

Burpham & Wepham News

WELCOME 2017



The Monthly Newsletter of the village of Burpham & Wepham

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From the Church Wardens - January 2017

Dear Friends,

Our Christmas services this year were all very well attended and thanks to your support resulted in successful and very happy gatherings. The Carol service raised £400 which will be shared equally between the Chestnut Tree Hospice and the Children's Society. Our thanks go to you all for your generosity.

We wish to express our special thanks to the following for their help and contribution to making this such an enjoyable and happy Christmastide: His Grace the Duke of Norfolk for donating the splendid Christmas tree and to Rosemary Tustin and her helpers for dressing it so well for all to enjoy. The choir, brought together by Monica Cooper, which made such a big contribution to a most enjoyable service, the Village Committee for the delightful refreshments following the service and to Gill Baynes and her team for their skill and hard work in decorating the church so beautifully for all to enjoy.

This is also an opportune time to record our thanks to those who have enabled us to maintain our regular Services of worship throughout the current Interregnum.

Finally may we thank you all for your support, and wish you a very happy and peaceful New Year. **Mike Mills & William Tyler, Church Wardens**

FORTHCOMING VILLAGE EVENTS

Friends of Burpham Church AGM. Friday 3rd February at 6.30pm in the Village Hall. Everyone is very welcome to attend. Bill Tustin

Village Committee Events

- **Village Fete Meeting Monday, 23rd January 2017 at 7.00 pm in the Village Hall.** Last year we raised over £4,000 for the Village Hall and the Church and we need to do the same again – or preferably better - this year. Please come along if you would like to be involved and bring with you any ideas that you might have to make our Village Fete a success - the date for the Fete this year will be on Saturday, 27th May 2017 please put this in your diaries. As always new ideas and volunteers are required for this very busy day. **Heather**
- **Call My Bluff – Wine Tasting, Saturday, 28th January 2017, 7.30 pm in the Village Hall.** Come and test your wine knowledge - have a fun evening - join in teams with family and friends tasting and guessing the different wines available from our wine experts. Tickets: £10 per person including the wine tasting. **Heather Birch - 882839.**
- **Village Walk, Thursday 11th February starting at 10.00am** from the Village Hall. Everyone welcome. Dogs also welcome. Route to be announced in February newsletter, but we will be back by 1.00pm latest. Feel free just to turn up, but if possible so that we know rough numbers please contact: **Trevor Cooper, tc@trevorcooper.net or 885349.**
- **English Shuffleboard Evening, Saturday, 25th February 2017 at 7.30pm in the Village Hall.** Our popular Shuffleboard Evening will return on Saturday, 25th February - so please put this date in your diary. Details will be in the February newsletter.
- **Children's Christmas Party – Sunday 11th December 2016.** Thank you to all who came and attended our Children's Christmas Party again this year, parents and children. The party was a great success and enjoyed by everyone. And many thanks to all those who helped and particularly to Father Christmas who found the time in his busy programme to visit our Village.
Heather



Village Companions – Monday 9th January, 7.30pm at Court Leet Cottage.

All are welcome to attend the first meeting of 2017 to discuss a programme of entertainments for 2017. If you can attend, please let Gill know, and if you've got any good ideas for something new or a 'repeat prescription' please research the details and come along let us know all about it! Look forward to seeing you all. **Bob & Gill 883667**

Carol Singing around the Villages. A big **Thank You** to Monica Cooper



and Julie Tester for expertly choreographing the choirs that sang around the villages ending up in the pub where we sang to a full house. A big **Thank You** too, to Bill and Rosie Tustin

for allowing us once again to trample all over their house and for hosting the magnificent Carol Singing Party at the Granary. Altogether £700 was raised for the Chestnut tree Hospice and The Children's Society.

William Tyler

Flower Arrangers. **Thank You** to all my friends who



have helped to arrange flowers, make the coffee in the Church, including for Weddings and other events, throughout 2016. We have a lovely Church and your flower arrangements really brought it to life. Thank you once again. **Gill**

Newsletter Deliveries. **Thank You** to Veronica and

Colin Dick, and Phil White for delivering the Newsletter every month to everyone living in the Village, whatever the weather and irrespective of their own personal commitments. Your efforts are very much appreciated by all of us. Thank you once again. **Bob**



Forthcoming Events

Sun 1 Jan	10.30am	Family Service, Coffee & Produce	St Mary's
Sun 8 Jan	10.30am	Family Service	St Mary's
Mon 9 Jan	7.30pm	Village Companions Meeting	Court Leet
Tue 10 Jan	7.30am	Parochial Church Council Meeting	St Mary's
Sun 15 Jan	10.30pm	Family Service	St Mary's
Sun 22 Jan	10.30pm	Family Service	St Mary's
Mon 23 Jan	7.00pm	First Fete Meeting	Village Hall
Sat 28 Jan	7.30pm	Call my Bluff Wine Tasting	Village Hall
Sun 29 Jan	10.30am	Family Service	St Mary's
Fri 3 Feb	6.30pm	Friends of Burpham Church AGM	Village Hall
Sun 5 Feb	10.30am	Family Service, Coffee & Produce	St Mary's
Tue 7 Feb	7.30pm	Village Committee Meeting	Village Hall

**When the New Year comes, it might be worth considering
some of Churchill's quotes:**

A fanatic is one who can't change his mind and won't change the subject.

A love for tradition has never weakened a nation, indeed it has strengthened nations in their hour of peril.

All great things are simple, and many can be expressed in single words: freedom, justice, honour, duty, mercy, hope.

An appeaser is one who feeds a crocodile, hoping it will eat him last.

He has all the virtues I dislike and none of the vices I admire.

History will be kind to me for I intend to write it.

I like pigs. Dogs look up to us. Cats look down on us. Pigs treat us as equals.

If we open a quarrel between the past and the present, we shall find that we have lost the future.

It's not enough that we do our best; sometimes we have to do what's required.

Men occasionally stumble over the truth, but most of them pick themselves up and hurry off as if nothing ever happened.

Personally I'm always ready to learn, although I do not always like being taught.

Courage is what it takes to stand up and speak, Courage is also what it takes to sit down and listen.

*We wish everyone a very
Happy, Healthy and Prosperous
New Year*

Please send your articles for the February Newsletter to
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by the last week of January. All your articles of interest to the Village are welcome.
With very many thanks, and a Happy New Year to you all, Bob Baynes