

# BROOKWOOD NEWS

December 2021



## EDITORIAL



So, we have made it to December without Christmas being cancelled, no shortage of turkeys and plenty of toilet rolls on the shelves. I hope you all have a great time over the festive season, and enjoy all the activities and events the village has to offer and that were sadly missed last year. It has been a busy year in the village as always and, looking back over the newsletters, there seems to have been plenty going on from celebrities on paddle boards, to fetes and concerts. There is never a dull moment in the village. If you have something you wish to share or an event you would like to advertise, please contact us at [community@brookwood.org.uk](mailto:community@brookwood.org.uk). Thank you to our entire volunteer newsletter team for keeping us up to date throughout the year. Unfortunately, due to the holiday period, there will be no January issue, but we will be back in full swing in February keeping you informed about what's going on in and around Brookwood village. That just leaves me to say from all the Brookwood News team, we wish all our readers a merry Christmas and a very happy new year.



**Graham Hunt**  
Editor

## WILD WOOD HERO



Young villager Aaran Harle-Hosein saw his entry to the Woking Library/World Wildlife Fund "Wild Wood Heroes" summer art competition score big with the judges recently, and scooped a top prize.

The competition involved drawing or photographing local wildlife. Aaran – known as AHH – is the 5-year-old local creator of many

of the painted shells and stones you may have seen dotted around the village this summer. In the holidays, he also created this montage of local animals and plants encountered in nearby summer adventures, all themed around his favourite books. With a few pounds' top-up as a parental reward, he's bought a go-kart with his winnings. Go Super Aaran!

## BROOKWOOD PERSON OF THE YEAR AWARD

**Bentleys Garage** are looking for nominations for the "Brookwood Person of the Year" award. If you know of an unsung hero in the Brookwood community who goes above and beyond, and you feel they do not get the recognition they deserve, please contact us by email

([brookwoodaward@gmail.com](mailto:brookwoodaward@gmail.com)) with their name and what they have done, or alternatively drop your nomination into Bentleys garage in a sealed envelope. All nominations to be submitted by 28 February 2022.

The recipient of the title "Brookwood Person of the Year" will receive a trophy and a £100 donation to charity of their choice in their name. The winner of the award will be announced in the April 2022 edition of Brookwood News.

## Seymours. Successfully selling houses in Brookwood.

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# PIRBRIGHT HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

The next meeting of the Pirbright Horticultural Society will be our annual general meeting on Tuesday 14 December 2021 at 8pm in the Clubroom of Lord Pirbright's Hall. The AGM will be followed by a social session with seasonal refreshments. Apart from the general discussions, there will be an item to set the rate of subscriptions following the lack of one year's payments. Do please come and join us for this meeting.

Pirbright Horticultural Society has donated a mountain ash tree to commemorate the Platinum Anniversary of the reign of Queen Elizabeth II (1952–2022). The tree was planted on the Little Green on 6 November 2021 by Philip Barralet, Chairman of PHS, and Steven Fidgett, Chairman of Pirbright Parish Council. An engraved brass plaque was provided with the help of Surrey County Councillor, Keith Witham.



# TALES FROM THE VILLAGE

A couple of Sundays ago, my wife Christina and I were making our way up Connaught Road on foot when we were approached by a little old man in beige trousers and jumper (and no it wasn't Ian Durkin before anyone asks) and, most weirdly, an authentic American Civil War cap. He asked us in broken English the way to Farnborough. We pointed out that it was a long walk and it was just about to start raining. I asked him where he had come from and he replied – **Greece in 1953!**

Blimey, I said you have been walking a long time.

It turned out he had been over to see the brothers at St Edward's Orthodox Church in the cemetery, his train had been cancelled, and he had no money. Christina and I stuck him in a taxi and sent him on his way. Kept me laughing all week.

If you have a village tale you'd like to share, please forward it to [community@brookwood.org.uk](mailto:community@brookwood.org.uk).

**CHRISTMAS & NEW YEAR OPENING TIMES**

**Fulk Bros Butchers**

Monday 20 December: 8am to 5.30pm  
 Tuesday 21 December: 8am to 5.30pm  
 Wednesday 22 December: 8am to 6pm  
 Thursday 23 December: 8am to 6pm  
 Friday 24 December: 6.30am to 1pm  
 Closed from Christmas Day until Thursday 30 December  
 Thursday 30 December: 8am to 5.30pm  
 Friday 31 December: 8am to 1pm  
 Closed Saturday 1 January until Wednesday 5 January

**Brookwood Bakery and Post Office**

Monday 20 December: 8am to 5.30pm  
 Tuesday 21 December: 8am to 5.30pm  
 Wednesday 22 December: 8am to 5.30pm  
 Thursday 23 December: 8am to 5.30pm  
 Friday 24 December: 8am to 12.30pm  
 Closed from Christmas Day until Wednesday 29 December  
 Wednesday 29 December: 8am to 5.30pm  
 Thursday 30 December: 8am to 5.30pm  
 Friday 31 December: 8am to 12.30pm  
 Closed New Year's Day until Tuesday 4 January  
 Tuesday 4 January: 8am to 5.30pm

**BROOKWOOD CLUB**

Saturday 4 December: Christmas Tree light switch on. Everyone is welcome to join from 6pm for the light switch on at 7pm. We will be joined by the Brookwood School Choir and there will be a BBQ and mulled wine for sale.

Friday 31 December: New Year's Eve Disco. We are limiting numbers to 70 tickets, two guests per member. Everyone must purchase a ticket before the event, including children. Tickets on sale from 1 December behind the bar.

Saturday 8 January: Bingo will be restarting at 8.30pm. Going forward, it will be the first Saturday of every month.

More information can be found on notices in the club, at [www.brookwood.club](http://www.brookwood.club), and on Facebook and Twitter.

## GARDEN WASTE UPDATE

I believe there were green bin collections for the two weeks from 22 November up until December.

Below is an extract from Councillor Kevin Davis regarding the future of green waste collection. The full report can be read on the link at [www.brookwood.org.uk](http://www.brookwood.org.uk).

'The future is looking more positive, and by continuing to follow our winter plan, we expect to run a January collection service, probably towards the end of the month. We're still on track to get back to service normality mid to late Spring.

Of course, things can change and we will keep everyone up to date on where we are, together with sufficient notice of when a collection will take place. Letters and emails will begin to be sent out shortly confirming this latest collection.'



## Pirbright Players

Pirbright Players will present four showings of Dick Whittington, a pantomime by Ben Crocker, in January 2022. Performances will be on Saturday 29 January at 1.30 and 6.30pm, and on Sunday 30 January at 1.30 and 6.30 pm. The shows will be at Lord Pirbright's Hall, Pirbright. Tickets are £14 for adults, £8 for children (14 and under).

This is a charming traditional pantomime with a modern feel for all the family. Dick and Alice are falling in love and King Rat uses Idle Jack's jealousy to further his evil schemes. Tommy the cat is Dick's constant brilliant companion. Follow their exciting adventures on the ship "Sweet Marie" and enjoy the fabulous songs.

Tea, coffee and soft drinks served at matinees; wine and soft drinks in the evening. Ice creams and lollies are available at all performances.

Email: [david@davidgreenland.plus.com](mailto:david@davidgreenland.plus.com) for information  
 Online booking (from 3 December): [www.spanglefish.com/pirbrightplayers](http://www.spanglefish.com/pirbrightplayers)



# ST SAVIOUR'S PUPPET SERVICE

An advent puppet service will be held at St Saviour's on Sunday 5 December at 10am.

CHRISTMAS AT HOLY TRINITY & ST SAVIOUR'S

*We welcome you to join us this December at:*

CAROLS BY CANDLELIGHT : SUNDAY 12TH 6:30PM AT ST SAVIOUR'S  
 A RUBBISH NATIVITY : SUNDAY 19TH 10AM AT HOLY TRINITY  
 CHRISTMAS CAFÉ CHURCH : SUNDAY 19TH 10AM AT ST SAVIOUR'S  
 CAMPFIRE CAROLS : SUNDAY 19TH 6:30PM AT HOLY TRINITY\*

THE LONGEST NIGHT SERVICE : TUESDAY 21ST 7:30PM AT HOLY TRINITY  
 PUPPET CRIB SERVICE : FRIDAY 24TH 3:30PM & 4:45PM AT ST SAVIOUR'S  
 MIDNIGHT HOLY COMMUNION BY CANDLELIGHT : FRIDAY 24TH 11:15PM AT ST SAVIOUR'S  
 CHRISTMAS DAY WORSHIP CELEBRATION : SATURDAY 25TH 10AM AT HOLY TRINITY  
 BOXING DAY REFLECTIVE HOLY COMMUNION : SUNDAY 26TH 10AM AT ST SAVIOUR'S  
 AND REAL CHRISTMAS TREE RECYCLING : MON 3RD - SAT 8 JANUARY 2022

\*SIGN UP ESSENTIAL : VIA HTANDSTSCHURCH.ORG/CHRISTMAS



## SING WE NOW OF CHRISTMAS



We are excited to invite you back to come and join us for a wonderful evening of joyful and fun Christmas music performed by the Pirbright Singers on Saturday 4 December at 7.30pm at St Michael and All Angels Church, Pirbright. Tickets are available on the door at £10 per person and £5 for children under 12 years (payment cash or card). Tickets allocated first come first served and doors open at 7pm.

Proceeds are going towards St Michael and All Angels Church. Contact [ThePirbrightSingers@gmail.com](mailto:ThePirbrightSingers@gmail.com) for further information.



## WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

Brookwood WI has enjoyed trying to find ways to meet up again over the last month. We have enjoyed a very interesting talk by Thinesh about his photography and had our AGM. We have also been busy creating poppies to go on our village post box. It created an excited stir

throughout the village when it suddenly appeared overnight!! Well done to all the ladies who contributed. We have plans for a Christmas meeting, our fingers are crossed that it can go ahead!



### Fulk Bros Ltd

## Christmas & New Year

Festive Food orders now being taken

**Traditional White & Bronze Turkeys, locally reared**  
 Turkey Breast stuffed with a choice of festive stuffings wrapped with streaky bacon  
*Turkey Orders required by 1st December. Non turkey orders by 11th December. Early Bird Offer available during November – contact us for details.*

**Free Range Geese**  
 Large Chickens  
 Dry Cured Gammons  
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 Ribs of Beef • Fillet of Beef  
 Sirloin Roasting Joints  
 Ducks • Variety of Game  
 Lamb Cuts – Legs, Shoulders & Racks

**British Pork joints**  
 Sage / Plain sausage meat  
 Pigs in Blankets  
 Cheese • Chutneys  
 Jams • Goose Fat  
 Eggs • Milk  
 Pate • Stuffings  
 Stornoway  
 Black Puddings




Our team can advise you with weights, cooking times and menu ideas, please just ask. For a price list please send us an email, telephone us or view our website.

**Christmas and New Year Opening Hours**

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**NB: DEADLINE FOR FEBRUARY NEWSLETTER IS MIDDAY 20th JANUARY** preferably by e-mail to [community@brookwood.org.uk](mailto:community@brookwood.org.uk) or telephone 01483 480273 or a note through the door of 78 Connaught Road.

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