

CRANHAM VILLAGE MAGAZINE

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September 2025



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Worship in Cranham - September 2025

Sunday 7th 11.00am Harescombe Benefice Communion
Revd's Sarah & Andrew

3.00pm Feast Service Revd Sarah & Vics
Sidesman Julie Berry & Keith Ardron
Readers TBA

Sunday 14th 11.00am Holy Communion Revd Andrew
Sidesman Mark Crowther
Readers Mark Crowther

Nicky Clapton

Sunday 21st 6.30pm Evensong (BCP) Fr David
Sidesman Sarah Taylor
Readers Sarah Taylor

Nicky Overs

Sunday 28th 11.00am Harvest Worship Revd Helen
Sidesman Mike Wakeman
Readers Mike Wakeman

Martin Whitaker

Cranham Parish Council website

lots of info including the minutes of meetings

<https://cranhampc.org.uk/>

Church Flowers

7th & 14th Sept Feast Flowers - Hannah Daniels
21st Sept Deb Carrington-Stait
28th Sept Wedding
5th & 12th Oct Harvest - Di Blandford and helpers



Church Cleaning

6th Sept Beryl Berry
13th Sept Nicky Overs
20th Sept Vics Soutar
27th Sept Carol Tringham
4th Oct Sylvia Ardron



Refreshments will be served after the following services:

7th Sept 3.00pm Feast Service
14th Sept 11.00am Holy Communion
28th Sept 11.00am Morning Worship



Neighbouring Policing

Thursday 31st July at 11.30, PCSO Wood, recovered a vehicle from Buckholt Wood's , Cranham. PCSO Wood was aware that this took a while for this vehicle to be recovered, however we had a named keeper, so we gave them the opportunity to recover their vehicle. This was not taken up. So, we recovered the vehicle.

Thank you for all local residents that contacted me.

Nicky

PCSO WOOD 249231

Neighbourhood Policing Team, Stroud Police Station

The Cross, Parliament Street, Stroud, GL15 1QQ

Contact number 07484 507624

Extracts from The Messenger - September 2025

We are delighted to welcome Philippa Donald as the Bishop's Advisor for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing.

Philippa started learning British Sign Language (BSL) in 2021, and she hopes to use her skills to be a friendly point of contact for anyone seeking to explore the Christian faith or find a church community.



She said: "I'm very excited and honoured to be taking on the role of 'Bishop's Advisor for the deaf and hard of hearing' in the Diocese of Gloucester. It has been one of the desires of my heart for some time, to see our churches and church services becoming more accessible to those with whom we cannot communicate in the traditional way of speaking and being heard.

"British Sign Language has its own alphabet. There is a sign for each letter, but most words have their own sign, and some signs can work for several words.

"The sentence structure in BSL is also different from English, and all elements must work together – including facial expressions, which convey the mood of what you are signing. It can be challenging, but it's very rewarding when someone understands your efforts to communicate.

"The message of God's love and salvation for everyone needs to be able to be proclaimed to all, in a way that they can receive, understand and respond.

"Please pray for me as I begin this exciting new role, that it will enable more people to hear the good news of Jesus Christ for themselves and begin or continue their journey of faith."

There is a video of Philippa introducing herself in BSL. You can watch this by visiting <https://gloucester.anglican.org/2025/meet-the-bishops-advisor-for-the-deaf-and-hard-of-hearing>.

Welcoming people into church this month

As schools reopen, and daily routines restart after the summer months, September can be a time when people decide to explore new activities or connect with local community groups, including getting involved with church. It's a good time to think about welcome, particularly for new people in an area who might be looking for community and connection.

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Robin Riordan, Churchwarden in Tidenham Parish, shares how the churches in Tidenham parish – St Luke's in Tutshill, St Mary and St Peter's in Tidenham, and St Michael and All Angels in Tidenham Chase – welcome people in and aim to make everyone feel included.

"Openness is at the heart of all three churches in the parish. We want anyone who comes in to feel like they are part of the church family. We are always happy to welcome new members and grow.

"We have a welcoming team, alongside sidespeople. There's always someone greeting people as they arrive, and others who continue the welcome inside. When new people come through the door, several people will say hello and chat with them. We try to create a space where everyone feels noticed and at ease.

"We have coffee on offer after some services, to give people a chance to meet and chat. We also run activities in the community that are non-faith based, like coffee mornings, baby and toddler groups, Pilates in the church building, and music evenings. These are ways people can get to know the church without needing to come to a service first.

"We have strong links with our local primary school; the schoolchildren sometimes do assemblies at the church. The families become familiar with us through combined activities like this.

"We make sure to be visible in the community through our website and Facebook page. Being approachable helps people feel comfortable reaching out or dropping in.

"Our goal is that when anyone walks through the doors, whether they come once or regularly, they feel welcome and part of something friendly and supportive."

Ride and Stride is back for 2025

Ride and Stride is back, for 2025, taking place on 13th September. This annual event invites people across Gloucestershire and North Bristol to visit churches by walking, cycling, horse-riding or using public transport to raise money. Funds raised are split between the participant's chosen church and Gloucestershire Historic Churches Trust (GHCT) which provides grants for vital repair and improvement work. In 2024, Ride and Stride raised over £36,000, supporting projects such as roof repairs, fire door replacements and improved wheelchair access.

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If you'd like to get involved this year, whether by taking part in the Ride and Stride itself or by putting on an event at your church, further information can be found at <https://ghct.org.uk/ride-and-stride/take-part> (see also page 8).

Events and training

More details for all these events at gloucester.anglican.org/events

Readers and lay ministry licensing service 2025, Gloucester Cathedral, 12 College Green, Gloucester, GL1 2LY, 13th September

All are invited to this special occasion which celebrates the calling and commitment of those stepping into lay ministry. <https://gloucester.anglican.org/event/annual-readers-and-licensed-funeral-ministers-2025>

The Choral Pilgrimage 2025, Tewkesbury Abbey, Church Street, Tewkesbury, GL20 5RZ, 13th September

A programme of music spanning six centuries, blending medieval and contemporary works to inspire inner peace. <https://thesixteen.com/event/the-choral-pilgrimage-2025-tewkesbury>

NAFAS national show 2025, Gloucester Cathedral, 12 College Green, Gloucester, GL1 2LY, 18th to 20th September

The National Association of Flower Arrangement Societies will be giving floral displays, tutorials, workshops and speeches. <https://gloucestercathedral.org.uk/whats-on/nafas-national-show-2025>

A Morning of Sustainable Church Flowers, St Mary's Church, Fairford GL7 4AF, 19th September including flower arranging demonstrations, a talk about 'Flowers on the Farm', ideas for harvest and winter, and beverages. <https://gloucester.anglican.org/event/a-morning-of-sustainable-church-flowers>

Have your say

Visit Facebook Diocese.of.Gloucester, email Katherine at kclamp@glosdioc.org.uk, follow us on Twitter @glosdioc, view videos on YouTube Diocese of Gloucester or visit our website gloucester.anglican.org

These extracts are from The Messenger, a monthly communication produced by diocesan communications office at Church House, College Green, Gloucester, GL1 2LY. The full 'Messenger' is available on www.gloucester.anglican.org and can be emailed to all parish and church representatives who request it. The extracts printed here are provided by Church House and published without alteration and therefore do not necessarily reflect the views of the Cranham magazine editorial team.

RIDE + STRIDE ON SAT. 13th SEPTEMBER



Tom Daltry and 9 friends from Stroud Valley Cycling Club will be riding 45 miles in support of the charity Gloucestershire Historic Churches Trust. Ride+Stride is an annual sponsored event to raise funds for the restoration and preservation of churches. The group will be starting and ending in Cranham and visiting 10 churches on their route, including Tewkesbury Abbey.



The cyclists are seeking sponsorship for their ride in support of all Gloucestershire churches, with half of the money they raise going towards the upkeep of St James the Great in Cranham.

Please donate by visiting:

www.justgiving.com/page/cranham-church



Gloucestershire
Historic Churches Trust

Ebworth

As I write this at the end of August we are experiencing yet another heat wave with temperatures over 30 degrees. This is great for enjoying a barmy summer evening with a glass of Pimm's, but it does put pressure on our wildlife.

Beech trees are particularly susceptible to heatwaves and drought. As the woodlands of Ebworth are dominated by beech this is a worry for us. A long-term study done in Lady Park Wood in the Wye Valley has shown that the beech trees there still haven't recovered from the drought of 1976. With growth rates being markedly slower since then.

At another site I manage – Crickley Hill, we have lost 3 of the lovely old veteran beech trees this year. They showed no sign of major disease so we can only put it down to the stresses caused by the drought and high temperatures. Thankfully we are not seeing the same rates of decline at Ebworth. We are putting this down to the cooler, more humid climate of the steep sided valleys. In the long term we are looking to slowly introduce more climate resistant species such as small-leaved lime.

Each year we carry out butterfly surveys across Overtown Farm. Comparing this year's numbers to last year we are generally seeing higher numbers. It's heartening to see good numbers of common blue. Last year we had a total of 11 common blue counted across the whole year. This year we have already counted 129!

This year's forestry works are now underway, we are thinning Lord's and Lady's Wood. This is an AFI (Association Futaie Irrégulière) stand making it nationally important. The AFI is a group of exemplar irregular silviculture managed woodlands. Lord's and Lady's Wood is one of only 4 in England. Measurements taken here feed into research on continuous cover forestry looking at biodiversity, natural re-generation, and growth rates. The hope is that this data will inspire forestry managers to adopt continuous cover forestry as a profitable but much more sympathetic management of woodland.

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This year's works will open up the canopy allowing more light onto the woodland floor. Stimulating the growth of woodland wildflowers and crucially young saplings – the veterans of the future. The trees which remain will have more space to grow and form large healthy crowns. Making them more resilient to stresses such as drought.

Whilst the works are ongoing for your own safety please follow the directions of the forestry operators and safety signage and please use the diversion routes whilst tracks are closed. I apologise for any inconvenience caused whilst the works are ongoing, but I promise a sunnier, more diverse and more resilient woodland as a result!

Photo is of two common blue mating



Tom Griffin

Area Ranger

Ebworth and Crickley Hill

National Trust

Jade-Olivia Patrick

Jade-Olivia Patrick is a singer and actor born and raised in the Cotswolds, spending her formative years in the village of Cranham. She trained at Bristol Old Vic before completing her postgraduate studies at the Oxford School of Drama. Jade-Olivia began her musical career performing in venues across Gloucestershire, gradually carving a name for herself with her rich, expressive voice and natural storytelling. She has performed at celebrated venues including The Pheasantry in London and Vonnies in Gloucestershire. She has performed live on BBC radio, as well as at the prestigious Cheltenham Jazz Festival where a separate invitation was accepted to play at the Henry Weston sessions. After taking time to finish her studies and focus on writing, she is delighted to be returning to perform at Cranham once more with profits going to The Cranham Village Hall (see more details on page 11 opposite).

JADE - OLIVIA PATRICK

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VILLAGE email - cranhammail@gmail.com

Cranhammail is for all village announcements, such as forthcoming social events, society meetings, planned road closures, and general Parish announcements.



Exciting new lecture season set to start next month!

We are delighted to say that the new season of Field Club lectures starts in Painswick in October. We will be offering lectures fortnightly from October to May (at 2.30pm on the first Wednesday of the month in Painswick and on the third Tuesday of the month in Box). This season, as usual, we have an exciting and varied series of lectures planned on subjects as diverse as the amazing migration of birds across the world, through the work of the MOD 'War detectives' finding missing service personnel, to the finding and restoration of a medieval ship in Newport, and that's all before Christmas!

We start with Gail Boyle on Wednesday 1st October at 2.30pm in the Painswick Centre. Until recently Gail was Bristol Museum's Senior Curator of Archaeology and World Cultures. With a career as a museum archaeologist spanning more than 40 years, she will be giving us a talk entitled 'Beyond Treasure Trove: What makes treasure treasure?' This talk demystifies the treasure process from the finding of objects, to reporting, valuation and rewards, illustrated throughout with case studies of amazing finds and the stories behind them. **Lectures are free to our Members but open to all (£5 for visitors)** No need to book, just drop in (light refreshments provided). Please get in touch if you need further information (contacts below).

Annual membership to the Field Club is £25 individual or £40 couple and runs January to January but join now to get membership until January 2027; enjoying entry to around 20 lectures as well as first refusal on excursions – the first of which is planned as a self-drive trip in October to Hopewell Colliery in the Forest of Dean, still worked by free miners. For Membership enquiries please contact Membership Secretary John Elbert: CNFCMembershipSec@outlook.com

Further information about the Club and its activities (including the full list of lectures confirmed so far) can be found on the CNFC website www.cotsnatsfield.club or you can find us on FaceBook

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Cranham Common News

The long, hot, dry summer has made a significant impact on the common this year. The lush green grass of previous years has been replaced by shorter parched grass interspaced with longer seed head spikes, which are actually highly nutritious for the cows and give them something to chew on. The cows on the common are provided by the National Trust and their welfare is regularly monitored. Fortunately, they are managing well with the heat and the areas of tree cover provide shelter during the midday sun. There is still significant grazing left on the common above the road so the cows will be with us for a good while yet. The slightly longer grass cover makes the grassland more resilient during dry periods, and provides shelter for invertebrates and other little creatures.

A key part of ensuring the full extent of the common is grazed is the movement of the water trough with thanks being due to all those involved and also to the households who supply the water.

The strategy for the management of the common is developed by Natural England in conjunction with the Cranham Common Management Committee. A key change this year has been the introduction of goats on Knowle Bank and this has been successful in reducing scrub growth in selected areas. Discussions are ongoing with Natural England regarding how much longer the goats will remain on the common this year and to agree the strategy for future years. Thanks are due to Pete and Caroline for the supply and management of the goats.

There is really good news about the butterflies on the common this year. The numbers and diversity of species have both increased and this has created a kaleidoscope of butterflies across parts of the common. Natural England undertook a survey in late July and recorded 19 different butterfly species which is a huge improvement on the 8 recorded at the same time last year. Of special note is the observation of 2 purple hairstreak butterflies which haven't been recorded on the common for 20 years. These butterflies live exclusively in oak trees and feed on honeydew produced by aphids in the high canopy, only venturing to ground level to seek fluid during extended periods of drought.

Hopefully we can all enjoy the remaining weeks of summer and perhaps look forward to the cooler nights of autumn. Next month we will be starting to plan the winter work parties with Liz providing updates over the winter months.

Malcolm Chapman

www.beaconbenefice.org.uk

CRANHAM LOCAL HISTORY SOCIETY

**The Radical History
of Stroud and
the Five Valleys
in the
18th and 19th Centuries**

**an illustrated talk
by Stuart Butler**

Cranham Village Hall

on

Thursday 18th September 2025

at 7.45pm

Members Free/ Visitors £4.00

Refreshments are included

All welcome

Brimpsfield & Mid-Cotswold Garden Society



There's a 'back to school' feeling about September – the month for any fresh start, or forward planning,

you are inclined to make! Even though it may still be summer in your garden, give some thought to next spring and order any new bulbs for your garden. Plant your daffodils early (now) and your tulips late (November or December); but there's also a number of smaller bulb species that can provide a bright splash at the front of your borders or in a pot. Dwarf iris, winter aconites and crocuses will give some very early colour, or you might want to try some of the 'little blue bulbs': chionodoxas, scillas, anemone blanda or muscari for a little later. If planting small bulbs in a pot, take precautions against mice digging them up. And your Christmas hyacinths need to be potted up this month; keep them in a cool but protected place outdoors to form roots before starting to force them in a dark room at the beginning of December.

If your houseplants have been holidaying outdoors this summer, it's time to bring them back inside before the nights cool down too much. Inspect them – and any plants going back into the greenhouse for the winter – carefully before you do so, and make sure that there's no unwanted wildlife such as scale insects, mealybugs or vine weevil on them or in their pots!

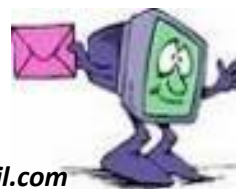
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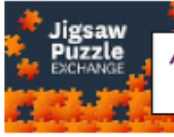
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PAINSWICK LIBRARY CHALLENGE

14th July – 15th September 2025



Thank you to all those children whom came into Painswick Library and joined The Painswick Library Challenge this Summer, it has been fabulous seeing so many children visiting the library, many from Cranham yay! Don't forget that there are still two weeks to go to get your three books and visits in and earn a £10 book voucher and draw a picture (3-6) or write a story (7-12) competition the winners will receive a £20 voucher.

Gill Hopkins

Volunteer Painswick Library



Sheepscombe Bridge Club



Come join us?

Sheepscombe Bridge Club restarts on Thursday 11th September, and we would love to see some new members as well as all the regulars. If you play or have played in the past and would like to try out our club please give us a call. We can provide 'taster' sessions if you have not played for a while and can usually arrange a partner if needed.

Contact: Hugh Tarran 814081 email: h.tarran@tiscali.co.uk

We are a friendly club where the pace of play is not too fast. We break at half-time for refreshments, tasty biscuits and a chat. Our membership extends beyond Sheepscombe and includes people from Cranham, Pitchcombe, Stroud and elsewhere.

Club season runs September until May with a break for Christmas. The Club meets on 2nd, 4th and 5th Thursdays of the month in Sheepscombe Village Hall. The Hall is open from 6:50pm ish and we aim to play 7:10-10pm. Hope to hear from you.



Cranham feast 2025

@ THE CRANHAM CRICKET CLUB
September 5th, 6th, & 7th

Friday 5th

- Flower Festival Open at 4pm! @St James
- Annual Village Tug-of-War 6pm
- Wings & wedges by Lord of the Wings®
- Bar open all evening!

Saturday 6th

- Family BBQ from 1pm onwards
- All ages Cricket
- Kids Race 1:45pm
- Boundary Race 2:30
- Games & Bouncy Castle
- Bake off
- Tombola
- Stalls
- Cake & Tea Tent
- Deer Carving 5pm
- Live Music 6 & 8pm w/ **Too Old For Toys**

Sunday 7th

- Parade 1pm
- Service at St James the Great Church 3pm

PLUS! The Annual Flower Festival all weekend. This years theme is MUSICALS!

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Village Lunch

We will resume our Monday lunches on **Monday 15th September, 12.15 for 12.30** in the Village Hall. booking would be helpful as there was no lunch in August.

Menu for September will be:

Fruit juice



Baked Potatoes with Cheese and Meat

Cold Salads

Followed by Plum Crumble or Stewed Fruit

and Ice Cream

Tea/coffee

Cost will be £5.00, we looking forward to seeing you all.

Thank you, Nicky.

(nickyovers@hotmail.co.uk, 07884 432886 or 812429)

Cranham Village Lunch:

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Sat 6 Sept 2025

3pm - 7pm



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Walk (& Talk) for Longfield



Our popular walk is back — and this year, we're putting talking at the heart of it.

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Museum in the Park, Stroud

Earth Fire Iron: Alan Evans and the New Iron Age, 1980-2025

Saturday 6th September to Sunday 2nd November 2025

Earth Fire Iron commemorates the career of Stroud artist-blacksmith Alan Evans (1952-2023) reflecting on his background as part of the Whiteway colony, a radical Tolstoyan community near Stroud set up in 1898, and the impact of Cotswold Arts and Crafts traditions. His work and values were vital to the emergence of British artist blacksmithing from the late 1970s onwards illustrated by pieces from British and continental blacksmiths. There will be a range of work on show by Alan and his contemporaries in Britain and Europe as well as contributions by some of the most exciting young blacksmiths working today.

This special exhibition is accompanied by exciting events at the museum and other local venues, alongside an inspiring programme of free learning sessions for school groups. A new book, 'Earth Fire Iron', published by local press Quickthorn, will be available to buy from the museum shop.



Pam Currier

1936-2025

The family of Pam would like to offer their sincere thanks for the many cards, letters and messages of condolence received and have been truly overwhelmed by the amount of support and kindness shown by so many from the village.

Thankyou

Sue and Angela

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Orchestra	Mondays 8.00pm - V Hall (Beryl Berry 813200)
Rachel's Pop Up Café	Tuesdays 10.00am - 1.30pm - V Hall
Post Office	Tuesdays 10.30am - 12noon - V Hall
Cranham Art Group	Tuesdays 7.00 - 9.00pm - V Hall (Lyn Barker 813025)
Choir	Tuesdays 7.30pm - V Hall (Virginia Pittman 07989 712263 virginiapittman3@gmail.com)
Handbell Ringers	Note - not currently running (Jenny Barraclough 07977 997375 jenny.barraclough@btinternet.com)
Beavers, Cubs & Scouts	Wednesdays - Scout Centre - times as follows: Beaver Scouts (6 to 8 yrs) 4.45 to 5.45pm Cub Scouts (8 to 10 yrs) 5.50 to 7.10pm Scouts (10 to 14 yrs) 7.30 to 9.00pm
Table Tennis Club	Wednesdays 7.30 - 9.30pm - V Hall (Clive Hayden 07833 635762 chayden814@gmail.com)
Cranham Ramblers	1st Thursday of month 9.45am - Car Park (Joan Charman 812708)
Cranham Bell Ringers	Thursdays 6.30 – 8.00pm - Church (Rob Garratt 07703 503547)
S'Combe Bridge Club	2nd and 4th Thursdays 7.00pm - Sheepscombe V Hall (Contact Joy Edwards 812588)
Rachel's Pop Up Café	Fridays 10.00 - 1.30pm - V Hall
Parent and Toddler	Fridays 10.30am - 12noon - V Hall (Contact tbc)
Explorer Scouts	Note - not currently running (Contact Alaric - explorers@cranham-scouts.org.uk for info)
Garden Club	Brimpsfield, Phone Francis Ellery 01452 862412 for further info

WELCOME!

No new people in this village this month. If we have missed anybody please let the editor know!





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CRANHAM DIARY



SEPTEMBER 2025

2	Tues	Rubbish/Food Waste		
		Parish Council Meeting	Village Hall	7.00pm
4	Thurs	Ramble	Car Park	9.45am
5 - 7		Cranham Feast	See page 20 for further details	
6	Sat	Longfield Walk and Talk		3.00 - 7.00pm
7	Sun	Benefice Communion	Harescombe	11.00am
		Feast Service	Church	3.00pm
9	Tues	Recycling/Food Waste		
13	Sat	Ride & Stride	See page 8 for further details	
14	Sun	Holy Communion	Church	11.00am
15	Mon	Village Lunch	Village Hall	12.15 for 12.30pm
16	Tues	Rubbish/Food Waste		
17	Wed	** Magazine Articles Due **		
18	Thurs	CLHS Talk	Village Hall	7.45pm
21	Sun	Evensong	Church	6.30pm
23	Tues	Recycling/Food Waste		
26	Fri	McMillian Coffee Morning	Village Hall	10.00am - 12.30pm
		Cranham Cinema Adults	Village Hall	7.00 for 7.30pm
27	Sat	Cranham Cinema Family	Village Hall	9.00 for 9.30am
28	Sun	Harvest Worship	Church	11.00am
30	Tues	Rubbish/Food Waste		

OCTOBER 2025

1	Wed	Cots Naturalists Talk	Painswick Centre	2.30pm
2	Thurs	Ramble	Car Park	9.45am
25	Sat	Jade-Olivia and her band	Village Hall	7.00 for 7.30pm

