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November 16

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THE NEWSLETTER OF FLACKWELL HEATH COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION



The Residents' Association
Invites you to

Christmas Lights

**26th Nov Saturday at the
Community Centre**

3:00 pm Childrens Tea Party
With Santa's Grotto
& entertainment

5:00 pm Carol Service
With Rev Chris Bull accompanied
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& Lighting of the Christmas Tree

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to finish in the Community
Centre with Santa

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Road Reps: Thanks

A big thank you to all our Road Reps who continue to deliver The Grapevine to their own or another road in Flackwell. This month we are especially grateful to two retiring Reps, Mrs Joyce Hart and Mrs Chris Wiltshire. Happily, Mr Arthur Beauchamp and Mrs Sue Wallington have volunteered to replace them. Thank you all!

*The FH
Community
Association
Committee and
the Editor*



NEWS FROM FLACKWELL HEATH RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION

You are invited on Saturday 26 November to start the Village Festive Spirit with a sparkle.

Family festivities begin at 3pm with a tea party for primary school age children in the main hall, whilst everyone else enjoys soft drinks and biscuits. Children will be able to visit Father Christmas in his Grotto, to whisper their Christmas presents' wish list. Entry £1 per primary age child on the door when children will be given entry tickets to see Father Christmas – hopefully this ensures no-one is disappointed and we avoid any Bah-Humbug-ing in queues.

At around 4.30pm we'd like everyone to wrap up warmly and make their way outside and join others at a service in Jubilee Garden beginning at 5pm.

Our Christmas decorations light up the village centre while Rev Chris Bull leads the service, the West Wycombe Brass Band plays the music and we'll all join together and sing. There'll be Carol sheets given out so remember to bring a torch to read by!

The village Christmas Tree lights will be switched on by the winners of the schools' colouring competition

before we invite you all back into the Community centre for mulled wine (for the adults), juice and mince pies. All those competition entries will be on display and Father Christmas will be there if any children missed seeing him earlier.

We are hoping that all the village businesses get involved with the Festive Shop Window competition making the village look its Festive best throughout the holiday season.

Put the date in your diary! Looking forward to seeing lots of you there. See ad on page 1.

FHRA have worked on a plan for the replacement and improvement of the village lights over the past 5 years and this year sees new lights in the trees outside Aries House. These lights and their fittings are really expensive, over £1000 this year, so we've asked local shops and businesses for a contribution. A big **Thank You** to those who have. Unfortunately, we still have a way to go, so if you feel you can help, pop your contribution into the collecting tins in and around the village and at the Christmas Lights event on 26 November

– help light up your village in future years!

Our 2015 survey asked you about social media; so we've taken your comments on board and now have our own website www.flackwellresidents.news and our own Facebook Page Flackwell Residents' News. We hope to use both to keep you better informed about our own events, and things that affect or involve our village. We hope you like them – but if you do have any constructive feedback, email chloeandrewsjones@gmail.com

At the time of writing we have just learned of the **Budgens car park** closure. This is obviously bad news for the village residents and businesses, although we sympathise with those who have been affected by the ASB at the car park. We will be talking to local councillors to see what, if anything, can be done about this situation.

Carolyn Leonard
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Flackwell Heath and Loudwater Age Concern

are holding a

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at Hedsor Community Centre
Saturday 10 December 2016
8pm-11.30pm

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the Day Centre

Flackwell Heath Women's Institute

October is the month for WI Annual Meetings, for reports, taking stock, elections and planning.

Evening WI

We look forward to the next year, with the same President and Committee. Our financial position is sound and we have several new members. Our new website can be found at: www.flackwellheathewi.weebly.com Have a look!

The lucky winner of the Denman bursary this year is Wendy Mander; she gets £250 toward the cost of a course at the WI's college in Oxfordshire.

Next month we celebrate our Institute's 59th birthday with a buffet meal and some games.

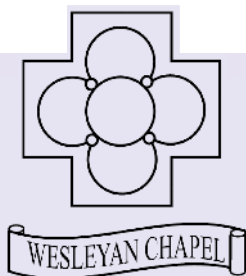
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FLACKWELL HEATH METHODIST CHURCH

This year's CHURCH ANNIVERSARY is on Sunday 6 November, with our morning service led by Carolyn Luscombe, followed by a church family lunch – all are welcome, but please put your name on the list in our vestibule so we have an idea of numbers. In the evening at 6.30 there will be a Holy Communion Service led by Rev John Richey.

Tuesday 8 November – CHRISTMAS MARKET – ad on page 8

Saturday 19 November – WHO LET THE DADS OUT??? 10am – 12 noon For Dads, Granddads, Uncles and any male carers to spend time with their under-fives to give Mum a break and share snack-time together. Bacon butties available!

Sunday 27 November (Advent Sunday) – CELEBRATE! 6.30pm. A lively music-based service led by our minister Rev Nick Thompson. This is a joint service with Christ Church on an Advent theme, with contributions from our various house groups.

Sunday December 4 at 11am – TOY SERVICE followed by a family Christmas lunch – all welcome, but please put your name on the list in our vestibule so we have an idea of numbers.

Advance notice - Wednesday 7 December, morning - 'MESSY CHURCH' event; more details next month.

All weekday groups meet at their usual times, with Sunday services at 11am and 6.30pm. On Sunday 13 November there will be no morning service at our church as we will be joining in with the Remembrance Day service at the war memorial. Other activities and information can be found on our website www.fhmc.org.uk; or please contact our senior steward Suzanne Soper on 01494 673403, or our minister Rev Nick Thompson on 01628 483985.

www.fhmc.org.uk www.facebook.com/FlackwellHeathMC prayer.requests@fhmc.org.uk



Considering having your child christened/baptised? As a first step why not come along to an 'Exploring Baptism' event. More details from the Church Office.

Sunday 13 November is **Remembrance Sunday**. Our only morning Service that day will be at 9am, finishing promptly at 10am allowing any who wish to do so to attend the village Act of Remembrance at the War Memorial at 10.45am. The War Memorial Remembrance Service will be led by the Vicar, Rev Chris Bull, who is also Chaplain of Buckinghamshire Royal British Legion.

On Saturday 19 November Christ Church will host a fantastic **Charities Fayre** from 10am to 1pm, with lots of charities, local, national and international, offering lots of great items.... an ideal place for finding your Christmas gifts!

Our regular more-traditional service at 9am on Sunday 20 November has an emphasis on **Prayer for Healing**, to compliment the every-Sunday prayer that happens at 10.30am.

All those bereaved, at any time in their lives, their families and friends,

are invited to our **Annual Memorial Service** on Sunday 20 November (6.30pm), which will be shared with 'Iain Rennie Hospice at Home'. In a service of hymns and music, readings and prayers

there is an opportunity to remember 'those we love but see no longer'. The service includes the lighting of candles in memory of loved ones, the reading of their names and space for quiet reflection.

Starting Sunday 27 November: '**Four Words for Advent**' – Hope, love, joy and peace characterise the Advent season... and our Sunday services will explore these Advent themes. The Church will also have four 'Prayer Stations' linked to these themes and you are invited to use them any weekday morning in your preparations for Christmas. There are also two led **Quiet Evenings** on Wednesday 30 November and Monday 12 December, both 8pm to 9.30pm.

More details of the above are available from the Church website (www.ccfh.org.uk) and the Church Office in Chapel Road: 01628 533004 (9.00am – 1.00pm Monday to Friday)

Flackwell Amblers

Wishing you all a very Happy Christmas and New Year.

If you would like to join us on Sunday 20 November, The Flackwell Amblers will be going for a walk at Burnham Beeches - parking charges apply. We will be meeting at the ex-Budgen's car park at 10.00 am. This walk will last approximately 2 hours and is undertaken at your own risk. Please wear walking boots or strong shoes. NB This walk may be subject to change at short notice due to prevailing weather conditions.

The next date for your diary is Tuesday 28 December - Local walk. Please note there will not be a walk in January 2017.

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Neighbourhood Watch News

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Card Defender

Many Bank Debit and many Credit Cards are now being issued with Radio Frequency Identification (RFID) capability for 'contactless' use. This allows payments of up to £30 to be made by simply touching the appropriate card reader with your card, similar to the way the Oyster



Card works on the rail network. Contactless cards carry this symbol.

However, if you happened to watch BBC TV's 'Rip-off Britain' a few weeks ago, you might have been alarmed to see how the information on a contactless card appeared to be 'captured' by thieves using an RFID reader, often installed as an 'App' on a 'smartphone'. With this information they were then apparently able to make a number of purchases without the three-digit CVC security number on the card, and the victim was not even aware that their details had been stolen – until they got their next card statement! And all the thieves had to do was brush against your bag or your hip pocket with their RFID reader –



not difficult at a crowded bus or train station!

Although the UK Card Association's web site carries information to refute these claims about card data 'theft', there seems to be a growing body of evidence to suggest that there is a potential risk associated with the security of contactless cards. A number of companies are now selling RF-proof card cases and sleeves and Wycombe District Neighbourhood Watch Association now has available the Card Defender. This is an inexpensive metallised foil sleeve into which your contactless card is slipped, and it is then protected from data theft, although you do need to remove the card from the sleeve to use it. The sleeve also offers useful physical protection.

Anti-social Behaviour (ASB) Operations

Our Neighbourhood Policing Team will once again be carrying out awareness and enforcement operations toward the end of the month in anticipation of Halloween and Bonfire Night. Remember, if you are aware of any ASB, report it to the police on 101 and to the Public Safety Team at WDC – see below:

For further information about any of these topics or about Neighbourhood Watch, contact:

David Gresswell –
Area Co-ordinator, Flackwell Heath

(Tel: 525019
e-mail: flackwell-nhwatch@talktalk.net)

Police General & Non-emergency
number: 101

Public Safety Team
(Anti-social behaviour): 01494 421087

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ACTION FRAUD: 0300 123 2040
www.actionfraud.police.uk

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NHS: 111

To All Our Readers....

As usual, there will be no issue of The Grapevine in January. (The volunteers who produce it are too busy over Christmas, and our Road Rep deliverers might find weather conditions difficult.)

If you want to advertise an event in January or early February, please submit any announcements to me by 15 November for inclusion in the December issue.

Sue Arnautov, Editor

Dates For Your Diary

November

Saturday 5	Bonfire Night at Carrington Field up Lawrence Way
Tuesday 8	Christmas Market at Methodist Church, see page 8
Wednesday 9	Flackwell Forum, Flackwell Heath Methodist Church, 12 – 2pm
Monday 14	Local History Fact Finding Forum, see page 5
Saturday 19	Charity Fayre at Christ Church, 10am – 1pm
Monday 21	Local History talk 'History of Wooburn and St Paul's Church' by Tony Mealing, see page 5
Saturday 26	FHRA Christmas Lighting-Up, see pages 1 and 2

December

Thursday 1 & Friday 2	Heath Singers' Christmas Concerts, see page 1
Saturday 10	Age Concern Party, see page 2

January 2017

Monday 16	Local History talk
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Monday 21 November from
7:30pm

Talk 'History of Wooburn and St Paul's Church'

Tony Mealing is the conservation architect who oversaw the recent restoration work at St Paul's Church. He will be talking about the history of St Paul's Church at Wooburn, which dates back to at least 1066, and the surrounding area of Wooburn Town.

This will be a ticketed event, and the tickets will be available at the library from 10 October, and are £5 (£3 to friends of FHCL).

The Next Fact Finding Forum is on Monday 14 November at the Flackwell Heath Library

from 7.15 – 9.00pm. If you have any interesting stories or photos from your time in the village, please come along and join us for a cuppa and to share your memories.

A date for your diary: Monday 16 January 2017

'Frackle' People & Places, Part 2' – Jane Dunsterville resumes her story of the development of the modern village of Flackwell Heath, from the 1950's.

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www.localhistorygroup.org.uk



New Books just arriving

We continuously refresh our book stock with newly published works each month and a twice weekly rotation of books from other Buckinghamshire libraries. Many have enjoyed the popular spy novels of John Le Carré, but his latest release is an autobiography called 'The Pigeon House', subtitled 'Stories from my Life' based on his life in MI5. Other new books at Flackwell Heath include a new Hercule Poirot mystery by Sophie Hannah and latest releases by Val McDermid, Dean Koontz, Josephine Cox, Danielle Steele, Dilly Court and many others.

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Back home safe and sound

After 40 days of hard racing 24 hours a day, seven days a week competing against 11 other identical 70ft ocean racing yachts, Stephen Jones of Flackwell Heath completed the 7,120 mile leg of the 2015/2016 Clipper Round the World yacht race from Seattle on America's West Coast to New York on the East Coast. The two races took place from the end of April to mid-June 2016 with a three-day stopover in Panama between the two races. Here is his story.

There were 15 crew plus the skipper aboard our boat, Ichorcoal, sponsored by a South African company. Five had left London 8 months earlier, others had done the leg across the Pacific which had been through horrendous weather and 90 ft. waves and others like me joined the boat in Seattle. The first race was Seattle to Panama down the US West Coast past Washington, Oregon, California, Mexico, Guatemala, El Salvador, Honduras, Nicaragua, and Costa Rica before reaching Panama.

After one night in Panama City, the yachts transited the Panama Canal to reach Colon on the Caribbean coast, where we stayed two days before starting the second

race of about 2000 miles up to New York. This race took the yachts between Cuba and Haiti, past the Turks and Caicos Islands and the Bahamas and then into the Atlantic sailing past Florida, South and North Carolina, Virginia, Maryland and New Jersey before arriving in New York City, New York.

Life on board living in very close quarters with people one hardly knew was a challenge but we quickly bonded. There was little friction. Physically it was challenging too but I had done Pilates and kept fit to cope with pretty much everything I faced. We even had to share a bunk, hot bunking I think they call it! We were all one team with a common purpose, sailing the boat safely and as fast as possible to the destination.

We were divided into two watches, working four hours on four hours off during the night and six hours on six hours off during the day. The boat runs 24/7 and all duties are continuous, helming, sail trimming, navigation, look out, filling in the ship's log every hour, emptying the bilges, cooking the meals. 6000 calories a day is the average rate of energy burn but

we ate well and all took a turn on galley duty. I was half a stone lighter when we reached New York!

The race was one of extreme temperatures ranging from 8C to 32C. Sailing out of Puget Sound from Seattle to the start line took about 36 hours and it was bitterly cold on board. It became hotter as we sailed South.

For variety there were sightings of sea life to keep us amused. Flying fish were plentiful and squid washed on to the decks in the morning were a regular sight. Rather more pleasant were the schools of dolphins that kept up with the boat regularly. Frigate birds sometimes hitched a lift sitting on the bow for days on end. Whales were seen in Puget Sound but I was below decks suffering from sea sickness!

What were the highs and lows of the voyage? One high was transiting the Panama Canal. The other was safely getting through tropical storm Colin off the Carolinas. High winds and huge waves were the hallmarks of the storm but the boat was strong and our young skipper had sailed in worse conditions before. All the boats came through unscathed.

The lows were few. I focused on the tasks in hand, enjoyed the wonderful night skies and didn't complain when being woken up at 1.30am for my next watch.

Connected with the race I wanted to raise some money for the Alexander Devine Charity who are currently building a hospice for children in White Waltham. If you would like to make a donation, please do so by pasting the following address into your internet browser mydonate.bt.com/fundraisers/stephenjones6.

I would do it again. The sense of achievement is hugely rewarding. There is no need for previous sailing experience and there is no age limit. All that is needed is a sense of adventure.

Steve Jones



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Flackwell Heath War Memorial

Ruth Bowler, a member of the Flackwell Local Area History Group, has been researching the biographies of the men whose names were engraved on the memorial when it was first dedicated in 1920. She came across another five men who had strong associations with Flackwell Heath at that time, but who were not listed on the memorial.

The Local History Group approached Chepping Wycombe Parish Council, who are responsible for the war memorial, and after consulting with residents they agreed that the names could be added. A contract was then placed with local stone-mason Andrew Searis of Ross Stonecraft UK Ltd to engrave the names on the memorial. The five names are:

Ernest Barton, a Private in the Oxon & Bucks Light Infantry, was born in the village in 1886. The son of the late David and Ann Barton, he married Ada Beatrice Keen in 1914, who was also local to the village. He enlisted at High Wycombe later that year, and was killed in France on 16 May 1915 aged 29.

Edgar Lewis was also a Private in the Oxon & Bucks Light Infantry. He married Elizabeth Sarah Ann Knight

at High Wycombe in 1912 and they had three children. He was killed in France on 19 July 1916 aged 27. At the time of his death his family were living at Folley's Row, Flackwell Heath. These terraced houses are still in Heath End Road in the village.

Leonard Savill was a Lance Corporal in the 7th Battalion of the London Regiment. He was killed in France on 5 April 1918 aged just 20. He was not a native of the village but his parents' address at the time of his death was 'The Haven', Flackwell Heath.

Frank Stone-Wootton was a Company Quarter Master and Second Lieutenant in the King's Royal Rifle Corps. He was killed in Belgium on 21 September 1917 aged 26. At that time his parents were living at 'The Hammock', Flackwell Heath. They are buried in Little Marlow Cemetery (at that time much of Flackwell Heath was in Lt. Marlow parish) and their grave includes an inscription to Frank 'Missing Sept 17 aged 26 yrs'.

George Weedon was a Lance Corporal in the Military Foot Police. He was born in Flackwell Heath in 1877, the son of Jeremiah and Mary Weedon and married local girl Sylvia Margaret Dean in 1905. He died of TB on 19 December 1920, when his wife was living at James Cottages, Farnham Common. He is buried in the churchyard of St Mary's in Farnham Royal.

Readers may wonder why men with such strong connections to the village were not originally included on the war memorial. What is not widely appreciated is that in 1919/20 the 'movement' to erect memorials to the fallen of WWI was very much a series of local initiatives. There were no rules laid down by any central authority. Each city, town or village was free to decide what it would do; what type of memorial structure; who should be remembered; where a memorial would be placed and how it would be funded.

The Flackwell Local Area History Group is grateful for the generous donation from the Bourne End Lodge and the Bucks Masonic Centenary Fund of the Provincial Grand Lodge of Buckinghamshire, which has enabled this work to be completed. The current Master of Bourne End Lodge - John Gibson - is a resident of Flackwell Heath and his great uncle, Ernest Gibson, is commemorated on the village memorial.

A ceremony to dedicate the five names which have been added to the War Memorial at Flackwell Heath was held on 1 June.

This article first appeared in the Nostalgia page of the 'Bucks Free Press'

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Margot is not a stranger to study; she has a degree in geography and has worked in IT. She has also worked as a nursery

school teacher and in 2007 she gained a diploma in pre-school practice. Unsurprisingly, she sees her present strengths as including experience working with young children and families, and looks forward to working with Ellie Wartew at Christ Church. Margot hopes to develop her preaching (using the audiovisual system at Christ Church will be a new skill to develop there) and is getting used to organising and running services; as a deacon, she can also officiate at baptisms and funerals.

Margot now lives in Beaconsfield, although she has lived in both Italy and Belgium because of her husband, Hugh's, work. They have a family, now adult. Her previous congregation, at St Mary's and All Saints, Beaconsfield, was very supportive, but has a rather different style to that at Christ Church. (In Church of England terms, Christ Church is rather 'Lower' i.e. more evangelical). Margot says she has received a wonderful welcome and is determined to learn as much as she can. If you see her around, say 'Hello', she'd love to meet you.

Sue Arnautov



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Flackwell Heath Community Association

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