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WELCOME to Cranleigh Magazine in the month of January at the beginning of the new year. New year, new beginnings as we look to the future and what lies ahead. To look up not down, is a good start. This month the dark winter nights start to diminish and we see the daylight lengthen - let's look up and around us at the beauty of nature's changing season.

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A gang of women hoeing turnips on A.B. Johnston's New Park Farm

Joy of Cranleigh

Joy Horn brings some anecdotes of 100 years ago

What was happening in Cranleigh in January 1917?



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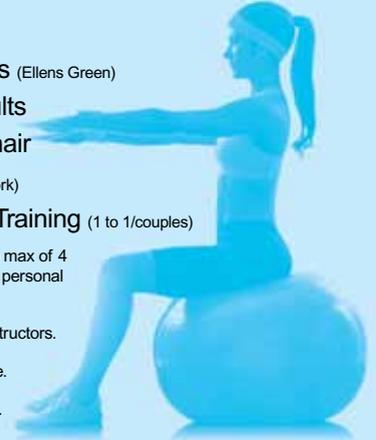
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leaux, and a realistic display of the Highland Sword Dance by Private Harpur of the Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders. A song, 'We are the Oaklands B'hoys', caused much amusement.

The concert must have been a brief moment of happiness, as tragic news from the Front came constantly to local homes. Arthur Tickner and William Stenning were wounded and missing, and a memorial service was held for Hayward Johnston, 39, of the Norfolk Regiment, second son of Mr and Mrs C.E. Johnston of New Park Farm, who had died in hospital in France. In fact Arthur Tickner, whose parents, Mr and Mrs William Tickner, lived in Mead Road, had been killed on 5 January at Beaumont Hamel.

The County Appeals Tribunal considered the appeal against conscription brought by Jabez Nightingale, 38, house furnisher of Cranleigh. He volunteered for agricultural employment during the day, so that he had the evenings to keep his business going. The case was dismissed, but Nightingale was told he could make another appeal. The business did keep going, until 1959, under Jabez and later his brother and nephew.

The Hambleton Rural District Council was having difficulty maintaining the local roads, as ten of its road employees had been called up. The Council had managed to retain one motor driver and an en-

The registrars dealing with women available for farming met at Guildford. Cranleigh's registrar was Mrs Welch, of 'Stonewall' on the Common. Although farmers were desperate for workers, there was still a lot of prejudice against employing women. The registrars agreed it was most satisfactory when women worked in gangs under a leader, who took orders from the farmer and kept time sheets. The photo of women working at New Park Farm suggests that they were doing just that.

In early January, a party of convalescent men from Oaklands Red Cross Hospital gave a concert at the Village Hall 'as a kind of "thank-you" to the people of Cranleigh' for all the good things showered on them at Christmas. This included a series of tab-



The way we were

The 1950 Carnival passing Nightingale's furniture shop (from Cranleigh Voices)



British soldiers marching through a French town (Imperial War Museum)



gine driver, but three of its steam rollers were idle for want of drivers. It was applying for German prisoners of war.

Cranleigh man Rennie Crick, who spent Christmas at the 11th Division's Rest Centre at Léalvillers, west of Thiepval, was back in action in early 1917. He wrote in his diary that there was 'a terrific bombardment'. 'Eighty of us were ordered to be ready to go up the Line as stretcher-bearers at half-an-hour's notice'. Later, he became a clerk receiving casualties. There were many wounded men, and he worked regularly to until 2 or 3 a.m., recording soldiers' names and numbers, their injuries and what was done with them. When the 34th Field Ambulance was relieved by another FA, they



A Sopwith Camel looping the loop

were marched well back from the Front, this time to a place near Auxi-le-Chateau, almost at the coast. 'My feet were terribly sore', he wrote. They were accommodated in bell tents, which gave little protection in the snow. Nevertheless, when he arrived there on January 21st, there was 'a big parcel from home' magically awaiting him.

He was able to enjoy the luxury of having hot baths, and in a cross-country run, he got home eighth. Another excitement was seeing an aeroplane loop the loop. 'It was exciting', he wrote in his diary. ■

The Cranleigh History Society meets on the 2nd Thursday of each month at 8.00pm in the Band Room. The next meeting will be on Thursday January 12th, when Robin Stannard's subject is 'Henry Woodyer, local architect',

Volunteer Drivers needed for the Visually Impaired

Do you have any spare time to drive visually impaired people to a group where they learn Braille and IT skills?

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People Profile



Who's who?

Making that call

'After enjoying the New Year festivities we often find ourselves calling the doctor's surgery complaining of feeling unwell or maybe depressed at the prospect of facing a new year ahead? Can I see someone now, today?' . . . writes Mal Practice.

Adrian Gosling

Charity Director of On Call Africa

Imagine having to walk **30km every time** you need a doctor – that's the equivalent of Cranleigh to Crawley on foot – a long way to walk if you're feeling unwell. This is the unfortunate reality for the population of Southern Zambia.

For every 16,000 people, there is only **one doctor available to help** – meaning there is a critical shortage of healthcare professionals.

Some shocking statistics

In rural Southern Zambia there is:

- 12.5% HIV prevalence
- 57 years life expectancy
- 9% infant mortality rate – one of out every 12 babies don't make their 1st birthday.

Adrian Gosling, who has spent the last ten years living in Cranleigh, runs a small medical charity– On Call Africa- which is dedicated to helping improve access to healthcare for the population of some of the smallest and most isolated villages in Zambia.



Mothers in the queue waiting to see the doctor

health



Main Picture: A healthy mother and baby

Adrian has always been involved in charity work, combining it with teaching jobs once or twice a week to make his salary stretch. However, in early 2015 he was asked to take on the role of Operations Director for On Call Africa. Working from home in Cranleigh, he now manages various aspects of the charity's work, including fundraising, recruitment, and the education curriculum. He also stays in frequent touch with the teams out working in the village via WhatsApp and other communications technology.

So how did this come about?

Twenty years ago, Adrian was approached by a friend – Phil Wall – a Christian church leader who had recently visited southern Africa. Phil told him how he had encountered the enormous challenge of the thirteen million AIDS orphans of sub-Saharan Africa. Their response was to set up a charity – “We See Hope” – to work with local partners in countries like Zambia, Zimbabwe and beyond. Those local partners now provide support, education, and care for thousands of children who had been left without parents.

Alongside his job with On Call Africa, Adrian still continues to volunteer as a trustee with We See Hope.

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An outdoor clinic



An outdoor eye test

care on tap?



A baby being weighed

He recalls a meeting that changed his perspective completely, when visiting one lady – Mrs Kaluna – in her tiny house in northern Zimbabwe. Mrs Kaluna was single-handedly bringing up her 8 grandchildren whom had each lost their parents. Adrian vividly recalls reading this hand-drawn image that she had pinned to the wall of her kitchen – a small figure climbing a mountain with words that read: **“No goal is too high if we climb with care and confidence.”**

The fact that she was still able to look up, even at a time when her life was so hard, filled him with the hope and courage to believe in the scheme and the difference it could make to people's lives.

On Call Africa has three aims to help improve access to healthcare in rural Zambia:

Training – Doctors from the UK travel out to train the local community health workers in order to ensure they are up to date with modern practices and can deliver quality healthcare to their communities.

Teaching – These UK Doctors also run health education centres so that the people in the village know how to stay healthy and reduce their risk of catching infections and diseases.

Treating – The charity works hand in hand with local health services through mobile clinics to help develop sustainable systems of health provision.



If the river dries up - there are no roads, you just make your own

Adrian emphasises that all three aspects of On Call Africa's work play important roles. “Mobile clinics provide immediate treatment, but our health education programme and training of community health workers is vital in creating long-term improvements.”

A description of one of the clinics:

“The clinic is under an open thatched adobe hut or in a school or maybe just a building with half a roof. Wherever it is, people arrive. Some have walked with their children through the night arriving at 3 or 4 am so they are first in the queue, others pitch up through the day after working in the field. Assisted by a team of volunteer local translators we work through the queue. Nobody complains of waiting too long. The doctors are usually able to diagnose and treat most conditions and prescribe medicines free of charge. People are grateful and willing to engage and the days are long but rewarding.”

On Call Africa in 2015

In 2015, On Call Africa expanded their trustee board, appointed a UK coordinator, and became a Scottish Charitable Incorporated Organisation.

Nine Trusts and Foundations made grants towards medical supplies, clinic running costs, and health worker training.

the road to th

Main Picture: If the river floods - volunteers still deliver vital medicines to patients

Donated supplies included children's wheelchairs donated by Livingstone Rotary Club, recycled spectacles from Optical Express, and essential hygienic materials from the Birthing Kit Foundation.

They received news coverage on BBC Radio Scotland, the Sunday Mail, the Evening News, the Glasgow Herald, and several other local newspapers.

Their Founding Trustees were recognized with a Points of Light Award at 10 Downing Street presented by the then Prime Minister.

"On Call Africa are helping people in some of the most rural areas of Zambia to access vital health care and in some cases saving lives. By inspiring and training local people as well as their UK supporters they are enabling the people of Zambia to make a difference in their own communities." – David Cameron

2015 Statistics:

- 91% of the patients were women and children
- 6843 individual patient diagnoses were made
- 2,034 young children under 5 received treatment

Experiences:

"It is good to work with On Call Africa. The Community Health Workers that have been trained reduce the workload on me and decongest the Rural Health Centres. Some of the patients were actually dying right up there in their homes. We are now able to reach each and every individual."

Jennifer Chispandue, a nurse based at Simango Rural Health Centre

"The exceptional benefit of working with On Call Africa is that doctors can help create something sustainable through education. The community health care workers all have a real eagerness and enthusiasm to learn."

Dr Catriona Parker, an On Call Africa volunteer recruited by Adrian



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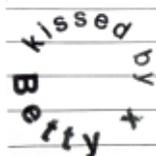
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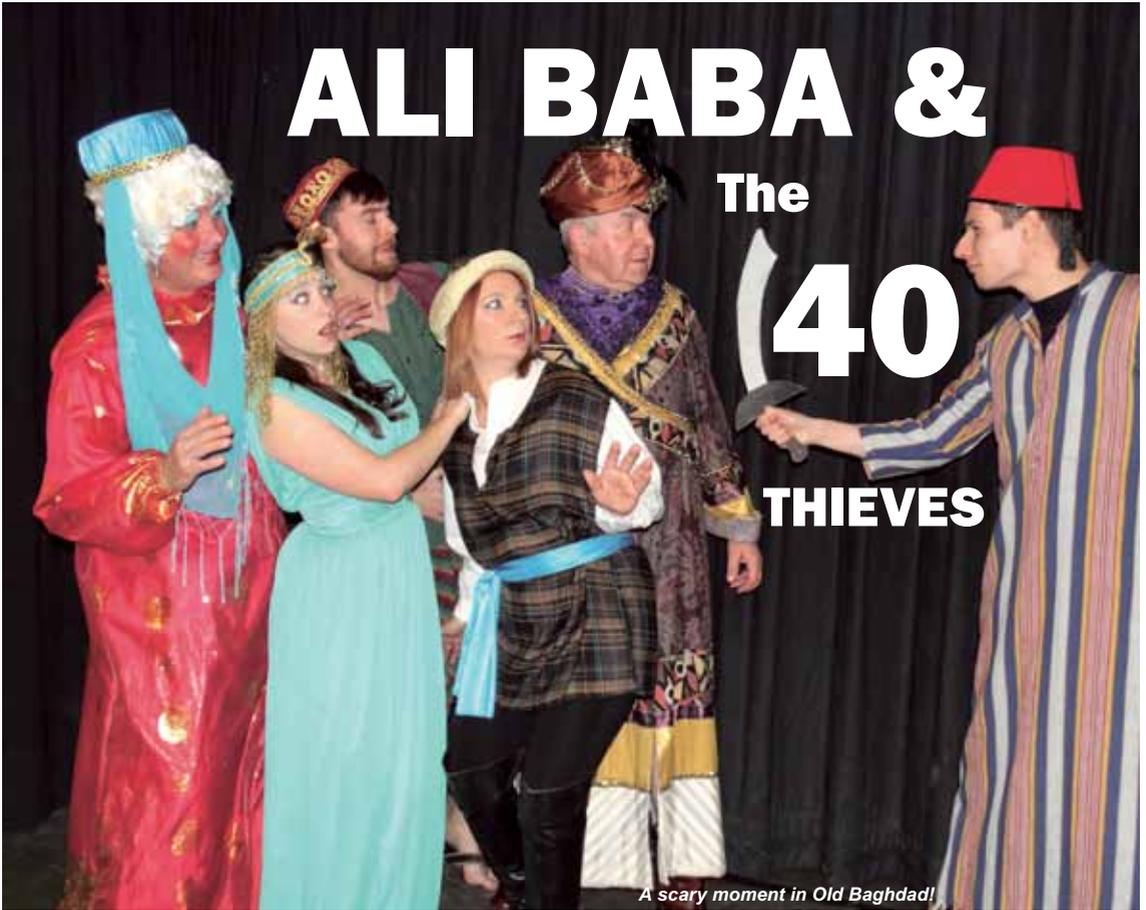
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THIEVES



A scary moment in Old Baghdad!

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*Is the panto season nearly over?
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Just when festive-withdrawal mode looms in late January, let the Ewhurst Players whisk you away into a feast of family fun. Don't miss their traditional panto ALI BABA AND THE 40 THIEVES playing at the Ewhurst Village Hall on various dates between 27th January and 4th February 2017. It's a treat in store!

Set in old Bagdad, Ali Baba features all the usual panto jokes that we love so much, complete with colourful costumes, story-book sets, manic moments, heroes and heroines, goodies and baddies and sing-along songs.

Will Ali Baba win the beautiful princess? Are Asbad and Notsobad really so very bad? Can our feline goody, Caterina, outwit the canine baddy, Alsatia?



Will Fatima Fandango find love?

Is Mustafa Screwloose going to be of any use to anybody? And is there someone who just can't resist the oh-so-obvious charms of the larger than life Fatima Fandango?

Come and see!

The box office opens at 9 am on Tuesday 3rd January 2017 www.ticketsource.co.uk/ewhurstplayers or telephone **01483 272378**.

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Crane Spotter: tales from a Cranleigh birder

January-

It's time for . . . 'Strictly Come Listing'

Birders are listless again when the bells sound out at midnight on a New Year's Eve.

Many have kept a list of every bird they have seen over the preceding year, just for fun. In time they build up a useful record of birds in their garden, local area or 'patch', county, and country.

Some will have enjoyed hundreds of species over the preceding 12 months, while 'world listers' may have clocked up thousands. For those who want it the listing game can be very competitive too - but you can set your own boundaries.

I've known birders set up lists for birds heard or seen in TV programmes. This can lead to some interesting observations. Poldark, for instance, was alive along the cliffs with calling European Bee-eaters that just shouldn't have been there - and weren't. They were, wrongly, dubbed in later.

Collared Doves have often been heard cooing in period dramas - over 100 years before they first turned up in the UK. They only first bred in this area in 1960 - at Shamley Green - after expanding their range westwards into Britain for the first time in the 1950s.

And then we were once treated to a calling Eurasian Scops Owl, the unexpected star in a space science fiction series. The 'crew' were meant to be on another planet at the time.

The BBC got some anxious phone calls from birders - not over the mistake - but to find out where the filming had been done and how long ago. Everyone hoped they'd hear it was Britain and that the bird would still be there. Unfortunately the episode was filmed in a continental quarry.



Collared Dove





European Bee-eaters



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Published in 2007, it includes records from an army of keen birders, including myself, a systematic list and species accounts, breeding distribution maps, analysis of breeding surveys, population estimates, charts and histograms, ground and aerial photographs, plus vignettes, paintings and line drawings.

There are also background chapters on climate, history, geology, personalities, other societies and habitats and the effects of human intervention.

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Other birders I know make lists of what they see from their desk at work, from trains, even from the bog – no, not the wildlife haven, the toilet. Oh well, passes the time if you've not got a frosty window.

But come the start of a new year and all these year lists are history and it's time to start again.

Many birders aim to get their year list off to a good start by going somewhere special but it should be possible to see 20 species or more on the first day of the year around here by observing birds flying over and in your garden.

For most years the first bird on my list is the Robin, with Song Thrush, Wood Pigeon, Crow, Goldfinch, Blue Tit, Great Tit, Wren, House Sparrow and Starling not far behind.

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I've produced a list below of the Top 50 birds I think you will be most likely to see or hear in 2017 from the average Cranleigh garden, and roughly in the likely order if you start listening while it is still dark on 1 January.

It is based on many years of my own observations in the village and adjusted for recent population changes. There is also a bias in favour of those of you who feed the birds.

Tick them off as you go through the year, together with the date. But keep your eyes peeled. 2017 could throw up some surprises! Let me know how you get on.

'Keeeeeep listing!' ■



Robin – first for your list?

Species:

Date first seen or heard

- Robin
- Song Thrush
- Wood Pigeon
- Crow
- Collared Dove
- Blue Tit
- Great Tit
- Blackbird
- Starling
- Goldfinch
- House Sparrow
- Chaffinch
- Jackdaw
- Wren
- Dunnock
- Magpie
- Jay
- Black-headed Gull
- Long-tailed Tit
- Nuthatch
- Goldcrest
- Great-spotted Woodpecker
- Cormorant
- Herring Gull
- Canada Goose
- Redwing
- Green Woodpecker
- Buzzard
- Fieldfare
- Pied Wagtail
- Rook
- Grey Heron
- Tawny Owl
- Siskin
- Coal Tit
- Greenfinch
- Lesser Black-backed Gull
- Feral Pigeon
- Redpoll
- Red Kite
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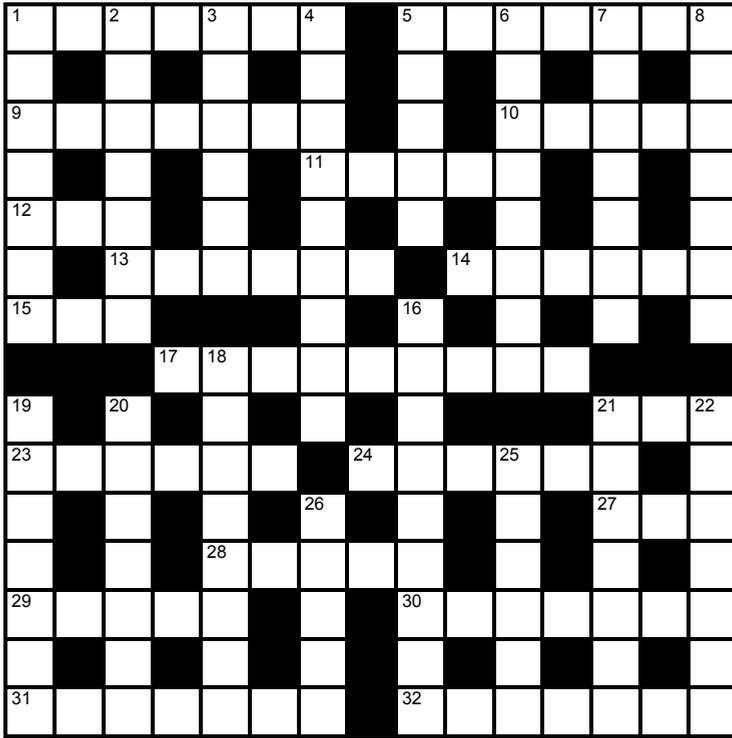
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January Crossword Puzzle



Across

1. Travelling by bicycle (7)
5. Psalmbook (7)
9. Physician (7)
10. Rise to one's feet (5)
11. Thievery (5)
12. To hit a ball high (3)
13. Lengthier (6)
14. Conditional release (6)
15. Bring civil action against (3)
17. Woman who conducts others to their seats (9)
21. Explosive sound (3)
23. Merchant (6)
24. Christian festival (6)
27. Be in debt (3)
28. Pertaining to people (5)
29. Banish (5)
30. Dispossess (7)
31. Third day of the week (7)
32. High temperature (3,4)

Down

1. Fortresses (7)
2. Capable of being cured (7)
3. Person who delivers ice (6)
4. Women in general (6,3)
5. Scottish musician (5)
6. Theoretical (8)
7. Teashop (7)
8. Decreased (7)
16. Remaining part (9)
18. Person who tends sheep (8)
19. Scholar (7)
20. Christen (7)
21. Pledge (7)
22. Gift (7)
25. Three-legged support (6)
26. Hazy (5)

Crossword and Sudoku – answers will appear in the next issue.

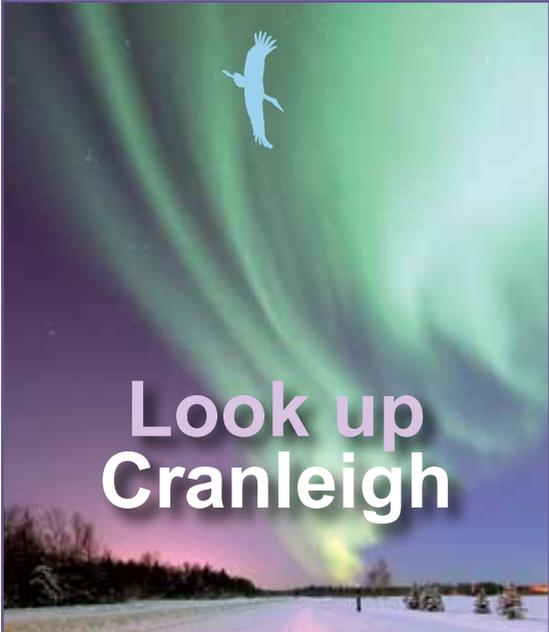


January Sudoku Puzzle 1 - Easy

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	4						9	
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		7	9		3			
	1	9			4			7

January Sudoku Puzzle 2 - Hard

					6	5	2	
					3		7	
4				9	2	1	6	3
2								8
5		9		7		2		1
1								5
7	5	4	3	6				2
	2		5					
	3	1	2					



Look up Cranleigh

Walking along the road to work or school we often look up at the blue sky, the sun, the stars, or the moon and wonder . . . at the awesome beauty of the universe! The Aurora is an incredible light show caused by collisions between electrically charged particles that is thrilling to watch. This can also be the time of year when we 'look up' an old friend or colleague. A recent Christmas card from them can regenerate memories, and we get in touch to rekindle that relationship.

Get charged up! Make a change in your own life or change someone else's life for the better. Be positive, not negative! It's the way ahead ■



1	P	S	Y	C	H	O	L	O	G	I	C	A	L						
2	P	U	O						R		G		G						
3	A	L	I	M	O	N	Y	10	W	A	R	R	I	O	R				
4	U	I	C					11	A	V		L			A				
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December Crossword Solution

5	8	1	6	2	3	7	9	4
4	2	3	7	9	8	1	6	5
6	9	7	1	5	4	2	8	3
9	7	2	3	8	5	4	1	6
8	1	6	4	7	9	5	3	2
3	4	5	2	1	6	8	7	9
1	5	4	9	6	7	3	2	8
2	6	8	5	3	1	9	4	7
7	3	9	8	4	2	6	5	1

December Sudoku Easy Solution

2	1	9	8	7	5	6	3	4
3	6	4	1	9	2	8	7	5
7	8	5	6	3	4	9	2	1
6	2	3	5	4	9	1	8	7
8	4	1	2	6	7	5	9	3
9	5	7	3	8	1	4	6	2
5	7	8	4	2	6	3	1	9
1	9	6	7	5	3	2	4	8
4	3	2	9	1	8	7	5	6

December Sudoku Hard Solution

D Days Dates for your Diary



Cranleigh Country Market

Friday 13, 20 & 27 January, Cranleigh Country Market will be held in The Bandroom, Village Way, Cranleigh, 9.15 – 10.30 am, offering a wide selection of crafts, home-baked items and preserves all with a travel distance of a maximum of only 12 miles. Just like a farmers' market, but weekly!

Dick Whittington Panto at Rowley's

Put a date in your diary for our annual pantomime - the Rah Rah Theatre is bringing us its production of Dick Whittington on **Friday January 20** at 1.30pm. Full details and booking at Rowley's office. **01483 277155**



Tickets for Sleeping Beauty 2017

Tickets are still available for The SHADES (Shamley Green Amateur Dramatic and Entertainment Society) 2017 Pantomime of Sleeping Beauty.

The Pantomime will take place in the Arbuthnot Hall in Shamley Green on **Thursday 26 & Friday 27 January at 8pm, and Saturday 28 January** at 3.30pm and 7.30pm, and tells the tale of Princess Rose, cursed as a baby by a Wicked Fairy, only true love's first kiss can break the spell, there will be the usual magic and mayhem you have come to expect from a SHADES pantomime.

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Under the broad auspices of the 'Syrian Vulnerable Person Resettlement (VPR) Programme' the group is looking at what needs to be in place to encourage the resettlement of at least one of these families in Cranleigh.

The meetings so far have been lively and informative and the group is beginning to take some real shape, with members working in teams to look at issues such as housing, education, initial welcome and ongoing long-term support.

As we have met it has been encouraging to sit and discuss the issues with people from many different backgrounds, all of whom believe we need to be proactive in preparing to welcome people who have been forced to leave their homeland because of conflict.

These are still early days for the group, and we would welcome others joining us as we plan the way forward. Given the current level of commitment by Waverley, there is no guarantee that having made our plans we will receive a family in Cranleigh, but we believe it is important to offer this possible route into our community, and to make sure we are fully prepared should a family find its way to us.

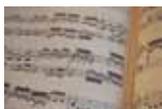
If you think you might like to come along to our next meeting being arranged in January, or you just want to find out more, please email Claire Potter (claire.potter@methodist.org.uk) or Pamela Newman-Horwell at (pnewmanhorwell@gmail.com). ■

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The importance of



imagination in creative play

Imaginative, creative play and make-believe are the cornerstones of good Early Years education and link to the prime areas of communication and language, physical development, and personal, social and emotional development. To learn effectively, young children need to play in order to have fun, make friends and to understand the world around them. The process of pretending is an intrinsic part of the way Farlington's Reception Teacher, Ruth Thomas, and Nursery Manager, Fran Mash, structure the girls' educational progression.

Role play

In being assigned and accepting different roles and then acting them out, this type of play practises both verbal and non-verbal communication skills. When children group together and practice imaginary play, they negotiate roles and mutually agree different terms. This helps young children develop the skills they need to socialise and cooperate with their peers.

"Currently the role play corner at Farlington Nursery is structured around this term's theme of 'people who help us'," said Fran Mash. "Through role play the children are challenging themselves, developing communication skills and their imaginations. Children recreate scenes they have built up in their heads and practise solving problems that are often part of these pretend scenarios. In observing, discovering and carrying out deductive reasoning, pretend play is critical for cognitive skills and helping children build the ability

to solve problems and draw their own conclusions."

In the Elf Workshop in Reception the girls could purchase toys and gift wrap them. By engaging them in this world of make-believe, they utilised their skills with money, selected materials for wrapping and developed their fine motor skills using scissors.

As they grow, their ability to imagine exerts greater influence on the nature of their play. Their play becomes increasingly complex and the narratives which are created include more characters and episodes.

Small world play

In the small world play area which was set up for 'Going on a Bear Hunt', the children used the characters and props to develop their own story. They developed their own narrative to focus on the frogs in the 'swishy, swashy grass', away from the 'splishy, splashy river' and involved other friends in the story telling. This small world play allows them to enter and leave a fictional world at will and gives them control over their play. By altering the story, they are making it their own and developing the ability to 'magpie' ideas.

"This storytelling is helping them to develop vocabulary and put sentences together, before writing can be taught. They derive confidence in organising their play and being assertive in driving the play forward, whilst building an awareness of the feelings and needs of others," commented Ruth Thomas.

Extending an imaginative idea

“Using fictional plots and characters can provide purposeful learning for children, especially in reading and writing. This can give a ‘wow’ starter for the children and help them engage with learning across the curriculum,” said Ruth Thomas. “In Reception, work was structured around the character of Patrick the Penguin from the ‘Lost and Found’ book. The children ‘found’ Patrick and had to devise a way of getting him back to the South Pole. This led them to thinking how they could help him and how they could ask others for help. By guiding them to the idea of making a poster, the children believed they were in control of their activity. They were communicating for a reason – to help Patrick – not just to write words in a book for the sake of it. They wanted to label a poster which would help him because it had a purpose. Purposeful learning, with the use of a book and the children’s imaginations, allows for differentiation. It can motivate pupils who find certain areas of learning daunting and extend the creativity and independence of other pupils.”

Problem solving

In the Nursery, the children make homes for toy animals through junk modelling. “While they may not on the surface look as though they are learning, they are showing care for (imaginary) living things as they choose materials for warmth and food. It is making them question and make decisions; by choosing how to stick materials together they are problem solving and taking ownership of their choices whilst learning from their mistakes. This builds the skills they need as they go through their school life: resilience, team work and problem solving,” commented Fran Mash.

Communication

Language development runs through all dramatic play activities. Talking and listening skills developed through play form the narratives which are the basis of reading and writing. In role play situations children can experiment with the language they have acquired as well as new vocabulary they are introduced to in school. This process helps a child to make the connection between spoken and written language — a skill that will later help them learn to read.

This is why it is so important the in the Early Years setting that practitioners should plan for children’s creative play by creating high quality learning environments and allowing children thee to develop their play. Children need the freedom to explore and develop their ideas using their imaginations, where the emphasis is not on an over-prescriptive result. ■

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SHORT STORY

An unexpected visitor!

There's a knock at the door, and my heart drops into my stomach. I knew, with it being Christmas, that she'd have to come round at some point, feel obliged even, to grace us with her own unique brand of season's greetings and goodwill to all men.

But what I wouldn't give to avoid another visit.

I turn to look imploringly in my husband's direction, wondering if perhaps I can convince him to turn off the lights and hide behind the settee. However, he's already halfway across the room, throwing one last admonishing glare my way before his hand closes around the door knob and flings it open to let the devil in. My mother in law.

Now, I know it's a cliché - hating your mother in law that is - but, you haven't met mine.

The door swings open and five painted fingernails curl, one by one, around the corner of the frame. My grimace becomes an unconvincing smile as a wrinkled face comes into view, beady eyes affixed on my grinning husband.

"Pete", she says lovingly, beaming at him adoringly.

"Mum! It's been too long!" he gushes, placing an arm around her waist to help her up the porch steps.

She huffs and struggles for a minute, then in a flash of evil inspiration, places one boot in my hydrangea patch nearby to give her purchase - hauling herself up and obliterating my flowers in her wake. I can't have been imagining that vengeful twist and stomp before she stepped inside. I scowl. Her eyes take in the room and then land on me.

"Annie" she croaks, a faint smirk on her lips. Probably mightily pleased at the destruction she just caused. Her eyes linger on my belly. "Still no grandchildren?"

I plaster a smile on my face, and move in to hug her before it falters. She smells of cod liver oil and something else, something foul hidden under a heady layer of perfume.

Over the next few days, she insists on cooking every meal, using a strange combination of spices and a pocket recipe book she brought with her in her handbag. Pete would make a show of undoing his belt afterwards, stretching dramatically and exclaiming "Mum that was fantastic, I'm stuffed!"

I, on the other hand, had started to feel ill after every meal - each mouthful harder than the next. One night, I got in from work and sat at Pete's usual place at the table, only to find her standing above me, glowering.

"No dear, you're not sitting there tonight."

Paranoia began to set in, and after I began to throw up on a regular basis, I ushered Pete into the living room one evening.

"She's trying to poison me!" I hissed

"Annie, that's absurd!" Pete reprimanded me, shocked at the suggestion.

"No? Then why am I sick after every one of those meals she's been cooking for us?" I asked.

"Well I've been feeling fine!" He growled, and then in a more conciliatory tone "Annie, love, It's probably just a coincidence, I'll bet you have the flu."

A frail "Tea's ready!" Came echoing down the hallway Pete looked at me pleadingly. "Come and sit with us, Annie, you're imagining this."

I headed for the bathroom, throwing a "give me five minutes" over my shoulder.

Once inside with the door locked, I sat down on the edge of the bathtub and sighed. My eyes travelled up to the cabinet opposite and an open box caught my eye. Reaching across, I picked it up for closer inspection.

A forgotten pregnancy test.

I smiled wistfully, Pete and I had been trying for a baby for years with no luck.

But wait, sudden unexplained sickness? Was it worth a try? I took the test out of the box with trembling fingers.

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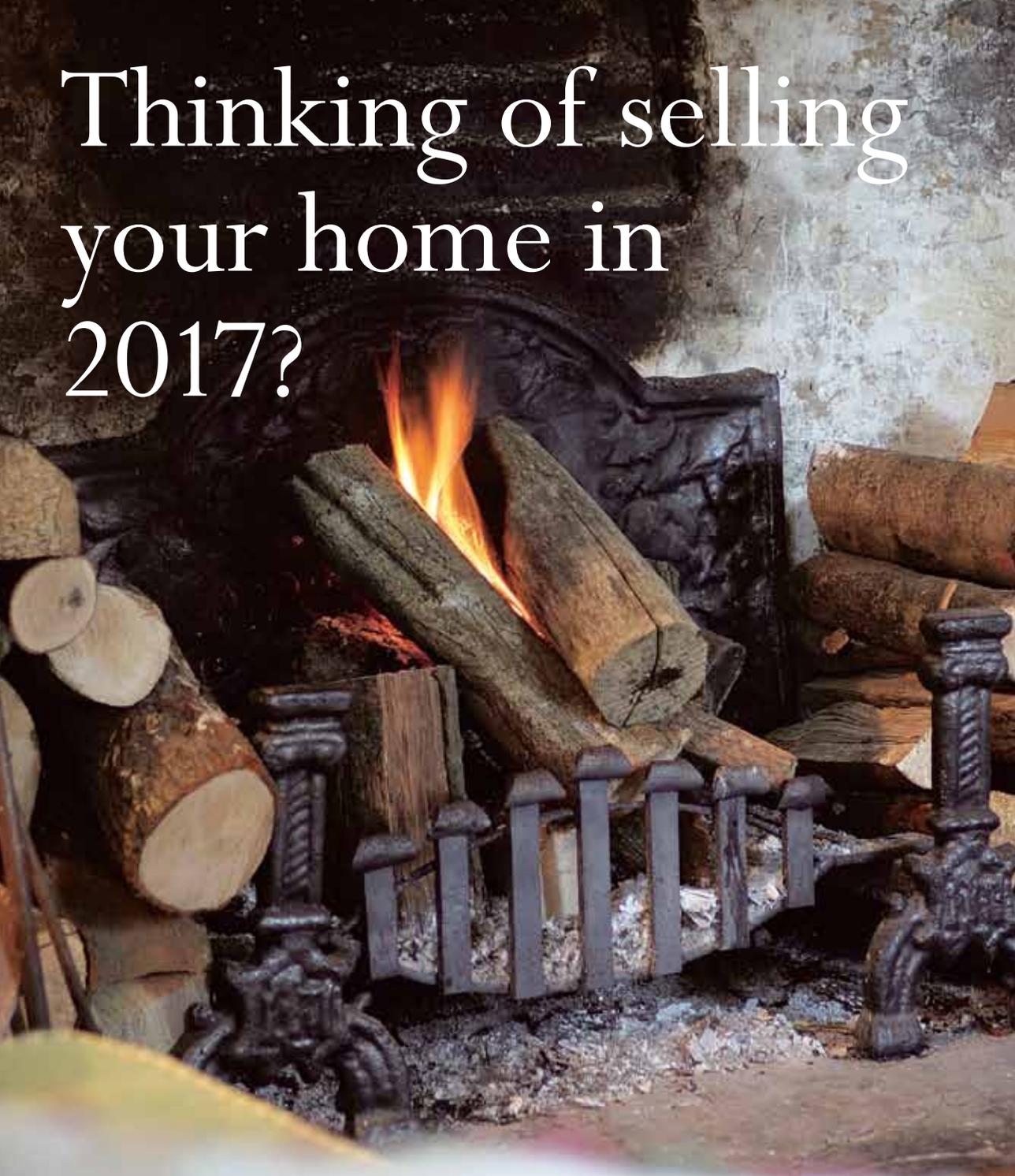
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Ronnie junior, who lives in Horsham, started working as chef at Rowley's Centre for the Community in Cranleigh in October and his delicious lunches have tempted many more local people to go along. Why not give it a try yourself?

Ronnie junior cooked for 120 guests at the centres Christmas lunches over the festive period, while Ronnie senior chatted to the guests sporting a rather unusual comic false mustache. They really do make a good double act. So, "it's goodnight from me and it's goodnight from him." ■

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Remember to feed the wildlife that gathers in your garden, especially the birds as their food sources are in short supply during winter. If you're feeling particularly green fingered, then you may want to start planning this year's vegetable plot.

Top Tips

- Recycle your Christmas tree by shredding it for mulch
- Clean pots and greenhouses ready for spring
- Dig over any vacant plots that have not been dug already
- Repair and re-shape lawn edges
- Inspect stored tubers of Dahlia, Begonia and Canna for rots or drying out
- Prune apple and pear trees
- Start forcing rhubarb
- Plan your vegetable crop rotations for the coming season
- Keep putting out food and water for hungry birds
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Girl Guide leader wins community award for her years of service to Surrey youngsters



Edward Norman presenting Sue Whitaker with her prize

A Girl Guide leader – who joined the movement as an eight-year-old – has been recognised for her services to Surrey’s communities after winning the first Roger Coupe Star Award.

Sue Whitaker scooped the community star title – the first accolade to be handed out in the Cranleigh-based estate agent’s year-long awards – after winning a public vote.

“I’m absolutely thrilled – I wasn’t expecting to win, it was a really nice surprise. It’s not just me as I have a team behind me.”

The 47-year-old, who lives in the village, has led the 3rd Cranleigh Guide unit for 26 years, organising fun, educational and inspiring activities for her young members every week, alongside putting together annual trips and camps.

She was nominated by her husband James, 48, who praised her enthusiasm, creativity and leadership. Those

who voted for her echoed his sentiments, describing Sue as “selfless, outstanding and dedicated”.

As well as taking the title of community star, Sue scooped herself a hamper from luxury London department store Fortnum and Mason, which she was presented with by Edward Norman, partner at Roger Coupe.

“I really enjoyed Brownies and Guides and wanted to do Guiding in the community I lived in”

Sue, a mum-of-two, said:

“I’m absolutely thrilled – I wasn’t expecting to win, it was a really nice surprise. It’s not just me as I have a team behind me, so it’s really nice to get that recognition for everyone that does Guiding. All the Guide leaders work really hard and give up a lot of time, so this is a win for them too.”

Sue joined the Brownies in Cranleigh at the age of eight, after moving to the UK from Australia, and went on to become a Guide. She has remained a keen member of the movement ever since.

“I really enjoyed Brownies and Guides and wanted to do Guiding in the community I lived in,” she added.

“I think most people who have been a Brownie or Guide go away with happy memories and stories to tell, so I think it’s important to continue providing those opportunities to the next generation, and give girls a safe space where they can develop their own skills and be themselves.”

Edward, who sold Sue and James their house in Cranleigh, said:

“We’re a community-led estate agency that likes to look after the interests of the villages we serve, so it’s great to recognise and support people that contribute so much to our neighbourhoods.

“All our finalists were deserving winners and we were delighted to hand the title to Sue, who for many years has gone above and beyond to help the next generation. We were blown away with the more than 300 votes that were cast for our finalists and look forward to receiving nominations for our next category – star teacher.”

Roger Coupe is now on the lookout for teachers and school staff who go the extra mile for their pupils. Nominations for the star teacher title open on 6 January.

To make a nomination email starawards@pmwcom.co.uk with a short description of your nominee, why they deserve to win, their contact details and where they live. Please also include your own contact details. Nominations can be made until midnight on 27 January. ■



CVHT: Return of Community Beds to Cranleigh



Chairman, Dr Robin Fawkner-Corbett at a recent AGM last November

Cranleigh Village Hospital Trust (CVHT) has announced plans to partner with leading care provider HC-One to develop proposals for their site at Knowle Lane in the centre of Cranleigh. This reflects the Trust's very significant recent progress towards achieving their long-held objectives regarding, in essence, the replacement of sadly-missed healthcare facilities in the village.

Proposals have now been developed for the incorporation of 20 community beds within a state-of-the-art care home, which beds will be made available for use by Guildford & Waverley Clinical Commissioning Group (GWCCG) and Surrey County Council's (SCC) Adult Social Care Department. The provision of those 20 community beds lies at the core of CVHT's key aspirations, and the Trust has long recognised that their creation and sustainability is only possible by suitably sharing both staff and facilities within an adjacent larger care home. This integration will, therefore, help ensure that such critical aspects as clinical governance and facility management are effective. Once delivered the proposals are expected to help alleviate delayed transfers of care of those ready for discharge at RSCH. The Trust also proposes to build a 20-unit health-worker accommodation block on their Knowle Lane site and so better facilitate the appointment and retention of staff.

The Trust's plans have been greatly influenced by the strong liaison over the past couple of years with the Royal Surrey County Hospital (RSCH), and

other locally-based major 'health stakeholders', in the development of a robust strategy for restoring and enhancing our community's health services. This ongoing liaison not only better enabled CVHT to provide the 20 community beds but is also linked to RSCH's keen plans to create, in effect, a 'centre of excellence' for diagnostics in particular on the site of the Old Village Hospital.

Now CVHT, together with their highly qualified partner HC-One, are focussing on the development of detailed site plans, and associated operational aspects, which they will share with the public in the next few months before submitting their final proposals to Waverley BC in mid-2017.

In the meantime, CVHT will be most pleased to address any queries from the community. Some such queries might already be addressed on their recently updated website (www.cvht.org.uk); alternatively you may call 01483-276121 or drop into their Information Centre/Charity Shop at Oliver House on Cranleigh High Street where they will be most pleased to enhance your understanding of their plans and strategy. ■

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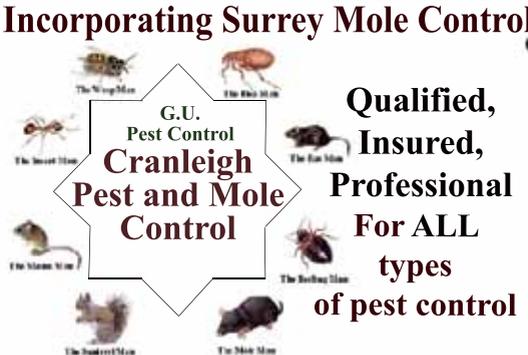
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St Joseph's Specialist School and College caters for children between the ages of 5 –19 with moderate, complex and severe learning difficulties. The radio station enables them to develop their independent skills, encourages speaking and listening and also helps them overcome some of their social barriers.

Over the past year the learners have been recording their own shows ready for broadcast in January 2017 as well as recording interviews for BBC School Reports. This is an initiative set up to educate young people about broadcasting and current affairs. An example of this was last year's interview with Bishop Richard Moth where one of the learners asked him interesting questions about his job. ■



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Official Opening of Long Barn Supported Living House

Alan Day, Director of Residential Services and the School Leadership Team recognised that some of the progress young people make at St Joseph's could quickly become undone when they leave. Plans began to address this and St Joseph's sought an opportunity to continue to provide the Care and Support that would enable our young people to live their life, their way in the community. Our Supported Living Houses for adults aged 18 and over, do just that; where all the tenants are supported to achieve and maximise their potential, to lead as fulfilling a life in the community as possible.



Long Barn is the second Supported Living House to open, the first tenants were existing learners at St Joseph's who moved in but continued where possible to travel daily to "College" until they left at the end of Year 14. The young adult tenants are able to access care, education and work experience as they so choose. It is a valuable addition to Surrey County Council's resources for young men and women who require various levels of support as they develop their independence.

The Official Opening of the Supported Living House was celebrated on Friday 2nd December. The guest of honour was Damon Hill OBE; Damon is a Patron of St Joseph's Specialist School & College. Tenants and staff at Long Barn helped to prepare for their guests, joining in discussion of what might take place and baking cakes for the reception. ■

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A new ale, Dunsfold Best, has won a coveted Society of Independent Brewers' (SIBA) Gold Award, just days after its creation at local microbrewery the Crafty Brewing Company.

Brewer Luke Herman says that the secret of the success of the new ale is simple – he consulted his local customers. "Dunsfold Best was created in a response to our customers who desired a mild and balanced ale", he explains. "We produced the first brew in a single cask and held an event at the Jolly Farmer in Bramley. We invited people to come and sample the beer and provide feedback for us to help with future improvements.

"We made some changes following this feedback and 10 casks were produced and sent to the equivalent number of pubs. The beer in these 10 casks, however, failed to clear due to a traditional ale yeast being used and so were recalled. In the next brew we simply exchanged the traditional yeast with one used in the brewery on a daily basis. Twenty casks were produced in this brew, one of which went to the SIBA South East Regional Beer Competition and was awarded with Gold (and the other nineteen were snapped up by our regular stockists!)"

'I must be doing something right'

Luke, who founded the Crafty Brewing Company only two years ago said: "Winning the award from SIBA means an awful lot to me. I have been brewing for several years but the move from home-brewing to commercial brewing was much more challenging than I had expected. However, winning the award has given me

the confidence that I must be doing something right!"

The Crafty Brewing Company (CBC) began with Luke Herman and his passion for brewing in April 2014. By 2016 the brewery's capacity had grown from a weekly 400 litres to 4,000 litres. The beer is brewed on a farm in Loxhill, near Dunsfold in Surrey, and the spent grain is recycled as feed for the resident pigs. CBC respects the long history of brewing, using traditional brewing practices – as well as employing cutting-edge technology to add a new, innovative twist in the tale of British brewing. CBC is affiliated with market leading bodies such as Surrey Hills, CAMRA and SIBA. ■

You can find CBC beers at local pubs listed here or contact the company directly.

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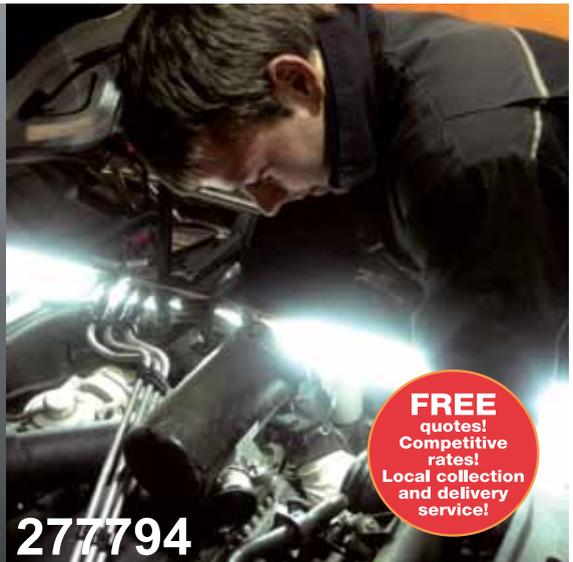
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1 PASTICCIO DI LASAGNE AL FORNO (Mess of baked lasagne)

Serves Four People

Ingredients

200 g minced beef
 100ml Tomato passata with basil
 150 g Grated Cheddar cheese
 1 small mozzarella
 1 small onion finely chopped
 1 large stick of celery as above
 1 glass of white wine
 2 garlic cloves
 300 ml béchamel sauce
 5 easy cook lasagne sheets
 15ml olive oil
 20g butter
 Salt and pepper
 Mushrooms (optional)

Preparation

1. Preheat the oven to 180°C
2. In a non-stick pan, heat the oil and butter until hot
3. Add the onions, garlic, and celery until golden brown
4. Add the minced beef, making sure it is well separated with no big lumps
Cook for 30 minutes then add the wine and reduce
5. Add the passata and seasoning and cook for a further 20 min
6. Grease a suitable oven dish and place the béchamel, lasagne sheets, the ragu, and sliced mozzarella
7. Repeat until full
8. Cook for 35 minutes
9. Serve with crusty rolls grated parmesan





2 SAUMON EN CROUTE (Cruled salmon)

Serves Four People

Ingredients

600g Salmon fillet, skinned and deboned
 2 heads of fennel, washed and finely sliced
 75g of shallots, finely sliced
 25g butter
 20 ml olive oil
 2 rolls of puff pastry
 1 egg, beaten
 Salt and pepper

Preparation

1. Pre-heat the oven to 190°C
2. In a non-stick saucepan, heat the oil and butter
3. Place the shallots and fry until golden brown
4. Add the fennel and stir it for 5 minutes, season, then reduce the heat and simmer for half an hour

In the meantime

1. Wash and dry the salmon, then set it aside
2. On a clean floured table, roll out the two lots of puff pastry and on one, place the salmon in the centre and season it
3. When the fennel is well cooked, leave to cool down
4. Place an even layer of fennel on the salmon, pressing it down lightly to form a cushion
5. Add a drop of milk to the beaten egg and brush the pastry around the salmon
6. Place the second sheet of pastry on top and press firmly around the salmon with a fork
7. Brush the egg/milk mixture on the second sheet and trim any excess. (Don't throw these pieces away as you can use them to make decorative items to place on the salmon).
8. Place the salmon on a tray and cook for 50 minutes
9. After 50 min, leave the salmon to cool for 10 minutes
10. Serve with small buttered boiled potatoes and carrots

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3 ARANCE RIPIENE (Stuffed Oranges)

Serves Four People

Ingredients

4 Oranges
 100g Orange sorbet
 100g high quality orange marmalade
 40g of peeled and roasted almonds, finely chopped
 30g soft brown sugar

Preparation

1. Cut 20mm off the top of the oranges and set aside
2. Very carefully with a grapefruit knife, scoop out as much of the inside of the orange as you can, leaving the shelled rind. Set aside
3. In a liquidiser, place the orange pulp with the marmalade, almonds, and sugar, and mix thoroughly
4. Combine with the sorbet and place in the freezer until soft and frozen.
5. Fill the orange shells with the soft frozen mixture and return them to the freezer for half an hour
6. Serve by placing the top of the oranges you have cut off as a lid

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RAMS

film to be shown
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RAMS is an Icelandic film which is a rustic black comedy that ends like a classical tragedy. It is directed by Gunnar Hakonarson with deadpan Scandi humour and has widescreen cinematography which conveys beautifully a story from the end of the world.

The principal characters are two brothers who are like Old Testament prophets in a biblical epic. They have not spoken to each other for forty years because of their rivalry concerning prize rams. Messages are conveyed by their sheepdogs. As the annual competition arrives they are forced to communicate. BSE is discovered in the flock of one of the brothers and the authorities order all sheep in the region to be destroyed. This turns their world upside down.

This film quirky slice of life style belies the ultimate tragic nature of the story. The steely determination of these people may help to explain a little why their tiny country's football team can beat England in a European competition. Like that match you may not believe what you are seeing but you will never forget it. ■

An extra film night has been added to the 2016-2017 programme which now will have 13 films not just 12. EMBRACE OF THE SERPENT will be shown on Thursday June 15. It was originally scheduled for 24 November 2016, when Mustang was shown as a replacement.

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Exhibition: New Beginnings: Taking Positive Steps Through Art

Thursday 5 January to Thursday 19 January, 10am - 4.30pm

'New Beginnings' is an arts award scheme that encourages women in the criminal justice system across Surrey to express themselves through art and take the opportunity to showcase their talent. Visit this thought-provoking exhibition as it tours the county.

Free Entry

Children's Film: BFG (PG)

Saturday 7 January, 2pm

Ten-year-old Sophie is in for the adventure of a lifetime when she meets the Big Friendly Giant (Mark Rylance). Naturally scared at first, the young girl soon realizes that the 24-foot behemoth is actually quite gentle and charming. As their friendship grows, Sophie's presence attracts the unwanted attention of Bloodbottler, Fleshlumpeater and other giants. After traveling to London, Sophie and the BFG must convince Queen Victoria to help them get rid of all the bad giants once and for all.

Tickets: £5.50 16 years and under, £8.25 Adults, £7.25 Friends



Classical Music: Mark Taylor: Flautist Wednesday 11 January, 7.30pm

Mark Taylor is currently studying for his Masters Degree with Robert Winn at the Hochschule für Musik und Tanz, Köln. He recently graduated from the Guildhall School of Music and Drama with First Class Honours and one of the prestigious Concert Recital Diplomas. Mark has been recipient of many awards including; The June Alison Woodwind Award from The Martin Musical



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Live Music: Live At Cranleigh Friday 13 January, 7.30pm

Cranleigh Arts Centre re-launches its popular Acoustic evenings with a longer line up of local talent. Emma Stevens will headline the opening night - British singer-songwriter and multi-instrumentalist Stevens, first picked up a guitar at the age of two and has since learnt cello, piano, banjo, ukulele and mandolin. Playing the majority of instruments herself, Emma has achieved four consecutive play-listed singles on BBC Radio 2. Since losing her mum to cancer in 2012, Emma has dedicated her life to music with messages of positivity, hope and love.

Tickets: £8



Film: I, Daniel Blake (15) Wednesday 18 January, 8pm

The eponymous Daniel is an affable, 59-year-old carpenter in Newcastle, fighting to collect his employment allowance after falling ill. Waiting to sign on at the local Jobcentre, Daniel befriends Katie, a young single mother who is also being shoved around by the vagaries of the system, having just been relocated with her two kids from a London homeless shelter to an affordable council flat up north. A mutually beneficial alliance, and makeshift extended family, is formed.

Tickets: £8.25 Adults, £7.25 Friends, £5.50 16 years and under



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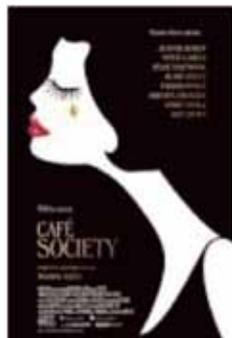
Tuesday 24 January to Saturday 11 February, 10am - 4.30pm

Following the success of the past two Art Fairs, Cranleigh Arts Centre will be holding its 3rd Art Sale offering you the opportunity to buy works by local artists and makers.

Free Entry

Film: Café Society (12A) Thursday 26 January, 8pm

Looking for an exciting career, young Bobby Dorfman leaves New York for the glitz and glamour of 1930s Hollywood. After landing a job with his uncle, Bobby falls for Vonnie, a charming woman who happens to be his employer's mistress. Settling for friendship but ultimately heartbroken, Bobby returns to the Bronx and begins working in a nightclub. Everything falls into place when he finds romance with a beautiful



socialite, until Vonnie walks back into his life and captures his heart once again.

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Scrooge is such a well-known story that it can be difficult to bring it back to life without the ghosts of productions past! Emma Spires and her young performers achieved sparkling originality in one fell swoop by throwing away the script – quite literally - and devising their production from scratch. They breathed fresh new life into this well-loved tale using the technique of Charles Dickens (Amelia Bell) appearing in a young girl's (Ella Jones) room to narrate his tale. The combination of Amelia and Ella worked perfectly to guide the audience through the evening. They looked relaxed and chatted as if old friends which, by the end, we felt they were!

Scrooge himself was played by the multi-talented Amy Hourihan. She transformed before our eyes from the original grumpy old man to party-throwing benevolent benefactor. Amy ensured the transformation was believable, showing an assured and thoughtful stage presence throughout.

The Cratchit family comprising Bob (Lucy Pocock), Emily (Millie Bubb), Belinda (Florence Mckenzie) Martha (Saffron Hill-Chambers) and of course Tiny Tim (Millie Lewis) showed us how we should all behave, despite misfortune. The group worked together very well and had clearly clicked as a team.

Lucy Pocock also played Jacob and Millie played Marley, which led to a lovely, deliberate, jump-on-stage-at-the-wrong-time 'surprise' moment early on. This showed just how much the young performers had embraced the freedom of devised drama and allowed the audience to relax and enjoy the surprises to come.

There were the traditional ghosts of Christmas Past, Present and Yet-To-Come... except the names were the only traditional thing about them! Once again the sheer delight and enjoyment of the cast came through the performances of Amelia Wright and Gracie Wilkinson - Ghosts of Christmas Past. These good-time party girls owned the stage with their spirited performance. These modern 'it' girls took Scrooge travelling through time by Tube to show him the errors of





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his ways in times gone by, then handed over to the equally talented Caitlin Ruddy and Pia Roberts as the Ghosts of Christmas Present, before Gracie transformed herself entirely into the dark and ominous figure of Christmas Yet-To-Come.

Scrooge's nephew Fred was played superbly by Emily Higgs, already a seasoned performer despite being in Year 7, clearly a talent to watch in future productions. Similarly, ones to watch out for in the future are: Olivia Watts as Fred's wife, Constance; Phoebe Bloor-Black as Mr Fezziwig; Maddy Schlaefli as Mrs Fezziwig; and Issy Birch as the school teacher.

All of the above were delightfully supported by the chorus consisting of Issy Birch, Phoebe Bloor-Black, Phoebe Foden, Emily Higgs, Saffron Hill-Chambers, Lucy Hunt, Millie Lewis, Florence McKenzie, Maddy Schlaefli and Olivia Watts.



Genuinely seasoned (i.e. significantly older) girls supported the actresses by doing make-up (Rosie Wales) and as Assistant Directors, Abigail Hart and Rebecca Farman, who also oversaw sound and lights for the show. It is lovely to see the older girls so involved in and enjoying the work of younger girls. I have no doubt that the young crew will delight in watching the Upper School Production next term and be inspired by it. Other invaluable contributions from the

older girls were Stage Managers Amber Dale and Lauren Elliott, with the set being painted by Erin Clarke, Rebecca Farman, Eleanor Li & Nicky Wong, under the skilled guidance of our Head of Art, Rosalyn Sprey.

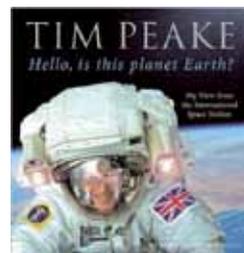
I cannot recall when I enjoyed a performance of Scrooge more. This gem of devised drama showed how energy and talent can be poured into the bare bones of a good tale. The directing talent of Emma Spires allowed the Lower School girls the freedom to show off and stretch their talents: which surely is what drama is all about? What struck the audience most was how much fun the cast had, which of course meant we all had a good time too!

Jane Williams



BOOK REVIEW

Hello, is this planet Earth?



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Hello, is this planet Earth? My View from the International Space Station - Official Tim Peake

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