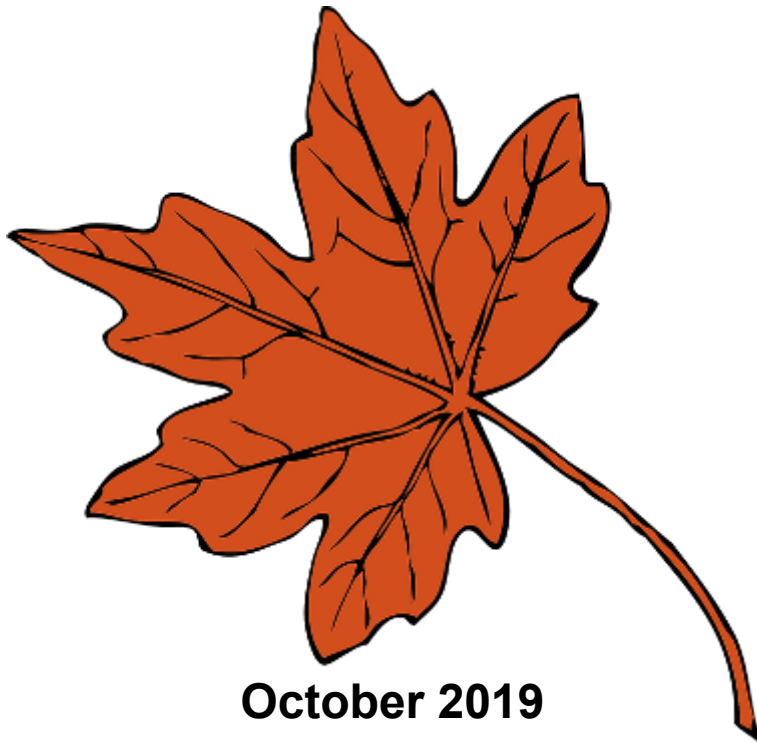


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Your Village Magazine

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Since the June issue we have been asking for help within the magazine's Layout team, but to date no-one has contacted us. As with many organisations in the village, we rely solely on volunteers to produce the Tower, enabling the magazine to be delivered free-of-charge to all households in the village. The advert is inserted again in this issue, on page 4. Please take a moment to re-read it and consider whether it is something that may interest you, or someone you know.

We have now received a number of grant applications, which are currently under review, and we should be able to advise in a future issue which organisations will have benefitted. Other village organisations that may wish to apply can request an application form from the editors.

Editor.

Neither the Editor, nor the Management Committee accept responsibility for the opinions expressed or the goods and services advertised in the Kingsclere Tower magazine.

To all "Tower" Contributors

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Copy MUST include name, address/phone number

Kingsclere Parish Council

KINGSCLERE PARISH COUNCIL (KPC)

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Office: 37 George Street, Kingsclere RG20 5NH

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HOLDING FIELD CAR PARK EXTENSION – Planning permission for the extension to the Car Park was approved 19th August 2019. Unfortunately, the permission arrived too late for the works to be completed during the school summer holidays. In order to keep disruption to a minimum for parents with children at the school and also the knock on effect on residents nearby, the work has now been scheduled for half-term. It is anticipated that the work will take one week.

NEXT PARISH COUNCIL MEETING – will be at 7:30pm on Monday 28th October 2019, in the Village Club, (unless otherwise notified). We welcome the attendance of all parishioners at our meetings and anyone who wishes to raise any matters of concern will be given the opportunity to do so.

The Parish Website www.kingsclere-pc.org.uk

@kingsclerepc [facebook.com/KingsclereParishCouncil](https://www.facebook.com/KingsclereParishCouncil)

GREEN WHEELY BINS – Collection days: 9th and 23rd October

Kingsclere Community Library

Critically acclaimed author Mavis Cheek will give a talk at the library on Monday evening, 21st October, at 7pm.

‘Imagine the wicked social observation of Jilly Cooper mixed with the needle wit of Fay Weldon and you’ll get the picture.’ New Woman

‘Mavis Cheek seems to have cracked the conundrum of how to write decent novels with popular appeal’ The Times

Tickets from the Library or EventBrite, £8 to include wine & nibbles.

Opening hours: Tues & Thurs 1:00pm – 5:30pm

Saturdays 9:30am – 2:00pm

Free access to Which? and Ancestry.com online

Nicki Lee, kingsclerelibrary@gmail.com



Police Report

Your neighbourhood policing team includes:

PC Simon Denton PC Jon Hayes

PC Martyn Evans has been promoted and moved to a new role as a sergeant at Yateley.

You can contact the team at Basingstoke.rural@hampshire.pnn.police.uk — though this address is not monitored every day. For reporting crime, call 101 or go to the Hampshire police website.

www.hampshire.police.uk

Community priorities

The current neighbourhood priority is burglary.

The number of burglary reports has been low throughout August, albeit there have been cases of opportunist theft in other adjacent areas. Tractor parts have been stolen from Binley, and garage breaks have been reported at Wells Lane in Whitchurch, and in Laverstoke.

On 1 August, a burglary was reported at Franklin Avenue in Tadley. Five days later, a property was broken into in Sydmonton. The latter incident occurred during the morning. The resident reported seeing an old Land Rover driving around in suspicious circumstances.

Now that summer is coming to an end, why not take the opportunity to make security marks on your garden machinery and lawnmowers before you put them away? You should also check if the access to your garden is secure. For further security, consider putting alarms on your outbuildings.

Theft in rural car parks update

We have continued to receive reports of goods being stolen from vehicles parked in rural car parks at Beacon Hill, White Hill, Jonathan Hill and Sydmonton. The vehicles are targeted when people leave them there to go walking. Not all cases result in property being stolen. Please make sure it's obvious that there is nothing in your vehicle. We will continue to patrol the car parks.

Did you know?

We have been running a ‘Paint it Pink’ campaign for batteries. To prevent the large batteries from being stolen, paint them pink. This makes it easier

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Police Report continued...

for them to be identified as stolen goods. Hampshire Police have urged scrap metal merchants to reject and report any pink batteries that are offered to them.

Parish news: Kingsclere, Headley and Ashford Hill

There have been no burglary reports in the area in August. This has been a relief, as in July there were break-ins reported involving garages and allotment sheds.

The post office in Headley reported an incident in which people tried to confuse staff at the shop. It is suspected that this was an attempt to steal money from the shop.

We received report of people acting suspiciously, when a white Mercedes Sprinter van was seen driving around the area. It is suspected they were checking out properties. A digger has been interfered with at a property in the area. This follows on from several thefts in July where batteries were among the items stolen.

To report crime or suspicious activity, call us on 101 or report it online by going to www.hampshire.police.uk. You can also report it anonymously to CrimeStoppers instead of the police, on 0800 555111.



Layout Volunteer Needed

Are you interested in design/graphics packages?

Fancy bringing some extra creativity to the Tower's appearance?

We need an additional Layout team member to format the magazine. Computer literate, ideally with some knowledge of a graphics/publishing package such as MS-Publisher. Training provided.

Our Layout team work alongside the month's editor to design the layout of these 'white pages' (not the chevron-edged advertising pages, which are done separately). Each layout person works on 3-4 magazines a year.

The majority of the Layout activities typically take place between 12th-26th of the month, around 6-10 hours per month in total.

For further information on any of the above, please contact the editors at kingscleretower@gmail.com



KINGSCLERE HERITAGE ASSOCIATION

Our next meeting will be on Thursday 24th October when Rodolph De Salis will present "Multipurpose Magnificence: English silver, featuring the church plate of St Mary's, Kingsclere".

Historically silver has always been of great value, highly collectable and an essential part of heritage. Rodolph will tell us of its history, and examine the historic church silver collection of St. Mary's, and others from some neighbouring churches.

This meeting will commence at 7.45pm and will be preceded by our AGM at 7.00pm

We meet at the Village Club and visitors are very welcome. Members £1 and visitors £3 p.p.

Michael Leah, Secretary tel 297403

Kingsclere Twinning Association

Tickets now available for the Bedbug Drive at 6:30 pm on Saturday 19 October 2019 at Kingsclere Primary School. A Beetle Drive with a Kingsclere twist!



- ☆ Children of all ages welcomed
- ☆ Two course supper provided
- ☆ Bar serving wine, beer, and soft drinks
- ☆ All are welcome. No need to be a member
- ☆ Tickets £10 for members, £12 for non-members. £2.50 for children. Under 4s free.

Email for tickets at kingscleretwinning@yahoo.co.uk, or contact Sue Watson on 01635 298940

Save the date for our recently postponed "Would I Lie To You?" wine tasting quiz. This will now be held on Saturday 7 December. Further details to follow.

Kingsclere Twinning Association

Nature Notes

We stood close to a male blackcap watching him eagerly feasting on blackberries and totally ignoring our presence. Was he stocking up ready for migration or, increasingly, preparing to stay here to over winter? Their summer diet is mainly insects but they switch in late summer to take advantage of the energy in sugary fruits.



A very large moth was disturbed when curtains were drawn back. It was delta winged, almost a regular triangle the base of which was frilly and the overall colour was dark brown with even darker markings on the wings. An authority identified it as being an Old Lady Moth, common apparently but a first for us.

It is not uncommon to find buzzard wing feathers when the birds moult—large brown and cream feathers barred with darker brown but where do kites moult? We have found only one feather in many years of looking. Surely such large birds must cast flight feathers somewhere.

Great crested grebes were seen in September still feeding two stripy chicks, presumably from a second brood. The young birds showed no sign of diving for themselves but eagerly received food from their parents.

A self sown sunflower growing conveniently beside the bird feeder pole has a large ripening seed head. A few seeds have been removed by birds so hopefully the rest will be pecked out and bought seed saved for later.



Diana Tait and Rod Eldred

U3A Overton and District

Do come to our next meeting

From Corrie to Home Fires, Thirty Years as an Actor.

Speaker: Jim Whelan



Jim has worked with many of the top stars of Television and Film and has appeared in some of the biggest storylines in Coronation Street, Emmerdale, The Royle Family and recently Home Fires. He has also worked as a Comic/Singer in Theatres and Clubs, and puts over his story in an entertaining and amusing manner. Do come and be entertained.

Wednesday

16th October 10.00am

St Mary's Hall, Overton.

Free to members

Non-members £3 on the door.



Restarting Hearts in Headley Ball

NEW DATE

Friday November 29th 7pm till late

@ Sandford Springs Golf Club, Kingsclere.

£40 includes 3 course meal, fun, & live band playing pop covers and jazz

100% of proceeds from the evening will help fund a defibrillator in Headley.

Christine and Geoff Allwright 07932247363.

geoffallwright@btinternet.com





The Fieldgate Centre is run by the Kingsclere Community Association as a charity (No. 1168366). The association is made up of volunteers who rely on the support and participation of the whole community.

Caribbean Festival

Hundreds enjoyed a day of Caribbean delights and a thrilling T20 cricket match thanks to the hard work of the organisers who created such a successful collaborative event, especially Peter Martin, the Barbados Select XI and Kingsclere Cricket Club. Let's make this an annual event!

Events in October

Saturday 5th KCA Race Night 7.30pm Tickets £5 (incl. hot food).

Tuesday 15th Monthly Meet-Up. 2.30-4.30pm. Free. All welcome.

Saturday 26th Band & A Bite Night: Halloween. 7.30pm Tickets £15 (incl. hot food). Live music by: 'From Dusk Til Dawn'. Fancy dress optional.

Pantomime Time!

Kingsclere Players and KCA are teaming up to perform 'Aladdin' on 15th, 16th and 17th November. To make this an amazing show we are recruiting about 10 children aged between 9 and 11 years who can sing and dance and act the part! If you are interested come to the Fieldgate on **Tuesday 8th October at 4pm.** *Children should be accompanied by a responsible adult.*

New Roof

KCA is pleased to announce that Basingstoke & Deane Borough Council is providing The Fieldgate Centre with a new roof! Work will commence late September for approximately three months. **Business as usual: there will be no disruption to classes, private hirers, or sports users.** A reduction in the number of car park spaces and closure of the recycling centre is anticipated for the duration of the works. Please contact B&DBC or our office if you have any concerns.

For more information visit our website: www.thefieldgatecentre.co.uk

tel: 01635 298497 email: fieldgatecentre@btconnect.com

Kingsclere & Headley Woodlands W.I.

Kingsclere Village Club, 35 George Street

Our next Meeting: Wednesday 9 October

Members & Visitors: Please sign in at 1.30 for a prompt start of 'business' at 1.45.

Speaker: Philip Wood

Philip's talk: "The Life & Legacy of Walter Essex Wynter"

Wynter - of a Newbury background - was a physician integrally involved with the development and application of lumbar puncture - the procedure by which cerebrospinal fluid is obtained to test for the potential presence of meningitis and other diseases.

VISITORS are welcome to 'pop in' and sample the atmosphere & workings of our W.I. for a modest fee of just £2 per person each time which includes tea & biscuits (or more, depending on that particular event) and also a free raffle ticket that offers the chance of winning any one of the many prizes on the Raffle Table at pretty good odds.

W.I. rules do however set a maximum of only 2 trial visits to monthly meetings but we believe you might well find us nice enough to consider taking up membership within that period. We do enjoy the opportunity to introduce new members to all that our W.I. provides: the company of other women, the dollops of knowledge delivered by many good speakers throughout the year, the occasional excursion and not least of all, those regular 'teas & treats.'

A bonus: Our monthly 'bring 'n' buy table offers the chance to buy all sorts of items including plants at 'give-away' prices.

MEMBERS: Letter-clue for the monthly competition is "O" for 'Oscar'



Nova Saunderson - 01635 299570

Kingsclere Gardening Association

Meeting Thursday October 12th in the Village Club. Doors open 7.0pm meeting starts at 7.30pm. Members free; visitors £2.00



Our speaker this evening is Mr Chris Chadwell from Slough. His talk is "Return to Kashmir". This is not the talk listed on the membership card. Chris is a very experienced traveller and speaker and should be interesting. He has spoken to us before but not recently.

Competition for evening is: a vase of flowers one kind, a vase of flowers can contain berries and foliage, Fruit 1 kind max 4 specimens, a single stem from the garden, a pot plant.

I had to change the September speaker at very short notice as she had another pressing commitment; a ticket to the Test Match! I did not wish her to miss this. On a different line many garden clubs are struggling to keep going, Newbury Gardeners among them. They meet on Monday evenings every fortnight at St Nicholas School link Road. They have an interesting programme with a talk on apples on 7 October, and Water Gardening 2 weeks later. They would be pleased to have more visitors. No membership to pay, on the night £3.00. I put this in as I have just judged their evening show.

John Eckton 01256 850017



Enquiries 0345 2601501 or www.andovercats.org.uk
Fund-raising/volunteers 07733 242196,
coord@andovercats.org.uk
Items for resale 01256-892773

We are still in the height of the kitten season and we have had more unwanted pregnant cats and kittens handed in than in previous years. We are happy to help with the cost of neutering, please call us for more information.

Little Mitzy found her new home recently and has settled in well, even winning over the resident cat. This is Barclay, he is around 7 years old and would be best homed with a more mature family with no young children or dogs. He came into care with 2 other cats but is happy to be homed on his own. He's currently on a diet to help with weight loss but would really benefit from having a safe garden to play in.

A date for your diaries, we will be at the Christmas Bazaar at Wherwell Home Guard Club on 9th November between 12-3pm.

The Church Pages



Fifty years ago someone did something that no-one had ever done before. It was a completely unique event in the history of humanity. It was watched by millions and, once achieved, caused great celebration, though even today there are some conspiracy theorists who doubt it ever happened. I'm talking of course of the landing on the moon in July 1969, when Neil Armstrong uttered those famous words, "That's one small step for man, one giant leap for mankind".

But I've been reminded regularly by one of my daughters that the second man on the moon was called 'Buzz', Buzz Aldrin. And he did something which might have seemed quite out of place surrounded by state of the art technology, in fact, so much so that the radio was silent and NASA didn't reveal what he did at the time. It emerged later that in his personal items taken on the mission, he had with him a small piece of bread, a little chalice and a small amount of wine. In the hour preceding the moon walk, while Armstrong watched on, Aldrin poured the wine into the chalice. In one sixth gravity, Aldrin later recounted how the wine curled slowly and gracefully up the side of the cup. Aldrin then read some words of Jesus from the book of John in the Bible, "I am the vine, you are the branches. Whoever remains in me, and I in him, will bear much fruit, for you can do nothing without me." Reading this just before stepping out on the moon was a reminder to Aldrin that he needed to stay in touch not only with Houston, or with his fellow astronaut, Neil, but also with Jesus, his Lord. It was an assertion that he was only a branch connected to the vine and that he needed the strength and the power of the vine to fulfil the task before him. Shortly after taking the bread and wine, he would step out on the moon's surface only 19 minutes behind Armstrong.

I'm not sure what you've got on your plate at the moment. Are things manageable or do they seem so daunting, that a moon-walk seems more achievable. Whatever you're facing, I believe that Jesus is able to give you strength and courage when you feel like shrinking back. Step out and connect into the vine.

Blessings, Ben

Services in October 2019

St Paul's, Ashford Hill

6th October 8am Holy Communion
27th October 11am Holy Communion with Baptism

St Peter's, Headley

13th October 11am Harvest Worship
20th October 8am Holy Communion

St Mary's, Kingsclere

Breakfast every week at 8.45am in the Kingsmill Room
6th October 9.15am Communion and 3pm Holiday Club Reunion
13th October 8am Communion and 9.15am Morning Worship
20th October 9.15am Messy Worship and 11am Communion
27th October 8am Communion and 9.15am Morning Worship
for more information on services and events in our churches see
www.clerewoodlands.org.uk

Methodist Service Dates

6th October. Maggy Wallace. Morning Worship
13th October. Revd. Rachel Borgars. Morning Worship
20th October. Revd. Steve Sankey. Holy Communion
27th October. Canon. Jill. Bentall. Morning Worship
Services begin at 10am. All are welcome to attend.

Lighting up St Mary's

3rd September To celebrate the life of Tina Knight and to remember Bob Knight who died 19 years ago.
28th September For Nicola on her birthday. There are no words to describe how much we love you and how much we miss you everyday. Mum.
21st October Neil Westcombe. Precious memories of a husband, Dad, Grandpa on his birthday. Love always, Elaine, Christopher, Suzanna, Helen, Chris, Thomas and Oliver.

To book please contact Andy and Sarah Bates, Brook House, Popes Hill, Kingsclere RG20 5SJ. 01635 299710. Online www.clerewoodlands.org.uk £12 per evening, block booking discounts. Cheques payable to St Mary's Kingsclere PCC, gift aid welcome. Deadline for November Tower is October 10th.

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St Mary's 200 club winner September 2019. No. 5 Tony Pounds

Well done Tony

Entries drawn first week of every month, various village venues.

Changes to St Mary's Church Interior

The current status of work on our plans has been a little slow over the last month.

Its mainly due to holidays and taking into account all the information we have been getting from our email survey and additional feed back we received from our discussions and meetings with people and organisations in the village.

A lot of the work is now centred on getting our Statement of Need and Statement of Significance prepared for presentation to the church planning committee (DAC) for consideration by their panel of experts and other interested parties.

It is designed to make sure we have given consideration to the building, its contents, its history, opinions of the community and the future use of the church as a community building.

In order to proceed with some of the work there will be exploratory work carried out in the coming weeks. We need to check the surface water drains and when dealing with a building without a damp-proof course we need to make sure that any existing damp problems are sorted out before we start major work on the interior.

The modern world demands high standards of toilet, catering facilities heating and lighting which means we must establish what we have before we can move forward and so the list goes on!

I know that a lot of people in the village are interested in our progress with the reordering and I hope these updates are not only of interest, but give reassurance that we are not rushing ahead with a 'quick fit' plan but looking very carefully at every element of what needs to be done to make the church a useful building for now and the foreseeable future.

Andrew Kitch

St. Mary's Church		
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Churchwarden	Andrew Kitch andrewkitch16@gmail.com	☎ 299743
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Methodist Chapel		
Chief Warden	Wendy Morgan	☎ 297538
Secretary/Hire of Hall	Jeanette Billington	☎ 297585

Hope Now Charity Concert

Experience the culture and excitement of Ukraine through "Zozulenka" a group of singers and dancers from the Cherkassy School of Arts. They will perform on behalf of the charity Hope Now, who work with orphans, widows and in healthcare, prisons and education in Ukraine. Come along and enjoy a fun-filled evening full of colour.

St Mary's Church

Wednesday 30th October at 7pm

Donations to support the work of Hope Now are very welcome, but tickets are not required for the event - just come along!

For more information on Hope Now visit www.hopenow.org.uk

Friends of St Mary's Kingsclere Ltd

We enjoyed speaking to many of you at the FOSM tent at the Church Fete, and warmly welcome the fourteen new Friends who signed up on the day.

Our Friends' Sunday Lunch this year will be on 17th November, at Sandford Springs. Tickets for a three course Lunch and coffee, at £25 each, will be on sale at the Village Butcher from mid-October. There will be a cash bar, and a Raffle, and the event offers a sociable opportunity to exchange ideas with the FOSM Board. If anyone needs a lift to and from Sandford Springs, please get in touch with me on 298434.

As mentioned before, many of the donors of pictures offered in our Art from the Attic Sale in June, but which didn't sell, generously said that they didn't want them back. We are therefore having an Art from the Attic Reprise, in the Kingsmill Room, on Saturday 23rd November, from 10.00 a.m. to 4.00 p.m. A wide range of interesting pictures will be on sale, at reasonable prices, and this is an ideal moment to start your Christmas shopping! We shall also be selling our new 'Bedbug' tote bags and tea towels, both of which would make good stocking fillers. We look forward to seeing you there.

Peter Turner, Chairman

CAMARADERIE

Our next meeting will be on Wednesday 2nd October, when our speaker will be a representative from St. Michael's Hospice.

Do come along to the Methodist Schoolroom at 2.30 pm and learn more of the work done by the hospice.

As usual, we will be serving afternoon tea. All welcome. £2.00 to include refreshments and raffle.

Pam Kitch – 01635 299743

QUIZ NIGHT AT KINGSCLERE METHODIST CHURCH

Saturday 26th October, 6pm for a 6.30pm start.

Questions, Answers, Head scratching, Fun and Enjoyment!

£10 per person which will include a Fish and Chip Supper.

Soft Drinks will be provided. (Please be aware that Alcohol is not allowed)

Quiz Masters will be: Mike ' Give us a Clue ' Barker and Alan ' I Haven't Got a Clue ' Clements.

Teams of Four. Booking is essential as numbers are limited.

Contact Wendy on 01635 297538 or e mail

wendy.morgan1a@btinternet.com

We look forward to seeing you

Bus of Hope

Hot Chocolate? Chill? Chat with Friends?

The Bus of Hope is "Somewhere to go, something to do and someone to talk to". A place to hang out, enjoy refreshments like our legendary hot chocolate (for free) and just be you. Come along to the Bowls Club Car Park (near the Holding Field) in Kingsclere on the following dates from 7:00 - 8:30pm to see for yourself...

October 10th

November 14th

In conjunction with St Mary's Church, Kingsclere



‘AUTUMN DELIGHTS!’

Saturday 26th October 2019 7pm

St Paul's Church Ashford Hill

Come and join us for a wonderful evening!

Reading 440 choir and ‘Fusion’ will be joined by James Weir (saxophone) and Alexandra Isaacs (piano)

Winners of the Woodley Music Festival

Raffle of 3 special prizes

Tickets (to include refreshments) £10 on door, children free

£8 Earlybird Tickets

Eventbrite Kingsclere Village Butchers and The Community shop at Headley

All monies will be split between The Living Paintings Trust and St. Paul's church



Events at Sandham Memorial Chapel

Sandham Chapel Service

Date: 2nd October 10:15-10:50am

Join us for one of our monthly Services conducted by our Parish Rector. No need to book, but as the chapel is quite small space may be limited. Contact number: 01635 278394

Papercraft Workshop

Date: 11th October 10:45-12:45 Cost: £17

Working with local artist Helen Mortimer learn about this varied artistic medium to create your own unique projects. Learn how to create beautiful cards and 3D projects from a range of colourful papers and cards using techniques including stamping, die cutting and embossing

Contact number: 0344 249 1895

In the footsteps of Stanley Spencer; exhibition by Jen Gash - Sky Landscape Artist of the Year 2018

Dates: 16th-27th October Wednesdays-Sundays 11:00-16:00. Free.

Jen's prize was a commission from the Imperial War Museum to create a painting of the Kosturino ridge in Macedonia; the site of a significant battle in December 1915. Jen travelled to Macedonia in the autumn of 2018 and her finished painting is hanging in the Imperial War Museum, North. Jen created many other pieces of work as part of her trip and this unique exhibition provides new "eyes" into the landscape of Macedonia, old and new, as she followed in the footsteps of Stanley Spencer.

Contact number: 01635 278394

Stanley Spencer's Salonika

19th October 16:15-17:45

Jen Gash, Sky Landscape of Artist of the Year 2018, talks about her experiences working on the commission to produce a piece of artwork based on the Macedonian landscape, which now hangs in the Imperial War Museum, North.

Contact number: 01635 278394

KINGSCLERE PHOTO CLUB

Thriving and friendly club for most ages and abilities covering many aspects of photography, with an emphasis on sharing work rather than competitive, also a traditional darkroom.

Meetings the first Wednesday of the month at the Village Club, George Street, Kingsclere.

Doors open 7.15pm for 7.45pm start. First meeting free unless a ticketed event.

NEXT MEETING Weds 2nd October – Review of members' 'Rain', 'Black & White' 'Colour Combinations' and 'Silchester photowalk' images, followed by our popular critique session.

12th ANNUAL PHOTO EXHIBITION

Sat 12th & Sun 13th October 2019

Free entry, come and see our photos and vote for your favourite!

In the main hall, Kingsclere Village Club, George Street. Sat 10am – 5pm, Sun 11am – 4pm.

Launch of our 2020 Calendar @ £6 each

Prints and Postcards for sale

Portrait session Raffle, from our award-winning photographer Mark O'Leary (M.O.L Photography)

For more information see Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/kingsclerephoto/> or contact Gareth Martin on (01635) 299227 gareth.martin24@btinternet.com



Silver Sunday at the Fieldgate Centre 13th October 12:00 - 16:00

The event is part of a national day to overcome loneliness amongst older people.

Hundreds of organisations across the UK will come together to host free and low-cost events and activities on the same day.

With less than 2 months to go, older residents of Kingsclere (over 65s) are invited to register for our event to try something new, meet new people and be part of the celebrations taking place across the country.

The day aims to combat loneliness by providing a packed schedule of free events for older people to try something new and meet new people. Whilst loneliness can strike at any age, older people are at greater risk. According to Age UK, more than a million older people say they go for over a month without speaking to a friend, neighbour or family member.

For more information or to book a place please contact Charlotte Scott on 01256 748394 or email charlottescott@bluebirdcare.co.uk



Kingsclere Village Bunnies Baby and Toddler Group

September saw us back into the swing of things after the summer holidays. We were really pleased to welcome Rita from Songtree Music* to get the children all up and moving, singing and playing instruments which they all loved. We are really lucky to have Rita bring her musical talents to our session and hope that the children will keep enjoying musical fun. We hope to invite other early years practitioners and group leaders to our sessions over the coming months, so please get in touch if you would like to join us.

As we have lost some of our older members to school, we have plenty of space for new children to join us. Do come along for a free taster session and we promise not to sign you up to the committee until at least your second visit! (as an aside, new committee members are always welcome too!)

*Songtree Music for preschoolers runs every Monday during term time from 10:30am – 11:30am in the Methodist Church.

Where: The Village Club, George St

When: every Tuesday, 9am-11am

Cost: first visit free. After that, £1 for bumps and unweaned babies. £2 for first child (including snack donated by Swan St Stores) and 50p for additional children.

villagebunniestoddlergroup@gmail.com



Busy Bees Pre-school Kingsclere

It was lovely to welcome all our children back and a warm welcome too to all children and parents who started in September.

We hope all the butterflies have settled in well at school. Our caterpillars have grown into butterflies and have been helping the younger ones to settle in.

We are accepting 15 and 30 hours funding for three and four year old children.

We have been enjoying the autumn sunshine and making good use of the outside area.

THE PARENT TEACHERS ASSOCIATION OF KINGSCLERE PRIMARY SCHOOL

Kingsclere Fireworks and Bonfire Display

Saturday 9th November 2019

Gates open 5:30pm, Fire lit 6:00pm (scheduled start 6:30pm)

Advanced tickets available from:

- The Village Butchers
- Budgens (Shell Garage)
- Swan Street Stores
- Kingsclere Primary School

Adults £5 (£7 on the day)

Under 16's £3 (£4 on the day)

Pre-school children FREE

Volunteers required for both set-up in the morning and helpers on the night. Please contact fksfireworks@gmail.com or Kingsclere Fireworks on Facebook if you can help.

Please DO NOT bring PETS or SPARKLERS.

You attend this event at your own risk.

Attendance at this event signifies your agreement to this condition.

We look forward to seeing you there.

Harriet Gabbott

Fundraising for St Michael's Hospice Loose Change tins and boxes.

The Kingsclere total for the July collection is £486.59. Thank you to all those who have so kindly contributed to the Hospice funds, it is much appreciated by the Hospice who could not continue with their work without support from the community. If you have not received a Hospice thank you letter and would like one, or would like a loose change box, please let me know - 01635 297036. The next collection will be in January.

Clare Risoe



Kingsclere Players will perform

"Aladdin - The Panto"

at Fieldgate Centre

15th, 16th and 17th November.

Evening performances Friday and Saturday at 7.30pm

Matinees Saturday and Sunday at 2pm

Tickets on Sale at The Village Butcher and Fieldgate Centre
at the end of October.

Performers Needed!

"Aladdin" needs some children to sing, dance and act!

If you are 9 and above, and are able to perform in all four performances over the weekend of 15th, 16th and 17th November, (2 evenings, and 2 matinees, as above), then please come to the

Fieldgate Centre

on **Tuesday 8th October at 4pm** for more information.

Help us make our production not just great, but amazing!

Note: All under 14 year olds must be accompanied by a responsible adult.

If you cannot make this date, but would like to be involved,
please contact Kingsclere Players on 07717 281646



CRAFT AND GIFT FAIR

SATURDAY 16TH NOVEMBER 2019

METHODIST SCHOOL ROOM

10 AM – 3 PM

Several of my friends and one member of my family have recently benefited from the services of The Cardiac Rehabilitation Unit at North Hampshire Hospital. They have all said how well they were treated.

I would now like to raise some much needed funds to help them in their work.

To this end, some of my fellow crafter friends and I plan to hold a Craft and Gift Fair on Saturday 16th November 2019. This will be held in the Methodist School Room from 10 am until 3 pm.

It is hoped that we will have plenty for you to see and hopefully purchase. There will be stalls selling woodcraft, knitwear, crochet items, needlecraft and cakes. We will also be running a raffle. Refreshments will be available.

If you are a crafter or baker, perhaps you may like to donate some of your items for us to sell. Alternatively, you may like to book a stall to sell your own goods. We are asking for a £10.00 donation for each table.

Please do come along and support this worthy cause.

Pam Kitch (01635 299743)

Brenda Sharp (01635 298101)



Royal British Legion

The 2019 act of remembrance is now just around the corner and your branch of the RBL is busy planning to ensure the event is delivered respectfully and with dignity. The parade will form up at the old Council Office Car Park from 9:30am on Sunday the 10th November, before moving down Swan Street to the memorial at St Mary's. All are most welcome to join the parade and service. If any organisation or individual would like to lay a wreath, please contact me as soon as possible so we can tie up the details.

Plans are underway to have a group visit to France in April 2020 to visit a number of WW1 battlefields and memorials and all are most welcome; please contact me for further details, which are also on our Facebook site (Kingsclere Royal British Legion).

Mark Holden, Chairman, Kingsclere RBL, 01635 628004



Kingsclere Film Club

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Saturday, 5 October, 2019 at 7.30pm at the Village Club, George Street,
AGM followed at 7.45pm by:

Colette

(2018 – Cert 15 – 111mins)

Colette is pushed by her husband to write novels under his name. She fights to get her talent known (Biographical)

Kingsclere Film Club subscription membership gives access to all films shown each month on the big screen (averaging out at £4.16 per month).

Guests are always welcome at £7.50, subject to space.

Contacts: John Sawyer (Chairman) 297221 or Diana Tait (Membership Sec) 298494

Nov 9	Notorious 1946	A woman is asked to spy on a group of Nazi friends in South America. How far will she have to go? Dir: Alfred Hitchcock (Thriller)
Dec 14	Esio Trot (Christmas) 2015	A retired bachelor has a thing for his neighbour who only shows affection for her pet tortoise. Stars Judi Dench & Dustin Hoffman. (RomCom)
Jan 11	Mamma Mia! Here We Go Again 2018	5 years after the events of <i>Mamma Mia!</i> , Sophie prepares for the grand reopening of the Hotel Bella Donna as she learns more about her mother's past. (Feel-good musical)
Feb 8	The Spy Who Came In From The Cold 1965	John le Carré's classic cold war spy tale. Stars Richard Burton, Oskar Werner and Claire Bloom. (Thriller)
Mar 7	Topkapi 1964	A conman gets mixed up with a group of thieves who plan to rob an Istanbul museum to retrieve a jewelled dagger. Stars Melina Mercouri, Peter Ustinov. (Comedy/thriller)



Girlguiding

This term in Rainbows we will be building outdoor shelters and testing them to see if they are water and wind proof, learning about fair play, making story sticks, and having fun with music

singing and games.

Last term saw us working on the New Girl guiding programme which for the first time has given Rainbows interest badges to work on at home. They have been very well received and we have awarded lots of Animal friends badges.

As part of our community action Brownies will be walking round Kingsclere hiding books for children to find as part of the Look For a Book trend that is currently happening locally. We will be learning new skills including an outdoor cooking session, and testing out our DIY skills by building planters.

Last term we worked on our camp badge and learnt how to strike a match and how to lay and light a fire safely. Girls then cooked Smores.

The Guide unit have now been up and running for a year. Guides will be attending Fearless fun at Foxlease with 1st Tadley Guides at the end of September. They will continue to work on the new programme. Last term girls worked on team building. They completed a puzzle room to work out a secret message and left positive messages around the village.

We currently have spaces in our units. Rainbows are aged 5 to 7, Brownies are aged 7 to 10, and Guides are 10 to 14. For more info please email
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Churches: *see contact details within Church Pages inside*

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Buses	0345 8101000	Girl Guides	299875
Trains	0845 748 4950	Kingsclere Library	0300 555 1387
Gas Emerg.	0800 11999	Swan Street P O	297035
S.Electric	08000 727282	Vet	29557 or 40565
S.Water	0845 278 0845	Dentist	299981
Busy Bees	299566	Fieldgate Centre	298497
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