

GALA NIGHT

Monday 25th August
7pm In the Marquee on the Green,
West End Village, Esher

An evening of Operatic Favourites plus lighter Show Classics Arranged by Jeremy Silver (Ipainist) and featuring Sally Silver (soprano) plus mezzo soprano, tenor and baritone

Tickets £15 in advance inclusive of a welcome drink

Book by email: onethegarth@gmail.com or book by phone: 01932 866645



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WEST END ESHER SPORTS & SOCIAL CLUB

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WEST END GOLF SOCIETY

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



WEST END ESHER CRICKET CLUB

With the wet May causing tricky wickets all players have been struggling to find form! Now with the sun out we have no excuses. Availability of players has been a real problem so far this season, but with our University lads now returning I am much more optimistic.

John Loxton, our overseas player, has been in great form with both bat and ball and has been very busy coaching the young Botham's coming through our cricket academy!

Youth cricket on Friday nights continue to go from strength to strength thanks to the dedication of Gill, Wayne and the rest of the coaches and helpers.

Cricket week at West End is week commencing the 28th July so please pop down watch some great cricket and relax with a few drinks!

Our end of summer party on the green is Sunday the 24th August featuring Acoustic Angels and our local band Boot Neckplease support this event as it is an evening not to be missed.

Have a great summer and hope to see you down the club very soon.

Mike Bacon (Chairman) - live updates: www.weecc.co.uk

BANK HOLIDAY WEEKEND SUNDAY 24TH AUGUST 2014 DOORS OPEN 7.30pm LICENCED BAR & FOOD AVAILABLE Featuring Live Music From John Reilly & The Acoustic Angels Bootneck Rob, G & Vincent West End Sports & Social Club or contact Mike Bacon mike bacon@cth.co.uk £15 Adults (12+) or £20 at the door Tables of 10 can be reserved in



Ken Berry's 1947 Morgan—See Motor Club Report









Esher & District RPC





WEST END MOTOR CLUB

Memory Lane is revisited as we drive our classic cars in flamin' June. Well not exactly now we've got congested motorways, speed limits, yellow lines and traffic wardens to add to the joy! Petrol was around 15/6d a gallon in 1969 and beer less than 2/- a print. ! I've still got the 1947 Morgan I bought then for £175 and we've grown old together gracefully!

The West End Motor Club will have a presence at this year's 60th Anniversary Flower Show on Saturday 23rd August. We will feature a choice of vehicles over 60 years old and like many of us they don't make 'em like they used to! We are always amused to hear the phrase MDUT-HOOT. My Dad Used To Have One Of Those!

On 4th September wives and girlfriends rejoice. Their men disappear for the weekend driving their classic cars on the 9th Annual Charles Pocklington Memorial Rally. A light hearted run, this year to the Forest of Dean where we will explore the hidden secrets of the region staying in a former 17th century hunting lodge which still holds sessions of the Court of the Forest today. Places may still be available for like minded enthusiasts either as drivers or riding as navigators in members' cars. Contact David Rolfe 01372 463380 or Ken Berry 07973 283695.

Our office and headquarters is situated at the West End Social Club bar and a few of us can be found there most Thursdays from 9pm. Come and join us for a pint.

Ken Berry

A GREAT DAY AT THE RACES THE GRAND MILITARY GOLD CUP



Following the cancellation of the Annual Military Parade due to the troops being deployed on flood duty in Chertsey, Ann Tennant and Margaret Dane of Winterdown WI, attended the Military Gold Cup meeting at Sandown Park on March 7th, escorted by Stanley England, fellow Christ Church, bell-ringer of Ann's. They arrived early and studied form, to little avail. Ann and Margaret decided to view the hats on sale,



ESHER & DISTRICT RACING PIGEON CLUB

After ten races this season Esher top the Federation Club Points Shield by 11 points from the next Club, in all Esher have had a member in the top six positions for nine of the ten races including two firsts by Danny Allison for two of the three Cross

Channel races flown, the last from Messac a distance of 256 miles producing a winning bird some 12 minutes in front of the second. Esher have a very competitive membership with no less than six members recording first positions so far.

Our Old Bird season finishes with a race from Bergerac on 11th July, a distance to Esher of 451 miles 1250 yards and it is hoped that favourable winds will permit the birds to fly the distance in 12 to 14 hours on the day of liberation. The first Saturday in August will see the commencement of the young bird season which runs until the middle of September. Young birds are those hatched in 2014 and will be 4 to 7 months of age when undertaking their first competitive race from Blandford, a distance of 82 miles 1101 yards to the Esher loft of Allen Palmer just over the road from the Prince of Wales. This w3ill also see the first of the sponsorship races to this loft, sponsored by non-pigeon fanciers mainly members of the Sports and Social Club or residents of West End. The first



Allen Palmer with one of the Young Birds Photo: Angela Stockbridge

race carries prize money of £200 split between the sponsors of the first three birds timed. The Pigeon Club membership wish to congratulate the Village News on its 10th Anniversary, particularly to Angela Stockbridge for the hard work on her part in producing this excellent record of life and events of our Village.

Allen Palmer*, Hon. Secretary



Stanley England

Stanley concentrated on the horses. Whilst doing so, he espied the Princess Royal. The lack of success continued, so all three decided enough was enough! They did mark their race cards though, and they would have done better! The Princess Royal presented the cup to the winner of the Queen Mother Memorial Race, She then walked right in front to the three saying "Good night" on her way to the waiting helicopter.

Two years ago, Ann, Margaret and Clare Craigmile, happened to be close to The Duchess of Cornwall, and were all happily able to reply in the affirmative, when she asked if they had won any money!

Despite the absence of financial gain in 2014, all three had so enjoyed the day, that they vowed to return next year!



Report and photographs: Margaret Dane

WEST END (AFTERNOON) WI

In March members were treated to a talk given by Mr Peter Thompson entitled "You – the jury". A barrister for 27 years, he worked mainly at the Central Criminal Courts. Addressing us as "you, the jury" he explained the role of the juror. He spoke about many landmark cases, including the trial of Dr. Crippen & Miss Le Neve who were caught by the new ship to shore telephone, and the miscarriage of justice in the trial and subsequent hanging of Timothy Evans. Dressed in his gown and wig he demonstrated how intimidating this is to even hardened criminals!

In April the speaker was Mr Matthew Alexander who provided a fascinating afternoon of the folklore and customs of Surrey. He told us that centuries ago Surrey was comprised of small communities of people scratching a living from inhospitable soil and the growth of superstitions and beliefs, which were probably spread by beggars going from door to door. He regaled several stories, including the building of St Catherine's church near Guildford by giant sisters with one hammer between them. Many legends are about buried treasure, secret tunnels from castles, monasteries & manor houses, including a scurrilous one connecting monastery and nunnery! There, of course, were tales of ghosts and haunting too.

The May meeting was the resolutions meeting. It commenced with an enjoyable Ploughman's lunch followed by announcements of outings, meetings, future fundraising events. Members voted on the resolution to increase organ donation. The majority supported this.

Tea, biscuits & a raffle accompany all our meetings and often we have a competition. We meet at West End Village Hall at 2p.m. on the third Wednesday in the month. We are a very friendly group and welcome new members.

Janet Colley