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AFTERNOON AT THE SEASIDE BY AGATHA CHRISTIE
THURSDAY 5th, FRIDAY 6th AND SATURDAY 7th OCTOBER, AT 8pm EACH EVENING.

Three couples are spending some time in their beach huts at Little-Slippyng-on-Sea. A theft has taken place at a nearby luxury hotel where Lady Beckman has had an emerald necklace stolen from her room. Only a siren in a bikini, making the men ogle and the women envious, can distract the visitors from their speculation. So who did it, and who will solve this otherwise perfect crime?

True to form, Agatha Christie has given us a play with some really great character roles, from the talkative and generally cynical Mrs Crum, the possessive old battle-axe Mrs Gunner and her hen-pecked son Percy, the charming and rakish Bob Wheeler, guaranteed to be the life and soul of any gathering, to a number of other roles you would typically find at the seaside, making up the cast of 12 familiar CLT faces.

CLT first performed *Afternoon at the Seaside* in 1990 and amazingly, one member of the original cast from 27 years ago will reprise their role in this production!

CLT's Dinner & Drama is a very popular event and seating is limited. **Tickets are £20 for Thursday, a Charity night in aid of the Samson Centre for MS in Guildford, and £17.50 for Friday and Saturday, which includes a Fish & Chip supper and dessert. They are available by phone on 07964 515103 or email to info@comptonlittletheatre.org.uk. Please state whether you prefer Fish & Chips, Sausage & Chips or the Vegetarian alternative. There are no on-line bookings for this production. Doors open at 7.30pm and the main course will be served at 8pm.** Payment can be made by cheque, payable to *Compton Little Theatre* and sent to CLT Bookings, 49 The Oval, Farncombe GU7 3SZ, or by Bank Transfer to Compton Little Theatre's account at Lloyds, Sort Code 30-93-49, Account No. 00575218, giving your name as the reference.

MORE THEATRE IN WATTS GALLERY!

Local professional theatre company, LynchPin Productions, will be performing **ROTTEN PERFECT** by local playwright and actor, Claire Parker, directed by Kate Napier, as part of the bicentenary celebration of G.F. Watts's birthday.

ROTTEN PERFECT is a witty insight into the impassioned back-stage lives of Henry Irving and Ellen Terry, King and Queen of the Victorian stage. Life is complicated at the Lyceum Theatre in 1890s London. Henry Irving is doing everything he can to keep his theatre up and running and to keep his star actress, the famous Ellen Terry, happy (who at age 16 was briefly married to G.F. Watts). Rehearsals are under way. Henry needs a success. Ellen watches impatiently. When it's her turn with the great man himself on stage, there's a subtext of longing and desire. They have a history. But they're both married to other people and are now merely professional colleagues. Aren't they? Tired of the classics, will Ellen be lured by that upstart George Bernard Shaw to seek new and challenging roles elsewhere?



Taster scenes from the play will be performed at the Gallery by the actors to whet your appetite during the Heritage Open Days on Saturday 9th & Sunday 10th September.

PERFORMANCES ARE ON FRIDAY 29th, SATURDAY 30th SEPTEMBER, AND SUNDAY 1st OCTOBER, AT 7.30PM.

TICKETS £15 (£12 FOR FRIENDS) FROM WATTS GALLERY: WWW.WATTSGALLERY.ORG.UK.

* * * * MACMILLAN COFFEE MORNING * * * *

Jean Miller will be hosting the **Macmillan Coffee Morning** on Friday 29th September from 10.30am to 1pm in **The Old Barn**, in Jean and Ken's garden behind Old Barn Antiques. Parking is available in the Church Car Park. The World's Biggest Coffee Morning is Macmillan's largest fundraising event for people facing cancer. The first ever Coffee Morning took place in 1990 and since then, it has raised over £165m for Macmillan. Last year, Compton raised over £1,000 so let's see if we can improve on that this year! **Jean would appreciate any offers of cakes, raffle prizes, or help on the day. Please contact her on 01483 810522. But most importantly, come along on the day and support this truly wonderful cause.**

WATTS GALLERY NEWS



Join the team at Watts Gallery on Saturday 9th and Sunday 10th September, 11am to 5pm, for **FREE ENTRY** as part of **Heritage Open Weekend**. Enjoy free guided tours, family trails, pottery demonstrations and open studios, as well as the current summer exhibition, **G.F. WATTS – ENGLAND’S MICHELANGELO**, which showcases Watts’s most significant works on loan from prestigious galleries and museums around the world and from private collections.

For information about events and to book tickets, phone 01483 813593 or visit www.wattsgallery.org.uk

<p style="text-align: center;">JAZZ AT THE PAVILION VASILIS XENOPULOS & NIGEL PRICE QUARTET <u>Wednesday 13th September</u> Brilliant tenor saxophonist Vasilis Xenopoulos and 2016 British Jazz Award Winner for “Best Guitarist” Nigel Price kick off the Autumn season with a pre-launch gig of their keenly awaited new album. <i>Guildford Rugby Club. Doors open 7.30pm. Music from 8pm. Tickets £14 in advance from www.guildfordjazz.org.uk.</i></p>	<p style="text-align: center;">ELECTRIC THEATRE JAZZ CAFÉ KEN PEPOWSKI <u>Tuesday 26th September</u> One of the world’s greatest reed players, the celebrated American clarinet star Ken Peplowski will be accompanied by Craig Milverton on piano, Marianne Windham on double bass and the dynamic Nick Millward on drums. <i>Music at 7.30pm. Tickets £14, from The Electric Theatre Box Office on 01483 444789.</i></p>
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➤ ➤ ➤ VILLAGE MATTERS ◀ ◀ ◀

➤ The Parish Council and Village Association are grateful to all those who contributed ideas as to how the **Project Fund** could be best spent for the benefit of the village. The many different suggestions are being examined and costed and there will be a report published in the NEWS later this year on the projects the village proposes to support.

➤ **Watts Cemetery.** Compton Parish Council and Watts Gallery are looking for volunteers to join a working party to tidy up the graves and their surrounds before the autumn. This has been arranged for Saturday 7th October, starting at 10am and finishing at mid-day. Refreshments provided. ***If you can help, please email Joanna at joanna@joannacadman.com or ring her on 07711 566458.***

➤ There have been a number of **accidents** (two this year) at the same spot in The Street, by Puck’s Oak Barn and The Limes. Highways have assessed the road and can see no structural defect that might be causing the problem. A sign warning vehicles to SLOW DOWN is being considered. Data from the VAS (flashing 30 mph sign) suggests that speed has increased, as well as overall volume, in both directions, the latter being in contrast to information given to us by Surrey County Council and used as part of the evidence base for the Local Plan. To provide independent evidence of the volume and speed of the traffic, a private company has been approached to provide this data.

COMPTON CLUB

◆ **MEMBERSHIPS** are due for renewal by the end of September, unless you have recently joined in which case yours will run through to 2018. Please call in at the Club to renew. Club membership fees for 2017-18 are £12 per person. Royal British Legion Compton Branch membership fees are £17. You can choose to become a member of either or both.

◆ The Club is in desperate need of **PLAYERS** in order for its team to carry on participating in **VILLAGE GAMES**. It needs players for Snooker, Billiards, Shove Halfpenny and Darts. Please call the Club on 01483 810268 if you are interested in playing these every Tuesday over the winter months, at home or away against other local clubs. It’s a great social evening and it would be a shame for the Club not to be part of these games after so many years. Please join them!

◆ **EVENTS FOR SEPTEMBER INCLUDE:**

- **COL’S FAMOUS BBQ** is on Saturday 16th September. This is a very popular evening with great food – steak, trout, chicken or a vegetarian option. *Call the Club on 01483 810268 to place your order.*
- Witley & District Motor Cycle Club are holding a **QUIZ NIGHT** on Saturday 23rd September. Teams of up to six people, with a supper of lasagne, salad and French bread. £7.50 per person. *Call Becky on 07790 082209 to book.*

<p style="text-align: center;">BARN DANCE WITH HOG ROAST SUPPER <u>Saturday 16th September, 7.30pm to 11pm.</u> <u>Borough Farm, Milford.</u> Dancing to Surrey’s own Hog’s Back Band. Cash bar and raffle. <i>Tickets: £25 Adults; £10 Child (8 to 14).</i> Available from Jennifer on 01483 420025, jenniferl@leigh45.net, or Norma on 01483 421236. Organised by South West Surrey Conservative Assn.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">DANIEL MOULT – ORGAN RECITAL <u>Friday 8th September, 7.30pm</u> <u>Guildford United Reformed Church, 83 Portsmouth Road</u> Daniel Mould, “one of the finest organists of our time” (<i>The Organ</i>) will play music by Handel, SS Wesley, Parry, Whitlock and Britten. <i>Tickets £10, available from Guildford Tourist Information Centre, 01483 444333. Children 16 and under admitted free with accompanying adults. Students £3, with ID Card.</i></p>
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◆ ◆ ◆ ◆ SERVICES OFFERED BY TALENTED LOCAL PEOPLE ◆ ◆ ◆ ◆

◆ **CLASSICAL YOGA AT COMPTON CLUB.** Sandra's twice weekly classes will resume on Thursday 7th September. All ages and abilities are welcome. First class is free. *For further details and availability of place, call Sandra on 01483 419601.*

◆ **PILATES** every Wednesday at 10am in Compton Village Hall. No experience necessary. *Contact Melissa on 07754 096286 or mel@pilatesbymelissa.co.uk for further details.*

◆ **BABY SITTING OR DOG WALKING REQUIRED?** Flora Lewis and Izzy Minor, both aged 16, are keen to help. Flora can be contacted on floralewis929@gmail.com or 07584 053303, and Izzy on izzy.minor@gmail.com or 07552 727464. They can also both be booked by parents through the Bubble babysitting app. Their usernames on the app are Flora Lewis and Izzy Minor.

◆ Similarly, Maddy Jackson, also aged 16, can help with odd jobs such as **GARDENING, DOG WALKING, HORSE EXERCISING, BABYSITTING**, etc. *Contact Maddy on 07876 688949 or maddyjackson@gmail.com.*

◆ **PAMPER YOUR PET WITH KIM'S K9 FURRY TAILS!** Local, friendly, reliable, family-run **DOG GROOMERS** are based in Compton and cover the surrounding areas. Fully equipped groom room, collecting and drop-off services available. Professional qualified City & Guilds Certified and Merrist Wood trained. Fully insured. *Contact Kim on kappa.efe@icloud.com or 07901 194797.*

◆ Hire a **VIRTUAL ASSISTANT & PA!** Only pay for the services you need, per hour. Choose from the wide range of services on offer from Samira Stevenson in Withies Lane – Gift Buying & Reminder Service, Event Admin & Planning, Holiday & Temp Cover, Travel Planning, General Admin. *Contact Samira on info@samirastevenson.com or 07773 323211.*

➤ ➤ ➤ ➤ THINGS TO DO ◀ ◀ ◀ ◀

WANBOROUGH GREAT BARN

During WW2, the Special Operations Executive (SOE) took over the Manor House in Wanborough and ran training school STS5 for their agents, who were then sent behind enemy lines. For Heritage Open Days this year, on Saturday 9th and Sunday 10th September, there will be the opportunity to understand more about the role of one of the most famous agents who passed through Wanborough: **NOOR INAYAT KHAN**. The Barn will be open from 2pm to 5pm each day. *Wanborough Heritage Café will be open in Wanborough Village Hall on both days from 11am to 5pm for morning coffee, afternoon tea, tasty lunches and homemade cakes.*

● **THE RICHMOND DOG SHOW** will be held in Forge Meadow, Loseley, from Friday 8th to Sunday 10th September. The Richmond Championship Show is one of the oldest established and best known dog shows in the UK calendar and entries are received from all over the British Isles, The Republic of Ireland and Continental Europe. More than 150 breeds can be seen over the course of each show and the top awards are keenly contested.



Members of the public are admitted free of charge and there is a charge, payable on arrival at the venue, of £10 for use of the public car parking facilities. The entrance is from New Pond Road and the show opens at 7.30am daily. The public may bring their own dogs to the show provided they enter them on arrival as "spectator" dogs, for which a fee of £5 per dog is payable, and they agree to complete and sign a written undertaking to keep their dog(s) under control at all times. *Full details are available at <http://richmonddogshow.org.uk/index.php>*

● **SURREY GAME & COUNTRY FAIR** will be in the Front Park on Sunday 24th September from 9am to 5pm. The Fair brings together all manner of rural pursuits including clay shooting, gun dog demonstrations, falconry, terrier racing, tractor and horse ploughing, as well as vintage tractor displays, a food hall and food theatre, and spectacular main ring entertainment. Something for every member of the family. On-the-day ticket prices are Adults £10, Children aged 5-16 £5, Seniors £9, Family £27. Children under 5 go free. Early Bird discounts available until 12 noon on Friday 22nd September. *Full details of the event are available on the website: <http://www.surreycountyshow.co.uk/surrey-game-country-fair/about-the-fair.htm>.*

EXHIBITIONS AT GODALMING MUSEUM IN SEPTEMBER



STUDIO 12 are artists who attend portrait and life classes at Wanborough Village Hall every Thursday morning. They have exhibited annually at the Museum and their work will show a variety of personal styles and interpretations of a range of themes. Tuesday 5th to Saturday 23rd September.

BROADWATER ARTISTS is a local group which meets at Broadwater Park Community Centre. They are also regular exhibitors at the Museum and always produce a great variety of work, revealing their individual talents in both traditional and modern styles. Tuesday 26th September to Saturday 14th October.

Godalming Museum is open Tuesday to Saturday, 10am to 5pm. Admission is FREE but donations are welcomed.

SURREY CHURCHES RIDE & STRIDE

This year's annual 'Ride & Stride' will take place on Saturday 9th September, which once again coincides with Heritage Open Weekend, so you could include FREE visits to other notable public buildings, some of which are usually closed to the public or charge an admission fee. The idea is to raise money for church restoration and repair. Cyclists (and walkers) are given a list of churches in their area. They map out their own route to visit churches by bike or on foot, and then get friends to sponsor them for every church they visit. The money that is collected is divided into two: half to the church of the cyclist's choice (i.e. your church) and the other half retained by Surrey Churches Preservation Trust for distribution to churches in need and which apply for a grant.

Sponsorship forms and other details can be obtained from:

DAVID BASKERVILLE, Church organiser for St Nicholas Compton. 01483 427405, houndog@care4free.net

IAN HONEYSETT, Godalming area organiser. 01483 429615, honeysett@btinternet.com

The Prostate Project invites you to join **The Sammy Rimington Band** for a fabulous night of great jazz on Saturday 14th October, 7.30pm at Puttenham Golf Club. *The New York Times* said "Sammy Rimington's playing demonstrates the clarinet's matchless range of funky virtuosity, which makes jazz's past as real as its future." Tickets £20, including a choice of Sausage & Mash, Chicken or Vegetable Curry, available from events@prostate-project.org.uk or 07724 465663. All proceeds will go to The Prostate Project – giving men a better chance of beating prostate cancer.

ST NICHOLAS CHURCH SERVICES FOR SEPTEMBER



SUNDAY 3rd – 10.30am Sung Holy Communion; 6pm Sung Evensong

SUNDAY 10th – 8am Holy Communion (Book of Common Prayer);

9.30am Holy Communion with hymns

SUNDAY 17th – 10.30am Sung Holy Communion

WEDNESDAY 20th – 9.45am Said Holy Communion

SUNDAY 24th – 8am Holy Communion (Book of Common Prayer);

9.30am Holy Communion with hymns

FRIDAY 29th – **ST MICHAEL & ALL ANGELS** – 7.30pm Communion in the Upper Sanctuary

SUNDAY 1st OCTOBER – 10.30am Harvest Festival Holy Communion; 6pm Sung Evensong for Harvest Festival

Salaam Baalak Trust

Did you know that at any one time there are an estimated 51,000 children living on the streets of Delhi? The Salaam Baalak Trust is an Indian non-profit/non governmental organisation which works to provide a safety net for these vulnerable children.

Ollie Harvey will be at St Nicholas Church, Compton on Sunday 17th September to talk about the Trust.

Read more about them on their website, www.salaambaalaktrust.com.

DIARY DATES FOR SEPTEMBER

TUESDAYS – Bell Ringing Practice, St Nicholas Church, 8pm

THURSDAYS – Art Class, The Old Barn, 10am-12 noon

FIRST & THIRD THURSDAYS – Parish Clerk available in the Pottery Office, Watts Gallery, 1.30pm-3.30pm

Fri 1st – Country Music with *Hank Lee Travis*, Compton Club, 8pm

Mon 4th – Coffee Morning, Old Barn, 10am

Fri 8th, Sat 9th, Sun 10th – Richmond Dog Show, Forge Meadow, Loseley, from 7.30am

Fri 8th – *Daniel Moul* Organ Recital, Guildford United Reformed Church, 7.30pm

Sat 9th – Surrey Churches Ride & Stride

Sat 9th – Bingo, Compton Club, 8pm

SAT 9th & SUN 10th – HERITAGE OPEN WEEKEND

Sat 9th & Sun 10th – Great Barn, Wanborough, 10am-5pm.

Wed 13th – Jazz at the Pavilion, Guildford Rugby Club, 8pm

Fri 15th – Country Music with *Hank Lee Travis*, Compton Club, 8pm

Sat 16th – Col's Famous BBQ, Compton Club, 8pm

Sat 16th – Barn Dance & Hog Roast Supper, Borough Farm, Milford 7.30pm-11pm

Mon 18th – Coffee Morning, Old Barn, 10am

Wed 20th – Parish Council meeting, Puck's Oak Barn, 7pm

WED 20th – DEADLINE FOR THE OCTOBER NEWS

Sat 23rd – Bingo, Compton Club, 8pm

Sat 23rd – Quiz Night, Compton Club, 8pm

Sun 24th – Surrey Game & Country Fair, Front Park, Loseley, 9am-5pm

Tues 26th – Electric Theatre Jazz Café, 7.30pm

Fri 29th – Macmillan Coffee Morning, Old Barn, 10.30am-1pm

Fri 29th – Country Music with *Hank Lee Travis*, Compton Club, 8pm

Fri 29th, Sat 30th, Sun 1st Oct – *Rotten Perfect*, Watts Gallery, 7.30pm

● OCTOBER ●

Thurs 5th, Fri 6th, Sat 7th – CLT's *Afternoon at the Seaside*, Compton Village Hall, Doors Open 7.30pm

Sat 7th – Cemetery Working Party, 10am-12 noon

Sat 14th – *Sammy Rimington Band*, Puttenham Golf Club, 7.30pm

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