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SATURDAY 19th MAY – 1PM TO 5PM

COMPTON FETE

ON THE VILLAGE GREEN

Only a few weeks to go and preparations success of our Fete depends on the and businesses – please help us to make the 2018 Compton Fete the enjoyable event that everyone has come to expect. This is how you can help:

are well in hand for this year's Fete. The generosity and hard work of local people

- Buy or sell the Grand Draw tickets, distributed with this month's Compton NEWS. This is an easy way to contribute and you can win £200 cash or one of many other prizes, which include Dinner for 4 at the Withies, Dinner for 4 at Lemongrass (at The Harrow), vouchers ranging from £20 to £70, to name a few. **If you receive the NEWS by email and would like some Grand Draw tickets, or you want additional books, contact Richard Paxton on 01483 415390.**
- Contribute a Grand Draw prize, or else something (or a service) that we can auction in our Silent Auction.
- Help on the day. We need volunteers to set up in the morning from 8am, to help on stalls during the afternoon, and to dismantle everything between 5pm and 6.30pm. **If you can spare some time, even a couple of hours, please contact Peter Barnett on shadowland@talktalk.net or phone 01483 419601.**
- Here are the stalls which need your contributions:

Grand Draw & Silent Auction prizes	Peter Barnett, 419601, shadowland@talktalk.net
Bric-a-Brac.....	Jean Miller, 810522
Bits and Pieces	Maureen Butler, 811618
Cakes and Preserves for the Cake Stall	Sarah Baskerville, 427405
Bottles/cans/cartons for the Tombola.....	Jon Maslin, 429461
Cakes, Biscuits and help for the Tea 'Tent' in the Club.....	Jo Ayshford 429523 & Rhona Wilkie 861792
Books/DVDs/CDs	Jane Turner, 810789
Plants and Produce	Ian Barlow, 420744
Tiny prizes for Pick-a-Card	Jane Turner, 810789 (Do you travel, at home or abroad, on business or on holiday? Those little items you find in hotel bathrooms are ideal for this! Or anything that will fit on the face of a playing card.)

The allocation of the proceeds from this year's Fete to local organisations and causes is broadly the same as last year. The Village Association and Fete Committee are discussing which local charity or charities should also benefit and the Village Association will announce these allocations at their Annual General Meeting on Friday 27th April, 7.30pm in the Compton Club.

MORE INFORMATION ABOUT THE PROGRAMME IN NEXT MONTH'S NEWS

We look forward to seeing you at another fabulous afternoon of fun and games on Saturday 19th May.

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Do you have a spare **GARDEN BENCH OR SEAT** which would be suitable for the **BUS STOP AT WATTS GALLERY**? Until recently, John and Jennie Waterfall, who live in the house alongside the Bus Stop, provided a bench which stood there for several years, but eventually it broke and had to be removed. Many people going to Guildford were very grateful to be able to sit down, particularly on hot days, and also when the bus runs late and there is rather a long wait! **If you have one which you can spare, contact Jennie on 01483 810430.**

PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

CHILDREN OF COMPTON, YOUR VILLAGE NEEDS YOU! Please come, and bring your parents, to help unveil our **NEW VILLAGE SIGN** on Tuesday 1st May at 6.30pm. We will meet at the playground and go together to where the new sign will be waiting to be unveiled, and then return to the Compton Club for a celebratory party. This is your chance to be involved in an historic moment for the village – don't miss it!

The party at the Compton Club, from about 7.30pm, will include the village's **ANNUAL PARISH MEETING** and there will be displays on village topics and issues and the opportunity to give your feedback. Supper will be provided. In order to help with catering, please drop the Clerk a note at joanna@joannacadman.com and let her know how many there will be in your party, most importantly the number of under 16 year-olds.

Children and adults alike, this is YOUR village evening and we look forward to seeing you.

ANNUAL LITTER PICK. Thank you very much to everyone who turned out for the annual litter pick on the morning of the Saturday 24th March. We had an enthusiastic group of hard-working volunteers, both for the litter pick and for the cemetery clearing party which took place at the same time. As always, a great deal of rubbish was collected and the cemetery party did sterling work clearing graves of dead flowers and Christmas wreaths. Most people were able to stay for a warming bowl of soup at the end of the morning.

WATTS GALLERY NEWS

Watts Gallery Trust is delighted to announce that **DR CICELY ROBINSON** has been appointed as their new **CURATOR**, to take over from Nick Tromans who is leaving to join Christies' Education in April after 5 years as Curator.



Cicely has been Assistant Curator of Watts Gallery since November 2016 and has co-curated a number of exciting temporary exhibitions since her arrival. Prior to joining the Gallery, she was Assistant Curator at the National Horseracing Museum in Newmarket. Specialising in nineteenth-century British art, she completed a collaborative PhD with the University of York and the National Maritime Museum in 2014. She has been a member of the Tate British Art Network's Early Career Curators Group and co-convened the recent *Curating Now: New Approaches to Curating in the UK* (Tate British Art Network) at the Ferens Art Gallery, Hull.

Cicely has recently been awarded a Curatorial Scholarship to the Yale Center for British Art in the USA to study G F Watts as a sculptor, which she will take up for a month in September this year. Her research there will lead to a re-display of the Sculpture Gallery at Watts Gallery.

EASTER FUN. THERE IS LOTS TO DO FOR FAMILIES DURING APRIL.

- **THE WATTS EASTER TRAIL.** Search for fruits and flowers and return your completed trail to receive a chocolate egg! From Friday 30th March to Sunday 15th April, 11am to 5pm. FREE with admission.
- **CLAY CHICKS & RABBITS.** Make a clay chick or rabbit with the help of a potter in the Foyle Pottery Studio, behind the Gallery. Tuesday 3rd to Sunday 8th April, 10.30am to 12.30pm or 2pm to 4pm. £9.50 per child, ages 8-12. Pre-booking required.
- **SPRING PRINTS & BUNNY BOOKMARKS.** Use the printing presses to create flower and fruit prints and make bunny bookmarks in the Clore Learning Studio at Limnerslease. Friday 30th March to Sunday 8th April. Drop-in 10am to 4pm. FREE with admission.

As part of the programme about votes for women and the Wattses' support for equality, on Saturday 21st April from 7pm to 8pm celebrated journalist and broadcaster **DAME JENNI MURRAY** will talk about her book *A History of Britain in 21 Women*, a fascinating account of trailblazing women who refused to succumb to the laws of society, whose lives embodied hope and change, and who still have the power to inspire us today. *Tickets are £18 each and pre-booking is required.*

WATTS CONTEMPORARY GALLERY. The next exhibition in the Contemporary Gallery, above the Shop, is **REFLECTIONS: THE OBSERVANT ART OF RICHARD BAWDEN AND CHLOË CHEESE**, which runs from Saturday 21st April to Sunday 10th June. Both artists are painters and printmakers who grew up in Great Bardfield, Essex, where their parents were part of a community of artists established by Eric Ravilious and Edward Bawden in the 1930s. They draw their inspiration from life going on around them and this exhibition showcases their beautiful and distinctive 'art of things'. All works are for sale.

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

COMPTON VILLAGE ASSOCIATION

The Village Association's **Annual General Meeting** is on Friday 27th April at 7.30pm in the Compton Club, at which the accounts for the year will be presented. An announcement will be made about the distribution of this year's Fete proceeds, as well as which local charity or charities should benefit. Please come along to support us.

Subscriptions to the Village Association can be paid at the AGM if you have not already done so - £4 per family or £2 for individuals and Senior Citizen couples. To date, subscriptions and donations received are £962 from 129 subscribers, not all of whom live in the Parish but who are keen to support the work of the CVA and who enjoy reading the monthly NEWS! This figure is less than the same time last year so please take a little time to pay your sub, particularly if you have supported us in the past but haven't got round to it this year! Bank details: Lloyds, Sort code 30-93-49, account no. 00115047.



Rehearsals have started for CLT's summer production in June of **MY THREE ANGELS** by Sam & Bella Spewack, which is being directed by David Ford. First performed by CLT in 1988, and also directed by David, this new production has an interesting twist in that the three convicts in the tropical prison colony of Cayenne will be played by women! Performances are on 14th, 15th & 16th June at 8pm each evening in Compton Village Hall.

Tickets are £10 each and are available now from the Box Office on 07964 515103, or online at www.ticketsource.co.uk/CLT. For postal bookings, send your request with cheque (payable to 'Compton Little Theatre') and a stamped self-addressed envelope to CLT Box Office, 49 The Oval, Godalming GU7 3JZ.

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THE CHAIRMAN'S CHARITY NIGHT at the Compton Club is on Saturday 7th April from 8pm to 11.30pm in aid of the Samson Centre for Multiple Sclerosis Therapy in Surrey. Listen to **Classic Tracks** playing Country-style music while enjoying supper, and try your luck in the super raffle. And all this for just £5! Pre-booking is preferred to help with catering but you can just turn up on the night. *Please phone the Club on 810268 or Ted Corner on 07801 682872 if you are planning to attend.*



SPRING GARDEN SHOW AT LOSELEY. Friday 20th, Saturday 21st (10am to 5pm) and Sunday 22nd April (10am to 4pm). Plant sales, garden stalls and by-gones, garden equipment and furniture, driftwood sculpture, decorative house furnishings, food stalls and a chance to preview Loseley's spectacular spring bedding displays before they open for the season. All set in the stunning **Walled Garden**. **Adults £3.50, concessions £3, Under 16 FREE. No dogs are allowed in the Walled Garden.**

Reminder of Loseley opening times over the summer:

Loseley House: Tuesday 1st May to Tuesday 31st July: Monday to Thursday 12pm to 4pm. Sundays 1pm to 5pm.
Gardens, Shop & Refreshments: Tuesday 1st May to Tuesday 31st July: Sunday to Thursday 11am to 5pm
The Estate is closed to the public on Fridays and Saturdays throughout the open season.

This year's **APPART EASTER EXHIBITION AND SCULPTURE TRAIL** at Priorsfield School runs from Friday 30th March (Good Friday) to Saturday 14th April, open daily from 10am to 4pm. Admission FREE. Come in and see some amazing art, in a multitude of mediums, which you can buy or just admire. Compton's own professional artist, David Crick, will be exhibiting some of his work so that's excuse enough to pop in and have a look!

SHACKLEFORD QUILTERS. Are you handy with a needle? Or would you like to try your hand and create a beautiful piece for yourself, or a grandchild, or just for decoration? **Shackleford Quilters** meet in Shackleford Village Hall on Fridays from 9.30am until 12.30pm during term time. They are a self-help group of patchwork and quilters, who welcome all abilities – including beginners. Group workshops and outings are regularly organised. *If you would like to know more, contact Carolyn Maslin on 01483 429461 or Judy Romer on 01483 810140.*

BLACKHEATH AND BRAMLEY CHORAL SOCIETY

Saturday 14th April, 7.30pm

Holy Trinity Church, High Street, Guildford

A wonderful evening of **FRENCH CHORAL WORKS** and organ music, featuring Duruflé's *Requiem* and Widor's *Mass*.

Mezzo-soprano Helena Condry, Organ Daniel Justin, Conductor David Condry.

Tickets £15 (students £8), available from Choir Members, by phone on 01483 454972, Guildford Tourist Information Centre on 01483 444344, or www.visitguildford.com.

ROYAL MAIL is asking the public for their help with streamlining and speeding up the sorting process in their Sorting Offices. From April, the public is asked to post their letters in the boxes FACE UP. This will ensure that Post Codes are identified correctly and letters and packets find their way to the right address as quickly as possible.

<p>JAZZ AT THE PAVILION MARTIN SHAW/MARK NIGHTINGALE QUINTET <u>Wednesday 11th April</u></p> <p>Two of the top jazz soloists in the country, Martin Shaw on trumpet and flugelhorn and internationally renowned trombonist Mark Nightingale, front a quintet with a rhythm section featuring the multi award winning pianist Dave Newton and Jamie Cullum's drummer, Sebastian de Krom. An outstanding evening of first class jazz.</p> <p><i>Guildford Rugby Club. Doors open 7.30pm. Music from 8pm. Tickets £14 in advance from www.guildfordjazz.org.uk.</i></p>	<p>ELECTRIC THEATRE JAZZ CAFÉ ART THEMEN <u>Tuesday 24th April</u></p> <p>A huge figure on the British jazz scene since the early 1960s, Art Themen has continued to work at the highest level both in the UK and on the international stage. This living legend of a tenor saxophone player is still regularly playing to appreciative audiences. Another evening of world-class jazz.</p> <p><i>Music at 7.30pm. Tickets £14, from The Electric Theatre Box Office on 01483 501200.</i></p>
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SUPPORT PARKINSON'S!

Join **PARKINSON'S UK** on Saturday 12th May for an exciting challenge and abseil 160ft down Guildford Cathedral! When you get to the top of the Cathedral Tower, you can enjoy the magnificent panoramic views of Guildford before starting your descent. The views are spectacular, the challenge is terrifying, the cause rewarding. Are you up for it?

All abseilers receive a fundraising pack, sponsorship forms, and a T-shirt. You will be supported throughout your fundraising. Registration is £25 and everyone is asked to try and raise a minimum of £150 in sponsorship. Minimum age to abseil is 8, and under 16s must be accompanied by an adult.

For more information or to book, visit www.parkinsons.org.uk/events/guildford-cathedral-abseil, phone 020 7963 3912, or email fundraising@parkinsons.org.uk.



ST NICHOLAS CHURCH, COMPTON. SERVICES FOR APRIL

SUNDAY 1st EASTER DAY – 10.30am Sung Holy Communion
SUNDAY 8th – 6pm – Evensong (Lay led)
SUNDAY 15th – 8am Holy Communion; 10.30am Sung Holy Communion.
SUNDAY 22nd – 9.30am Sung Holy Communion

DIARY DATES FOR APRIL

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

Sun 1st – Happy Easter!

Sat 7th – Charity Night in aid of the Samson Centre, Compton Club, Food & Music, 8pm-11.30pm

Mon 9th – Coffee Morning, Old Barn, 10am

Wed 11th – Jazz at the Pavilion, Guildford Rugby Club, 7.30pm

Sat 14th – Blackheath & Bramley Choral Society, Holy Trinity Church, 7.30pm

Sat 14th – Bingo, Compton Club, 7.30pm for 8pm start

Fri 20th, Sat 21st, Sun 22nd – Loseley Spring Garden Show, Walled Garden, 10am-5pm (4pm Sunday)

FRI 20th – DEADLINE FOR THE MAY NEWS

Sat 21st – Talk by Dame Jenni Murray, Watts Gallery, 7pm-8pm

Mon 23rd – Coffee Morning, Old Barn, 10am

Tues 24th – Electric Theatre Jazz Café, 7.30pm

Wed 25th – Tower Café, Pottenham Church, 2.30pm-4.30pm

Fri 27th – Compton Village Association AGM, Compton Club, 7.30pm

Sat 28th – Bingo, Compton Club, 7.30pm for 8pm start

Mon 30th – Compton Little Theatre AGM, Compton Club, 8pm

Tues 1st MAY – Unveiling of new Village Sign, meet on the Village Green, 6.30pm

Tues 1st – Annual Parish Meeting, Compton Club, 7.30pm

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Compton NEWS offer for Compton residents. Valid until end July 2018