, Tilford Parish Council has a casual vacancy.

We are looking for a community minded-individual to join our council. We meet around 10 times a year for evening meetings and discuss a whole host of village matters from planning to footpaths, and do our best to give a valued contribution to village life. It's an incredibly varied and rewarding role, offering an opportunity to engage with residents and support decision making for all things Tilford.

Does this sound like you or perhaps someone you know? For more details about the role, please contact our Clerk, Jules, who can tell you more!

[clerk@tilford-pc.gov.uk](mailto:clerk@tilford-pc.gov.uk)  
M: 07884490581

## Tilford Life Needs You!



Tilford Life needs a new editorial team as the current one is moving on! We would hate for Tilford Life to stop after this issue, so if you think you could help please get in touch! We publish an edition approximately every 3 months and are looking for people to help write, edit and collate our lovely village magazine. We are looking for students, residents or volunteers to join the team and keep Tilford Life alive. (There will be support, training and a full handover) So if you just want to help

for a couple of issues, have a year to give to it or need material for your studies, work experience or a project or want to try it.....write to us!

[Debralee@tilford-pc.gov.uk](mailto:Debralee@tilford-pc.gov.uk)

## Plant a tree for the Jubilee



The Parish Council is supporting the Queens Green Canopy to mark Her Majesty's Platinum Jubilee in 2022. The Green Canopy is a unique tree planting initiative to encourage citizens across the UK to 'Plant a tree for the Jubilee' and create a legacy in honour of The Queen's leadership of the Nation, which will benefit future generations.

We are looking for ideas of where to plant a tree or trees around the village. We plan to have a community planting event for a tree with a commemorative plaque to mark the occasion. We would also like to add to this project by planting more trees in the village to protect Tilford's greener future and contribute to Tilford's own green canopy.

The project has created a dedicated website and is requesting everyone who plants a tree to upload photos of the tree and location information on the website,

[www.queensgreencanopy.org](http://www.queensgreencanopy.org)

If you have tree planting ideas, please send us an email with the subject line "Queens Trees!". We'd love to hear your ideas!

[Clerk@tilford-pc.gov.uk](mailto:Clerk@tilford-pc.gov.uk)

## Finishing the Green



Residents may remember that the Parish Council and Cricket Club jointly paid for remedial work to the Village Green in the Spring of this year.

The Green was scarified, verti drained and seeded and after shock at the initial "brown, sandy" colour and texture, we soon saw the green shoots of regrowth emerging.

Since the remedial work, the village green has been looking fantastic and we have had many compliments about its improved surface.

The Parish Council have agreed that a further small section of seeding will take place on the area in front of the Barley Mow and in front of the bottom oak tree, by the West Bridge, as this section is still a little bare.

We would be very grateful if residents can keep access in this area to a minimum – we will probably put some heras fencing up to protect the new blades of grass whilst they grow.

We would like to thank Tilford Cricket Club for jointly funding this improvement and look forward to seeing the benefits of the finishing touches of our Green project.

**THE TILFORD  
CHRISTMAS TREE**  
*Lighting*

**SUNDAY, DECEMBER 5TH AT 4PM  
ON TILFORD GREEN**

**FESTIVE DRINKS ON SALE  
FROM THE BARLEY MOW  
PUB**

**ALL CHILDREN ARE WELCOME  
TO BRING A BAUBLE OR  
DECORATION TO HANG ON OUR  
TREE!**

**CONTACT THE  
CLERK@TILFORD-PC.GOV.UK FOR  
MORE INFO**

**EVERYONE  
WELCOME!**

You may have noticed the replanted area and the barrels on the north side of the Green containing various herbs. Do help yourselves if you would like some to enjoy. A big "Thank You" to Nigel Morland, for his help in watering and nurturing them over the summer. You will also soon see new signage reminding dog owners to pick up their dog's mess, which has become a problem on some paths.

We are planning to do a lot more planting for Tilford in Bloom this autumn. We will be planting wild-flowers in the newly grassed bank between the Institute and the west bridge. Additionally we will be planting more bulbs around the green to add to last year's daffodil planting.

Soon you will be receiving an information sheet about the plans for Tilford Community Farm. With food security becoming more of an issue and the acute and pressing need to reduce carbon miles for food transport, we are planning to start a small community farm and to grow it over time. We hope to support the village, encourage a community project, strengthening our village by working together with residents, schools and community groups to combat our climate change emergency together.

## Keep Tilford Tidy

Litter Picking Day, Saturday 30th October 2021, 9:00am to 10:30 am

Tilford Parish Council will be picking litter in Tilford to keep our beautiful village clean on the above date and time. We will be meeting on The Village Green and you are all welcome to join us. If you have one, please bring a Litter Picker, gloves and high-vis jacket (we have a small number we can share). Please confirm your attendance to me if possible at the contact number or email below. Thank you:

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[avtmds@gmail.com](mailto:avtmds@gmail.com)  
 07449612873

## Tilford Eco Update



If there is one good thing that has come out of Covid-19, it's the realisation of how important space, nature and getting outdoors is for our health and wellbeing. When we were able to, our Greener Tilford group of villagers have been busy.

There are other environmental events you might want to get involved with. There will be a series of litter picks in the area (we are looking for volunteers!) and we are setting up a calendar of monthly meetings at the Institute to discuss environmental and ecological topics. These will take place on the first Thursday of each month at 6.00 pm at the Tilford Institute (We are exploring ways to have them on Zoom also for those who can't attend in person). The calendar of events will be circulated on noticeboards, on the Tilford Villagers Facebook page and on the Parish Council website.

# Tilford Blooms Again

Leading on from last years lovely daffodils, we are planning to do a lot more for Tilford in Bloom this autumn. We will be planting wild flowers in the newly grassed bank between the Institute and the West Bridge and more bulbs will be planted around the green. The Date we have decided to do this will be Saturday, 13 November and we would love to have some helpers!

We will be gathering at the green at 11:00 am. Please come and help us if you can and help Tilford Bloom.



# Who wants to go to a party?

Birthday, wedding, anniversary, children's, family, Halloween, Christmas, New Year or why not a post Covid party?

The Tilford Institute is fully open again for business! The Institute provides a beautiful, local setting to get back into socialising and parties. Inside there

are two large entertaining spaces and a fully equipped kitchen. Outside there is a newly seeded and beautiful lawn area with a paved area for a bar or band and plenty of parking. We



now have enough large round tables for use in the Lutyens Hall for a village supper or a posh celebration, even a wedding reception.

How has this year been for the Tilford Institute? Well, it was a sleepy Summer as the new grass lawn in the back garden area slowly grew and matured and we all continued to struggle with social distancing and restrictions.



What a difference a month makes! September arrived and now that all restrictions have been lifted as



we head into the Autumn, we are delighted to be able to welcome back our regular hirers and anybody looking for a venue for a celebration. We look forward to seeing the Institute busy again after these difficult times!

# Tilford Calendar



Have nothing in your house that you do not know to be useful, or believe to be beautiful", the often quoted maxim by William Morris is realised in the 2022 TILFORD CALENDAR!

Our inspirational location combined with some keen local photographers (surely a link there!) has meant the 2022 Calendar has been a joy to create. It is available at the Village Shop at the bargain price of £7 and includes a stiff-backed envelope for posting, so your friends and family can share Tilford and Rushmoor views too. That's 12 months of visual delights and usefulness for less than 2p per day! And this year the calendar includes the major UK public holidays; so beautiful and useful - William would surely approve.

This year's standout images include some gorgeous Egyptian Goslings down on the river Wey, a very moody Axe Pond and an amazing wide-angle shot of the village green taken one Friday evening this summer capturing so much of what makes both Tilford and Rushmoor great places, from the enthusiasm of the young cricketers and their mentors through to the adults enjoying a drink outside the Barley Mow.

It has been a privilege to meet so many generous locals who have been willing to share their images. The calendar highlights scenes from happy snappers (like me) through to individuals who really do know what they are doing behind a lens! I received so many great pictures, I wish I could have included more.

However, I've already started the 2023 collection so watch this space - if you submitted a picture this time around it might still appear next year.

I'm keen to involve as many of the local community as possible and would particularly welcome pictures from some of our younger residents next year. When you're out and about with your camera (or equally mobile phones which are now capable of taking stunning pictures), please feel free to send me anything which you think might fit the bill. Just please bear in mind pictures must be landscape format and high resolution.

Thank you to Janie Bennett who has produced the calendar over the last 10 years but who is moving onto pastures new and a big shout out to Para Prabha at the Village Shop for agreeing, once again, to sell the calendar. All the profit will be divided between All Saints' Church and the Mind Body EDS charity set up by local villager Laura Sylvester.

By Gill David

## Little Saints Toddlers

Running now since 14th September, this brand NEW babies and toddler group was launched at ALL SAINTS' CHURCH!

- Running fortnightly (in term time) on Tuesday mornings - 9.15-11.15 am, in the Parish Rooms (at the back of church).
- November 2nd, 16th, 30th & December 14th.
- A warm welcome awaits where children can have fun and adults have nice cake, coffee and chat!
- Christian themed activities but no knowledge/attendance of church required.
- A chance to meet, chat, share and care.
- Music, Activities, Snacks, Play.
- Themed sessions & 'specials'.

£1 per child

Keep an eye on the website:

[www.littlesaintstoddlers.co.uk](http://www.littlesaintstoddlers.co.uk)

or contact Becca:

[becca\\_fcct@hotmail.com](mailto:becca_fcct@hotmail.com) for more

information. Becca Makemson and

Alice Robinson

## The Duke of Cambridge



With the summer sunshine and holidays feeling well and truly behind us, it's time to embrace the darker evenings and autumnal changes with vigour, as we move into the last few months of 2021.

Here, at The Duke, we have embraced the new season with a tantalising new menu filled with an array of desirable dishes, and of course, daily specials, which is where Head Chef Adam, and his team, really get to showcase their culinary flair when experimenting with deliciously fresh, locally sourced and seasonal ingredients. So, lace up your walking boots, take in an enjoyable scenic walk and then finish up at ours to re-fuel and refresh.

It's also coming to that time of year when you need to start synchronising diaries in order to celebrate the festive season with your closest friends and colleagues. After missing out last year, let's make this Christmas even more special! We are taking Christmas and New Year's Eve bookings now, so, to avoid disappointment, get ahead of the crowd and book your preferred date/time today.

Plus, don't forget we have plentiful dining spaces both inside and out, our team continue to take the health and safety of our staff and customers incredibly seriously and we want you to feel relaxed and safe when dining here with us.

Are you on Facebook? Get village updates by joining [Tilford's Facebook Page](#) - search "Tilford Villagers" on Facebook 



### "Cafe" Concert

**Saturday 30th October 11am – 12 noon**  
**All Saints Church, Tilford, GU10 2DA**

*Followed by light refreshments in the Parish Room*

*Free entry*

*Retiring collection in aid of Piano Maintenance Fund*

**Do join us in Tilford and celebrate the start of a series of monthly, Saturday morning, short music concerts at All Saints Tilford**

**Choral music from the Choir of Hope**  
**Organ music from Mike Smith**  
**Plus Vocal duets and trios**

**To include music by**  
**Bach, Le Fleming, Mozart,**  
**Humperdinck, Offenbach and others**

## Tilford Gardening Club

Like many clubs, Tilford Gardening Club has had to adapt to the covid situation, but it has meant that we haven't been able to hold our usual talks in a closed hall. However, this year we have held a virtual Spring Show, had a Summer Show combined with a garden visit, visited two open gardens with the Surrey Horticultural Federation, then another lovely social visit to a member's garden.

The Autumn Show was on a really hot Sunday in September, and despite the heat was really well attended with excellent exhibits of flowers, fruit and vegetables. Certificates for Best Flowers went to Paul Yeoman for a Bowl of Dahlias, Best Vegetables to Janet Arm for shallots, and Best Flower Arrangement to Debbie McKay for her 'Home Grown' exhibit. The exhibitors donated their flowers and produce at the end of the show, and these were delivered to the Phyllis Tuckwell hospice for the nurses and carers.

We hope to actually hold our AGM this year, followed by a talk – members will be emailed about this a.s.a.p.

Would you like to join our club? Usually we hold 4 or 5 talks/meetings a year, plus 3 Shows and garden visits, all for £6 single or £10 for a whole family at one address. Details from Secretary Janet Arm at Redleaf Nursery, Tel: 01252-783133 or contact [info@tilfordgardeningclub.co.uk](mailto:info@tilfordgardeningclub.co.uk).

## Support for refugees

Waverley Borough Council has committed to providing assistance for between 5 and 10 families within the borough.

WBC are recommending to residents that any donations at this point should be, if possible, financial ones, to charities that are best equipped to immediately support Afghan refugees. The Community Foundation for Surrey is set up to administer these donations locally and information on how to donate can be found on their website.

<https://www.cfsurrey.org.uk/>

## Tilford Cricket Club - Another Championship Season

The club enjoyed the return to a full cricket season and proved that their success in the curtailed 2020 campaign was no fluke by retaining the I'Anson league crown with a game to spare and by a margin of



31 points. The 2nd and 3rd teams also performed strongly, with both finishing 4th in their respective divisions, thereby ranking our second team as clearly the strongest in the league and with the 3rds only very narrowly missing out on promotion. Pictured is the victorious 1st team with both the original I'Anson trophy (on the right) which the club retained after victories in 1908-1910 and the current trophy. The trophy was presented by I'Anson League President, Keith Ellis. We are delighted to have received sponsorship from the three local businesses whose boundary boards are shown in the above picture and would like to thank them for their continued support.

A full programme of friendly and very enjoyable Sunday fixtures was also held throughout the season, some of which date back to the 1930s.

The Junior Section continued to go from strength to strength and was further bolstered by the recruitment of South African professional, Rob Sholto-Douglas as Head of Coaching. This year 211 children were trained at Tilford, most via the ECB-approved 'All Stars' and 'Dynamos' schemes with Friday evening sessions now supplemented by Thursday evening coaching for the older squads. Tilford entered six age groups of boys and girls teams into the newly-created Surrey Junior League with a full list of fixtures played, including against some of the larger clubs in the area

such as Guildford and Farnham. The teams all performed very creditably and particular mention must go to the Under 9s, who won their league in great style.

Thanks to all local residents who came along to support our many Senior and Junior matches during the Summer - it is very much appreciated. We will soon be into Winter nets training and if you would like to join us then please do contact me. Otherwise, we look forward to seeing you once again in the Spring.

Nigel Martyn  
Chairman  
Tilford Cricket Club  
**07802 335764**

## Tilford and Rushmoor Riding Club

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On Sunday 26 September, Tilford and Rushmoor Riding Club (TRRC) held



their annual open show at the club field courtesy of Alan Deadman. The weather started misty and brightened up to the perfect day. Late entries on the day were welcomed and, as usual, the show had classes to encourage the newcomers and nervous as well as seasoned campaigners, and also held a series of affiliated side saddle classes.

Despite the fuel situation, competitors came from near and far. Willow Tarrant, who arguably came from furthest afar, had a successful day, winning classes with both her horses, as well as the overall Reserve Supreme and Ridden Championships with Flying Solo and the Working Hunter championship with Ashgrove Wendi. The In Hand champion came from the M&M classes with Cosford Favourita handled by Sandy Garlick with TRRC member, Jo Kelly, and sports horse, Crown Affaere, in reserve. They were also reserve members champion to Nicky Cantlie and the veteran hunter Nimrod. Lois Seymour was side saddle champion

with her black riding horse, Diorissimo.

The Supreme Championship went to showing and side saddle debutante Lesley Wright with her elegant grey PRE gelding Bandalero, who grew in confidence throughout the day

to impress the judges, Messrs Darrol Scovell and Barney Edgington in the final reckoning.(see Photo).

TRRC wants to thank all those who supported the show and especially the members who helped set up and made it happen on the day.

## The Barley Mow Wine Club

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The Barley Mow Wine Club had a splendid evening in September. A premium evening with eight fine wines from the left bank of Bordeaux along with food matches prepared and served by the Barley Mow chef and her team.

Nina Cerullo, who led the tasting, is an official tutor for the Ecole du Vin de Bordeaux so was very much at home passing on her knowledge about this beautiful, often intimidating area of the wine world. The wines covered everything from dry white from Clos Floridene in the Graves through to a range of reds showing the differences between the left bank appellations



including a Margaux from Labegorce, a 2010 classed growth Pauillac from Chateau Batailley and finishing with a delicious 2009 Sauternes from Doisy Vedrines. These beautiful wines were accompanied by delicious freshly prepared mussels, salmon with a pea puree, beautifully prepared beef with fondant potatoes and green beans and finishing off with a cherry filo parcel and cheese.

Everyone who attended had a thoroughly enjoyable evening and several of the guest attendees have since become members of the wine



club. The wine club meets on the second Thursday of each month and covers wine regions and subjects from all around the world. Every few months the evening is a food and wine matching evening and then occasionally a premium evening. Whatever the subject however great fun is had by all. For more information contact the Barley Mow or Nina:

[nina.cerullo@wineworkshop.co.uk](mailto:nina.cerullo@wineworkshop.co.uk)

I'm not quite sure how it has happened but it looks like we are in autumn...already? Where did the term go? Well as we're here, it's time to celebrate conkers, Halloween and, obviously, half term! Here are 3 activities to keep you busy now the summer is over and the splash pool is well and truly packed away. Oh, and once you finished the activities, here's a colouring page of the Barley Mow. Enjoy the activities - send us your pictures; we'd love to see them!

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## 1 Autumn scavenger hunt

Autumn is the season of wonderful natural treasure, from crisp fallen leaves to shiny conkers. It's the ideal time for a scavenger hunt, so take a walk into the woods or along the river and see if you can track down...

- Twirling helicopter seeds
- Bright berries
- Brown acorns
- Prickly conker cases
- Plump sweet chestnuts
- Different coloured leaves (at least 3!)

## 2 Den Building

Whether you're building a shelter to protect you from the elements or a secret hide where you can watch wildlife, den building is a fun activity. Not sure where to start? Here are some top tips.

How to build your den:

- Find a tree with a fork in the branches that's quite low down.
- Make a frame by propping some long, straight sticks in the fork and fanning them out. Also make sure that any branches are really secure – you don't want them slipping.
- Weave bendy sticks in and out of the upright sticks to make the walls. Leave a gap at head height for a window.
- Cover your den with natural materials so it's camouflaged and weatherproof. You could use mud to stick them on.
- Scatter a carpet of dried leaves on the floor to make your den extra cosy.

(And remember; only gather branches and sticks that have fallen to the ground. Please don't break them off trees).



## 3 Halloween baking and craft

If you are looking for biscuit decoration ideas for Halloween here are our favourites. Super easy to do, just some white icing for the ghosts and a bit of melted chocolate for the spiders. These spooky jars are great for Halloween and reusing glass jars you have at home. You just need

- Empty jam jars
- Orange tissue paper ripped into small pieces
- PVA glue
- Black pen
- Tea light



Picture of the Barley Mow for you to colour in.

