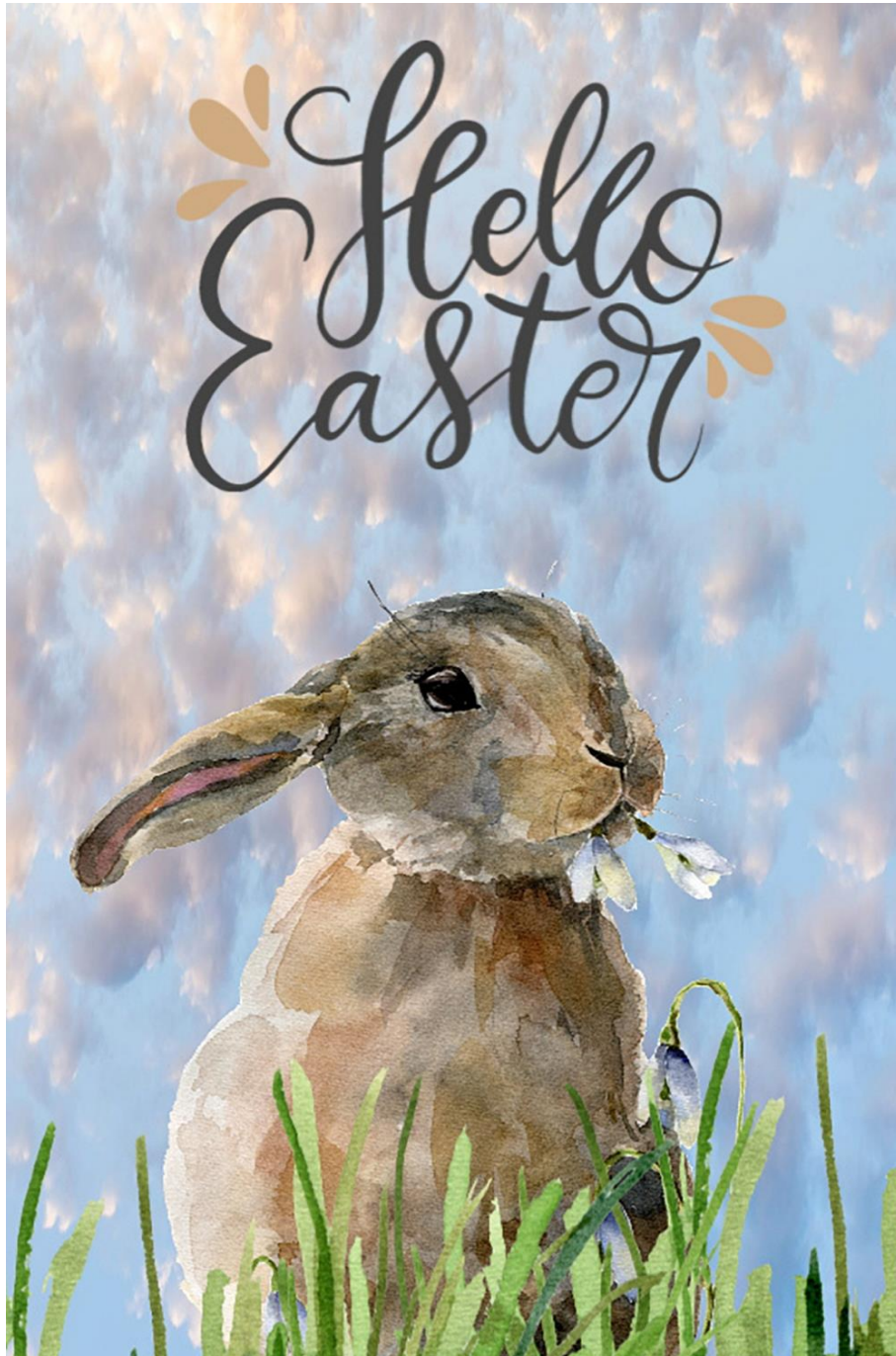


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April 2021



WROXALL'S PARISH MAGAZINE

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Local elections on 6th May 2021

Owing to the elections being held on May 6th we are not allowed to include any content in this edition of the Way from local councillors who may be standing in the Elections. This includes all parish councillors and IW Ward Councillors. They will be back as usual after the election.

If want to vote by post, you need to do this now, well ahead of polling day on 6th May 2021. To request a postal vote application form, email electoral.services@iow.gov.uk or call 01983 823380. The deadline to apply for a postal vote and cancel or make changes to a current postal or proxy vote at this election is 17:00 on 20th April 2021.

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The Wroxall lottery has raised the hall £204.50 since its inception which is great. We have an average weekly sale of 42 tickets and we've had 11 winners so far...although four of those winners were community association members....total fix right?!🤔👍

....but we could really do with more support. Tickets have dropped by 2 this week and it would be a shame to lose momentum. Every drop in tickets means a drop in winnings and of course donations to our local village cause but if we can each only think of at least one more person to buy a £1 weekly ticket then hopefully it will spread to more ticket sales and bigger winnings for the committee members when we win again🤔👍



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To deliver such a challenging project requires the collaboration and support of many. I'm sure you will join us in thanking: Councillor Rodney Downer for ensuring our teams could get on with the job in hand by dealing with direct residents enquiries and keeping a very watchful eye over the works development; Councillor Adrian Gallop for his continued support and advice throughout; Southern Vectus for managing the buses and keeping residents connected; Amey for working around us for refuse collection and not forgetting the team at Island Roads for ensuring everyday services continued as normal.

Finally, James and his engineers would like to add special thanks to the residents for their patience, fabulous cakes and refreshments.

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| 2 nd April | Good Friday | Service of music & readings | 12noon |
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| Tuesday, 13 th April | | Holy Communion (BCP) | 9.45am |
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Don't miss your COVID injection. If you are unable to obtain transport to get there, particularly due to the road closure and lack of public transport especially in the north end of the village, please contact Malcolm on 853076. If he is unable to assist please contact Jackie on 07817634516.

We think this covers most items and we will help with any reasonable requests. If you need help or support or are concerned in anyway, please call one of us for advice.

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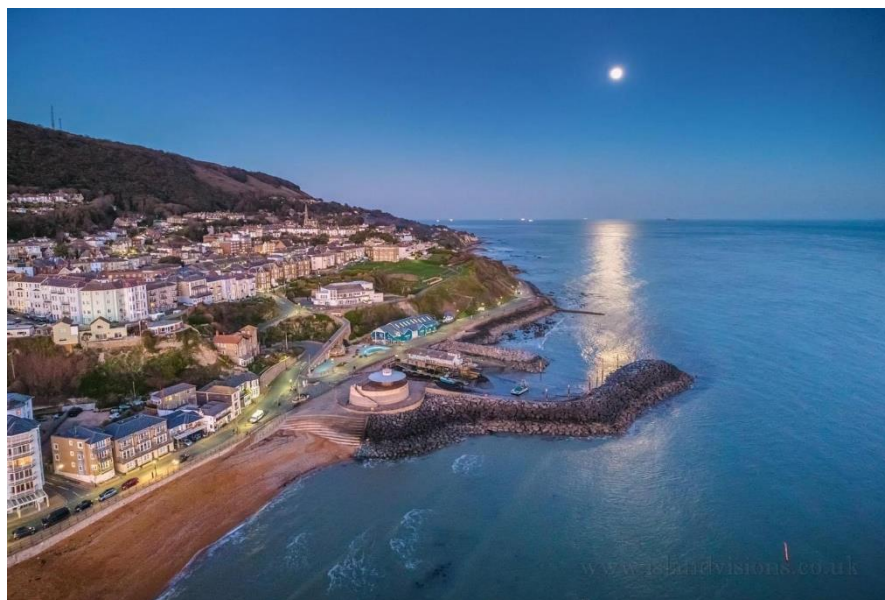
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Country Watch with Jackie Gallop

Spring had almost arrived and I even managed a ride in the sunshine. However, the raw cold has returned so it will be a little while before an extra layer can be removed. Young lambs are starting to be born. In fact, we saw one only minutes



old. Now is the time to start getting the garden ready for planting and time to start mowing the grass. The rooks are building their nests and, as the old saying is, March never goes out without a young rook. I am looking forward to the clocks changing at the end of the month and lighter evenings. Have

you noticed the spectacular moon at the end of February? I have seen some cracking pictures of this. Whilst not Wroxall but Ventnor, I did enjoy this picture. As I start to write this month's country matters it has made me reflect on my life on a farm. I was born in 1960 and my parents were running their first farm at Morton Common. It was quite small and I recall my mum saying she used sell the eggs to be able to go shopping for groceries.

My parents had a small dairy herd of channel island cattle and to enable my mum to get down to the parlour early for milking she would Bath me in the evening and dress me for the next day!

I was only 4 when we moved to Moor Farm at Godshill. Again, we were milking cows and my sister was born in 1964. This was a larger farm and we also grew potatoes which were sold to shops and hotels in Shanklin and Sandown. These were delivered by my mum in a Bedford van UDL 555, with my sister in her carry cot on top of the potatoes. No car seats in those days or even seat belts. Eventually the cows went and we grew more potatoes and corn as well as vegetables. I have many memories of being on the potato harvester, pulling spring onions, picking beans or sprouts, a lot of which were sold to Derek Hunt in Rookley. Once this was done on a Sunday if we were lucky we went to Compton Beach. Harvest meant various friends and family being drafted in to help with Mum providing a meal for the workers.






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Stenbury Hall is closed to public hire during the latest lockdown however we are starting to take bookings for later in the year as restrictions are starting to ease and clubs will reopen as soon as government guidance allows.

Wroxall Free Food – Our local foodbank for residents of Wroxall will remain open for the foreseeable future. Run by a dedicated team of volunteers the food bank receives the majority of its supplies from Morrison's Supermarket and is supplemented from the generous donations of some of our Wroxall residents. The food Bank currently helps support around 10 families a week. A huge thank you to our small team; David, Teresa and Carol for everything they continue to do.

Wroxall Community Associations Annual General Meeting was held on the 19th February and was the delayed annual meeting for 2019-2020 period. The meeting was attended virtually by 23 residents and included constitutional changes to help run the centre in a modern world. A huge thank you to Sara O'Mahoney for her invaluable input in this area and for her role as Business Administration Volunteer. The constitution was written and adopted on the 17th March 1979 and amended on the 15th December 1988. This is the first time a legal change has been made to the constitution since that time.

The outgoing committee was dissolved and a new committee was formed immediately after with the following people; Jan Dyer & Jon Steele take on a shared Co-Chair position. This is the first time the role has ever been shared. Alison Cotton was elected as Secretary to the Committee, Vince Ward became a member and the small committee increased by one to welcome Peter Jardine as a new member. At present the committee are still in need of a Treasurer. If there is anyone who feels they would like to join and help in this capacity please email your interest to wroxallcommunityassociation@gmail.com for details of requirements for the role.

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Would you like to join us? – We are currently putting together a Christmas Committee. The new sub-committee will be charged with preparing for our 2021 plans for December including a Santa event and a new village Christmas tree. Please get in contact if you would like to join in on this fun project.

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Musings from the Manse

Spring arrives, in daffodils, windy days, bird song, sunshine and showers. There is such great variety around us if we stop and look, stop and listen. With spring developing we are reminded of all that was happening last year, the first of the lockdowns, the uncertainty, and the questions.

I'm not sure that many of us were expecting that we would still be in this situation a year on. What is good is that through the challenges we have seen times of great kindness, the community has pulled together and supported each other. People have talked to their neighbours more and more. All these things are good, and they have come out of what remains a really difficult situation. It is recognised that there is much uncertainty, grief and pain that individuals and communities are having to deal with. Nationally much hope is being placed in the vaccine roll out.

Spring brings with it the Church's greatest festival. The story of love and suffering turning into hope and resurrection. I wonder what those first disciples would have felt like on Holy Saturday, the shock and horror of Jesus' death behind them, yet they would not have known about the amazing event that was awaiting them on the following day. In some ways I think that we are in the place of the disciples in relation to the pandemic. Though the vaccine gives us a little more direction for what might help us to come out of it.

It took the women and the disciples a long time to work out what was happening with Jesus's resurrection. God's love revealed through Jesus offering hope in this world as well as into eternity. I think we are still trying to work out what it means though as it says in 1 Corinthians 13:13 Faith, Hope and Love abide and the greatest of these is Love. As we start to find our way out of the pandemic may we also be willing to continue to build this community with care and kindness.

If you get time over this Easter Period try reading one of the Gospels in the Bible, Luke is my favourite, it is an amazing story.

God be with you.

Rev. Helen

P.S. I'm going to be away for the following three months so you will have a break from these musings for a while.

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