Breaking records...

ear Friends These past summer months in the UK have broken many meteorological records... June was the warmest, driest and sunniest since records began in 1910. And as things currently stand, the present average daily temperature is set at 20.9c. The record for the full three months of June, July and August is 21c and was set in 1976. Barring a



major change in weather patterns, it looks likely that this target will be surpassed.

For many people the warmth and increased hours of sunshine have been a great delight. Britain's major retailers enjoyed the largest annual revenue rise for four years, up 4% compared to the previous year. Sales of ice-creams, BBQ's and paddling pools saw massive increases. More people dined alfresco, with demand for quiche up 11% and worries about a lettuce shortage! Camp sites also did very well. However, a shortage of CO2 saw some pubs and retailers having to restrict sales of certain beers as demand soared around the World Cup and the hot weather.

For other people this hot summer has been bad news as they've struggled in the hot and sticky conditions. There were several devastating blazes on moorland, including Saddleworth Moor near Manchester, which took 3 weeks to extinguish. The RSPB warned us that high temperatures posed a threat to many of our favourite garden birds, such as robins, blue tits and blackbirds, while the RSPCA called on pet owners to keep a close eye on their animals after receiving 625 calls in two weeks about animals in hot environments – most of them dogs in cars. Hosepipe bans were enforced in numerous areas as water supply was repeatedly threatened. Farmers are increasingly worried about the impact on crops and cattle and the impact on the harvest to come.

As we now leave the extremes of the summer months behind us, and a sense of pattern and routine returns, at All Saints our focus is going to be on our vision and values. Over future weeks at our 9.30am service we'll be considering our vision to be a welcoming, growing, vibrant church for the community of Denmead.

We'll be exploring what it looks like for us to be a people who:

- KNOW God Father, Son and Holy Spirit and worship Him in spirit and truth
- GROW in our faith and discipleship through prayer, study and trust in God
- SHOW God's love by serving our community, sharing the good news of Jesus in the power of the Spirit.

And as we think about our vision we'll be thinking about our values – to be a people who are loving and welcoming, generous and prayerful, missional, Biblical, Spirit-filled and courageous.

It's an exciting season! And so, I invite you to come along, to get involved, to be a part of All Saints as we grow and learn together under God's guidance.

With love in Christ,

Emma

Revd Emma Racklyeft

Next Messy Church - Saturday 15th September at 3.30

For all families with children.

The whole family is welcome to Messy Church, grandparents and carers included. Join us in this fun-filled afternoon of craft, singing and eating together.

We meet in the Church Hall from 3.30 pm – 5.30 pm.

Further information at www.allsaintsdenmead.org.uk/messy-church or from Revd. Emma Racklyeft 023 9226 2647 or Revd. Sandie Osborne 023 9236 2591



All Saints Church Services

Sunday 2nd September, 14th Sunday after Trinity

8.00am Holy Communion9.30am Parish Communion

6.00pm Healing Service

Saturday 8th September

12.30pm Wedding

Sunday 9th September, 15th Sunday after Trinity

- 8.00am Holy Communion9.30am Family Praise with Baptism
- 11.30am Private Baptism
- 6.00pm Evensong

Saturday 15th September

3.30pm Messy Church

Sunday 16th September, 16th Sunday after Trinity/

Mission Sunday

- 8.00am Holy Communion
- 9.30am Parish Communion followed by BBQ & Mission Launch
- 6.00pm Informal Service

Sunday 23rd September, 17th Sunday after Trinity

8.00am Holy Communion

- 9.30am All Age Communion
- 6.00pm Evensong

Sunday 30th September, Harvest and Art Exhibition

- 8.00am Holy Communion
- 9.30am Harvest Celebration with communion
- 6.00pm Taizé Service

Morning Prayer is said Mon-Fri at 8.30am – everyone is most welcome.

The church is open during daylight hours, for private prayer. If you wish to light a candle, there is a candle stand in the old chapel.

Looking Ahead: Monday 17th September 7.30pm Baptism Preparation Evening Saturday 22nd September 9.00am Village Prayer Walk

ALPHA will be running during the Autumn Term 2018 every Wednesday evening. The first session starts on Wednesday 5th September 7.00-9.30pm. Each session begins with a meal, followed by a talk exploring the Christian faith, with a time to discuss and ask questions afterwards in small groups. To book a place on this free course please ring Claire on 023 92 268757. More details at www.allsaintsdenmead.org.uk/alpha





Fun, friendship, food and teddies!

Over 80 adults and children gathered together at All Saints, Denmead on Sunday 22nd July for a fun-filled Teddy Bears' Picnic.

After the success of this initiative last year, families from across Denmead village were again invited to come and share an afternoon of party games, face painting, crafts, singing, bubbles, picnic food and ice cream! The picnic brought together families from Messy Church, Little Stars (our Baby and Toddler group) and those whose children have been baptised recently at All Saints. Everyone brought their favourite teddy or cuddly toy to join in the games.

One mum, Sarah Goldsmith said, "we came last year to the Teddy Bears' Picnic and were thrilled to come again this year. My daughter has loved it, she particularly liked the teddy bear hunt around the church and gardens and the yummy icecreams! We regularly come to Messy Church at All Saints and would strongly recommend that to all Primary aged children and their parents. It's great fun!"

Everyone really enjoyed the afternoon – the teddy bears were well behaved, the sun shone, and much fun was had by all.



Revd Emma

Havant Deanery Confirmation Service

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On Saturday 15th July a wonderful celebration took place at the Havant Deanery Confirmation Service hosted at All Saints as thirteen candidates were confirmed by Bishop Christopher.





Denmead Baptist Church

Denmead Baptist Church is a small, friendly fellowship which has worshipped in the village since 1717 and has been at 'The Cornerstone' since 2014.



Our weekly Sunday services start at 10.30am, they are informal and incorporate a worship band, children's activities and bible based teaching for the adults and young people. We also enjoy many social activities together.

Programme

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|) | 2nd | All Age Service Adrian Holland |
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| | 9th | Joth Hunt (Baptist Regional Minister) – Communion |
| | l 6th | David Denham |
| | 23rd | Norman and Margaret Moss – Communion |
| | 30th | Harvest Service, All Age |
| | | – Donations to the Food Bank |

Friday 5th October

6.30 for 7pm Harvest Supper: Jacket Potato, Beans and Salad and Fruit Crumble £5 per person,
Tea and coffee provided - bring your own drinks.
Supper followed by a Sunflower Drive
Look out for posters with details of tickets

Alpha Group with All Saints Church starts Wednesday 5th - see posters and leaflets for further details.

Noah's Ark starts Wednesday 12th after the Summer break.

Noah's Ark

Parent and Toddler Group on Wednesdays, 10-11.30am

£1 adult, 50p per child

For further information, please go to:

Website: www.denmeadbaptistchurch.org.uk

Email: admin@denmeadbaptistchurch.org.uk for room bookings/enquiries 'The Cornerstone', 22 Mead End Road, Denmead, Waterlooville PO7 6PZ

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We look forward to welcoming you to our church.

Sacred Heart Catholic Church

The Church of the Sacred Heart and St Peter the Apostle 356 London Road, Waterlooville, Hampshire PO7 7SR Parish Priest: Rev Mgr Canon Jeremy Garratt (023) 9226 2289 shspa@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk www.waterlooville-catholic.org.uk



Mass Times

Saturday Mass Vigil: 6.15 pm

Sunday Masses

10.30 am Children's Liturgy; 6.30 pm Folk Mass

Please refer to Newsletter for weekday Mass times.

From the Registers

Baptisms

Sunday 12th August Jared and Jensen Smith

Weddings

Thursday 23rd AugustAdele Chatburn and Nigel EllisSaturday 25th AugustMandy and Ken Hall – Renewal of Wedding VowsFriday 31st AugustLauren Taylor and Robert Capel

Funerals

Thursday 19th July Wednesday 25th July Thursday 26th July Mr Thomas Morgan Mr Robert Morecraft Mr Peter Beck

Coffee & Chat Mornings, Tuesdays & Thursdays



The above coffee mornings are held on a Tuesday & Thursday between 9.30am and 11.30am in the Heath Room at All Saints Church. Anyone is welcome to "pop in" for a coffee & chat with friends, old and new.

We have a vital need for a further 2/3 couples for the 2019 rota – each morning could easily be covered by one person – the more people that are on the rota,

means that "your turn" would only come round about once every 6 weeks – so can you help please?

If you can help, please contact us for further information:

John & Sylvia Morphett john.morphett124@gmail.com 023 92 439037

Bereavement Support

There is a monthly 'Tea and Friendship' afternoon for anyone recently bereaved. This is an informal time when people can meet others, have tea and make friends.

We meet on the 4th Wednesday of each month between 2-4pm in the church hall. For more information please phone All Saints Church office 9226 8757 or Merill Partridge 9226 6159.

Home Visiting

If you are lonely, sick or housebound or would just like someone to visit you, All Saints Church has a confidential visiting team and one of our members would willingly come, visit and spend time listening to you.

Please phone us on 9226 8757. If the answerphone is on leave a message and we will phone you back.

What's on This Month, and Where

Venue Abbreviations: ASC = All Saints' Church CH = Church Hall; HR = Heath Room; UR = Upper Room; Contact Church Office 9226 8757 MH = Memorial Hall Contact Mrs S Thomas 9235 5993 DCC = Denmead Community Centre Contact Mr R Bainbridge MBE, 9225 6132 PC = Denmead Parish Council Contact Tony Daniells, 9224 7947 SHQ = Scout Headquarters BC = Baptist Church (Cornerstone, Mead End Road)

- D = Daily W = Weekly F = Fortnightly M = Monthly Events occurring Daily and Weekly are only mentioned once - i.e. in the first week of the month.
- Times shown refer to hall bookings please check with organisers for exact times of their events.
- Diary entries should be sent to Gill Barge (denmeadbarges@aol.com) at least one month in advance of publication.

| Sat I | MH | Bootcamp Fitness Class | 9.30am | W |
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| | | ABS Fitness Class | 10.30am | W |
| | DCC | Table Tennis | 10.00-Noon | W |
| Sun 2 | DCC | Denmead Junior Brass Band | 9.15-10.15am | W |
| | | Denmead Brass Band | 10.30-12.30pm | W |
| Mon 3 | СН | Zumba Fitness Class | 9.30-10.30am | W |
| | | Slimming World | 5.30 & 7.30pm | W |
| | DCC | Old Schoolhouse Pre-School | 9.00-3.00pm | D |
| | | *Friday* | 9.00-Noon | |
| | | Yoga | 10.00-11.30am | W |
| | | Pilates | II.00-Noon | W |
| | | Kettle Fit | 7.00-8.00pm | W |
| | | Table Tennis | 7.00-9.00pm | W |
| | | Denmead Bridge Club | 7.00-10.00pm | W |
| | SHQ | Busy Bees Pre School | 9.00-Noon & 3.00 | D |
| | | -Friday | 9.00-Noon | |
| | | Merlin Cubs | 6.30-8.00pm | W |
| | At the l | Forest of Bere Denmead Knit & Bitch | 7.00-9.00pm | F |
| | | All abilities are welcome | | |

Village Diary

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| Tue | 4 | СН | Pilates | 9.30-10.30am | W |
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| | | 3 rd Denmead Brownies | | 5.45pm | W |
| | | Denmead Horticultural Society | | 7.30-9.30pm | Μ |
| | HR | C | offee & a Chat-All Welcome | 9.30am-11.30am | W |
| | | Also on Thursday | | | |
| | | | Guide Mentoring | 7.30-9.30pm | |
| | | MH | Denmead Pre School | 9.00-3.00am | D |
| | | | *Wednesday* | 9.00-12.30pm | |
| | | DCC | Upholstery | 9.30-12.30pm | W |
| | | | Citizens' Advice Bureau | 9.30-11.30am | W |
| | | | U3A Art History | 2.00-4.00pm | Μ |
| | | | Tuesday Pilates Class | 5.30-7.30pm | W |
| | | | Allsorts Dog Behaviour & Care | 5.00-7.00pm | W |
| | | | Downland Singers | 7.45-10.15pm | W |
| | | | Denmead Brass Band | 8.00-10.00pm | W |
| | | SHQ | Falcon Explorers | 7.00-9.00pm | W |
| Wec | 15 | СН | Bumps, Babies & Beyond | 9.30-10.30am | W |
| | | | 2 nd Denmead Rainbows | 4.15-5.15pm | W |
| | | | Ist Brownies | 5.45-7.15pm | W |
| | | HR | Alpha Course – I | 7.00-9.30pm | |
| | | BC | Noah's Ark Parent & Toddler Group | 10.00-11.30am | W |
| | | MH | Denmead Afternoon WI | 2.00pm | Μ |
| | | | Denmead WI Belles | 7.30pm | Μ |
| | | DCC | Zumba Gold | 9.30-10.30am | W |
| | | | Table Tennis | 10.00-Noon | W |
| | | | Creative Quilters | 10.00-Noon | F |
| | | | Pilates | 10.30-11.30am | W |
| | | | Tai Chi | I.30-2.30pm | W |
| | | | Patchwork Pals | 2.00-6.00pm | W |
| | | | Yoga | 6.00-7.30pm | W |
| | | | Breakaway Quilters | 7.00-10.00pm | W |
| | | | Kettle Fit | 7.15-9.00pm | W |
| | | | Strictly Denmead | 7.45-9.00pm | W |
| | | | Parish Council Meeting – Main Council | 7.30pm | |

| | SHQ | Concorde Cubs | 6.30-8.00pm | W |
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| | At the Fo | prest of Bere Denmead Knit & Bitch | 10.00-Noon | W |
| | | All abilities are welcome | | |
| Thu 6 | СН | ABC Pilates (Advanced Class) | 10.00-11.00am | W |
| | | Keep Fit | 2.00-3.00pm | W |
| | | Ist Denmead Rainbows | 4.15-5.15pm | W |
| | | 2 nd Denmead Brownies | 5.30-7.00pm | W |
| | CH/HR | Guides & Rangers | 7.00pm | W |
| | HR | Coffee & Chat-All Welcome | 9.30am-11.30am | W |
| | | – Also on Tuesday | | |
| | MH | Karate | 6.30pm | W |
| | | Badminton | 7.45pm | W |
| | DCC | Table Tennis | 9.00 -11.00am | W |
| | | Zumba | 9.30-10.30am | W |
| | | Senior Citizens' Luncheon Club | 12.30-1.30pm | W |
| | | Southern Arts Academy | 4.15-8.30pm | W |
| | | Bootcamp Fitness | 7.00-8.00pm | W |
| | SHQ | Bere Forest Beavers | 5.15-6.15pm | W |
| | | Creech Woods Beavers | 6.30-7.30pm | W |
| Fri 7 | СН | Little Stars Playgroup | 9.30-11.30am | W |
| | | Chair Exercises | 2.00-3.00pm | W |
| | DCC | U3A Art | 9.30-Noon | W |
| | | Kettle Fit | 7.00-8.00pm | W |
| | | Rose Dog Club | 7.30-8.30pm | W |
| | SHQ | Vulcan Scout Troup | 7.00-9.00pm | W |
| Sat 8 | DCC | Southern Arts Academy | 9.45-11.15am | W |
| Sun 9 | MH | Karate | 5.00pm | W |
| | Kidmore | Lane DINOSAUR DERBY | 1.30pm | |
| Mon 10 | СН | Breathe Again | 11.30am | W |
| | MH | TS Alacrity | 7.00pm | W |
| | At The Forest of Bere-The Royal British Legion Meeting 8.00pm | | | М |
| - Hambledon & District Branch | | | | |
| Tue II | СН | Fit & Fifty Plus | 11.30-12.30pm | W |
| | | Positive Strokes | 2.00-3.00pm | W |
| | | Gold Star Dancing | 8.00-9.00pm | W |
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| DCC | | C | Southern Heart Support Group | | 10.00-Noon | Μ |
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| | | | Afternoon Social Club | | 2.00-3.00pm | Μ |
| | | | Denmead Evening WI Craft Evening | | 7.00-9.00pm | Μ |
| At the Chairr | | | nakers,World's End. | | | |
| | | | - Waterlooville Probus Club | Noor | n-3.00pm | Μ |
| | | | - Lunch followed by talk | | | |
| Wed | 12 | СН | Memory Café | | 11.00-12.30pm | |
| | | | South Hants Koi Club | | 7.30pm | Μ |
| | HR | Alpha Co | ourse - 2 | | 7.00-9.30pm | |
| | | MH | Floral Workshop | | 7.30pm | Μ |
| | | DCC | Denmead Art | | 10.00-Noon | F |
| | | | Parish Council Meeting - Planning | | 7.30pm | |
| Thu | 13 | DCC | U3A Table Tennis | | 2.00-4.00pm | F |
| Sat | 15 | CH | MESSY CHURCH | | 3.30-5.30pm | Μ |
| | | | -See main notice for details | | | |
| Tue | 18 | DCC | Denmead Reading Circle | | 2.15-4.15pm | Μ |
| | | | Chapter Reading Group | | 2.30-4.00pm | Μ |
| Wed | 19 | CH | Flower Club | | 2.00pm | Μ |
| | | HR | Alpha Course – 3 | | 7.00-9.30pm | |
| | | MH | Denmead Evening WI | | 7.30pm | Μ |
| | | DCC | Parish Council Meeting – Amenities | | 7.30pm | |
| Fri | 21 | СН | Denmead Village Association | | 7.30-9.30pm | |
| Sat | 22 | | Starting at All Saints Church | – Villag | e Prayer Walk | ζ, |
| | | | all welcome | | 9.00am | |
| Tues | 25 | DCC | Upholstery | | 9.30-12.30pm | W |
| Wed | 26 | СН | Bereavement Support Group | | 2.00-4.00pm | Μ |
| | | HR | Alpha Course – 4 | | 7.00-9.30pm | |
| | | DCC | Parish Council Meeting | | | |
| | | | - Finance, Admin & Personnel | | 7.30pm | |
| Sat | 29 | СН | ART EXHIBITION | ALL D | AY | |
| | | DCC | FILM NIGHT- To be confirmed | | 7.30pm | Μ |
| Sun | 30 | ASC | HARVEST FESTIVAL – all we | elcome | 9.30am | |
| | | CH | ART EXHIBITION | ALL D | AY | |

Around the Green

Denmead Community Centre – Beer Festival



The Charles Church 20th Annual Denmead Beer Festival will be held on Saturday 27th October: Tickets are $\pounds 10$ and include both a free drink and an etched glass tankard, tickets are now on sale from the Centre and other Village outlets.

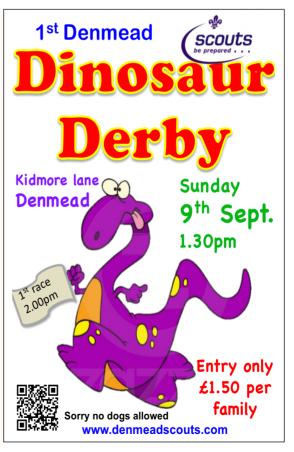
Book early as this event is always a sell-out!

Probus Club

Waterlooville Probus Club provides a meeting place for retired or semi-retired, professional or business, ladies and gentlemen. We meet on the second Tuesday of each month at 'The Chairmakers', Worlds End, Hambledon, PO7 4QX.

The next meeting will be held on the I I th of September, from 12.00 noon to 3.00 pm. We meet for a drink and a chat with fellow members, and after a 3course lunch, our guest speaker, Dave Allport, will give a presentation entitled 'A Cruise up the Thames - Part 2'

If you would like further information on the Probus Club, please contact our Secretary, Peter Quine, on 079 2662 0530 or by e-mail to peterpia 1989@outlook.com



Denmead Evening Women's Institute

Our Autumn programme starts on the 19th September with the 53rd Birthday meeting on 'WI OCCASIONS' and we will be entertained by Mr J Sherwood. We hope everyone will enjoy this relaxed evening.

In October on the 17th we have a speaker telling us about 'Cat's Hairs on my Quilts. This sounds an intriguing title and something to look forward to. Our speaker is Mrs Glennis Lee from Havant.

November 21st sees the return of Mr Andrew Negus who will give us 'Part II' of his travels throughout the world.

At our December meeting on the 12th our speaker is Alison Fountain who does 'Unique Designs in Felt.' This will no doubt give us some brilliant ideas ready for our craft meetings which are held once a month on the second Tuesday evening at the Denmead Community Centre at 7pm - 9pm.

For those who wish to gather for the Meet & Eat lunch at a local hostelry information is given out at the monthly meeting. Both the craft meeting and the lunch give everyone time to chat and are enjoyed by all who attend.

The ideals of the WI of truth, justice, tolerance and fellowship are as strong now in the 21st century as they were at the birth of the WI in 1915. It comes in all shapes and sizes and offers women the opportunity to be involved in the way that suits them. Our regular meetings are on the third Wednesday of each month at 7.30 pm at Denmead Memorial Hall (Second Wednesday in December)

Guests can attend up to 3 meetings – free of charge prior to joining.

more information from: www.hampshirewi.org.uk or www.thewi.org.uk

or call either: Marilyn Farrow, President – 023 9226 2418 or Gill Lancashire – 023 9226 1234

Denmead Afternoon Women's Institute

Instead of a monthly meeting in August we had our annual outing. Joined by family and friends we enjoyed a visit to the Bombay Sapphire Distillery at Laverstoke. Situated on the River Test the site was originally a paper mill making money for India. The distillery produces the entire output of Bombay Sapphire gin for the world. The two large greenhoues hold examples of the various botanicals used in the gin production. Thes botanicals are grown in various parts of the world, mainly the Far East. During our tour we were able to watch the famous Test brown trout swimming in the beautiful clear water. The tour concluded with a gin cocktail or mocktail which we enjoyed in the sunshine

Unlike last year we had a lovely sunny day which added to our enjoyment.

At the time of writing we are preparing for our stall at the Horticultural Society Village Summer Show.

The day will conclude with participation in the group round of the WI County Skittles Competition

We continue our monthly lunch dates at various locations in the area.

We catered for another coach party tea in July.The Winchester Hard of Hearing Group having been visiting us at the end of their Summer Outing for over twenty years.This is our main fundraising to cover the cost of speakers for the coming year.

Future plans include the Group Christmas Social Afternoon at Cowplain when each institute performs a short item, and a visit to Portsmouth Guildhall for the Annual Milton Glee and Marine Association Band concert.

In January we will enjoy a Festive Lunch instead of holding our monthly meeting.

This month's meeting will include a talk about the Rosemary Foundation Hospice at Home and the competition is for an item made of ribbon.

We invite all ladies to our meetings held on the first Wednesday of the month from 2 to 4pm in the Memorial Hall, Hambledon Road. We have talks and demonstrations on a wide range of subjects so there is something to suit all tastes and interests. If you have recently moved to the village or retired the WI is the ideal way to make new friends or renew old friendships.

If you are unable to attend an afternoon meeting the Evening Institute would welcome you to their meetings at 7.30pm on the third Wednesday (except December when they met on the second Wednesday)

Joan Downing (9226 5458)

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Lesley Rose, Advice Services Manager for Citizens Advice Winchester District, advises what to do if your hotel accommodation isn't quite what you booked.

Q I booked a luxury hotel room for my package holiday, but arrived to find it wasn't available. I spent the week in a standard room instead. I've reported this to my travel agent. Am I entitled to any compensation?

A Your holiday was lower in value than what you booked. This means you should be able to get compensation for your inconvenience and any extra costs incurred.

Contact the customer services department of the company you booked your holiday with by email, letter or via the company website. Make sure to keep a copy of what you send.

Explain fully what went wrong and how much compensation you want. This should be the



If you need any more information, or are unsure of your next steps, contact the Citizens Advice consumer service on 03454 04 05 06.

If you want to speak to an adviser locally, Citizens Advice Winchester District has services in Winchester and Bishops Waltham, plus outreaches in Denmead, Wickham and Alresford. Alternatively, call AdviceLine on 03444 111306 or visit www.citizensadvice.org.uk difference in cost between the luxury room and the standard room, any costs incurred from staying in the standard room, and what you feel is reasonable compensation for your inconvenience. Make sure you keep receipts for any extra expenses.

If the company refuses to pay compensation, or you don't think its offer is good enough, check whether the company is a member of the Association of British Travel Agents (ABTA). ABTA should be able to mediate between you and the company.

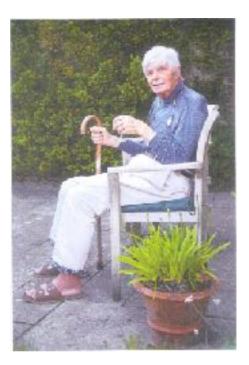
If the company is not a member of ABTA, look for an Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR). This is an independent third party who can help you reach a resolution without going to court. Alternatively, if you paid by credit or debit card, contact the Financial Ombudsman who can mediate.

Ian Alexander Ruthven-Stuart M.B. Ch.B., D.Obst.R.C.O.G. (1927-2018)

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The fourth time we nearly lost lan was strangely enough on his retirement day. We all knew that we were losing him to a limited extent, but it nearly came to more than that. After the customary lunch, speeches and presentations from staff and colleagues in Denmead Health Centre, lan and Christina were paraded the one mile walk through Denmead to the Goodman Fields, led by a bagpiper. There a surprise awaited them. It was a hot air balloon to take them in whatever was at that time the downwind direction and with Champagne to refresh them. lan looked excited, but I will never forget the look of horror on Christina's face at the prospect of being conveyed at considerable altitude in a large laundry basket. After a slight hesitation she plucked up courage and they soon set off.

But Christina's consternation had me silently worried. My God, what have we done? I thought. Will their life assurance policies, if they have them, cover accidents in flying balloons? Diana and I quickly decided to follow them but at ground level by car. It was a fine summer's afternoon with a southerly breeze of about 10 knots. It was easy to see the balloon. We drove through Hambledon



to Droxford and then all the way up the A32.They started to lose height as they approached Alton and were clearly looking for somewhere to land, though I did not know at that moment that it was because they were running short of gas. Everywhere we looked there seemed to be hilly fields of waist-high corn or else, more worrying, an increasing density of high voltage electricity pylons.

Anyway, fortunately their pilot spotted some grass in the grounds of Lord Mayor Treloar College and it was there that they

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made a somewhat precipitous landing. They did not need to climb out of the basket as it was tipped on its side. When the champagne arrived we had more to celebrate than we had expected.

Throughout his GP career, lan worked one session per week in the fracture clinic at The Royal Portsmouth Hospital and later at Q.A. One advantage of this was that we had access to various finger and wrist splints as well as plaster of Paris bandages and saved many patients from having to attend A & E.

Well into his retirement when shopping in the local supermarkets, lan would be affectionately accosted by the shop assistants who would remind him that they were his babies, that is to say he had once delivered them. He had an area-wide reputation for his domiciliary obstetric services. lan appreciated the benefits, for some, of a home delivery. He understood that women generally laboured well in their own homes, free of the fear of

the then austere hospital maternity units.

He was one of the last generation of general practitioners allowed to provide 24 hour care. And one surely cannot be a more general practitioner than when rodding blocked drains in the early days of the health centre at Denmead, which we did on more than one occasion. lan was a GP trainer and taught his skills to many trainees (Now called registrars), at least four of whom have stayed to practice in this region.

We used to attend the local hospital postgraduate medical centre meetings where specialists and GPs could learn from each other. Once, at Winchester Hospital, it was Denmead's turn to present cases.l presented three cases of malignant melanoma skin tumours that I had encountered. Ian, on the other hand, had the courage to entitle his presentation "Mea Culpa". He then revealed a few of his rare mistakes in GP, rightly believing that it is better to have the opportunity to learn from the mistakes of others than from your own. He was warmly applauded.

...one of our truly greatest citizens Alas we shall see Ian no more. Sadly we have finally lost him but I'm sure that all of us present here will never lose our memories of him. We are all one day destined to become memories but some of us will be remembered longer than others.

lan ranks amongst the highest in this category and those of us privileged to know him will be eternally grateful for having experienced one of our truly greatest citizens.

David Griffiths

Around the Green

Hampshire County Council

Dear Resident

At the time of writing this report we are all bathing in glorious sunshine and enjoying the summer holiday period. However, the new academic year will soon be upon us and children will be back to school so it is reassuring to read below of the success of Hampshire children. The young generation deserve our praise as, indeed, do the Teachers and other school staff. What a great start to the new school year.

High Academic Performance by Hampshire's 11 year olds

A higher percentage of Hampshire's primary school children have met the expected standards in their Standard Assessment Tests [SATs] than their peers nationally, according to provisional results published by the Department for Education.

- Reading: 78 per cent versus 75 per cent nationally (and 76 per cent for Hampshire in 2017)
- Writing: 82 per cent versus 78 per cent nationally (and 81 per cent for Hampshire in 2017
- Mathematics: 78 per cent compared with 76 per cent nationally (and 77 per cent for Hampshire in 2017)

Top Preference

Around nine out of ten children in Hampshire starting at a new school in September have been accepted into their first choice. Newly released figures from the Department for Education show that in Hampshire 93 per cent of children beginning either primary or secondary education will be joining their preferred school, a similar rate to those who started in 2017.

Domestic Abuse

Nobody should have to experience abuse and I hope that anyone affected will seek help by ringing the confidential Hampshire Domestic Abuse Helpline on 03300 165 112. This helpline provides help to women, men, young people and children experiencing any form of domestic abuse, not just physical abuse. The service, which is delivered by The YOU Trust and Southern Domestic Abuse Service (SDAS), provides a comprehensive service including refuge, as well as community support for those suffering from the effects of domestic abuse.

Free confidential support around drinking is also available by calling the Hampshire Alcohol Helpline on 0300 303 3539.

Emergency Care

If you are caring for someone who needs your help due to a health condition, disability or frailty, you may find it useful to know that Hampshire County Council fund emergency planning for carers. Up to 48 hours free care may be available for the person you care for in the event of an emergency. This is a free service and no adult services assessment is needed. Telephone Freephone 0800 1691577.

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Health Centre: 023 9223 9630 The Registrar of Births and Deaths: Appointments Only. Telephone: (01489) 894044 General Visiting, and Help in Bereavement – please contact Church Office: 9226 8757 Age Concern Hampshire, Village Agent: Lin Powell 07791 012 304 Denmead Community Care Group: (COMMUNICARE) 023 9223 9630 Denmead Community Centre: 9225 6132 9am - 3pm, Monday-Friday Memorial Hall Bookings: Mrs S Thomas, 9235 5993 Police Contact No: 08450 45 45 45 Burial Ground enquiries: 9224 7947 Denmead Parish Council: 9224 7947 Winchester City Council 01962 840222