



VILLAGE NEWS

WEST END

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WEST END MOTOR CLUB

It has been too bitter or too wet since Christmas for easy fettling of the treasured steeds but at least one rebuilt engine has been completed and is being shoe-horned into place, whilst the rest of us play with carburettors in the kitchen, or warm workshop, or turn our talents to more mundane and dangerous tasks such as being annoying to her indoors. However, anti-freeze has been checked, batteries charged, tyre pressures inspected and winter servicing in general completed.



Rebuilt 1947 Morgan engine waiting to be fitted into the car.

Therefore thoughts turn to the motoring year ahead with inevitable clashes of dates and venues already apparent. Our annual Cobweb Run, which is what it says it is for, is being planned allowing for partners and friends to be invited to come along for the Run and to visit some fairly local place of interest before retiring to a suitable pub for a good lunch, after which one is free to depart or do something else. Make a diary note of the date Sunday 29th April and contact Ken or David for further details. Classic and modern cars welcome.

The annual Pocklington Classic, held each September in memory of Charles and in aid of Macmillan Cancer Care, is already fixed for the weekend of 21st -24th September taking in the Norfolk countryside and a vintage race meeting at Snetterton Circuit. We have two rooms still to fill although all the usual suspects are already booked. If you have a car of interest and would like to join us, please contact Ken Berry or David Rolfe, via Village News.

So sunnier days still to come we hope. Although we shall be having our fallow year at the Flower Show, we welcome any new enthusiasts to the Thursday evening noggins in the Village Club from about 8pm, and hope you all enjoy happy and safe motoring.

*Article: David Rolfe
Photo: Ken Berry*

At the end of October last year I drove my Austin 7 to Godstone and met Peter, who rebuilt it in 1989-90, and his son Tom. They went for a run in it whilst I had a coffee. Photo shows Peter, Tom and car reunited after 27 years and they were both able to enjoy a drive.



Article and Photo: Roger Brown



WEST END ESHER CRICKET CLUB



Above: Gareth Batty England and Surrey Captain helping Mike Bacon coach the Colts Section.

Believe it or not winter is the time when all the hard work has to be done from electing new officers of the club, to preparing the square for the coming season, recruiting new players, winter nets and getting events in place for the spring/summer!

Our updated website which is nearly finished www.weecc.co.uk gives all the information on officials, matches, events statistics etc. for both Senior and the Junior sections.

Sadly Gill and Wayne are stepping down from running the colts sections having helped continue this vibrant part of the club! A big thank you guys for all your hard work over the years! The good news is that Chris Hambleton takes over as Junior Chairman and can be contacted on JuniorChairman@weecc.co.uk if you would like to help out on a Friday night or have children that would be interested in joining the club.

More good news! West End CC is pleased to introduce the West End Girls Cricket section 2018. Under the management of Tracy Anne Townsend and level 2 coaching talent of James Peters we aim to provide girls with the opportunity to play competitive cricket in a fun and supportive environment.

#We are running one squad U11 to U14s and enter the girls into various Surrey festivals this year. Training will be held on Thursdays from 5:30pm till 7:00pm commencing 3rd May till end JulyPlease pass the word round and contact the club if you have girls that are interested in taking part.

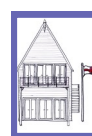
As always a plea for help in playing, umpiring, scoring, teas and marshalling on a Friday night etc ...contact through the website or phone me on 07836 242290.

Our first games start end of April, so hope to see as many of you as possible during the season.

Mike Bacon (Chairman WEECC)



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AFC WESTEND FOOTBALL CLUB

Hi everyone and welcome to the Spring report for AFC Westend. I can't believe that the season is already in its final stages with only a handful of fixtures to complete for our First and Reserve teams and I'm thinking where has the time gone!

Both teams are doing well in their respective leagues, the First team are currently sitting in 4th position in the Premier Division and the Reserve team are currently in 6th spot in their league and with games in hand the Reserves could also finish up in the top four as well. With both teams still involved in cup competitions there is still plenty to play for.

The First team have had an exceptional run in their push up the table and have only lost once in their last nine games (including cup games) which according to team manager Tony Searle is an exceptional achievement by his squad and bodes well for the future if we can manage to keep all the players together for next season.

The Reserve team manager George Nixey has had an uphill battle with players coming and going this season and he has also lost some of his players to the First team squad, however, despite all the problems with having an unsettled squad he has done a remarkable job to put out a team each week and they have pulled off some impressive results to keep them in a strong position in the league.

The AFC Westend Vets have had remarkable success so far this season with their fixtures and have only lost 2 games all season, an impressive set of results lads, well done and long may in continue.

Also, don't forget, if you would like to get a quotation from our main club sponsor G&T Landscaping & Building Ltd for any building or landscaping work, then please don't hesitate to give Grant Dady a call.

Well that's all our news for now, let's hope that we can finish off the current season in style, have a great summer and if you fancy it, why not come down and support the lads at one of our home games, it would be much appreciated, also, don't forget to keep an eye out for all the latest news, fixtures and results on our club website at www.afcewestend.co.uk

Cheers for now and regards to you all from the team at AFC Westend.

Keith Harris



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ESHER & DISTRICT RACING PIGEON CLUB

Regrettably our racing pigeon membership has reduced to just fourteen flying members. Various reasons have caused this. The principal one being a change in the programme which has reduced the flying distances for which we can compete in our Federation.

Our opening race is from Blandford on 7th April, a distance of some 82 miles which finishes at Tours on 7th July—approximately 300 miles.

We are now breeding the birds for the Young Bird Season which will start on 28th July, again at Blandford which will provide weekly races until 15th September with Yelverton providing the final race again about 172 miles, a testing distance for this seasons newly bred pigeons.

Your President has had his own problems this year with cats gaining access to his loft which has prevented birds from hatching and hawks have also provided some local problems to Esher pigeons.

Hopefully, we can get down to some competitive racing when the season gets under way.

Allen Palmer, Hon. Secretary



WEST END GOLF SOCIETY



Any person wishing to join
the WEGS can call
Dave Morgan
on 07956 129987
or
Allistar Goff
on 07958 221566.

VILLAGE CHRISTMAS CAROL CONCERT

The annual Christmas Eve Carol Concert was another great success. Once again supporters filled the seats and the aisles of St. George's Church. The participants gave a superb performance of carols, readings and poems with a little help from the audience's participation! Thank you to all those members of the Village Club who organised the event and those who spent many hours rehearsing, resulting in a very successful concert. Thanks also to all those who attended and made the event a happy occasion. Refreshments were provided in the Village Club following the concert.

HAPPY 90TH BIRTHDAY CHUMMY!



Celebrating its 90th birthday in February -
Bob Thompson's Austin 7 Chummy. This photo was taken
at the Exmoor Trials in 2013.