

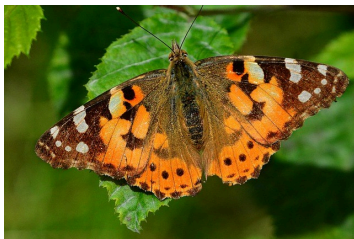
AUGUST NEWS

St John's Shirley 2019

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Large numbers of Painted Lady Butterflies have been arriving in Britain this summer. The butterflies migrate to the UK each summer where its caterpillars feed on thistles. Every ten years or so there is a "Painted Lady Summer" when they arrive en masse and the last was in 2008 when about 11million arrived before flying back to Europe and Africa.



St John's churchyard presents the right habitat and in late July one was spotted on the path behind the Tamberlin Room.

The charity, British Butterfly Conservation is urging people to spot and record painted ladies and several other species of common butterflies during 'The Big Butterfly Count' which runs until August 11th. Look for details on Google.

ST. JOHN'S FLOWER FESTIVAL

13-15 SEPTEMBER 2019

We need homemade Chutneys, Jams, Marmalade, Pickled Onions, Fruit Cordial Cakes and Biscuits to sell in our Harvest Market.

There will be a box near the font for clean empty jars to be deposited and collected and hopefully returned filled with your harvest contributions!

Also can anyone volunteer to organise and run a Plant Stall please?



Editorial Please visit the notice boards in the porch and Tamberlin Room to see details of the many local community events this month.

If you are on a church rota the new details for August are on a separate sheet available at the rear of church. Items for September News to Bernard Maguire by 22/8/19 bernardj.maguire@btinternet.com

Weekly 'Pews News' Items to Lu please by Thursday each week



*****Next Events***** The Friday Knights have their annual summer recess now until September. Be on the lookout for mailouts regarding three specific events! Dates to be aware of as they are not necessarily on the regular second Friday of each month! You have been warned

Gentlemen. **Friday September 6th. Wine Tasting** (subject to change TBA), **Friday October 11th. Legendary French Trip.** (Several bookings already in place but please, please book now if you want to come!) **Tuesday November 19th. Ceremony of the Keys at the Tower of London.** We are lucky to have secured 30 places for this unique event. There will be a mailout regarding this in due course. **Saturday November 23rd. "Aspire"** (working title) **Music night in the Church.** This is planned to be a big FKs Charity music night with an audience and potential participants please contact Production Director Charles Marriott on sjfridayknights@gmail.com asap. **Friday December 13th. Annual Christmas Dinner.** Our unmissable get together! More details nearer the time but for those of you who are old enough to remember the Shaw Taylor sign off....."Keep 'em peeled".

All enquiries or communications re events etc. please contact: Paul (Bingee) Binge or Charles Marriott....or even both of them on: sjfridayknights@gmail.com

*****BBQ review*****

Well those that were able to attend (27 at the last count!) were treated to a culinary feast prepared by Chef Cotton with assistance from sous chef Foote. It was noted that a number of lady members of the Choir were observed positively drooling at the vestry window. Credit must also go to Bingee who sourced the delicious meats. It made a real difference people responding as to whether they were coming or not. I think there was one spare rib left at the end and that was only because it had dropped on the ground! I wish to assure all FK members who were sadly missed due to prior engagements or hols, that not a single lettuce leaf was in evidence! We were also delighted to be joined by the big 60 and retiree Stevie G who celebrated his birthday with us. A great evening was had by all.



AUGUST SERVICES

+ Holy Communion

3rd Sat		1pm Wedding		Lisa& Nish
4th Sun	8.00am+ Tony Collier	10.00am+		Trinity 7
7th We	10.30am+			
11th Sun	8.00am+	10.00am +		Trinity 8
14th We	10.30am			
18th Sun	8.00am+	10am +	5pm Informal Worship	Trinity 9
21st Wed	10.30 am +			
25th Sun	8.00am +	10am + Baptism Grace	5pm Healing	Trinity 10
27th Tues	8am Take Time For God			
28 Wed		10.30 +		

St John's Community Cinema

21st September at 7.00pm

In church

tickets £5 available

@ stjohnsshirley.org.uk/cinema

"The Greatest Showman"

Sweets , hot dogs and Bar available



Whilst you are doing your shopping,
Please remember a donation or two into the
basket by the font for Shrublands Food Bank

Thank You

We now have wi-fi. Name: SJCPublic

Password: sjcwifi2019

TAMBERLIN TEA ROOM

Open every Sunday 3-5.30pm
Home-made cakes and beverages in
great company



Details of this
months book club on 18th
Warnings of Gales by Annie Sanders
from Viv Welch 07799571939

St John the Evangelist: SPIRE APPEAL

We're fixing the holes where the rain gets in

Minutes of Fundraising Committee meeting held on
Wednesday 10 July 2019 at 8pm in the Parish Office

Present: Paul Campbell, Karen Holmes, Janet Martin, John Kingdom, Tim Roberson.

Apologies. None.

Review of fundraising events so far

- Sale of tomato plants
- Utopians (22 June) raised around £900 of which £720 represented ticket sales (72 @ £10). Expenses were Utopians £320, bar £65. Net about £500. Interest in G&S appears to be declining. For the most part it is a generational interest.
- Graham and Jamie grossed about £700. Expenses to be deducted not available at time of the meeting.

Funds raised to date – need for a visible indicator of progress

- In addition to the above, there have been a number of donations, exact amount not known. Also Helen Tucker's sale of tomato plants. Ask Treasurer to confirm figures.
- The Flower Festival
 - so far has attracted £570 in sponsorship and raised £130 through plant sales. Unlike previous festivals there has been no need to put in money for expenses up front.
 - Two raffles are planned, 1 over the three days and one at the concert.
 - Janet to circulate FS minutes to this committee to keep us informed.
- We need to be able to chart progress with fund raising. By the end of the Flower festival we should have a significant amount to report towards the £35k target.
- Buy a Shingle - £5 was agreed as a reasonable sum whether or not it represents £35k/number of shingles. Circulate appeal details alongside flower fest leaflets.

More publicity for appeal

- Appeal banner – could go up on the scaffolding. Work is due to start by 2 September and take 14 weeks.
- Flower Fest. – Rowena is using a range of local interest web sites, local churches including St Mildred's and residents associations, SPA, MORA and North Shirley (covers eastern end of parish).
- press – Graham and Jamie received publicity through the Croydon Advertiser.
- Previous invitations to our MP, mayor, ward councillors etc have been difficult to arrange and subject to short notice cancellation. Not worth the effort involved.

Future events

- FKs 23 Nov – date is confirmed. Paul to liaise with joint chairs on format and proposed programme.
- Quiz night had been arranged for 12 October. Proposed venue St J School.
- Concerts including St John's church choir, Jackie Cheeseman's choir – all subject to confirmation of availability and dates.

Tim Roberson

17 July 2019

For details of all our **Spire Appeal** events and
how to donate to the **Appeal**, visit www.stjohnsshirley.org.uk