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COMPTON CLUB AN APPEAL FROM KEN MILLER

The Compton Club is a members' club and has been part of village life for many decades. However, its future is now in doubt and unless more individuals are prepared to volunteer to help, the Club is unlikely to be here in a year's time.

An open meeting has therefore been called at the Club on Friday 12th July at 7.30pm to discuss its future. This meeting is primarily for Club members (it is their Club) but it is also open to village organisations and residents.

- Do the members value their Club and are they prepared to help in trying to keep it going?
- Does the village value the Club and would it miss it if it were no longer there?
- Is the Club a victim of changing trends in society and has the time come to face that reality?
- Should the Club change and if so how?

Please come along and have your say. All comments and views, particularly constructive ones, are welcome.

If you can't make it to the meeting or you would prefer to give an anonymous comment, please email me on speeds.ken@gmail.com or call me on 07702 640767. I give you my word that any comments you make will be unattributed.

I hope to see as many as possible at the Club on Friday 12th July.

Thank you.

Ken Miller - President

BED & BREAKFAST COMES TO COMPTON!

THE WITHIES has opened seven brand new, en suite, Bed & Breakfast rooms. Two are suites (one with a four-poster bed!) and five are double rooms. Each has a flat screen TV and its own bathroom with walk-in shower. They are all furnished to a very high standard and reasonably priced: Suites are £150 per room during the week and £180 at weekends; Doubles are £120 per room during the week and £150 at weekends. They can be booked via the Withies telephone number 01483 421158 but eventually there will be a dedicated number and a link on their website. They are already proving very popular, particularly at weekends for local weddings!

A FINAL UPDATE ON THE RESULTS OF THE FETE. A small amount of extra money was received for a few stalls, making the closing profit **£11,567**. The distribution amongst village organisations and Skillway was also revised, up or down a few pounds! We can all now relax for a few months, before we put our minds to next year – **SATURDAY 16TH MAY 2020**. It won't be long!

As far as subscriptions and donations to the Village Association are concerned, to date £1,251 has been received from 165 households. There are over 400 households in Compton and Littleton.

It's not too late if you haven't got round to it yet!

£4 per family, £2 for individuals and Senior Citizen couples. The CVA bank account is Sort Code 30-93-49, account no 00115047, or you can leave it with Ken Miller at the Old Barn.

THE MARITIME ART GROUP

An exhibition by **THE MARITIME ART GROUP** is currently being held in Guildford House Gallery until Sunday 14th July, featuring twelve artists and their paintings of the coast, ships and the sea. The group are enthusiastic about painting outdoors rather than in a studio setting. Their favourite haunts are the creeks and estuaries of the east coast and the harbours and resorts of the south, as well as the many evocative locations of the tidal Thames and the Medway. **Compton's own DAVID CRICK is one of the featured artists – don't miss it!**

**JAZZ @ THE PAVILION
HONK!**

Wednesday 10th July

With a front line of two saxes and trombone, **Honk!** play jazz versions of catchy, groove-driven world music tunes, embracing Latin, South African Township jive, New Orleans second Line Funk, a touch of Ska and even a hint of Afro Beat. Music to make you smile and dance!

Guildford Rugby Club. Doors open 7.30pm. Music from 8pm. Tickets £15 in advance from www.guildfordjazz.org.uk.

ELECTRIC THEATRE JAZZ CAFÉ

SARAH MOULE
Tuesday 23rd July

The music of Duke Ellington has been inspiring singer **Sarah Moule** and pianist **Simon Wallace** ever since they both discovered jazz. These highly-regarded musicians have performed at the Southbank Centre, every major London jazz room and all over the UK. Sarah sang for six years with The John Wilson Orchestra. Simon toured internationally with the Lindsay Kemp Company, has recorded with Jeff Beck and been Musical Director for Imelda Staunton, Barb Jungr, Ian Shaw and Clare Teal. **Early booking recommended!**

Music at 7.30pm. Tickets £15 from The Electric Theatre Box Office on 01483 501200.

ELECTRIC THEATRE JAZZ CAFÉ

JAZZ IN THE ROUND

PAUL HIGGS IN CONCERT WITH "PAVANE"

Tuesday 13th August

From classical music, to Latin funk, to a French twist, join us for our first jazz evening "in the round" with the fantastic **Paul Higgs Quintet** in concert, playing from his critically acclaimed album *Pavane*, plus some well-known jazz favourites. Featuring **Paul Higgs** (trumpet), **Natalie Rozario** (cello), **Andy Watson** (guitar), **Chris Ingham** (piano), **George Double** (drums) and **Marianne Windham** (bass). **Early booking recommended!**

Music at 7.30pm. Tickets £15 from The Electric Theatre Box Office on 01483 501200.

➤ **DECORATIVE HOME & SALVAGE SHOW** on Forge Meadow, Loseley. Friday 12th July, Preview 12 noon to 5pm, £10 per person. Pre-registration essential on www.asfairs.com. Saturday 13th & Sunday 14th July, 10am to 5pm. Last admission 4pm on Sunday. £7.50 per person - tickets available to purchase on the door. Accompanied under 16s admitted free and dogs on leads welcome. Find the best in reclaimed and salvaged materials, garden furniture and statuary, restored and up-cycled furniture, period home fixtures and fittings, decorative and architectural antiques, furnishings and industrial items.



LOSELEY PARK

➤ **THE GARDEN SHOW** on Front Park. Friday 26th, Saturday 27th & Sunday 28th July, 10am to 5pm. Last entry 4pm. The Garden Show at Loseley returns this year for the 8th year, the perfect event to find all you need to enhance your home, help your garden grow and give all the family a great day out. There will be a wide range of exhibitions with a variety of wares and products. Something for everyone and plenty of children's entertainment. Lots of fun for all! *Adults £7, Children 5-16 yrs £3 (4 yrs and under Free)*. **FREE PARKING**. Regrettably, only Assistance Dogs allowed.

SWSCA (South West Surrey Conservative Association) Milford Branch presents **A MUSICAL ALL-SORTS SUMMER CONCERT** on Friday 26th July at Borough Farm, Borough Farm Road GU8 5JZ. Programme starts at 7pm and finishes at 9.50pm. Supper interval from 7.50pm to 9pm. Bring your own picnic supper to enjoy during the interval. Featuring Ami Lodge (Flautist), Ana Leshkan (Violinist), Daniel Baumberg (Brass), SoYeong Kim (soloist and accompanying pianist), and the Surrey Fringe Barbershop chorus.

Tickets £26 (£21 concessions), available from Jennifer on 01483 420025 or jenniferl@leigh45.net.

GUILDBURYS THEATRE COMPANY, which rehearses at the Compton Club, is gearing up for a busy summer with two new productions:

◆ **LATE NIGHT SHORTS** is a whistle-stop tour through a US airport, a cryogenic future and an office from hell. Three 10-minute plays, nine roles, six actors... all in just 30 minutes! The show – part of the Guildford Fringe Festival – is on Friday 5th and Saturday 6th July, 10.30pm, at The Star Inn, Guildford. Over 18s only as this venue is a pub. Tickets £8 + fees.

◆ Then before going on tour to the Minack Theatre in Cornwall, the company is off to Merrist Wood for a picnic theatre production of **THE GOVERNMENT INSPECTOR**, from Wednesday 17th to Saturday 20th July at 8pm each evening as well as 2pm on Saturday. Tickets are £18, Student concessions £14, available on www.guildburys.com/guildburys-online-booking.

WATTS GALLERY NEWS



★ **JOHN FREDERICK LEWIS: FACING FAME.** Tuesday 9th July until Sunday 3rd November.

This monographic exhibition on the nineteenth-century artist **John Frederick Lewis** (1804-1876) features a wide variety of the vivid and detailed paintings and drawings the artist created during his travels through Europe and the Middle East. Throughout his career, Lewis travelled extensively. Early visits to Scotland were followed by time spent in Germany, Italy and Spain. After visiting Greece, Constantinople and Bursa, Lewis continued on towards Egypt in 1841. This journey was a defining moment: it was Lewis's move to the Islamic quarters of Cairo that significantly shaped both his creative practice and the artistic identity he projected throughout the rest of his career. This exhibition will examine Lewis's continually evolving and experimental self-fashioning – both during his travels and back home in London – exploring the conflicts that exist between his varying personas, from leader of the art establishment to eccentric recluse.

★ **GREENWICH PRINTMAKERS AT 40,** Watts Contemporary Gallery, Friday 5th July to Sunday 1st September.

Free admission. All works for sale.

This year **Greenwich Printmakers** celebrate their 40th anniversary and to honour the occasion, Watts Contemporary Gallery will host this exhibition which features prints by all 35 members and will showcase their distinctive styles and subject matters, with many members creating exclusive and never-before-seen prints. Featured techniques include linocut, etching, screenprint, monoprint, photoetching, aquatint, drypoint, solar plate gravure, collagraph, lithography, wood engraving and woodcut.

★ ★ ★ EVENTS, TALKS AND WORKSHOPS ★ ★ ★

LEON MCCARRON: THE LAND BEYOND

A THOUSAND MILES ON FOOT THROUGH THE HEART OF THE MIDDLE EAST

Wednesday 10th July. Doors open 6.30pm

Tickets £12.50. Friends £11.25

Travel writer and BBC presenter, Leon McCarron, has walked the world in search of stories of humanity. Beginning his journey in Jerusalem, he travelled 1000 miles on foot through the heart of the Middle East in 2015. In this special evening, combining a film screening and talk, McCarron will explore the various layers of culture, history, faith and politics at work in one of the most complex places on earth.

MUSIC OF THE MIDDLE EAST WITH THE RIHAB AZAR TRIO

Friday 9th August. Doors open 6.30pm

Tickets £20. Friends £18

Be taken on a journey through the rich maqams and rhythms of contemporary and classical Middle Eastern music, combining oud – a Syrian lute – double bass and percussion. The first female oudist to perform with the Syrian National Orchestra for Arabic Music, **RIHAB AZAR** trained at the Conservatoire of Damascus and University College London. She has performed widely, with recent performances for the BBC and at the Barbican, Southbank Centre, St Paul's Cathedral and the British Museum.

MONOTYPE PRINTMAKING

Saturday 13th July, Clore Learning Studio,

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11am to 4pm. Tickets £75.

Friends £67.50

Discover the 'direct trace' process, learn more about colour mixing, experiment with delicate chine-collé and create your own series of colourful prints, with Greenwich Printmaker, **SALLY MCKAY.**

ISLAMIC PATTERN PLASTER CARVING

Friday 23rd & Friday 30th August.

11am to 4pm

Tickets £140. Friends £126

Pre-booking required.

Design and carve geometric and biomorphic patterns in plaster with sculptor **ADAM WILLIAMSON**, founder of *Art of Islamic Pattern*. Experience a unique opportunity to work with traditional Moroccan chisels and explore ancient techniques.

★ ★ ★ CHILDREN AND FAMILIES ★ ★ ★

WOODLAND FAIRY FAIR

Saturday 20th & Sunday 21st July.

10am to 4pm

Adults £13. Friends £6.50. Kids go free.

Pre-booking required.

Join us for our annual weekend of magical adventures in the Watts enchanted woodland.

ART SCHOOL

Monday 29th July to Friday 2nd August.

11am to 4pm. Tickets £250. Friends £225

Led by **BECCI KENNING.** Ages 13-17.

Get a taster of art school with artist Becci Kenning. Experiment with printmaking onto fabric, learn about sculpture, and paint from nature in the Watts Woodland.

★ ★ ★ WATTS TOTS ★ ★ ★

£5 per child. Friends £4.50. Accompanying Adults go free! Pre-booking required.

For under 5s. Children must be accompanied. Led by **CHARLIE BETTS.**

PAINT. Friday 26th July, 10am to 11am

Create experimental paintings using a wide variety of 'found' objects, including toy cars, feathers and cardboard.

SCULPT. Friday 16th August, 10am to 11am

Create towering structures from interesting and colourful materials, including lolly sticks, plasticine, cardboard and foam shapes.

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

MANE CHANCE SANCTUARY

August is fast approaching and with it, the school holidays. What better way to give your family a fun day out than to visit **MANE CHANCE SANCTUARY** for their **FAMILY FUN DAY** on Sunday 18th August from 12 noon until 5pm. And as importantly, subject to his availability, their wonderful Patron **JOE PASQUALE** - the King of the Jungle - will be there to say hello to everyone and open their exciting and ground-breaking Shetland Project.

Mane Chance Sanctuary is located just off Down Lane in Compton and is home to 33 rescued horses and ponies. Family Day is intended for people to meet the horses and hear about their work helping people, but it is also a day of fun activities and outdoor pleasures. There are tractor rides and a nature trail, live music, a food and beer tent, have-a-go dog agility and much more! Something for everyone - and dogs are welcome!

If you book early, there is an early-bird discount, otherwise prices on the gate are: Families £15, Adults £6, Children and Seniors £5. Tickets can be booked by emailing tickets@manechancesanctuary.org.

We look forward to seeing you. Visit www.manechancesanctuary.org for more information.

LOOKING FOR A BABYSITTER?

Flora Lewis is 18 and has two years' babysitting experience. She has a full UK driving licence and is flexible with her hours. Contact her on 07584 053303 or floralewis929@gmail.com.

SWEEP YOUR CHIMNEYS!

With summer in full swing and no need for fires, now is the time to sweep your chimney. **Pierre** lives in Onslow Village and offers a professional chimney sweeping service. He is offering £5 off for new customers! Contact him and make a date: 01483 207420 or online at www.wilkinschimneysweep.co.uk/Guildford.

ST NICHOLAS CHURCH, COMPTON - SERVICES FOR JULY AND AUGUST



SUNDAY 7TH JULY – 10.30am Sung Holy Communion; 6pm Sung Evensong

SUNDAY 14TH – 8am Holy Communion (1662)

WEDNESDAY 17TH – 10.30am Said Communion

SUNDAY 21ST – 10.30am Sung Holy Communion

SUNDAY 4TH AUGUST – 10.30am Sung Holy Communion; 6pm Evensong

SUNDAY 11TH – 8am Holy Communion (1662)

WEDNESDAY 21ST – 10.30am Said Holy Communion

SUNDAY 25TH – 10.30am All-Age Communion with Baptism and farewell to Revd Anne Cooper

SUNDAY 1ST SEPTEMBER – 10.30am Sung Holy Communion; 6pm Sung Evensong

DIARY DATES FOR JULY AND AUGUST

THURSDAYS – Art Classes in The Old Barn, 10am-12 noon.

JULY

- Mon 1st – Coffee Morning, Old Barn, 10am
- Tues 2nd – Bell Ringing Practice, Compton, 8pm
- Wed 3rd – Tower Café, Puttenham Church, 2.30pm-4.30pm
- Sat 6th – Wanborough Great Barn open, 2pm-5pm
- Sat 6th – Bingo, Compton Club, 7.30pm for 8pm
- Tues 9th - Bell Ringing Practice, Puttenham, 8pm
- Wed 10th – Leon McCarron: The Land Beyond, Watts Gallery, 6.30pm
- Wed 10th – Jazz @ the Pavilion, Guildford Rugby Club, 7.30pm for 8pm
- Fri 12th, Sat 13th, Sun 14th – Decorative Home & Salvage Show, Forge Meadow, Loseley, 10am-5pm
- Mon 15th - Coffee Morning, Old Barn, 10am
- Wed 17th – Tower Café, Puttenham Church, 2.30pm-4.30pm
- Wed 17th – Parish Council Meeting, Puck's Oak Barn, 7pm**
- Sat 20th – Bingo, Compton Club, 7.30pm for 8pm
- Sun 21st – Wanborough Great Barn open, 2pm-5pm
- Mon 22nd July to Sat 3rd August – Village Hall closed for redecoration**
- Tues 23rd - Electric Theatre Jazz Café, 7.30pm

JULY – Contd.

- Fri 26th, Sat 27th, Sun 28th – The Garden Show, Loseley Front Park, 10am-5pm
- Fri 26th – Musical All-Sorts Summer Concert, Borough Farm, from 7pm
- Mon 29th - Coffee Morning, Old Barn, 10am
- Tues 30th - Bell Ringing Practice, Compton, 8pm
- Wed 31st – Tower Café, Puttenham Church, 2.30pm-4.30pm

AUGUST

- Sat 3rd – Bingo, Compton Club, 7.30pm for 8pm
- Fri 9th - Rihab Azar Trio, Watts Gallery, 6.30pm
- Sun 11th – Wanborough Great Barn open, 2pm-5pm
- Mon 12th – Coffee Morning, Old Barn, 10am
- Tues 13th to Sat 31st – Village Hall closed for redecoration**
- Tues 13th – Electric Theatre Jazz Café, 7.30pm
- Sat 17th – Bingo, Compton Club, 7.30pm for 8pm
- Sun 18th – Family Fun Day, Mane Chance Sanctuary, 12noon-5pm
- Tues 20th – Bell Ringing Practice, Compton, 8pm
- Thurs 20th August – Deadline for the September NEWS**
- Sat 31st – Bingo, Compton Club, 7.30pm for 8pm

You may have noticed that this is a combined July-August Compton NEWS. This is because August is a very quiet month and it also allows the Editor to have a month off! The next NEWS will be for September, distributed at the end of August. The Village Association wishes you all a wonderful warm and sunny summer!