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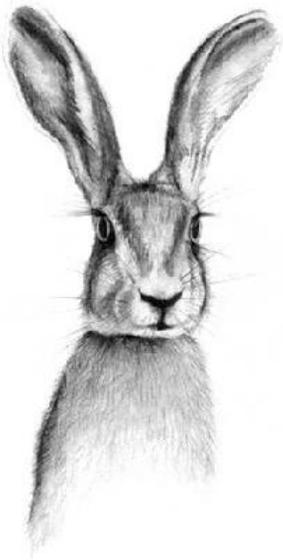
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From the Vicarage

Each month I am faced with a blank page to fill and wonder what to write! Some of you might wish I'd leave it blank, but some of you are kind enough to say that, just occasionally my ramblings are useful.

Although we didn't then know it, when I wrote for the Review this time last year, we were just about to enter the first national lockdown. Most of us were very uncertain as to what lay ahead, although the experts were extremely concerned, and rightly so. Here we are, 12 months later with 4.22 million cases of the virus in the UK alone and tragically, 125,000 deaths attributed to COVID 19. However, in the face of such suffering, we have seen immense acts of sacrificial courage and service from so many in our remarkable NHS, schools, colleges and universities and in the voluntary sector.

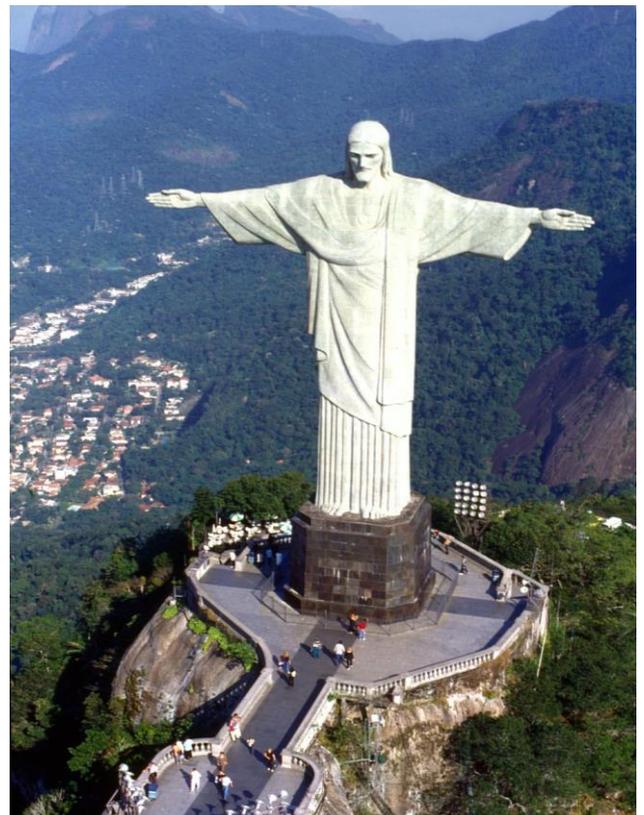
It seems to me that the Easter themes of darkness and light are especially poignant this year.

On Good Friday, Christians reflect on the death of Jesus of Nazareth on a cross outside Jerusalem. The gospel writer Luke records that, at the moment of Jesus death, even though it was about midday, *"darkness came over the whole land until three in the afternoon, while the sun's light failed..."* (Luke 23: 44). So significant was this event, the whole earth seemed to experience a physical darkness.

Jesus' body was taken down from the cross, wrapped in linen cloths and sealed in a tomb hewn out of rock. So certain were the authorities that someone might try to steal the body, Roman soldiers were stationed on guard at the entrance to the tomb. The hope and promise that Jesus had seemed to offer his followers, appeared to have come to a painful and distressing end.

For many of us, these last 12 months may have felt like a prolonged Good Friday. So much that had such potential has suddenly and abruptly been brought to a halt, or has changed beyond all recognition. If the Easter story ended on Good Friday, there would be no Christianity, no church, no Easter. Jesus would probably never have been remembered – just another Jewish teacher, executed by the occupying Romans for challenging their authority.

And yet of course, Jesus Christ is worshipped around the world by over 2.5 billion Christians. Immense cathedrals, churches and statues are built in his



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honour. The reason he is so significant, is because that first Easter didn't end in a cold stone tomb. The darkness of Good Friday is followed, two days later, by the glorious light of a new dawn flooding into an empty tomb. He that was dead, is miraculously alive again.

This empty tomb and the encounters that so many had with the resurrected Jesus in the days and weeks to follow, is the reason for the Christian faith, it is the reason Christians have faith. If this man has indeed overcome death and is who he says he is – God the Son, he gives us unending hope, even in the face of so much suffering and death.

I pray that this Easter, you might know renewed hope and promise as God leads us all through Good Friday and on, into resurrection morning.

Blessings,



Rev. Russ Gant, Vicar

PARISH REGISTER

Funerals

Hilda Joan Furlong – 19th January, aged 99

Janet Anthea Wright – 1st March, aged 92



IN OUR PRAYERS

If you have any specific prayer requests you are invited to email prayer@stjamesrowledge.org.uk (or contact Russ by phone) who will ensure the church prays for your situation.

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Do join us live on our Facebook page:
<https://www.facebook.com/StJamesChurchRowledge>

We continue to keep the restrictions under review and will update the village as things in church change.



Two Services a Week

From Sunday 7th February, we will be reverting to two services each week - albeit both still recorded for the time being.

This will mean there is a traditional service of Holy Communion with choral music, as well as a more contemporary service each week.

A mix of formal and contemporary services - if you don't see it live, all our videos can be found on our YouTube Channel:

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCBO3bsCEfpu4Hd_IFbKX3CQ/videos



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Easter in Rowledge

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Maundy Thursday

1st April at 7:30pm

Traditional service of Holy Communion

Online - visit stjamesrowledge.org.uk

Good Friday

2nd April at 2:00pm

Readings, Poems & Music at the Cross

Online - visit stjamesrowledge.org.uk

Easter Sunday

4th April at 10:00am

Easter Morning Celebration

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Held in the Churchyard (weather permitting)

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St. James' Church
Rowledge



April Sunday Services and Sermon Theme

4th April - Easter Day (*inc. Holy Communion*)

John 20: 1-18 / Acts 10:34-43

Easter Hope - "I have seen the Lord!"

(SEE PAGE 7 FOR OTHER EASTER SERVICES)

10am service in the Churchyard
(see page 7)



"Generosity"

After Easter we begin a new sermon series on "Generosity", concluding with a 'Gift Day' on 16th May.

11th April - 2nd Sunday of Easter

1 Chronicles 29: 10-20

Generosity – Rethinking *An introduction to the sermon series*

18th April - 3rd Sunday of Easter (*inc. Holy Communion*)

John 2: 1-11

Generosity – Reasons *It's all about people – Jesus changes his mind*

25th April - 4th Sunday of Easter

Deuteronomy 26: 1-15

Generosity – Remembering *"Of your own do we give you" – exploring first fruits*



Do you know anyone who is grieving from bereavement and needs more support or time?

Meeting weekly in Farnham, the group is supported by pastoral assistants and bereavement visitors attached to various Farnham Christian churches, and allows an opportunity for those who are bereaved and lonely to meet others who understand.

Bereavement Café meet every Monday afternoon 3 - 4:30pm for tea and chat at

The Spire Café, Farnham United Reformed Church,

South Street, Farnham, Surrey GU9 7QU

If you would like more details please contact Mary on **07999 368128**

or info@friendstogetherbereavement.org

There are also occasional evening groups for those who need to talk and share about a bereavement.

Parents, Spouses, Children, Friends... Do you know anyone who is grieving and would like support?

Contact Mary on **07999 368128** for details during **Covid-19**

You are also welcome to bring someone you know who may benefit from the support group, but not want to attend on their own. Accompanying friends are also very welcome.

Life Groups –Tuesday & Thursday

Russ & Jenny Gant run a group on Thursday with about 8 people. They meet weekly via Zoom.

The Tuesday Life Group are looking at the Pastoral Letters and several are also following The Grace Course. They meet at 7.45pm on alternate Tuesdays via Zoom and are currently discussing 2 Timothy. In between, they meet socially at the same time on Zoom.

They hope to resume monthly walks once rules permit.

Men's Group – First Thursday of the month

Starting with a Bible passage, discussion then moves on to ... well, anywhere and everywhere! During lockdown, the Men's Group meets by Zoom - first Thursday of every month. This month the group will be discussing Mediaeval Theologians.

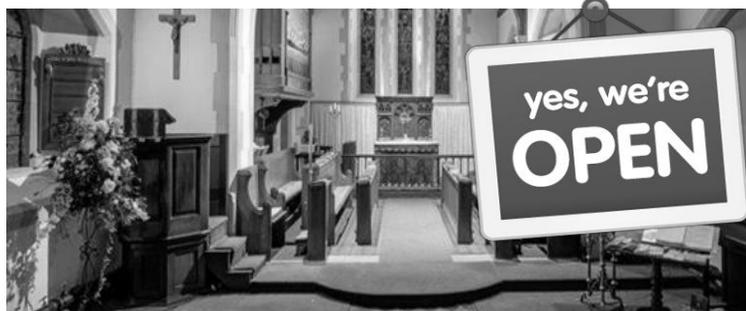
All welcome. **To join in, contact Rob: robriscs@aol.com**

Church is OPEN!

Open: Monday - Thursday 10am-4pm.
Saturday - Sunday 8am-8pm.
Closed on Fridays.

St James' Church is now OPEN for **individual private prayers**. Individual private prayer is defined as a person or household entering the church to pray on their own, not as part of a group, and not participating in any form of led prayers or communal act. Those praying should be socially distanced from other individuals or households.

It is sacred space within the village, a refuge for quiet and reflection, and everyone is welcome to visit, or come and sit, to think, to pray, to find some space.



METHODIST CHURCH

Regrettably, The Methodist Church is not currently running services.

When it is decided to open the Church for services, there will be posters updating our decisions at the Church.

If you have any questions about activities at the Methodist Church please ring Aileen or David on 01252 795438

Our prayer chain, led by Mike & Joyce, can be accessed on: 01252 793363

If you would like to speak to Philip Simpkins, our Minister, his number is: 01420 83167

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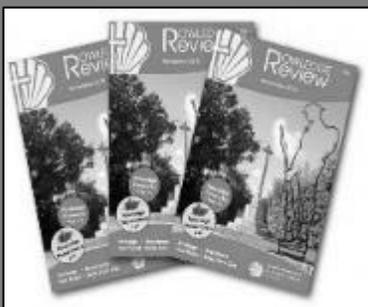
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The February meeting of the Alice Holt WI on 16th was again a video conferencing meeting. More than 30 members were able to log on to listen to the speaker and enjoy a chat with other members.

The speaker for the evening was Joanna Foat who spoke about the Women's Timber Corps or Lumberjills. Joanna had worked for the forestry commission at Alice Holt and had become interested in the story of the Corps. The WTC was a division of the Women's Land Army and was started in 1942 due to the shortage of timber which had previously come mostly from Norway.

Joanna interviewed many of the ladies who had done this work during the war and was able to illustrate her talk with pictures of some of the women at work during the war and as they are now.

Many of the slides showed the women in their not very flattering but practical uniform jodhpurs and green jumpers. Several of the slides were taken in Alice Holt forest during this time. The women were trained in felling trees which was done by hand with cross cut and bow saws, trimming the trees and also planting for the future.

It was an extremely interesting and informative talk about a subject which many members had little or no knowledge.

During the meeting members were divided into smaller groups for a chance to chat to other members. This was very good as trying to talk online to more than 30 people really doesn't work!

Despite the continuing lockdown the committee have endeavoured to keep the members informed and entertained. The usual Alice's Antics Information email has been renamed Alice in Isolation and a new monthly mailing named Alice's Allsorts has been started. Alice's Allsorts contains topical information so the February issue had information about Pancake Day and a recipe. There were hints about how to make walking more interesting, photos of flowers some members had sent in and challenging and quirky snippets from members.

The three Book Groups have continued reading and meeting online. Some very interesting books have been read and there have been lively discussions of the books as well as the chance to catch up with friends.

The Poetry & Prose group is slowly getting going with meetings again on line.

The committee have planned some events for later in the year in the hope that 'things will get back to normal or near normal' and we will be able to enjoy our usual social events.

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There is a huge increase in need at the moment, especially from those families who would usually be reliant on school dinners.

To access the Foodbank should you be in need, please see contact details below.

WEBSITE - <https://farnham.foodbank.org.uk>

EMAIL - info@farnham.foodbank.org.uk

You can also contact St. James' Church Office to collect Foodbank vouchers.

The Church Office,

Church Lane,

Rowledge,

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The Foodbank would also be very grateful for any financial contributions you feel moved to make.

If you have any queries, do contact:

Anne Blackman (01252 793344)

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- Savoury crackers
- Toothbrushes (Adults and Kids')

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Cereals, biscuits, pasta, tinned vegetables, baked beans, butter beans, chick peas, kidney beans, lentils

Foodbank Vouchers

St James' Church is now able to issue Foodbank vouchers for those in need. To be eligible for an emergency food parcel as an individual or a family, you will need to be referred with a voucher from the church office.

Your referral will be completely confidential. If you or someone you know is in need then please contact the church office on 01252 792 402.



Hoppa - Cleaner Transport Action Plan (From Rob Stansbury)



As many of you may know I Chair the Board of Trustees of Waverley Hoppa, our local community transport operator (which runs dial-a-ride services in Farnham, Godalming, Haslemere and Cranleigh).

We are starting a project to move towards "cleaner transport" (principally electric vehicles at this stage), and we are applying for grant funding to help us get started with our pilot project.

We need to evidence community support for this initiative, so, if you have time, please would you consider going to the link below and "like" the article?

Hoppa's idea to fund electric vehicles and infrastructure has gone live on SCC's Commonplace forum. Hopefully one of these links will work for you ...

<https://bit.ly/3sTbg33>. If that doesn't work, try:

<https://yourfundsurreymap.commonplace.is/comments/> ...and click the speech bubble under number "6" on the map, or enter the post code GU8 5SZ.

We aim to accumulate 'likes', 'shares' and comments now, to demonstrate need and interest on the part of the community.

It would be great for residents to leave a comment, like, etc.

For info, our Cleaner Transport Action Plan is also online now, on the Hoppa website under Our Services (www.hoppa.org.uk). Many thanks, Rob.

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Absalom Harris – Master Potter

Everyone knows the Wrecclesham Pottery, rather oddly called the Farnham Pottery these days. Off Quennel's Hill, it is one of the best-preserved Victorian country potteries. It is a grade II listed building and, today, it provides space for artists and craftsmen as well as a coffee shop. It was established by Absalom Harris in 1873 and for 125 years the Harris family operated it. In 1998 it was acquired by the Farnham Building Preservation Trust with the intention of preserving its use as a pottery and, following their considerable efforts in refurbishing what was a fairly derelict building, it was subsequently sold to its present owners, Guy and Elaine Hains, who have created a community-based craft education 'experience' inspired by Wrecclesham's historic ties with pottery.



Absalom Harris with one of his owl pots

Not so well known, is that when Absalom Harris moved to the area, he first set up a pottery at Holt Pound. Although Wrecclesham rightly claims Harris as one of its own, Rowledge has, therefore, a minor claim on his reputation.

Absalom Harris was born in Droxford in 1837. He was orphaned at a young age and was taken in by his uncle, James Cobbett, who was a master potter and a member of the family which gave us Farnham's most famous son, William Cobbett. Absalom was apprenticed and he soon took over a derelict pottery at the age of 21 at Charleshill Cottages at Charleshill in Elstead, near where The Donkey public house now stands. At that time, there were many small potteries supplying local needs in villages around the Surrey/Hampshire border. Absalom soon made a

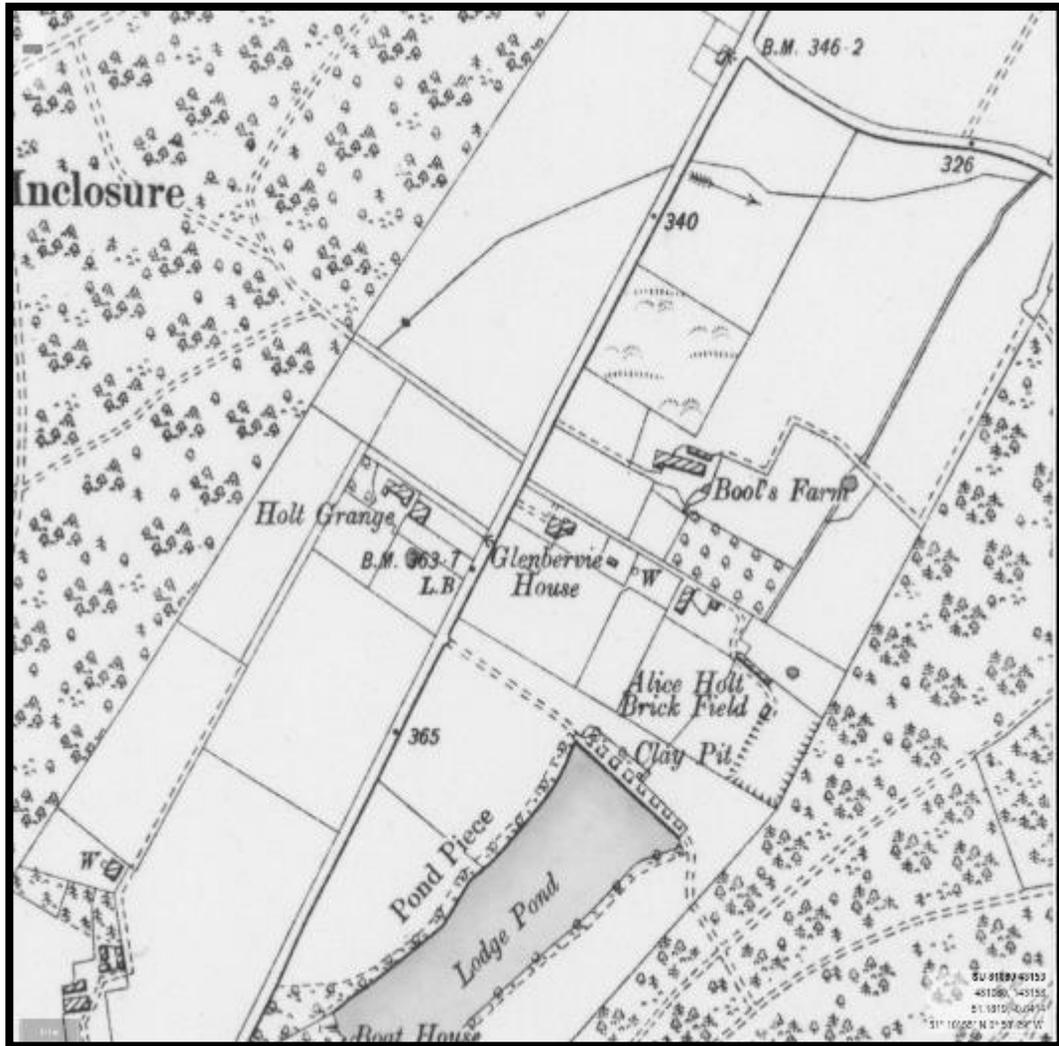
success of his establishment, producing chimney pots, flower pots and tiles which he supplied to local builders. He used local gault clay. The pottery was run in combination with a small holding which provided additional income.

Absalom married his wife, Maria Elizabeth, in St. Andrews Church in 1862 and they soon started a family. Absalom was an energetic man and in no time became the Elstead village overseer (in effect the parish rate collector) and was elected a churchwarden. Absalom's success at Charleshill was noticed by his landlord who raised the rent for the property. This decided Absalom that it was time to move on in search of better facilities, both a source of suitable clay and a more substantial property for his growing family.

He chose Holt Pound, bought a plot of land near Lodge Pond in 1866, and built a house there which he called Glenbervie, presumably naming it after the Glenbervie

inclosure which it adjoined.

The first map shows Glenbervie and the surrounding area as it was in 1871. The census of 1871 showed the young 35-year-old master potter living there with his wife, three sons and a servant. He employed two men, one of whom, William Collins, lived nearby. The new site seemed ideal for a pottery, situated on gault clay and close to the forest, which

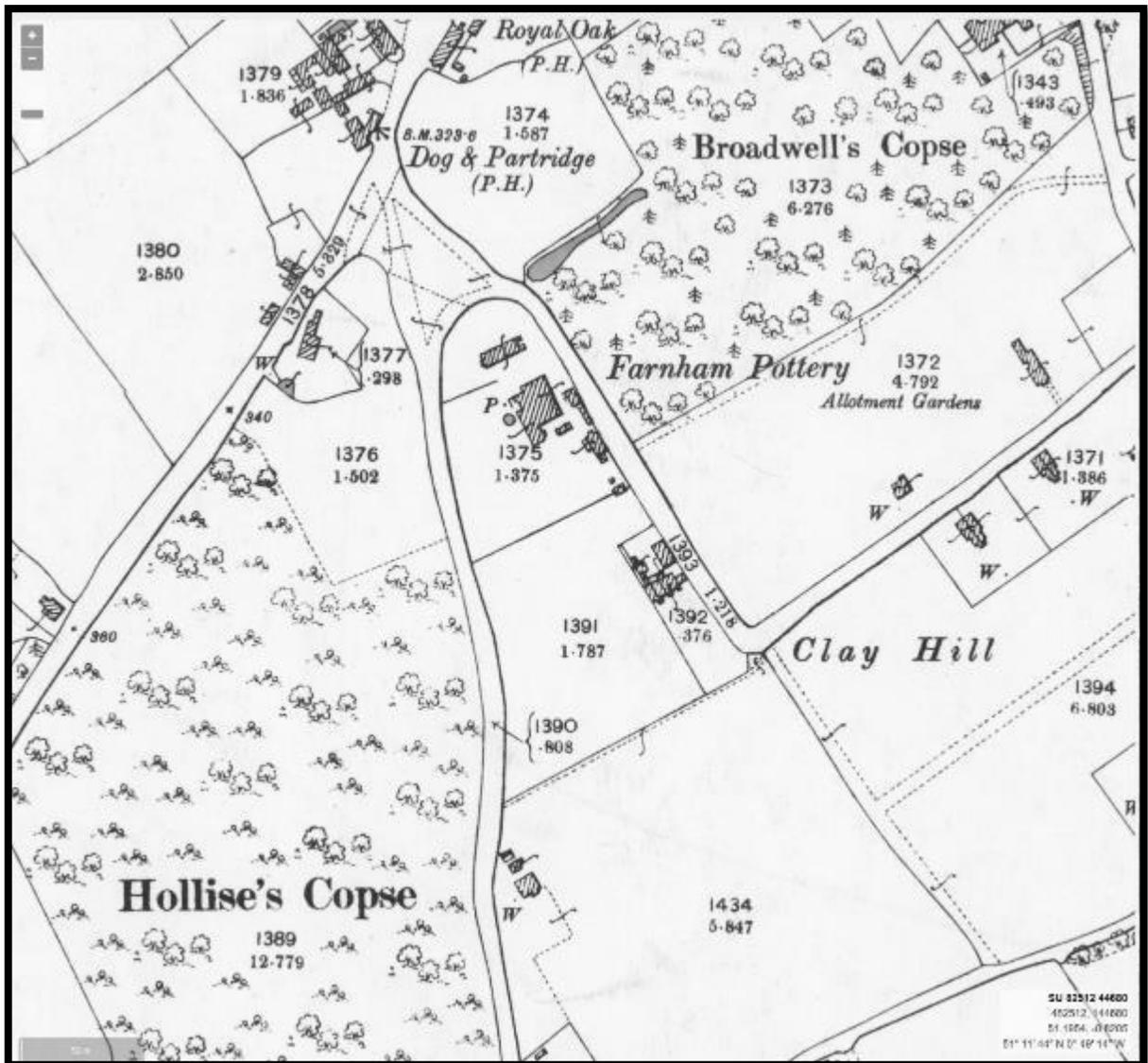


would provide fuel for the kiln. While at Glenbervie, Absalom and Elizabeth (the Christian name she used in the parish register) had two more children. Ernest, born in 1869, was baptised at St Peter's in Wrecclesham but, when his next child, Annie, was born in 1872, Absalom got her baptised on the 28th April at the newly built St. James' in Rowledge. He was an enthusiastic supporter of the new church and became one of its first church wardens. The vicar, the Revd. Parker, was fortunate in having for his first two churchwardens both the energetic Absalom and Giles Munby, the eminent botanist, who lived at the mansion, Holt Grange, directly opposite Absalom Harris's Glenbervie. One imagines that the two neighbours must have become friends.

Unfortunately, Absalom's pottery at Holt Pound failed to live up to his expectations. He found that the clay in this part of the Holt contained particles of lime which caused blistering on firing, making the finished pots almost unsaleable. He decided that a new site had to be found. Absalom examined several possible sites in the Farnham area from which he took samples of clay to test. Eventually he found a satisfactory sample in Wrecclesham and he was able to buy a plot of land on which to build a new pottery on the flattish summit of Clay Hill situated between Quennell's Hill and Pottery Lane. It was also close to Broadwell's Copse and Hollise's Copse, woodland areas, which provided firing for the kiln. The situation of his new pottery is shown on

the second map dating from towards the end of the nineteenth century.

Thereafter Absalom Harris threw himself into local Wrecclesham life, becoming a churchwarden at St. Peter's and a school governor. But he was to have one more



connection with St. James in Rowledge. His wife, Maria Elizabeth, died at the age of 60 in 1894. In 1901, at the age of 64, Absalom married again to Caroline Dye, a spinster aged 37. Caroline was daughter of William Dye, a farmer from Sundridge in Kent. Their marriage took place in St. James Church, Rowledge, on the 17th January, with his old friend, the Revd. Parker doing the honours, not in St Peter's, Wrecclesham. The parish register records Caroline as being a resident of Rowledge, which is presumably why Harris reverted to the church at which he had been church warden some thirty years before. It still seems a little odd that someone who had been so long prominent at St. Peter's should remarry in St. James. Perhaps he had fallen out with the Wrecclesham minister.

In 1925, Caroline passed away at the relatively young age of 62. Three years later, Absalom died at the advanced age of 91. Both were buried in the Wrecclesham Cemetery.

Jo Jackson leaving – Sarah Oliver

Our amazing Business Manager - Mrs Jo Jackson - is going to be leaving us at the end of this school year.

Jo contributes so much to our school, working tirelessly behind the scenes! She has been hoping to spend more time in France for several years and also has significant commitments outside of school, so I sadly haven't managed to persuade her to stay any longer! We have been incredibly lucky to have her support for as long as we have done.

I know that you will all be wishing Mrs Jackson lots of luck in all her new ventures.

Farnham's new coffee shop - the Electric Cycle Café

A very different coffee shop opened at number 5 Downing Street in early March. The Café's special because its coffee beans are roasted in Farnham by a Columbian genius who runs the artisan coffee roasting company 'Coffee Gems' (whose products you can also take home).

The café's also unusual because it doubles as a shop selling electric bikes! We often read that cargo bikes are changing the shape of urban transport across the world. If you're curious to see what a cargo bike actually looks like, pop into the Café to take a look at 'Carrie', the shop's electric cargo bike, which can carry up to 3 children.



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Food for thought – Karen Fewster

I have always kept recipes, cut out from magazines, as well as a bookcase of cookery books. My favourites are filed separately in folders and these are added to with each new recipe I cook.

These are both favourites from old magazine cuttings.

Apricot and cardamom crumble cake Serves 8

- 175g unsalted butter
- 200g soft light brown sugar
- 1tbsp cardamom pods (seeds removed & crushed)
- 1tsp cinnamon
- 2 eggs
- 200g self raising flour
- 75g ground almonds
- 1tsp baking powder
- 60g flaked almonds
- 400g apricots halved



Photo: Waitrose

Preheat oven to 180deg C. Gas mark 4. Grease a 23cm cake tin and line the base with baking parchment. Chop 50g of the butter and chill. Leave the remaining 125g of butter at room temperature to soften and then beat with 125g sugar, the crushed cardamom seeds and half the cinnamon (half teaspoon) until light and fluffy.

Gradually beat in the eggs, then mix in 125g of flour, the ground almonds and the baking powder until all combined.

Spread mixture evenly in the cake tin.

Rub together the remaining 50g of chilled butter, 75g sugar, 75g flour, half teaspoon cinnamon and a pinch of salt to form clumpy 'breadcrumbs'. Stir in the flaked almonds. Sprinkle 2/3 of the crumble mix over the cake. Lay the apricots cut side down on top and then scatter the remaining crumble around them.

Bake for 50-60 minutes, leave to cool for 20 mins before removing from tin. Serve at room temperature with cream.

Chicken, red pepper and almond traybake Serves 4

- 500g chicken thighs (skinless)
- 3 medium red onions, cut into wedges
- 500g small red potatoes, cut into thin slices
- 2 red peppers, seeded and cut into thick slices
- 2 garlic cloves, finely chopped
- 2tsp each of ground cumin, smoked paprika, and fennel seeds slightly crushed
- 3tbsp olive oil
- zest and juice of a lemon
- 50g blanched almonds, roughly chopped
- 170g tub of Greek yoghurt and a small handful of coriander or parsley chopped to serve.



Photo: BBC Good Food

April 2021

Heat oven to 200deg C. Gas mark 6

Place chicken, onions, potatoes and peppers in a large bowl and season.

In another bowl, mix together garlic, spices, oil, lemon zest and juice. Pour this over everything, mix and spread on 2 baking trays.

Roast for 45-50 minutes, turning after 20 minutes, until chicken is cooked. Add the almonds for final 8 minutes of cooking.

Serve with dollops of yoghurt and chopped coriander or parsley.

WE NEED YOU!



The Rowledge Review needs more contributors to write articles for the enjoyment of our community. What's interesting in your life; what have you been doing in lockdown; what is your favourite recipe; why should others join your group; what have you spotted that you want others to know about? Anything that's topical, current and interesting.

Send your contributions to **rowledgereview@yahoo.co.uk**

Tutoring : my leap into self-employment (again...)

Sam Hollins-Owen

The last time I became self employed was in 2007. My kids were both under ten at the time, but even before they achieved that great age, I had never been able to be a full-time mum without *something* 'on the side' (workwise!!!!). Full time employment in my old world of sales and marketing in the IT Industry just wasn't compatible with my parenting goals, so I turned to working from home with the likes of CKO (children's clothing), and Virgin Vie. Remember them? Great fun and very social.

After that, I trained as an aromatherapist and reflexologist – and that was rewarding for several years. But then being at home all the time made me feel quite lonely, and so I decided to get another career. One with progression, and a team, and learning and growth - so I re-trained as a science teacher.....

How little I knew of what I was signing up for. I thought I could rock in at nine, knock off at three, and have time with the kids. How wrong I was. But, eight years down the line, and despite having worked harder than I have *ever* had to work, and having had several significant times of struggle that have had a significant impact on both myself and my family, I am now super-grateful for the experience, skills and knowledge I have acquired.

Apart from the regained knowledge in Chemistry (my first degree) and the other sciences, plus the newly acquired knowledge in pedagogy, teaching, special needs etc., my biggest pleasure is in having learnt to relate to and build successful relationships with children and teenagers. I don't mind saying I recall feeling uncomfortable walking past groups of lads on the street in days gone by. Nowadays, I look at young people with totally different eyes, and I *love* it when my choice of behaviour towards them has a positive impact. This is what drives me in my teaching now, and what lifts me so much even on days when I am not feeling on par.

The pandemic has much to answer for, but for me there are some silver linings amongst all the frustration. For the second time in my life, I have registered as a sole trader: Sam Hollins-Owen Science Tutoring. It was a risk. If I don't work, I don't get paid. No lucrative teacher's pension. No sick pay. The mantra was 'pause and pivot'. Take the time to re-assess your life and decide what it is you want and what you have to offer. Having lost my dad in early 2020 and had a number of other significant family situations to adjust to, teaching 1:1 was the answer.

So (bad start to a sentence I know), if your child needs extra help, here's what I offer: As far as I am allowed – face to face tutoring totally tailored to your child's needs in terms of learning style and content for all three sciences and A-Level Chemistry.

As much fun during the tutoring as I can manage or muster!

Practical science using whatever resources I can from my home and kitchen (and the local butchers when it comes to hearts, eyes, lungs, kidneys etc.).

Totally responsive teaching that is modified on the spot i.e. if one goal is being pursued, and it is clear there is a learning gap, the gap will be addressed before moving on.

Assessment of progress in most sessions and use of the most recent past papers and exam questions.

Bags of enthusiasm about my subjects and a little bit of madness thrown in!

If you want to get in touch please contact me: email : sammi@owenclan.org.uk

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Fun facts:

Did you know that tadpoles need iodine to metamorphosise into frogs (grow their back legs)?

It's impossible to burp in space!! Why is THAT?!!!!

...and, on the subject of teachers...

News from Andrew Fisher

(Previous Head, Frensham Heights School)



I am humbled to have been asked to join Malawi Schools Trust. The work of this charity gives security to the relationships I built over ten years of partnership; together we can continue to make small but deeply significant contributions to small rural schools in Malawi.

In fact working with Malawi is in itself humbling; people with nothing give of themselves generously, people with nothing smile and welcome you every time, people with nothing are so, so very grateful for even the smallest acts of support and kindness.



And helping in Malawi makes you feel better too. Knowing that your humanity means more than a faceless donation. Feeling the warmth of gratitude from teachers, students and communities makes you feel stronger and more positive in your own struggles. The decade or more of work with the schools in Malawi will stay with me forever, because I feel that I am a better person for giving what I can and sharing what I have; believing in the importance of these small rural schools makes the people who work in them and the children who learn in them feel important too.

I look forward so much to meeting up with all the supporters of Malawi Schools Trust, to sharing in this endeavour with all of them and to celebrating our small successes. I hope, in time, to be able to share my stories and experiences with you from those trips. I believe in this work so very deeply that I also hope to be part of this act of humanity for a very long time.

Andrew
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The "What's happening in Rowledge...
...and who to contact?" section



ROWLEDGE VILLAGE EVENTS CALENDAR 2021

VERY IMPORTANT!!!

ALL ROWLEDGE Event Organisers!!!

Please email the Editor with event dates for 2021, so we can include it in all future issues of the Rowledge Review. Email: rowledgereview@yahoo.co.uk



Rowledge Activities - Weekly Calendar

Time	Group	Age	Venue
Children's Events			
Mon-Fri			
09.00-15.30	Rowledge Playgroup	2-4	Village Hall
09.00-15.00	Little Fishes Nursery School	2-4	St James Church
Tuesday			
17.00-18.15	Beavers	5-8	Village Hall
18.15-19.30	Cubs	8-10	Village Hall
19.30-21.15	Scouts	10-14	Village Hall
Wednesday			
09.15-11.00	Baby & Toddler Group (term time)	0-4	Village Hall
15.00-19.30	Ballet	3-13	Village Hall
16.45-18.00	Octave children's choir	7+	St James Church
17.00-18.00	Rainbows	5-7	Methodist Hall
18.30-20.00	Guides	10-14	Methodist Hall
19.00-20.30	#hungry (youth group)	11-16	St James Church Hall
Thursday			
18.15-19.45	Brownies	5.30-7	School Hall
Friday			
16.00-18.30	Ballet	13-adult	Village H



Adults' Events

Monday			
08.30-09.00	Morning Prayers		St James Church
14.00-16.00	Steady Steps		Village Hall
19.30-21.00	Bruce Yoga		Village Hall
19.30-21.30	Pilates		Village Hall
Tuesday			
09.30-11.30	Ballroom Dancing		Village Hall
09.30-10.30	Zumba Gold (term time only)		Village Club
10.40-11.40	Pilates		Rowledge Club
14.00-17.00	Quilters (fortnightly)		Methodist Hall
19.00-20.00	Pilates		St James Church Hall
19.30-21.15	Community Choir		Frensham Heights School
19.45- 22.00	Womens Institute (3 rd T ^h)		The Rowledge Club
20.00-22.30	After 8 ladies group (1 st Friday)		Homes
Wednesday			
08.30-09.00	Morning Prayers		St James Church
10.30- 12.00	Mother's Union		St James Church
14.00-15.00	Nordic Walking		Forest (St James gate)
14.00-16.00	Cameo Ensemble (2 nd &4 th Wed)		Methodist Hall
15.00-16.00	Healing (1 st Wed)		Methodist Church
19.00-22.15	Bridal		Village Club
19.00-20.00	Fingers		St James Church
19.45-22.30	Knitting Club		Village Hall
Thursday			
09.00-16.00	Teachers		Methodist Hall
10.00-12.00	Art Club		Village Hall
12.30-1.30	Luncheon Club (last Thursday)		Methodist Hall
14.30-15.30	Steady Steps		Village Hall
18.00-19.00	Boot Camp		Village Hall
18.00-19.15	Gardening Club (2 nd Thursday)		Village Hall
18.00-19.15	Bootcamp		Village Hall
20.30-23.00	Men's Group (3 rd Thursday)		Hare and Hounds
Friday			
08.30-09.00	Morning Prayers		St James Church
09.00-12.00	Coffee Spot		Village Hall
16.00-18.30	Ballet		Village Hall
19.00-20.00	Choir practice		St James' Church
Sunday			
19.45-20.45	Ballroom Dancing		Village Hall



Contact details are in the Village Directory - in the centre pages of the Rowledge Review.

Most groups not meeting - check organisers (overleaf) for any online alternatives

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St. James' Church
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The 150 Appeal



Will you make a lasting contribution to help secure the future of your parish church?

Where we've come from

St. James' Church was built for the people of Rowledge and its surrounding hamlets and opened in 1871. The church has played a central part of village life ever since. The beautiful Victorian building is a special place in the hearts of many hundreds of people, whether as a place of Christian worship, celebration of significant life events, nurture of young children through our Nursery School - Little Fishes, or the pastoral care of those in need.

The mission and ministry of the church continues to be focused around being a community where people and relationships are transformed by the love of God.

The impact of Covid-19

The church has been significantly impacted by Covid-19. Many are not aware that all income at St. James' comes from local people like you. It comes through regular contributions via our Parish Giving Scheme or through collections taken during services. Of course this second stream of income has completely dried up.



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Despite the reduction in regular income, many of our commitments to ministry in the village and beyond, remain. These include:

- Provision of support for children and young people (particularly in the area of mental health and wellbeing) through the employment of a Youth and Children's Minister.
- Investing in the improvement of the church building and churchyard as resources for the whole community.
- Ongoing pastoral care for those in our village who are vulnerable and most in need.

St. James' Church receives no external funding whatsoever. So we are asking:

Will you partner with us?

The 150 Appeal

To secure the future viability of the church as a resource for the whole community, we need your help. We need local people to commit to supporting the 150 Appeal for several years. We are seeking to attract as many new givers as possible who are willing to contribute from as little as £5 per week towards the future care of the building and churchyard as well as the development of our ministry to people of all ages in and beyond the village.

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For the price of a pint a week, you can make a huge difference to the future viability of the church as an irreplaceable community asset linking us with our past, the present and our future hope. At St. James' we believe the ministry of the local church is for all people - those of all faiths and none.

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**Thank you for your willingness to help secure the future
of your parish church.**

By the time that Charles Deadman had enlisted into the Royal West Surrey Regiment around the age of nineteen, he may have lost two fathers. At the outbreak of WW1 he was serving in South Africa and was a Lance Corporal. His presence on the Rowledge Memorial is interesting because his roots were more in Frensham and I assume that whilst living on the fringe of the parish at 'The Kennels', he may have been involved with St. James or the local bands.

Thomas Hall who fell in October 1916 was born and bred in the Parish. When he enlisted in 1914, aged seventeen, I believe he was only slightly older than Philip Mitchell who I wrote about in February. As you will read it is likely that young Thomas was not in the best of health when he left for France.

However much I research and write about the fallen, I still find it very hard to come to terms with teenagers facing the horrors these lads faced which led to their dying so young.

**Charles Deadman. 1890-1914.
Lance Corporal. 2nd Battalion,
The Queen's, Royal West Surrey
Regiment. L/9003.**



Charles Deadman was born on April 14th 1890 at Frensham. He was baptised there on June 1st 1890.

1890	June	Charles	Charles Deadman	Shortheath Salmon	Without
No. 172		Elizabeth	Common		Vicar
			Born April 14. 1890		

**Baptism for
Charles Deadman,
Frensham
June 1st 1890.**

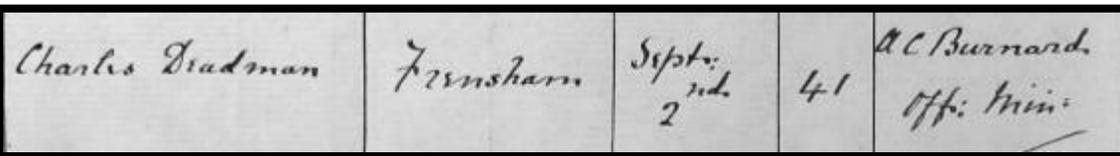
Charles's parents were Charles George and Elizabeth (née Clear) Deadman. Father Charles was an agricultural labourer and was born at Frensham in 1853. Mother Elizabeth Clear was born at Batts Corner in 1857. They were married in the Farnham area in 1883, possibly at Frensham.

By 1891 Charles and Elizabeth's family, which included daughters Ann and Emily and son Charles, were living at Shortheath Common, Frensham.

Charles Deadman	Head	Male	1890	Agricultural Labourer
Elizabeth Do	Wife	Female	1857	
Ann Do	Daughter	Female	1883	
Emily Do	Daughter	Female	1885	
Charles Do	Son	Male	1890	
Ann Do	Mother	Female	1857	Living on turn of year

**Deadman
family,
Shortheath
Common, 1891.**

Charles's father, Charles died in 1893, two years after this census when Charles junior was just three years old. He was buried at Frensham's St. Mary on September 2nd 1893.

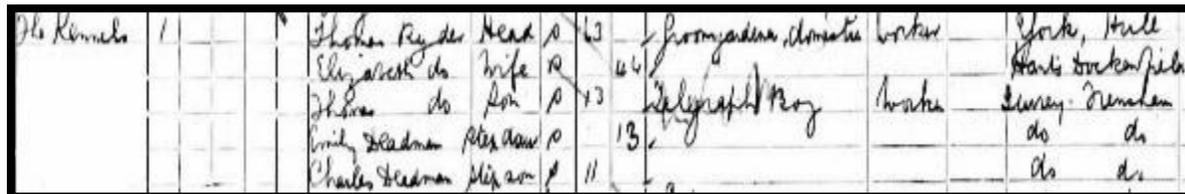


Frensham burial record for Charles's father. Sept 2nd 1893.

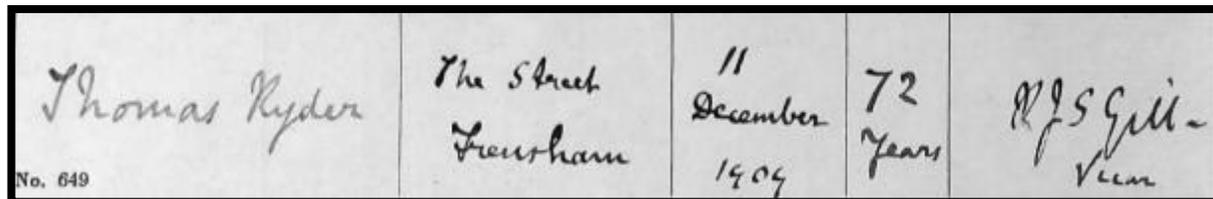
Charles's mother, Elizabeth re-married to widower Thomas Ryder in the autumn of 1895. He was a groom and gardener.

In 1901 Charles and his sister Emily were living with his mother, stepfather and step-brother, Thomas at 'The Kennels', Frensham.

Charles Deadman in 1901, aged 11 living in The Kennels, Frensham with his stepfather.



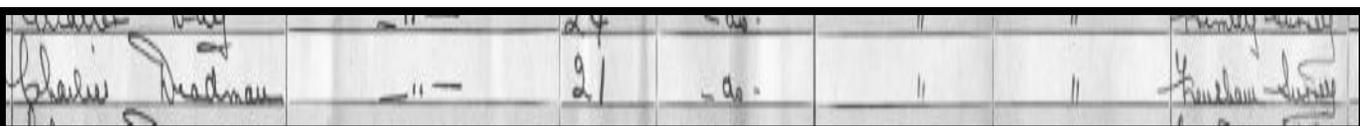
Charles's stepfather, Thomas Rider died in 1909 and was buried at Frensham:



Frensham burial for Charles's stepfather, Thomas Ryder.

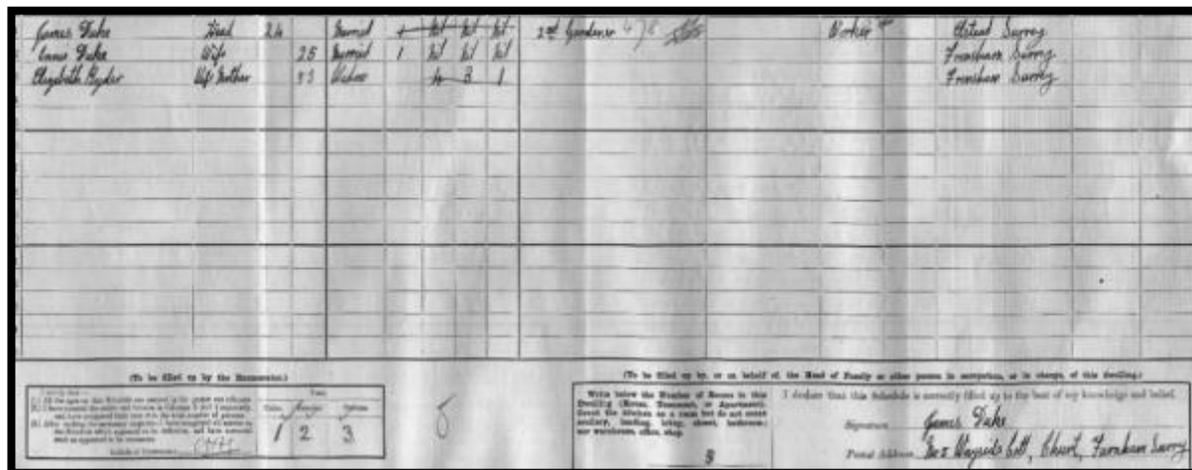
Charles Deadman's military record appears to have been lost in the fire of 1940, so it is not clear when he enlisted at Guilford for service with the 2nd Battalion of The Queen's, The Royal West Surrey Regiment (R.W.S.R.). It must have been before 1911 and possibly around the time his stepfather died in 1909 when Charles would have been 19.

The 1911 census shows that Charles was already enlisted and with his battalion in South Africa or on his way there:



1911 census for the 2nd Battalion in, or en route to, South Africa.

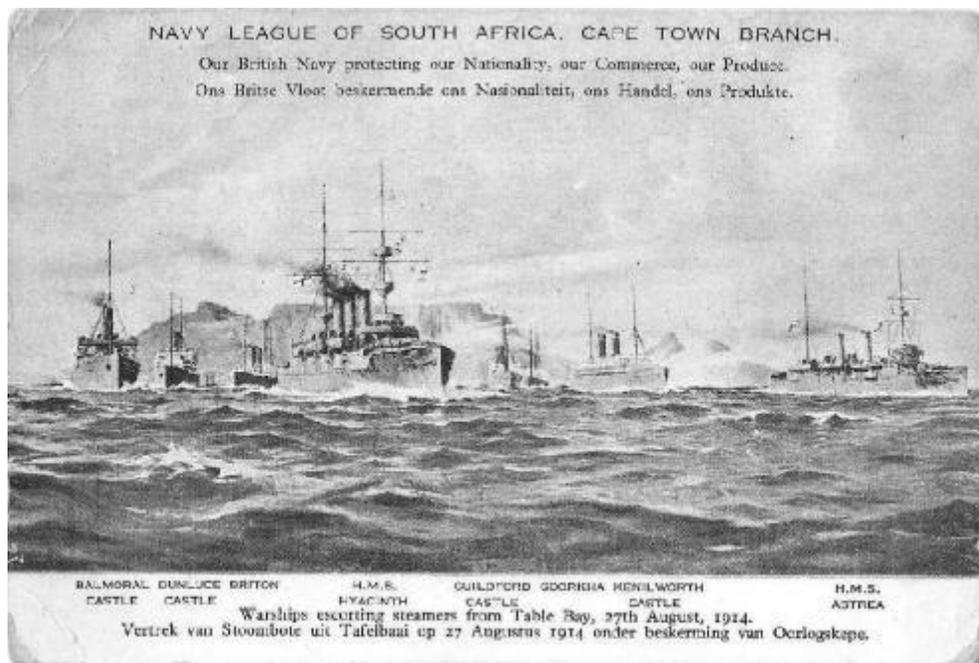
The 1911 census also shows that by then, his mother, twice widowed Elizabeth had moved away from the Rowledge area to Churt to live with her older daughter, Annie and son-in-law, James Duke:



1911 census for Charles's mother, Elizabeth Ryder living in Churt.

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It is known from the records of the 2nd Battalion, R.W.S.R. that they were in South Africa up to August 1914. As shown on this contemporary post card, they left Cape Town on the Kenilworth Castle (2nd from right) on August 27th 1914 and arrived in England on September 19th 1914.



Two weeks later, on October 4th 1914, the Battalion embarked for France and then moved into Belgium on October 6th 1914. The Medal Card for Charles shows that he was with the battalion when it left for France on October 4th 1914. The unit was to be involved in the First Battle of Ypres and arrived in that area on October 14th, going into action on October 16th. Charles was a Lance Corporal by this stage. Eleven days later the battalion moved location towards Zandvoorde and then on to Klein Zillbeke, all in the Ypres area. On October 30th 1914 the battalion was forced to take shelter from close enemy shell fire in woods at Veldhokk. Whilst trying to retire from this precarious position many of the battalion fell to enemy machine gun fire and the bombardment.

Lance Corporal Charles Deadman fell on, October 31st 1914, almost certainly as a result of this same bombardment. He was twenty four. He was not recovered and is remembered on stone A of bay 13 at the Menin Gate Memorial at Ypres where the last post is still played each evening.

In 1919, after the war had ended, Charles was posthumously awarded the 1914 Star as well as the British and Victory medals which will hopefully have been sent to his mother. He also received a clasp for the 1914 Star, possibly indicating action close to enemy artillery.

DEADMAN		2/Queens R	L/C	29003
Charles			*Pte.	
Medal	Roll	Page	Remarks	
VICTORY	*E/1101 B6	1184	Dead	
BRITISH	D.	D.		
14 STAR	2/1/5	27		
Clasp 2/2/15.				
Theatre of War first served in				
Date of entry therein 4 10 14				

WW1 Medal Card for Charles Deadman.



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Just one page of many for the 2nd Battalion R.W.S.R. record of the 1914-15 Star listing Charles Deadman (bottom of page) makes very sad and poignant reading.

So few who embarked on October 4th 1914 survived.

One page of many of the WW1 1914/15 Star Awards for Charles Deadman and his fallen colleagues.

L.7228	Pte	DUECH	CONNIE	4.10.14.	
L.8093	Pte	DIAMOND	GEORGE	4.10.14.	
L.8428	Pte	DUMBLETON	CHARLES JOHN	4.10.14.	Dead
L.8674	Pte	DAVEY	HENRY THOMAS	4.10.14.	Dead
L.9717	L/C	DAVIS	SINNEY	4.10.14.	Discharged
L.8881	Pte	DEADMAN	ALFRED	8.11.14.	1st. Gn. Bn. Suffolk 38576
L.8915	Pte	DENNIS	CHARLES	4.10.14.	Dead <i>Cl. Dead. 1.8/81. d. 29/1/29</i>
L.8928	Pte	^{SS} DOBETT	FRANK	4.10.14.	Dead
L.8975	Cpl	DOWLEN	MARK	4.10.14.	Dead
L.8983	Pte	DUKE	FREDERICK	4.10.14.	Discharged
L.8995	Pte	DRISCOLL	JOSEPH	4.10.14.	Dead
L.9003	L/C	DEADMAN	CHARLES	4.10.14.	Dead

Charles Deadman was single at the time of his death. His mother, Elizabeth Ryder (née Clear), appears to have continued to live in or near Churt where she had moved to in 1909. She died in the area in 1946.

Thomas Henry Ryder, as shown on the 1901 census, was the step brother of Charles Deadman and from the age of eight shared the same home. He married Eileen Keen in 1910 and they had three children.

Thomas joined the 8th Battalion of the Royal West Surrey Regiment (no. G/6044).

He was killed near Albert on March 28th 1918. He has no known grave and is remembered on the Poziers Memorial east of Albert. Unlike Charles, he is not listed on our Memorial although he is listed on the Frensham Memorial.

Those who prepared the names for the Memorial in 1920 will know why Charles Deadman was listed here and not in Frensham. A century on it isn't clear.

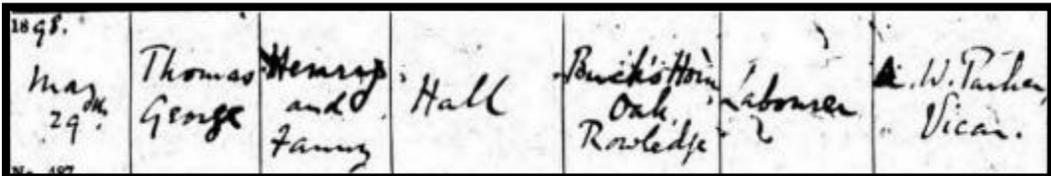
Thomas George Hall. 1898-1916.
Private. 2nd /5th Battalion, The Queen's.
Royal West Surrey Regiment. 3531.
Private. 1st/23rd Battalion, County of
London Regiment. 6812.



In every record found, Thomas George Hall is referred to simply as Thomas Hall except for one, his baptism at St. James', Rowledge on May 29th 1898.



Baptism of Thomas George Hall. May 29th 1898, St. James', Rowledge



Thomas's parents were Henry and Fanny (née Pearson) Hall and at the time of Thomas's baptism were living in Bucks Horn Oak, Hampshire. His father, Henry was born in Dockenfield in 1861 and his mother, Fanny Pearson in Bloomsbury, London also in 1861. Fanny had moved to Frensham by 1871. They were married in the autumn of 1885, the marriage being registered in Farnham.

Thomas had six older sisters, all born in Bucks Horn Oak between 1887 and 1896 and a younger brother, James who was also born in Bucks Horn Oak in 1900. When Thomas was approaching four, the 1901 census shows the Hall family still living in Bucks Horn Oak. Father Henry is an agricultural labourer.

Name	Sex	Age	Occupation	Address
Henry Hall	Head	40	Agricultural Labourer	Bucks Dockenfield
Fanny	Wife	40		London Bloomsbury
Matt	Son	14		Bucks Rowledge
Adelaide	Daughter	13		"
Emily	Daughter	12		"
Caroline	Daughter	10		"
Alice	Daughter	6		"
Fannie	Daughter	5		"
Thomas	Son	3		"
James	Son	1		"

Thomas, aged 3 with his parents and siblings at Bucks Horn Oak in 1901.

Name	Sex	Age	Married	Profession	Address
Henry Hall	Head	40	Married	Labourer	Bucks Dockenfield
Fanny Hall	Wife	40	Married	Housewife	London Bloomsbury
Thomas Hall	Son	13		Scholar	Norman Villas Rowledge
James Hall	Son	1			

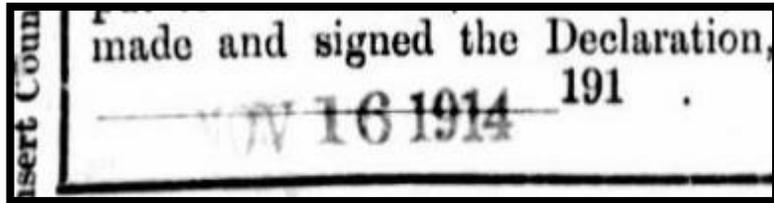
Attest: Henry Hall, Parish Address Bucks Hall Cottages Rowledge

Thomas with his parents and younger brother, James. Alice Holt Cottages. 1911.

In 1911 Thomas, aged 13 is shown living in Alice Holt Cottages with his parents and brother James.

Before Thomas enlisted on November 16th 1914, the family had moved to Norman Villas in Rowledge. These Villas have kept their name and are in Lickfolds Road although some referred to the road back in WW1 as Lickfolds Hill....as much of it is.

Thomas Hall's army record was badly burned in 1940 but is just about legible in parts. What are visible are his enlistment date shown here and the age of 17 he gives at enlistment.



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2. In or near what Parish or Town were you born? ...	2. In the Parish of <i>Tring</i> in or near the Town of <i>Tring</i> in the County of <i>Herts</i>
3. Are you a British Subject?	3.
4. What is your Age?	4. <i>17</i> Years <i>3</i> Months
5. What is your Trade or Calling?	5. <i>Baker</i>
6. In whose employ are you?	6. <i>Norman Villas, Tring</i>
7. Where do you now reside?	7. <i>Norman Villas, Tring</i>
8. Are you now an Apprentice? if so, please state particulars	8.

Thomas Hall's attestation record front page.

Thomas was listed as having worked as a baker. His address for Norman Villas, Rowledge can just about be seen. Later records show his parents at number 2, Norman Villas.

Possibly because of his youth and health, Thomas remained on 'Home Duty' in the UK with the Royal West Surrey Regiment until August 1916 but in June and July 1916 he was twice admitted to hospital near Redhill, Surrey with a serious skin condition, Impetigo.

Name of Hospital	Admitted to Hospital			Discharged from Hospital			Disease	Number of days in Hospital
	Day	Month	Year	Day	Month	Year		
<i>3rd H.Q. Reception Hosp. Redhill</i>	<i>5</i>	<i>VI</i>	<i>16</i>	<i>7</i>	<i>VI</i>	<i>16</i>	<i>Impetigo</i>	<i>3</i>
<i>Red + Hospital Marlham, Surrey</i>	<i>7</i>	<i>VI</i>	<i>16</i>	<i>8</i>	<i>VII</i>	<i>16</i>	<i>"</i>	<i>31</i>

Thomas Hall in hospital for Impetigo twice in 1916.

On August 31st 1916, three weeks after he left hospital for the second time, Thomas Hall was transferred to the 1st/23rd Battalion of the County of London Regiment and given the regimental number 6812. He left immediately for France. The two phases of conscription in January and May 1916 indicated the urgent need for men at the front.

3. Campaigns (including actions) ...

Horne 16.11.14 to 30 AUG 1916
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Thomas Hall's service record showing him in France from 31st August 1916.

Thomas joined his 1st/23rd Battalion in the midst of the Battle of the Somme. Just one month after his arrival his battalion was involved in the Battle of Transloy Ridge which was to last three weeks from October 1st 1916. This was possibly Thomas's first and certainly last action against the enemy.

of the SERVICES of No. 3531 Name *Thomas Hall*

ing preliminary training, other special courses of training, Annual Training, † and when mobilised

Corps	Unit	Promotions, Reductions, Casualties, &c.	Rank	From	To	Signature of Officer certifying correctness of Entries
Service towards engagement reckons from						
<i>The Queen's R.W.S. Regt</i>	<i>2/5</i>			<i>16.11.14</i>		<i>R.C. Ball</i>
<i>London Regt</i>	<i>2nd</i>					<i>R.C. Ball</i>
<i>23rd BATTALION LONDON REGT</i>		<i>Transferred</i>		<i>31.8.16</i>		<i>W. Godefrey</i>

Thomas Hall's transfer to the County of London Regiment, 31st August 1916.

On the first day, October 1st, the Battalion had advanced some three kilometres and occupied buildings near Eaucourt l'Abbaye. However, at dawn on October 2nd 1916, a German counterattack was under way.

Thomas Hall possibly fell during this counterattack and was never recovered. He is remembered on pier 9C/D, panel C12 of the magnificent Edward Lutyens Somme Thiepval Memorial which has over 72,000 names of soldiers for whom there is no known grave. Thomas was just four months into his nineteenth year but had by then served for nearly two years.

Thomas, like most who served in WW1, posthumously received the British War Medal and the Victory Medal. These would have been sent to his parents.

In 1919 Thomas's mother, Fanny, had to sign an Army declaration listing the dependant living members of the family and this was witnessed by the vicar of St. James, the Rev. Harold Godefrey.



The Lutyens Thiepval Somme Memorial.

DECLARATION.

I hereby declare that the above is a true and complete Statement of all the Relatives of the late Soldier now living in the degrees enquired for.

W. Hall Signature of the Declarant.

Relationship to the Soldier *Mother*

Address in full *2-Norman Villas Rowledge, 7 Arnhem, Surrey*

I hereby certify that the above Statement and Declaration made by *W. Hall* and signed in my presence is complete and correct, to the best of my knowledge and belief.

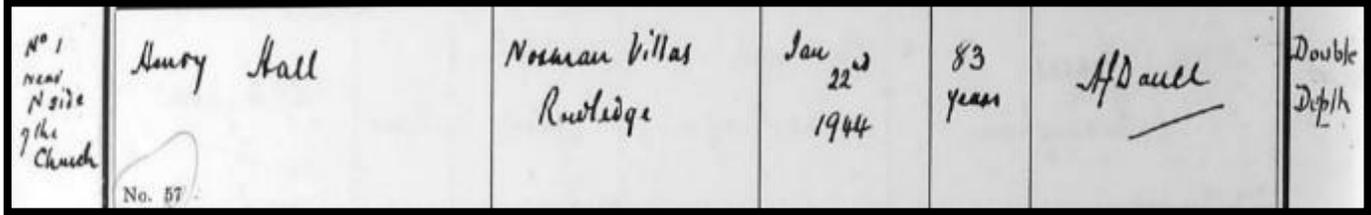
Dated at *Rowledge* this *22nd* day of *May* 1919

Signature of Minister or Magistrate *H. Godefrey* Qualification *Vicar of Rowledge*

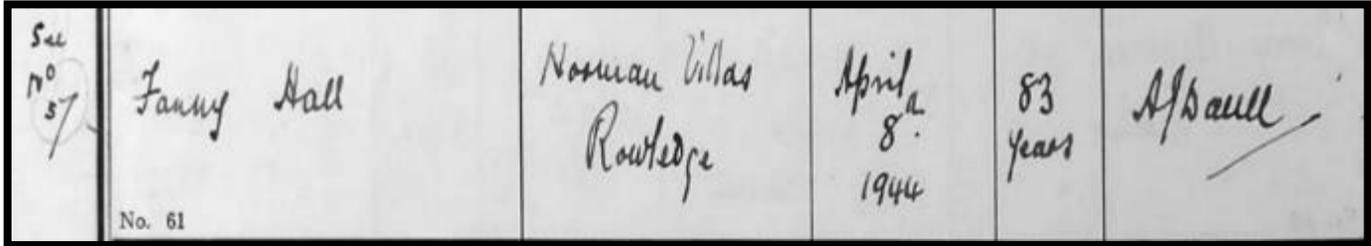
Address *Rowledge Vicarage, Arnhem*

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Thomas Hall's parents continued to live in Norman Villas, Lickfolds Road until 1944 when they both died at the age of 83 within twelve weeks of each other, just months before D Day in WW2. They are both buried together at St. James'.



Henry and Fanny Hall's burials, St. James. January and April 1944



If Thomas's younger brother, James Alfred Hall served in the last year of the war, when he would have been old enough, I cannot find an obvious record of service. However, he survived and married Elsie Joy in Frensham in 1924. They were living in the Diamond Bungalow in Prospect Road in 1939. (Rose Lane lived next door in the original Dovedale.) Elsie died in 1991 and James in 1993.

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The Knight family of Farnham – Perry Mitchell

In the process of chatting on a local history site:

(www.facebook.com/groups/HistoricFarnhamAndVillages) we often chance upon subjects that are of general interest. We recently encountered the same Farnham family in two completely unconnected strands so I thought them worthy of a short article.

Let us start with George Coldham Knight who was born in 1761. He was a successful farmer and hop grower which was a very profitable business since Hampshire hops were deemed the best in England and thus gained the best prices. He naturally expanded into buying several pubs around Farnham, and one called The Bull in Castle Street had a brewery attached which became known as Farnham Brewery and stayed in the family for most of the following century.

The family first owned and lived in Coxbridge Farm, but then expanded throughout what became 'The Runwick Estate'. Runwick is the area North of the Wey valley opposite Wrecclesham. They bought and refurbished Runwick House and moved there in 1810. George's first son was Charles and he was brought up to take over the farming and land management which he duly did in 1831. Unfortunately George had little time to enjoy his retirement since he died two years later.

Charles became a pillar of Farnham and particularly Wrecclesham society, where he was instrumental in the building of St Peter's church in 1840. For the next two decades Charles Knight contributed magnificently to the life of the parish. He was a church warden, manager of the village school and a regular worshipper at St Peter's, where he and his wife Elizabeth always sat in the right hand front seat. In 1860 Charles died at only 59 years of age, but his last wish was to endow monies for an Almshouse which still exists on the North side of The Street in Wrecclesham.

At some point early in the century, the family got involved with banking. This was a somewhat precarious occupation and seems to have started as an attempt to avoid highway robbery with the use of promissory notes that of course became the bank notes we now use with relative impunity. With various partnerships and name changes the bank eventually became known around 1850 as simply Knight's Bank. George had designated his two sons John and James to manage it.

At some point they decided that it needed a grand new building for the bank premises, and they duly employed an up-and-coming young London architect called Richard Norman Shaw to draw up the plans. He went on to be very successful and to design many buildings, but perhaps the most famous was 'New Scotland Yard', the first home of The Metropolitan Police. The resultant Knight's Bank building was in the 'Tudor Revival' style, apparently in a determined push against the 'Neo-Gothic' that had been a custom for such public buildings at the time. Whether this was appropriate in a Castle Street full of Georgian buildings is somewhat moot since they also built it with four stories to tower over its neighbours. I leave you dear readers to look at the

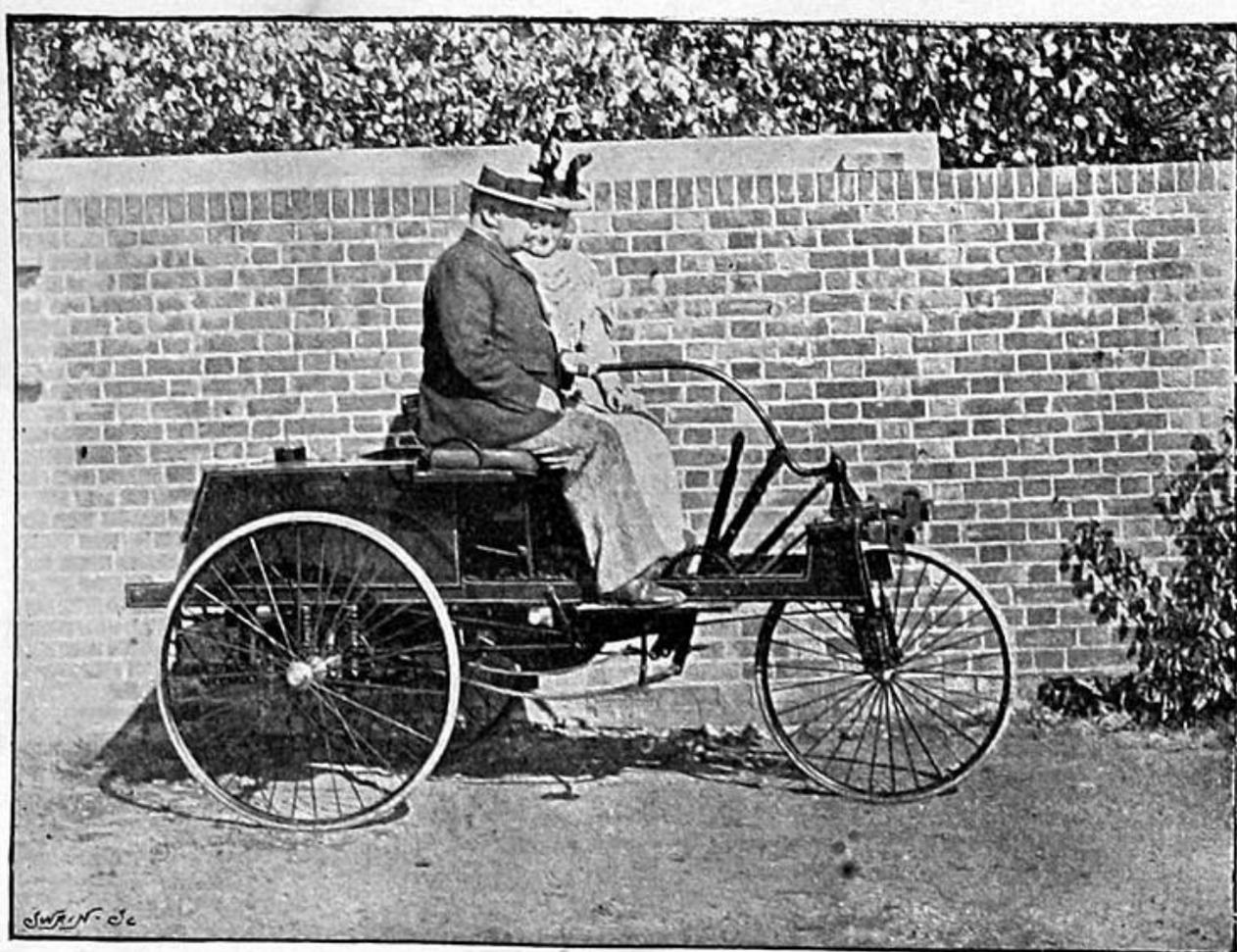
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accompanying photograph and decide for yourself! Suffice to say that it was soon dubbed 'Knight's Folly' by the Farnham residents!



John lost interest in banking but sadly joined his father in an early death in 1856. It was thus James who moved into the new building as both Manager and resident, living above with his wife Mary Jane and eventually about a dozen children and a good few servants. James continued in this position until the family habit of early death struck him down at a relatively young 57 in 1896. In fact a few years earlier in 1886, Knight's Bank had been bought by 'Capital & Counties Bank'. I suppose that James had been retained as part of the deal since the family were still ensconced for the 1891 Census. C&C Bank merged with Lloyds Bank in 1918, and after a battle with various supporters Lloyds demolished and replaced the Farnham edifice with the very conservative structure that lives on to this day. A recent discussion on the above Facebook site showed that some residents still resent the change! I have not done extensive research but I am not aware of any of James's large family going on to any great renown. Eldest son Charles was in charge of their Farnham Brewery but this business and the family's extensive chain of pubs were put up for sale in 1891. I believe another son went on to own a successful mineral water company which maybe is slightly ironic. Going back to James's brother John, he had a son called John Henry Knight who had wholly different ambitions and would go on to become perhaps the most well known member of the family outside of Farnham. John Henry was born in 1847 at the peak of

the Industrial Revolution, in a wealthy family that gave him a good education and the freedom to explore a passion in engineering. He became quite a successful inventor but his main claim to fame was his early adoption of the motor car. He has various claims such as to being the first make a petrol engined vehicle in Great Britain and perhaps being the first driver to get a 'speed ticket'. Whatever the exact timetable, he was undoubtedly a pioneer both in construction and in getting the authorities to accept the emergence of the motor car from the infamous 'red flag' constrictions of the time. He had a workshop in West Street Farnham, and you can see a blue plaque on the reconfigured building to this day.



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John Henry got married at 37 to Elizabeth Bligh, and this maybe prompted him to commission renowned local architect Harold Falkner to design a new home in Runfold called Barfield House.

He went on to have five children and his first son Henry Foley Knight found great success in India in Colonial Administration. He peaked at a position of Acting Governor of Madras and finished his career as Sir Henry Foley Knight KCSI CIE, so he was knighted twice! It is interesting that this obviously causes confusion since his father is often dubbed Sir John Henry Knight which was never so. Barfield went on to become a Prep School with local star Mike Hawthorn as one of its earliest pupils.

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What started as a recreation as a teenager has matured into a really useful asset. I grew up in Croydon surrounded by several generations of family. In my teens friends formed two groups on Saturday afternoons either shopping at the huge variety of shops in Croydon or watching Crystal Palace play football. As I have never enjoyed shopping I opted for football and the interest has stayed with me. At various times I have had a season ticket at Selhurst Park and remember standing on grassy banks, now concrete stands, when that was the norm.

Moving on, now in Farnham, and the mother of two sons football was a priority interest. Years later when I remarried I discovered just how important it could be. When David was appointed to a church in Medway I realised that as a minister in a new setting it is easy to meet 'Church' people but that there is more to a town and I started going to watch the local football team Gillingham FC eventually having a season ticket for 4 years. When the 'Gills' won games there was a definite rise in optimism in the town and as a teacher boys looked at me quite differently when they realised that I understood the importance of a Gills win!

Five years on we moved to a church in Welling and lived near a station where I could access trains to Norwood Junction and rejoin my 'own' team. At this time one of my, now adult, sons and I had season tickets in the balcony of a modern stand. In Welling David used to say he could tell if Charlton Athletic, the local team, had won by the look on the faces of the congregation on Sunday morning. I resisted Charlton as that wasn't my Club.

However, after three years we moved to work in Deptford (dangerously near Millwall FC) and now living in Greenwich, I found that Charlton Athletic was only 10 minutes walk from the Manse and as they were in the Premiership I had a season ticket at The Valley for 6 years. While living in Greenwich I answered an advertisement for an afternoon shift running a coffee bar on the Visits Hall at Belmarsh Cat A prison in Woolwich. Here football knowledge was invaluable. Our clients coming in to visit, collected refreshments from us before joining the prisoners who had to remain seated at all times. Often visitors appeared uneasy in the stark surroundings and nervous having been searched and sniffed by the drug dogs so football was often a way into conversation helping them to relax. Children visiting their dads would proudly wear their team's shirts most of which I recognised. One man appeared wearing a Brazil shirt at a time when the World Cup was being played and I suggested to him that he might be wearing it to be on the winning side. He protested, explaining that he was in fact Brazilian. It turned out he was visiting his father Ronnie Biggs (the great train robber!) I worked at Belmarsh for 17 years.

Retiring to Farnham, I came across another opportunity to extend my football interest. I volunteered to run a craft session once a week for men in Coldingley Cat C prison near Pirbright. Many of the men came as much for a chat as for craft I think. I often used a 'do you support a football team?' question to open conversation with a man I didn't

know. The answer tended to be either ‘not.....likely’ or they began to talk about the team they supported and conversation went on from there. As my team is not high profile arguments were avoided as the men mostly supported the ‘top’ teams.

Occasionally I go to Croydon to football with my brother and we indulge in memories of a time long ago when we had family there.

Football has broadened my experience of life and proved useful in getting alongside people.

Christian Aid’s work during Coronavirus: A short update, Feb 2021

During the pandemic, Christian Aid’s work has involved:

- Distributing hygiene kits
- Raising awareness about Covid prevention;
- improving access to clean water;
- distributing CASH;
- providing PPE for health facilities;
- training community influencers to provide psychosocial support; and
- providing training for health workers on managing cases of violence against women and girls.

Christian Aid has responded to the global coronavirus pandemic in 27 countries also coping with extreme poverty. As well as raising awareness of how to keep safe from coronavirus, Christian Aid has handed out soap to around 250,000 vulnerable people to help prevent the virus spreading as well as giving food packages to nearly 60,000 people struggling to feed their families after losing work following lockdown.

Christian Aid has so far worked closely with over 5,800 faith leaders (in six countries) to challenge both misleading information about coronavirus and the vaccine and any stigma faced by those who contract the virus as well as to help encourage people to seek health care services.

As vaccination campaigns begin in developing countries, Christian Aid will provide data on hard-to-reach populations to local health services and work with trusted local people including faith leaders to help tackle misinformation and any stigma around coronavirus, vaccinations and treatment.

Over the next few weeks, we’ll be launching our ‘Thank you for the Vaccine’ appeal, where those in the UK who have been vaccinated can give thanks by donating towards our work holding back the virus in countries that are unlikely to receive vaccine doses for a long time.





Case study: Shima Aondofa, 33, is a barber. He is an orphan and has polio which has caused severe shrinking of his muscles making it difficult to get around. He lives with his siblings in the Ajo community.

Before the Covid-19 lockdown in Nigeria, he was able to afford his daily needs through the money he makes from his salon business. But during and after the lockdown, his income reduced drastically, and things got really difficult for him. He said: "As a result of Covid-19 I was out of customers and I could barely afford to eat. The biggest challenge I faced because of Covid was that I was out of business and I could not afford food to eat or soap to wash. I thank Christian Aid for these gifts."

Getting a hygiene and sanitation pack from Christian Aid was a huge relief for him: but we should not forget that Shima is an example of a person who has pulled themselves out of difficulty over and over again. He is a man who; up until lockdown, ran a successful business that could take care of himself and his siblings; he did not need aid. But successive system shocks: ongoing conflict, a lack of state infrastructure, the pandemic and the lockdown that resulted, has meant that even hard-working, independent people like Shima have had to accept help.

Across the world, as it is in the UK, it is the poor, elderly, and disabled who have been hit hardest by this pandemic: and our support now can help them to maintain their dignity and humanity. We pray together, for all the families grieving loss. Those we know personally, and those further afield. We pray for the strength to keep going despite uncertainty and fear.

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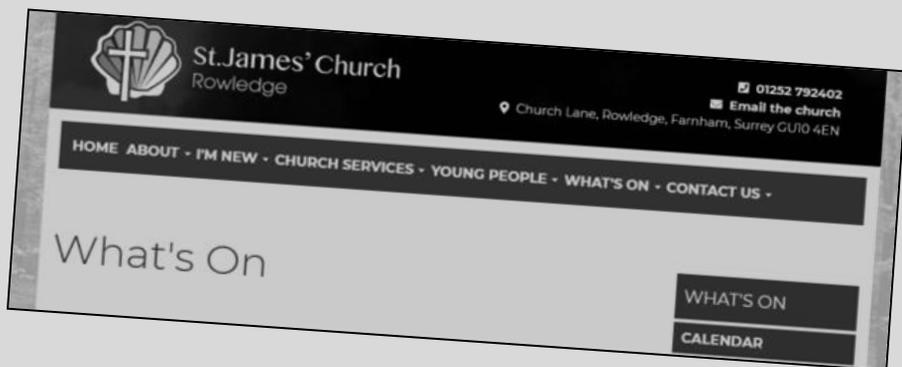
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WHAT DAY DOES AN EASTER EGG HATE THE MOST?



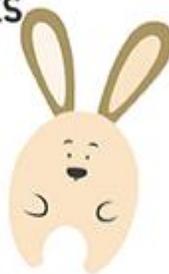
FYI-DAYS

WHAT DO YOU CALL A RABBIT WITH FLEAS?



BUGS BUNNY

WHAT KIND OF MUSIC DO BUNNIES LIKE?



HIP HOP



WHY DID THE EASTER BUNNY CROSS THE ROAD?

BECAUSE THE CHICKEN HAD HIS EASTER EGGS

WHAT HAPPENED TO THE EGG WHEN HE WAS TICKLED TOO MUCH?



HE CRACKED UP

WHAT KIND OF BUNNY CAN'T HOP?



A CHOCOLATE ONE

WHAT DID THE RABBIT SAY TO THE CARROT?



IT'S BEEN NICE GAWMING YOU



WHY DID THE EASTER EGG HIDE?

HE WAS A LITTLE CHICKEN



How do you know carrots are good for your eyes?
Have you ever seen a rabbit wearing glasses?

Why can't a rabbit's nose be 12 inches long?
Because it would then be a foot!



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