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SIMS, Ted 14.8.2002. You are always in my thoughts. Love you, Doll and Family xx

Return Thanks

WILSON, Lou, Derek, Paula and Lisa would like to thank everyone for the cards and kind wishes that they have received. They have been a huge source of comfort and support.

Diamond Wedding

Wood Maurice and Margaret
 Mum and Dad congratulations on your Diamond Wedding Anniversary on 18th August
 Lots of Love Chris, Glyn and Dena xx

Birthdays

NICOLETTE POULTER
 Happy 51st birthday. You are a lovely mother, have a great day. Lots of love, Louella and Claudia xxx

18th Birthdays

FRASER IZZARD-CRESE
 Happy 18th Birthday Fraser for 20/08/11 with all our love Mum, Al, Tilly and uncle Robert xxx

Personal

HAYTREE, Sheila and Gordon would like to say a big thank you to all for making our 50th, 70th and 80th celebrations a memorable occasion for everyone

WE are looking for the following former pupils of the Farnham Girls' Grammar School to join a year reunion on 24th September. Janet Bridges, Angela Downs, Angela Eldred, Ada Fisher, Mary Garrett, Caroline Gee, Janet Gilmore, Mary Horner, Caroline Johnson, Cynthia Messer, Cynthia Milne, Janet Smith, Sally Tatum, Dawn Thomas, Hilary Townsend, Pam Tuson, Barbara Ward. Please contact A. Schofield at 01252 714083 or scotjia@yahoo.co.uk if you can help.

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Pictured from the left, Jeff Morris of the Brightwells Gostrey Centre committee, Jo Whelan, John Whelan, Stephen Inman and Maggie Groves. Picture Order No FD32-130-11 www.farnhamherald.com

Centre feeling pinch as funding dwindles

FARNHAM'S Brightwells Gostrey Centre is struggling with cuts to its public funding and is currently having to consider redundancies to its already small staff.

Stephen Inman, the centre's chairman, spoke of how the centre is having to rethink its services for the town's elderly as he accepted a "timely and most welcome" donation from a local building company.

John Whelan, chairman of the Council-mixed Natta Group, was left in no doubt of the importance of the £4,000 cheque raised at his company's charity golf day.

"This contribution is most welcome when our grant for our high-needs clients has been cut by a half, which is bound to lead to a reduction in our already small staff," said Mr Inman.

"That will directly mean less help for the most vulnerable of our clients."

The reduction in the money allocated by Waverley Council's small grants panel has meant that the respite and therapy services for people needing most attention are now only available in the mornings only, rather than all day.

Mr Inman, a former hospital consultant, believes the centre will lose about a quarter of its funding next year.

At the same time it remains in limbo because of the East Street redevelopment, with Waverley unwilling to spend money on the building while a replacement is in prospect within the scheme.

As one consequence, centre manager Maggie Groves mentioned the strategic placing of buckets to catch the drips from a leaking roof, every time there is heavy rain.

"The local community deserves a centre to embrace a wide range of activities and facilities for all ages, including the older members of society," said Mr Inman.

"We therefore urgently need the larger premises that we have been promised in the East Street development, or an alternative centre if that does not materialise, plus seeking funding."

Mr Whelan said: "When looking

for a local charity to support this year we wanted to find somewhere nearby that elderly people could go for some company, a hot meal and support if they needed it.

"When we came across The Brightwells Gostrey Centre in Farnham it was clear to us that they provide a much-needed service for the local community. We are delighted to give them a cheque for £4,000 from the proceeds of our annual Natta Charity Golf Day.

"A big thank you to all our sponsors as without their support for our charity day we would not be in a position to do this. We hope that in the future we will be able to support some other worthwhile local charities.

Work has also involved repairing potholes and patching up broken stretches of road before a new surface was laid.

In May - the first full month of the new highways contract - May Gurney fixed more than 2,500 potholes at a rate of more than 600 a week.

Ian Lake, Surrey County Council's Cabinet member for transport, said: "We're working incredibly hard to improve Surrey's roads and this century of resurfacing projects bears testament to that.

"We know there's a lot more to do but I'm sure that over the coming months and years Surrey residents are going to see a big improvement in the standard of their roads."

Michael Atkinson and Rotary president Victor Duckett. FD33-09-11

IN BRIEF

Rotary grateful for generosity

THE Rotary Club of Farnham was grateful to Sainsbury's customers for their generosity when members collected at the Water Lane more.

Last Friday the collection was for the relief of famine in Africa and on Saturday for the Lesage Cancer Trust and local charities.

Over the two days £1,200 was collected. The club has already sent £500 to the Disaster Emergency Committee's appeal for the famine in Africa and now more than £600 can be added to that.

Usually the club works directly with other Rotary clubs on the ground where the disaster occurs. It will be contacting the district governor of Kenya Rotary District 9200 to confirm whether a further contribution to the fund is the best policy or whether another Shelter Box, which would provide a home for a family of 10 in the refugee camps, would be preferable, with a further smaller contribution to the fund.

The decision will be taken this week due to the urgency of the situation.

President of the Rotary Club, Victor Duckett, was keen to thank not only local people but also Sainsbury's Supermarkets Ltd for allowing the collection to take place. He would also like to thank all his helpers for making it such a successful weekend.

Tenage Cancer Trust is Victor's charity for the year and the contribution will go towards building and equipping a unit at the Royal Marsden Hospital, specifically for young people with cancer.

"This is just one example of why I joined Rotary," said Mr Duckett. "We are able to support both international and local projects through the worldwide organisation, and are able to do so with the guarantee that the money will be used in the best possible way."

Anyone wishing to know more about the local Rotary clubs should contact the Rotarians at Hutton, phone 01252 792394 or email betarg19@iscalcu.com



Michael Atkinson and Rotary president Victor Duckett. FD33-09-11

Bypass brings up contractor's century

THE A31 Farnham bypass has become the 100th road resurfaced by new Surrey County Council contractor May Gurney.

Since signing its contract with the council higher this year, May Gurney has resurfaced enough road to cover more than 140 football pitches, which led end to end stretch 333 miles further than the 75 miles from London to Portsmouth.

A total of 720,000 square metres of road has been covered by 100 schemes.

The work - known technically as surface dressing - has taken place across Surrey with the century being brought up to the A31 Farnham bypass. Around three-quarters of a mile was resurfaced along both carriageways.



Competitors line up ahead of the competition. FD32-29-11

Big day for skate and BMX fans

THIRTY-five young skate and BMX fans took part in a competition organised by Waverley Borough Council at the skate park in Dogflud Way, Farnham.

Stephen O'Grady, the Waverley councillor with responsibility for young people, said the competition included some very talented riders and that around 80 people watched the action.

"Once again, one of Waverley's skate/BMX projects has proved really popular with local young people," he said.

Support for the event was given by Surrey County Council, DC Leisure and the 40 Degree youth centre.



BMX rider Miles Winkworth, completes a 540 transfer. FD32-28-11

What is Probate and letters of administration?

Farnham Citizens Advice Bureau - A local charity registration no:1098859. Tel. 0844 848769. www.citizensadvicewaverley.org.uk

If you are named in someone's will as an executor, you may have to apply for probate. This is a legal document which gives you the authority to share out the estate of the person who has died according to the instructions in the will. You do not always need probate to be able to deal with the estate.

In some circumstances, someone who wants to deal with the estate of someone who has died will have to apply for letters of administration, rather than probate. This person is called an administrator. You have to apply for letters of administration if there is no will, if the will is not valid or if the executors cannot or are unwilling to act.

You usually need probate or letters of administration to deal with an estate if it includes property such as a flat or a house. Otherwise, you may not need probate or letters of administration.

To apply for probate or letters of administration, you need to fill in a number of forms. You always need to fill in form PA1. This form asks for details about the person who has died, their surviving relatives, the personal representative and some details about the will, if there is one.

You will also need to fill in other forms depending on what is in the estate and how much it is worth.

You can get an application pack from any local probate registry or by telephoning the HMRC, Probate and Inheritance Tax Helpline on 0845 302 0900.

You will have to go for an interview at a probate registry when you have sent in the forms, so return the forms to the probate registry where you would like to go for the interview. With the forms, you also have to send the original will (if there is one), the death certificate and the probate fee. There is no fee where the value of the estate is less than £5,000. The fee for an estate valued at £5,000 or more is £105.

Make sure you keep copies of the forms you have filled in.

When they have looked at your forms, the probate registry will contact you, giving a date and time when you have to go for an interview at the probate registry.

You need to take all the relevant documents and letters with you, for example, bank books, share certificates and details of any debts of the person who has died. You also need to identify the person who has died, your passport or driving licence.

The probate registry will have transferred all the details onto the official legal papers by the time of the interview. You should read these very carefully and check all the details. You are legally responsible for making sure the documents are correct and you have to confirm on oath that the details are accurate.

After the interview, you will get a letter showing how much inheritance tax is due, if any. Once this has been paid, probate or letters of administration will be sent to you in the post. It includes details of value of the estate before and after debts have been deducted. A photo-copy of the will, stamped

to prove it is an official copy, is also sent. Both the probate and letters of administration will be public documents and can be examined by anyone who wants to see them.

Once you have got probate or letters of administration, you can begin to deal with the estate and share out the property.

It may only take three to five weeks to get probate or letters of administration if there are no complications, inheritance tax is not payable, the estate is straightforward and all forms are filled in properly. However, in more complicated cases, it may take much longer.

For further information contact Farnham Citizens Advice Bureau (CAB). Farnham CAB is part of Citizens Advice, a local charity that provides free, confidential and independent advice to help people resolve their debt, benefits, housing, legal, discrimination, employment, immigration, consumer and other problems.

Advice is available face-to-face at Manrose House in South Street, Farnham and by telephone on 0844 848 7699. We also offer some home-to-home or email advice. You can also contact the Citizens Advice Waverley website at www.citizensadvicewaverley.org.uk/

Trefoil Guild celebrates anniversary

Members of the committee including Iris Parrott, chairman Ruth Duncan-Davis and Betty Bond cutting the cake. Picture Order No FD29-329-11 www.farnhamherald.com

FARNHAM Trefoil Guild has celebrated its Diamond Jubilee with afternoon tea at the Methodist Church Hall, South Street, Farnham.

Representatives from Aldershot, Bordon, Godalming and Guildford guilds joined with other guests from the local guiding community, together with all the members of the Farnham Guild.

Guests were welcomed by Ruth Duncan-Davis and then Iris Parrott gave a short talk on the guild's history since 1951.

Sandwiches, cakes, scones with jam and cream were provided by the members and a beautiful cake, which was made and iced by Iris Parrott, was cut by Betty Bond who had been a member of Farnham Guild since 1955.

A scale model of a camp site was on show which had been made by Gladys Farmer, who also brought her camp blanket and collection of guiding badges.

The drawing of the raffle and singing of 'Taps' brought a very enjoyable afternoon to a close.

Other members of the Farnham Guild are Lily Carter, Pat Lindsay, Margaret Naylor, Anne Payne, Christine Stevens, Maloney Wilkins and Janet Wright.



JUNIOR HERALD BIRTHDAYS

Thursday, August 18: Bethany Wood (12), names and dates of birth to Chris Whitty at Monday, August 22: Fran Parrott (6). If you would like your children's names and dates of birth to appear in the Junior Herald, do not publish birthdays after the age of 12.