Everyone, Somebody, Anybody and Nobody...

Once upon a time, there were four people: Their names were Everybody, Somebody, Nobody and Anybody. Whenever there was an important job to be done, Everybody was sure that Somebody would do it. Anybody could have done it, but Nobody did it.

When Nobody did it, Everybody got angry because it was Everybody's job. Everybody thought that Somebody would do it, but Nobody realized that Nobody would do it. So consequently Everybody blamed Somebody when Nobody did what Anybody could have done in the first place.

Sound Familiar? In so many aspects of our lives could we apply the above scenario and like me, there have been times when it's happened to you leaving you feeling like you really missed a golden opportunity!!

Everything I have received this month for inclusion in this and subsequent Runner editions has been about people making positive changes. About just stepping up and seeing what they can do to make a little or a big difference to both themselves and others in our village and beyond and it's really great to feel such positivity from so many of you!!

Whatever it is that you really want to do take that first step and you can be sure though anybody can do it, YOU are Somebody and though everybody may offer you their opinion, Nobody can stand in your way!

Best Wishes, Editor

So what do you think we should do with £1,000?...

Thank you all for the great suggestions you submitted in response to our article in last months runner!!

For anyone reading this for the first time, we have approximately £1,000 remaining of funds raised to clear and restore the village pond, and after asking village residents for ideas on how the village can best benefit I am pleased to present the following ideas:

1) Restoration of the paths around the village green to be used by visitors and residents alike.
2) A 360 degree solid bench on the green round the large oak tree providing rest and shade to young and old
3) A community vegetable scheme aided by School and Nursery culminating in distribution at harvest time
4) A sensory trail around the village to be enjoyed by school, nursery and walkers with laminated maps available in the Church
5) The establishment of an astronomy club for all members of our community

Your views matter to us, and the final decision will be made mid March so please can we have your feedback votes no later than 16th March.

Please email your vote to: editor@grayswoodparish.org or circle your favourite on your runner and post to: Environmental Project, Grayswood Village Hall, Grayswood Road, Grayswood, Surrey.

Contacting the Runner: Telephone: 01428 656504, editor@grayswoodparish.org

A right pain in your pothole!!!

A local resident recently noticed a dangerous pothole in The Mount. The side of the hole had a vertical 5 inch drop. He put the details onto a Cyclists Touring Club website, which anyone can use fillthathole.org.uk mentioning that the hole was likely to cause severe damage to vehicle wheels. Result: The information was passed to the Highway Authority and it was repaired the next day. They also repaired other lesser potholes in the Mount, which he had not reported.

The Highways Agency have a legal duty of care to repair these potholes within a reasonable amount of time from when they were reported, so lets try and use this site to keep help our village roads pothole free!
**Sunday Services**

8.00 am  Holy Communion every week

10.00 am  services are very accommodating for families with young children—we have crèche facilities, fun for older children at Sunday School, and really don't mind if children make a bit of noise in church either! In fact we particularly encourage children to enjoy our church and join in with the first part of our service.

1st Sunday:  Parish Communion

2nd Sunday:  Morning Worship

3rd Sunday:  Parish Communion

4th Sunday:  All age Morning Worship

5th Sunday: we usually join in with St Barts or St Christophers, either in Grayswood or Haslemere—see notices on the Church Door!

Evening Services are occasional but are advertised in the village.

**Mondays** at 9 am (not Bank Holidays) - a short meditative service which follows the pattern of the Church since its early days

**Thursdays**

1st and 3rd Thursday  Holy Communion using the BCP (old prayer book)

5th Thursday—Modern Iona style Communion Service

At all services we pray for people in any sort of need. If you would like us to pray for someone in particular - or be prayed for yourself (we need only a first name and you don’t have to give a reason), either pop a note into Church House, leave a message on the answerphone, write in the book at the back of church, or ask someone to pass the message on.

**Sacred space**

The church building is usually open every day from about 9am until dusk in winter, about 6pm in summer. It’s a peaceful place to think, meditate, dream, pray.

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**USEFUL GRAYSWOOD PHONE NUMBERS**

Church Office 656504
Village Hall Bookings 643859
Wheatheaf Pub 644440
The Grayswood Club 644154
Grayswood School 642086
Grayswood Cars 642303
Grayswood Nursery School 658931
Barkers 642894
Haslemere Herald 651271
Haslemere Hall 642161
Hairdresser 642821
The Rockery B&B 643178
www.therockerybedandbreakfast.com
Village Hall Payphone 658931

**Events in March**

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**VILLAGE PRAYER**

In March we remember and think about all those who live in Lower Road, Park Close and Ash Tree Close

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**Helping each other to have their cake and eat it.....**

"Contact the Elderly" groups organise gatherings for frail or elderly people who live alone. One Sunday afternoon a month, volunteer drivers take around 8 people on regular visits to the homes of volunteer hosts for tea. Groups visit a different home every month and spend a few hours in the company of friends, old and new.

We have been able to find a coordinator for the group and two drivers but for the group to be feasible we need to find at least three more drivers and eight hosts. The tea parties happen only once a month on a Sunday afternoon, so the commitment for the drivers is four hours once a month and for hosts it is one or two afternoons a year.

If you are able to offer you time or support to this initiative or if indeed you are on your own and would like to find out more about joining the tea parties please call Julia Rivas 01273 471132

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**Women's World Day of Prayer**

The annual service for the Haslemere area will take place on Friday 6th March, 10.30am at the United Reformed Church, Churt Road, Beacon Hill. Coffee & Refreshments will be served afterwards and there will be a crèche available. Rev Rosemary Pullen will be speaking on the theme ‘In Christ there are many members yet one body’ and the service has been prepared by the Christian women of Papua New Guinea. All are Welcome, Men, Women, Young and Old.