



The Grayswood Runner



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THANKS TO THE TEACHERS!

The recent death of Bob Pooley, Headteacher of Grayswood School from 1966—1984 and described by one ex-pupil as “the best teacher I ever had”, prompted me to think about teachers and their contribution in our lives.

On a personal level I can remember a temporary teacher, Mr Smith who taught me English for one term many decades ago when I was just 11. This charismatic man was witty, fun, child-friendly and loved his subject. The group of boys in the class who had always placed football and fighting over poetry and sonnets, were to a person completely charmed by the enigmatic Mr Smith from Botswana. He regaled us with stories about trekking through the jungle, African tribal folklore, dangerous reptiles, and surviving in the jungle with no food or water. He taught us how to read and enjoy poetry too without us even realising it! Boys were spellbound in admiration of this heroic figure. At the end of his short term contract he left school and all of his pupils with a memory and a huge debt of gratitude. And disappointment that his place would be taken by the rather boring full time teacher who seemed a very inadequate replacement for the charismatic Mr Smith.

So thank you to Mr Smith from Botswana, to Mr Pooley from Grayswood, and all those special teachers everywhere whose pupils rarely get the chance to say “Thank You” until it is too late.

Editor

GONE FISHING IN GRAYSWOOD!



Grayshott Angling Club is once again extending an invitation to the residents of *Grayswood* to join the club and enjoy the tranquil setting of the fisheries under their control in the Haslemere area.

The club is holding an **Open Day on Sunday the 14th June** (from 12.00pm) at the lake in Grayswood presently under their control. Villagers will be able to fish, walk in the private woods and enjoy a barbeque. Any donations received will be given to the *Ben Williams Trust* – Last year almost £100 was raised. Rods, line, bait as well as plenty of advice will be available for the “less experienced”. Later in the afternoon visitors will be able to try their hand at “Fly Fishing”. There will be picture quiz and prizes for the younger fisher-folk. The club actively encourages family participation and there will be an exhibition of the club’s new Fishery near Grayswood to be opened on the 16th June.

For further information on the Open Day and membership, contact Steve Frye on 653482.

Mayoral Service All Saints Grayswood Sunday 14th June at 11.30



Grayswood has been very honoured and asked to host the Mayoral Service for the new Mayoress of Haslemere, Melanie Odell. It is a great opportunity to support and congratulate Melanie who has given so much time to Grayswood and Haslemere in so many different ways. It would be great to see you at All Saints on Sunday 14th June at 11.30!

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

All Saints Matters

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 with St Bart's or St Christopher's, 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 at 10.15 am

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.

Contacting All Saints

Our vicar **Barbara Steele-Perkins** (barbarasteelerperkins@tiscali.co.uk) is officially on duty all day Sunday and Thursday, and Monday and Friday mornings; she also works part-time for the diocese, but both jobs allow for some flexibility. She responds to answerphone messages left on 656504 every day except Tuesday and will get back to you as soon as possible. Janet Fry, our church administrator, works in **Church Office** 656504 (in Church House) which is open Monday, Wed, and Fri mornings from 9am-12 noon. **Doreen Hutton** 644178 is the coordinator of pastoral care in the parish. Please contact her if you would like someone to visit you - for whatever reason. You are promised complete confidentiality. If you would like to donate flowers at any time - in memory of someone or at a special anniversary — **Jaquie Lisle** 661091 is our flower coordinator. If you need a vicar urgently and can't get through to Barbara, phone **Norman Jones**, Rector of Haslemere (644578).

USEFUL GRAYSWOOD PHONE NUMBERS

Church Office 656504

Village Hall Bookings 643859

Wheatsheaf Pub 644440

The Grayswood Club 644154

Grayswood School 642086

Grayswood Cars (Garage) 642303

Grayswood Nursery School 658931

Barkers 642894

Haslemere Herald 651271

Haslemere Hall 642161

Hairdresser 642821

The Rockery B&B 643178

Village Hall Payphone 658931

Grayswood Taxi Service 644440

VILLAGE PRAYER

In June we remember and think about all those who live outside the Parish and yet play a valued part in our village community and church.

Tesco and the Co-Op

Waitrose has finally arrived and Tesco and Co-Op have reacted by improving their product, having a facelift and reducing prices. With one shop reputed to be for readers of The Times, one for readers of The Mirror, and one for readers of the Daily Mail, where will readers of the Runner go?

Prayer Fayre

Saturday 4th July 2009
Pyrford Church and School

There will be worship, a choice of workshops for children, teenagers and adults, as well as walk-in Spiritual Direction and prayer stations. Come between 10.00 am and 4.00 pm.

Further information and a booking may be obtained from

Mary Peters
Tel 01483 790328



Grayswood Taxi Service



Ken Martin at the Wheatsheaf offers a taxi service—with airports and local ports a speciality—from right here in Grayswood. He can be contacted at the Wheatsheaf or on his mobile which is 078877 14799.

Pimms and Strawberries

The Ladies of Grayswood WI warmly invite you to join us at the Village Hall at 7pm on Wednesday 10th June for a glass or two of Pimms and Strawberries and Cream. As well as a chance to hopefully enjoy the evening sun, there will be a very entertaining speaker – Ron Pearce who will be sharing his 'anecdotes of a press photographer'

Tickets are £3 each, include your Pimms and strawberries, and available on the night. All ladies welcome, so please do come along and bring a friend, we'd love to see you!!

For further information please contact Heather Laybourne on 605439 or

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