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THE 70TH ANNIVERSARY OF WEST END VILLAGE SHOW 'FOR THE VILLAGE BY THE VILLAGE'



This creative display of previous shows by Chairman, Alastair Joel, was admired by many visitors to the marquee.



Left: This beautiful floral display won First Prize in the Floral Art Platinum Perfection (70th Anniversary) table centre section and was designed and arranged by Pam Newman.

Above right: The popular Dog Show and the Marquee.
 Right: Mariella Brain's Olympic themed fairy cakes won 1st Prize and Charlie Ough's entry was awarded 2nd Prize in the Creative Model class.

See Julia Iveson's Show report inside together with more photos from the show.



The judges had a very difficult task judging the children's classes there were so many wonderful and original ideas and many worthy winners!

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- ◆ Report suspicious emails to SERS (Suspicious Email Reporting Service). Mobile phone providers also offer a service which allows customers to report suspicious text messages by forwarding them to 7726.
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William Forrest, Chairman, Cobham Mill Preservation

**WINTERDOWN WI
Successes in the Handicraft Section
at the Village Show**



Above: Marion Ford's perfectly stitched patchwork quilt was awarded 3rd Prize in the Needlework class.

All set for winter, Sue Thompson won 3rd Prize for her very warm and beautifully knitted Scandinavian style fair isle jumper.



Other members' entries include:

- Glenyce Alexander 3rd Prize (Perennials) and 3rd Prize (Rose one variety)
- Ann Tennant Highly Commended - (Knitted or Crochet item) and Highly Commended (Home Hobby)
- Chris Groves Highly Commended (Photograph—Splash of Colour) And 1st Prize (Photograph—Daily Walk)
- Ros MacDonald (a beautiful cake)
- Rosie Attalla won 3rd Prize in the Dessert Apple class.
- Marion Ford 3rd Prize (Needlework), 4th Prize for a knitted cushion and 2nd Prize for (Papercraft) and two 1st Prizes in Floral Art classes.

*Report: Winterdown WI
Photos: Angela Stockbridge*

Cobham's Historic Water Mill

Balfour Beatty the M25 developers have arranged for a couple of their suppliers to donate some new picnic benches, our old ones were falling apart so most welcome.






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WEST END PLAYGROUP

Hello everyone,

We all hope you had a wonderful summer.

We are looking forward to our new Autumn term and feeling very excited to be meeting and getting to know all our new children, as well as welcoming back some of our little ones who joined us last year.

We have some fun themes and topics lined up for the children again this year. Our theme for this term is 'All about me'. The children will start by thinking about themselves as individuals and as part of different groups like their family and playgroup. One of my personal favourite craft activities is when children make representations of their own family groups by choosing pictures from magazines that they think resemble their family members. The resulting pictures are always very amusing and also very interesting. We will learn about looking after ourselves, looking after others and about family customs and routines. This last topic of the term is a great way to lead into our Christmas celebrations which usually start quite early as Jo is a big fan of a Christmas jumper.



We will continue to run our Thursday afternoon baby and toddler group from 1-3pm and welcome all visitors. Feel free to join us for tea and cake and meet some of the other parents and their little ones.



West End Playgroup is a charity and we are dedicated to delivering the very best care and education to all the children who come to us. This year, in line with the governments promise, we will be offering completely FREE childcare to all those children who are eligible (and that's most children). In order to achieve this we will be running various fundraising events and it would be great to have the support of the village.

With best wishes from Helen and the team.

FILMING IN WEST END AGAIN!



Filming for a rural internet service advert which took place outside the cottages in West End Lane on 11th July, created a lot of local interest. Security was tight but onlookers were allowed to take a few photographs discreetly. The film crew arrived the day before to set up and filmed for the whole day starting early and finishing late into the evening.

A film crew were also seen filming an Indian film at the Prince of Wales pub on 30th August. We hope to find out more about this in due course.

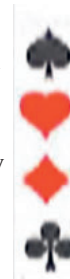
Photo: Angela Stockbridge

WEST END BRIDGE CLUB

We are a small club which meets every Tuesday afternoon in the Village Hall.

We play friendly bridge and new members are very welcome. We are not competitive and members only enjoy a pleasant afternoon with like-minded people.

Anyone interested, requiring more information should contact Sandra Elms on 01372 466433





COUNCILLOR'S CORNER

News from your local Elmbridge Ward Borough councillors (EBC):
The Esher Ward has 3 independent Residents' Association (ERA) councillors: Simon Waugh (Mayor 2022-23), Richard Williams (Mayor 2023-24) and Simon Leifer, ERA Chair, elected in May 2024.

The ERA has a postal newsletter but it is published less frequently than Village News. However, the web site is up to date (esher-residents.com) and there you can also find our e-newsletters and sign up at helloesher@esher-residents.com to receive these in your inbox.

West End Recreation Ground car park

The car park signage is not there yet but we remain ever hopeful.



WINTERDOWN COFFEE

The news is that the mobile café has just been granted planning permission (with no resident objections) to develop part of the main building Pavilion 1 changing rooms into a café including extended deck with retractable awning.

Now Proposed Green and Grey Belts

The new Government has made it clear that they will allow homes on the green belt on something that they are calling "Grey Belt". In July, the draft National Planning Policy Framework defined "grey belt" as, "land within the green belt that include previously developed areas and those that

contribute only a little to the green belt's purpose. However, it excludes land with significant environmental importance". The government's definition of the grey belt includes land on the edge of existing settlements or roads, as well as old petrol stations, golf courses and car parks. Under the current rules it is very hard to build on the green belt and applicants need to demonstrate 'very special circumstances' to justify gaining planning permission. The green belt was established more than 70 years ago to limit the growth of large built-up areas and to stop towns eventually merging into one another. Under the government's new proposals, if a council's housing targets cannot be met then some existing green belt land will be re-designated as grey belt. This will be to free up land for the construction of new homes and the new rules will require half the dwellings built in the grey belt to be affordable homes. The government also says that brownfield sites (old industrial or already built-on land) is to be prioritised over the grey belt.

The Council for the Protection of Rural England (CPRE), passionate protectors of the green belt, have welcomed the brownfield site priority over green belt as their research has shown that there are enough 'shovel-ready' brownfield sites in the UK for 1.2 million new homes, which will make a significant contribution to the Government's goal of 1.5 million homes.

It will be up to individual councils to decide what will be designated as "grey belt" so EBC should still be able retain some degree of autonomy.

If you want to contact us about anything Borough related, please email on helloesher@esher-residents.com

Simon Waugh, Simon Leifer & Richard Williams




The Judges' Lunch at the Village Show was catered for by Home Cooking by Elizabeth. *Photo: Fiona Cameron*

CHARITY GALA NIGHT Monday 26 August



Thank you to all who came and supported Save the Children. There was much appreciation shown for the artists and their wonderful selection of opera and show favourites.

Save the Children are grateful to all involved and are pleased to say they made over £3000 towards the charity.

Roger Marsden



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ST GEORGE'S CHURCH WEST END



We write this just after the Village Fair – we always look forward to this wonderful annual event – and as usual it proved to be as popular as ever, in spite of the dreadful weather. It was a shame that the sun couldn't shine for the 70th Anniversary of the show – but a good number of people turned out on the day to support all the events and stalls selling their wares. We love decorating the outside of the church to attract as many visitors as possible, but had to scale this down a bit because of the rain!

We hope that bunting and balloons will entice people inside to see our huge selection of home-made cakes and marmalade and what is proving to be a very popular gift stall. The fact that everything (well almost!) is sold by the end of the day means we must be doing something right. As you know – all the money raised on the day goes towards the St George's Restoration Fund. Our next major project will be to renovate the floor—so watch this space!

Whilst making their purchases, many visitors enjoy being shown round this historic church and finding out a bit about its history. As a result, people have subsequently chosen our church for a wedding or baptism. We hope that any of our visitors who came into the church for the first time at the Village Show will come back and join us at one of our Sunday services. Everyone is always welcome.



No doubt many of you will have enjoyed the cream teas and cakes served in the Village Hall by the team from Christ Church. This is always hugely popular – as can be seen by the queues at the door. Did you get involved in a debate about whether it's jam or cream first on the scone? Either way—it's delicious!

Our thanks go to everyone involved in organising the Village Show – it always generates a wonderful community spirit... long may it continue.



The team from Christ Church served Cream Teas and cakes the Village Hall

Dates for your diary - upcoming events

Sunday 8 September AT CHRIST CHURCH at 10.30am-

Back to school/university/work – Bag Blessing (bring your school bag, briefcase or laptop bag) and enjoy Ice Cream Sunday – an Ice Cream van will be there after the service offering free ice-creams!

Sunday 15th September AT ST GEORGE'S at 4pm

It will be our 16th Pet Service this year. There is obviously parking locally and the green opposite – on which to take your doggies for a last minute "comfort break" before the service. Posters and leaflets will be put up nearer the time – but make a note in your diary for the event – cats, dogs, rabbits, guineapigs... whatever your pet – it is welcome! Do tell your friends!

Other dates to remember are:

PET SERVICE	Sunday 15 th September (St George's) 4pm
HARVEST (ST G's)	Sunday 6 th October (St George's) 9.00am
HARVEST (CC)	Sunday 6 th October (Christ Church) 10.30am
ALL SOULS	Sunday 3 rd November (Christ Church) 4pm
REMEMBRANCE	Sunday 10 th November (Christ Church) 10.50am at Memorial

We shall continue at St George's to be closed on any 5th Sunday of the month. This allows our congregation to join up with our Christ Church congregation - and enjoy the bonus of a beautiful choir. We will be putting a notice on the gate to remind people of the closure.

Please do join us at as many or any of the services that you can. You are always very welcome.

For more information about all our services (at both churches) please do visit our website: <http://www.esherparish.org.uk> Here you can find everything you might want to know about the Parish of Esher including Music on The Green.

Finally – thank you, as always, for your continued support.

Andrea Lindow and Bridget Williams

Website details: <https://www.esherparish.org.uk>

Parish Secretary: Melanie Williams Tel: 01372 462282

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Photos: Stephanie Parcell and Helen Coulson

WEST END VILLAGE SHOW 2024 “For the Village by the Village” 70 years

The Show Will Go On...

Oh, what weather for our annual West End Village Show! As the Committee watched the weather front with trepidation in the lead-up to the Show, we hoped it wouldn't be that bad. Unfortunately, it was. There were a few cancellations on Friday afternoon – including Dunk-the-Damsel sadly - and who could blame them?

Arriving at the marquee at 8am on Show day, the entries started pouring in and kept coming. The mood was upbeat - after all, shouldn't we be used to the British weather by now? The marquee was buzzing, the exhibits were stunning; and it was filling up nicely with the best number of entries since 2019 (pre-COVID), which lifted our spirits. It was great to see adults and children becoming more involved in exhibiting. There were also many more entries from our novice allotment holders.

However, peeking out of the marquee, the green still looked rather empty, as the fairground rides and stallholders gradually started to arrive. One of the first, the wonderful Pan Bread stall moved position to shield from the driving rain and remained very positive. Other stallholders, also upbeat, were setting up but, regrettably, a small number decided not to come. Disappointingly, but understandably, this included the children's sports due to be run by West End Playgroup.

Kingston Hospital Radio started early, playing cheery music that kept everyone entertained as the wonderful supporters began arriving suitably dressed for the elements. After a morning of judging, the marquee burst into life at 1.30pm and the general mood was fantastic. The exhibits were spectacular and we heard nothing but positivity.

Outside on the green, the Show continued. Books were bought, plates were smashed, the Elmbridge Ladies Choir sang beautifully in the driving rain and the Epsom & Ewell Silver Band played majestically. Matto the Clown found a dry corner in the marquee to entertain the children and the fabulous Fuller's Dray Horse cart rides were busy all afternoon. The Dog Show was quieter than usual but carried on brilliantly - rain didn't seem to bother the pooches. Arts & Crafts had a good afternoon enjoying the atmosphere and looking forward to returning next year. We need to mention everyone else on the green too - the stallholders, charities, food vendors and the magnificent classic cars' display. The grand raffle was a huge success, selling many more tickets than last year. We are particularly grateful to the many raffle prize donors.

Presentation time - the sun shone! Derek Richardson presented the prizes and his son, Ian, auctioned the produce which had kindly been left by entrants. Huge thanks go to them for their support; and also to Home Cooking by Elizabeth for the Judges' lunch; and to the many volunteers, friends and family who helped on the day.

We are very grateful to all our subscribers for their generous donations when we knock on doors running up to the Show. We say it every year but we wouldn't be able to hire the marquee and all the Show's necessities without these contributions. In conjunction with our sponsorship and advertising revenue, they make the Show possible. We are proud to be able to support local charities and good causes with any profit made on the day.

Finally, we would like to thank you - the villagers, friends, and visitors - for coming to the Show. Although our numbers were

lower, we truly appreciated your visit. The atmosphere was electric, thanks to your enthusiasm and not letting the rain dampen spirits. It has shown us that there is strong support for our annual Show, and we will go on. Thank you, everyone. We look forward to seeing you again next year - come rain or shine!

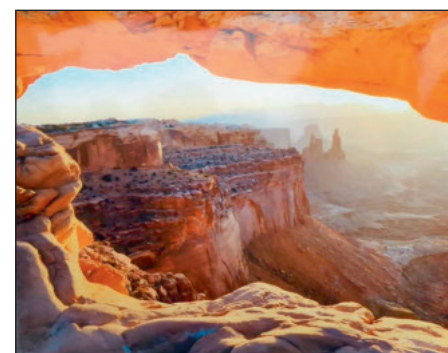
Julia Iveson, Village Show Publicity

Show photos: Julia Iveson and Angela Stockbridge



Members of the team who work tirelessly to make the show a success, Rachel, Becca, Fiona, Julia and Wayne. A huge thank you to you and ALL the Flower Show Committee for making the day a memorable one!

Below: The Floral classes and the fabulous Shire Horses.



Above: Kate Taylor won 1st prize for this amazing view in the Architectural photographic class.



Motor Club members helping with the Village News stall celebrating the 20th Anniversary. Above left: Matto the Clown entertaining the children! Left: Winterdown Coffee providing welcome hot drinks and snacks on a dismal rainy day!

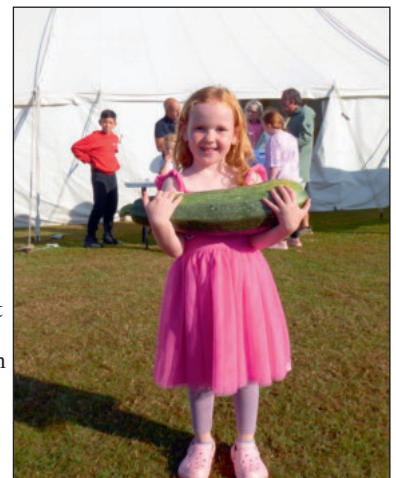


Matto having fun with visitor Mary, who was Commended for her 'piggy' decorated fairy cakes.



Above Left: Paul Gibson won 1st Prize in the Collection of Vegetables, 4 distinct varieties.
 Above centre: Bob Waller won 1st Prize in the Collection of 4 distinct Vegetables and Flowers.
 Left: Thomas Frank won 1st Prize for his delightful image of his cat in the Photographic Animal class.
 Below left: Indy proudly showing off her two rosettes for her success in the very popular Dog Show.
 Derek Richardson presented the prizes and below right, Ian Richardson, the auctioneer, had several enthusiastic young helpers.
 Below Centre: Olivia Goode won the David Rolfe Salver for her Sloe Gin entry. This photo was taken by her parents.

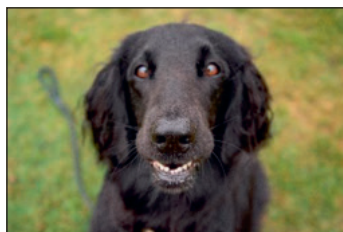
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Above: Mimi, one of the helpers at the auction, carrying a giant marrow to the lucky bidder!



INDY'S AUTUMN DOG BLOG

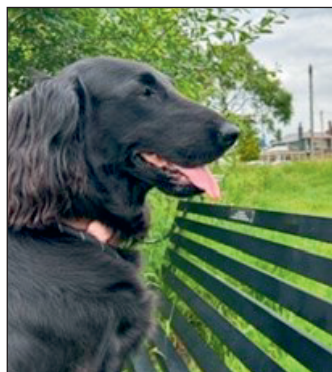
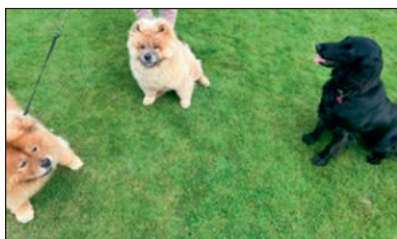


These last three summer months have just whizzed by, culminating in the most fiercely contested dog show of all time. Well, ok I suppose Crufts is a little more high-profile, but the fun of it, the thrill of it and the underdog

having his day. That's what The West End Show is all about. What more can a dog ask for? Oh yes! Food. There were sausages galore in the sausage catching competition and Neil from 'Your Petographer', who took lots of super photos (go to www.yourpetographer.com to view the gallery). He also had heaps of treats and squeaky toys to make us smile. Just look at the photo he took of me! Those shiny white teeth are my best smile. I make a pretty good job of copying how humans do it, don't you think? The judge's favourite this year was my naughty niece Teasel! Honestly, she is such a wag and has now gone all the way back to Cumbria boasting 4 rosettes! I met lots and lots of you and I have to say, you all smelled wonderful. You paraded your humans very well despite a drop of rain here and there, which you may call a downpaw, very much like last year but it was the best day ever!

It was my 8th birthday on 29th August so my Mummy, my two girls, my Nana and I all went to the seaside as a birthday treat because I am a bit of a sea dog. I love crashing through the waves after a ball, eating doggie ice cream and smelling all the wonderful food which I was told was just for humans. I did dive under a table for a chip and came nose to beak with a seagull who got there first. The cheek of it! I let him have it, of course, as my Mummy says I must always be polite. Also, I didn't fancy a peck on the nose. Anyway, I can't complain as I was given lots of lovely presents and a new pink collar for my birthday. I'm such a lucky pup! So, that may possibly be the best day ever!

Since I last repawed I've met two teddy bear dogs Kiki and Mei Mei who are actually, Chow Chows. We played a little and then sat and had a bit of a chinwag.



When you're puffed out after a good run round the green you can rest on the bench I found this time, dedicated to Artie and Annie King and their daughter Joan Nancy.

Next time I write we will be heading towards Christmas. I do so love the festive season as Santa Paws is very kind to

me. Mummy says it's because I am such a good girl so remember, Santa knows these things, come when you're called, sit when you're told and don't steal the turkey.

I love to chat so if you see me do stop and say hello, I'm the Flat Coated Retriever with the new pretty, pink collar.

Indy 

ESHER FRENCH CIRCLE

French royalty and Claremont

Odile Hughson starts Esher French Circle's new season with a talk on French King Louis Philippe's exile at Claremont



French history enthusiast Odile Hughson will tell the story of the exile of the Orleans family at the inaugural meeting of Esher French Circle's 2024-25 season on Wednesday 16 October. Her talk (in French) will start at 7.30pm in West End's village hall.

Following the first French revolution of 1789, members of the French royal family sought refuge in England and spent several periods in various royal palaces in and around Richmond – including Claremont, where Louis Philippe spent his later years until his death in August 1850.



Odile Hughson grew up in Marseilles but her family was originally from a part of Poland that is now in Ukraine. As a young woman, she moved to Scotland to teach, where she met her husband David. She is the author of *Royal Friendships*, a history that examines the lives of the French Royal Family of Orléans during their successive exiles in Britain from 1800.

Esher French Circle's programme of talks in French, until the end of 2024:

16 October 2024 *Les Orléans à Claremont*

by Odile Hughson

20 November 2024 *De Platon à Poutine*

by Christian Michel

11 December 2024 *Le Canal du Midi – à vélo*

by Peter Prowse

Esher French Circle offers monthly talks – in French – by native or fluent French speakers, for anybody interested in keeping up or improving their French, in a relaxed and convivial setting. The talks take place in West End Village Hall, Esher.

The meetings are on the third Wednesday of most months and the doors open at 7pm. There is ample opportunity to mingle and chat over a cup of tea or coffee and biscuits before the main talk starts at 7.30pm.

Esher French Circle warmly welcomes anybody with an interest in France and French life, whatever their level of knowledge of the language. More information is available on the club's website:

www.cerclefrancais-esher.uk

or from the club's secretary: Brigitte Tiller E brigitte@ptiller.com

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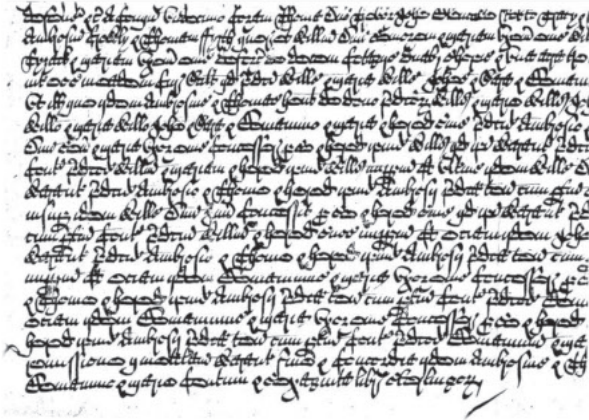
The Orléans royal family in exile at Claremont House, 1850

Painting given to Queen Victoria by Louis-Philippe and Marie-Amelie on 24 May 1850.

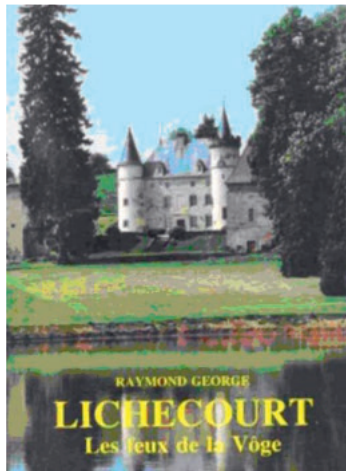
Peter Prowse

THE BLOOD OF THE TYZACKS

Paul Tyzack started his glassworks in Stourbridge. He had six sons but he could not leave them all to work in the glass business. We find Benjamin had this bequest in his father Paul's will. He was left four houses but: **they must be kept in the blood of the Tyzacks forever.** This condition brought the bequest under the law of **De Donis Conditionalibus.** This prohibited the free sale of such "entailed" land, but Benjamin managed to sell such land. The levying of a fine broke the entail and allowed the sale to proceed. I tracked down a separate indenture in obscure Latin.



The above indenture consisted of the account of a fictitious court case I found in Hereford library. It imposed a fine. It was written in a difficult script. I was lucky to find I had a colleague whose wife worked in a London legal firm where they found a lady who could read this stuff.



Now back to our French connection where another branch of our family was still connected with property in Lorraine. Back to our French friend Raymond George who turned out to be a great sleuth and discovered all kinds of facts about the Tyzack family in France.

I think he was helped by a Master Assistant in the Université de Nancy, named Dr Gabriel Ladaique who was writing his doctorate on the

Window glass makers of the Vôge. As my family name was in the Duke's Lorraine **Charter of the Glassmakers of 1448**, this, was a great link. Raymond obtained a photocopy of the draft of this doctorate.

In 1994 I managed to sneak a copy. So now we had a lot of sources of family history. Raymond arranged dinner in this chateau which is on the front of Raymond's book: This version was built by Nicolas de Thysac and is called Lichecourt.

Nicolas de Thysac was the son of Jehan, the first builder of Lichecourt. He inherited the fief from his father. The agricultural and forest area around the estate and the strong house, became the nursery that gave an impetus to the glass industry of the area.

Raymond's book contains even a chapter entitled **Les Thysac des Violents.** This is a collection of stories about murders committed by members of the family, as they all carried épées. (Swords). The reason for his finding these stories is that the archives contain lots of requests to the Duke for remission, (pardon). Most of them are described as accidents.

On a Raymond tour we found several remains of Tyzack buildings. One example was a glassworks in La Rochère built in Passavant in la Vôge. It was built by Simon Tyzack in 1496. Raymond took us there. When the then owner heard our name, he invited us to his house and opened a bottle of Champagne! It is incredible that after so long it is still functioning as a glassworks.

But as Raymond left the owner's house he spotted his favorite Escargots, (Snails). So they went straight into his pocket for his breakfast for the next day!

Don Tyzack

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Anyone wishing to join the WEGS can call Dave Morgan on 07956 221566



WEST END ESHER CRICKET CLUB

Dear Westenders,

Just as we have seen so many beautiful sunsets over the green this summer, the sun is setting on what has been a very successful cricket season for your club. With one weekend of cricketing action remaining, both first and second elevens are in promotion positions. Jon Carter's 1st XI secured their top four finish yesterday with a thumping win over Wandgas at home and are still in with a shout of taking the title next weekend. Suraj Giani's 2nd XI can't catch runaway leaders South Nutfield, but will secure second spot if they win their last game of the season at home on Saturday. The players would really appreciate your support to help them clinch victory. Some notable individual performances this year from Warren Schulze (148 not out) and Ed Brew (112 and 110 not out) Vinay Kumar and Ian Sargeant who both have more than 30 wickets for the season and Jack Hambleton who is in the top ten in the league stats for fielding.

Our Juniors had a great season of Friday night training and weekday and weekend matches and the numbers of kids enjoying out favourite summer sport has grown once again. A massive thank you to Colette Macintosh, Ruth Lovering and Jo Graves for their invaluable help in organising it all. We have room for new joiners for 2025 so if you are interested in getting your child involved in cricket please contact Colette on juniorchairman@weecc.co.uk

The bank holiday weekend saw the return of our annual cricket Sixes tournament featuring six teams with West End connections. Pictured here is West End CC's very own former Rugby international Chris Sheasby and his team of Rascals, resplendent in their sponsored kit.



The tournament was won by a team from Exeter university, featuring several of the West End first XI and a cameo appearance by event organiser Ollie Tredgett and was followed by Party by the Pond. Huge thanks to all of you who attended and made the evening a great success. Some more thanks due to fundraiser in chief Sarah Franklin and all of our tournament sponsors, Bacchus Wine Auctions, Best Biltong, The Bear in Escher, Simply Docs, Frankin Commercial and 4play Events and of course our regular sponsor Garson's Farm.

Our last round of matches is Saturday 7th and Sunday 8th September with the annual visit of Richmond Nomads to round things off.

Next year is our 150th anniversary and we will be organising various events throughout the year to celebrate – watch this space.

Stop Press: We are proud to announce that both the 1st XI and 2nd XI's have been promoted.

Chris Hambleton, Chairman West End Escher Cricket Club

WEST END SPORTS & SOCIAL CLUB
The European Cup



The Bar staff would like to thank all the support we received from members during the European Football Championship. Alas England were not able to bring the Trophy home, but did get to the Final, much to our delight, and created some memorable and atmospheric evenings at the club.

Shown here are two amazing Student bar Staff with me, (left) Lily Loveridge and (right) Anabel Roux on the semi final evening win over Holland. We are all proudly wearing our England Caps some a little bit more than others!!

Thanks once again to all our members for great support over the recent months. Please keep it up!!

Richard Jenkins, Bar Mnanager



WEST END MOTOR CLUB

Another Village Flower Show has come and gone with weather unfitting to an Anniversary Year, although apart from the absence of a few stall-holders, one would not really notice.

Motor Club were there in support of the occasion but actually to give focus and support to the superb Village News 20 Year display organised and presented by its indefatigable editor Angela Stockbridge.

The presentation gave the history of Village News since its inception at the demise of the original West End Residents' Association, an exhibition in itself of a partial history of the Village, its people and Associations. I trust none of you missed it.



Village News Display

The Executors of the late Eileen and Charles Pocklington kindly gave many of their collection of village scenes, painting and photographs, to be sold in aid of the much valued publication, whose costs continue to rise despite the advertising income and generous donations from 'friends' of the Village News. All were disposed of with over £500 going to Village News coffers.



Editor, Angela,
with Lynn Bezant and Daisy

Thanks to all who bought from the display or at the later Auction, ably run by Ian Richardson of Garson's Farm. The display will be added to the fledgling West End Village archive, whose growing content has been generously offered a home by Garsons, who already have much of their own historical content.

The Motor Club continue with their successful Brooklands Breakfasts on Tuesday mornings and weekly evening natters on Thursday evening in the Village Club. We have also organised a 'boys jolly' in two weeks time near Christchurch, and will report on this in the next issue.

*Report David Rolfe
Photos: Roger Brown*



Looking on in wonder!



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THANK YOU!

A huge thank you to all members of the Motor Club who helped setting up the Village News stall on the day, including Geoff1, Alan, John, Phil, Geoff2, Keith, David, Ken and Roger in such dire weather conditions. David, Ken, Roger, Keith and Don also roped off the area on Friday for the cars and space for the Gazebos. Their support for the Village News and help on the day is much appreciated as is the fantastic sum of £500 raised by them.

Thank you also to Lynn Bezant, for making the superbly decorated donations box!

CLUB MEMBERS' SUCCESSES AT THE VILLAGE SHOW



Adam Brenner won 1st Prize for his Chocolate Marbled cake based on a 1954 recipe in the Domestic Cookery class.

Stephanie Parcell entered a number of excellent images in the Photography section and won 2nd Prize for this lovely portrait, and 3rd Prize for her image of Alpacas in the Animal class.



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