



KINGS LANGLEY

# Village News

## Summer sizzler...

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Phew! With temperatures nudging into the 30's, this year's Kings Langley Carnival offered a warm welcome and provided an entertaining day out for the whole family. The sun shone. The crowds flooded onto the Common and the performers gave their all to an appreciative audience.

In all, there were 79 stalls and 17 food pitches, providing a bewildering range of food, goods, games, activities and fun for all.

Elsewhere on the Common there was Soak the Estate Agent, the Scouting Village, the Baptist Church's tea and cake marquee, the Bennetts End Scouts BBQ, the football club's Beat the Goalie, our local fire engine and fire fighters... the list was almost endless.

Sadly, the ever-popular Dog Show had to be cancelled due to the intense heat. But watch this space – The Hemel Hempstead and District Ringcraft Club will try to run another event during the next couple

of months. A particularly welcome presence as a stall holder and participant was Hertfordshire Police (below) offering support, advice and reassurance in equal measure.



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*Above: Face painting artists were busy throughout the day. Electric Umbrella performed with gusto at the Carnival stage. 'Soak the Estate Agent' proved to be popular, with Harry Clements, who works in Castles Kings Langley office, on the receiving end of a wet sponge. Area Director, Adam Contreras, enjoyed the fun from a safe distance!*

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## Keen gardeners sought to help in Village Garden

*In Spring, a gardener's fancy turns to thoughts of what plants and shrubs should be on the shopping list, and when the early morning frost might depart to enable them to be planted.*

The parish council adopts the same approach in the Village Garden next to All Saints Church, but relies on a band of volunteers to help keep the garden looking so beautiful.

Planting, pruning and weeding is required throughout the year to get a wide and colourful variety of flora and fauna safely in the ground. The volunteers traditionally meet on the first Friday of the month – although more weeding and pruning is always welcome. In addition, some of the volunteers are helping Tom Field to

reinstate the flint wall along Church Lane – but that does not include rebuilding the gates on Watford Road that Tom has just finished work on!

The Village Garden also recently had a visit from local arborists Bartletts, who carried out an inspection of trees to ensure they are safe, and to look for signs of disease or damage which may make them unstable. Some work will be carried out later in the year.



*Despite threats of heavy rain and thundery showers, an intrepid band of volunteers Annette and Ann (pictured above) Terri and Alan, set about planting, pruning and weeding (as they do throughout the year) to get over 150 colourful varieties of plants and shrubs safely in the ground.*



## Repair Shed to open at the Steiner School

*Practically-minded older people can now learn new skills and share existing ones at the village's first Repair Shed.*

Five years ago, as part of the development of the Kings Langley Neighbourhood Plan, the importance of social inclusion for men and women over 50 was identified as an important issue to address. The idea for a Repair Shed was developed, but after some structural and pandemic related delays at the original site, the trustees of the Rudolf Steiner School stepped forward. As a result, the new Repair Shed is due to open at the Langley Hill site any day now.

Parish Councillor Alan Johnson said 'Because we will be able to use a purpose-built classroom on the school site, it is already fitted out for teaching. The bonus is that those wonderful people at Community Action Dacorum believe they will also be able to cover more age ranges and days of the week, in addition to providing training in traditional skills.'

Repair Sheds – made famous by the BBC TV series *The Repair Shop* – provide a supportive environment in which people with an enthusiasm for working with their hands can do repairs, learn and share skills.

The 'Shedders' in Hemel Hempstead spend about a third of their time on income generation through making items for sale and mending items that would otherwise go to landfill, another third on community projects (paid and unpaid) and the rest on their own personal projects.

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## Farming family diversifies offering with Bea's Coffee Barn

A new coffee shop has opened in Kings Langley for people who want 'something a little different'.

Situated on Barnes Lane, a few minutes walk from the top of Coniston Road, Bea's Coffee Barn offers stunning countryside views across the valley.

Owner Callum Kelman said he hopes to attract people who want to escape from the hustle and bustle of the village. He said 'You could be anywhere in the world up here, it's a beautiful spot and can be very peaceful so I thought we'd open up for people to come and enjoy our views.'

The coffee shop, which serves hot and cold drinks and sweet treats, is on the site of Valley View Farm. From here Callum's father, Mark, runs J&CK9 Doggy Day Care, with his partner Jess.

Callum said 'I grew up around farming but I wanted to develop the farm in other ways. We hope to expand what we offer as we settle in but at the moment we're seeing a steady stream of visitors which is great.'

Bea's Coffee Barn is open Monday to Friday from 8am – 4.30pm and Saturdays from 10am – 2.30pm.

Wayside Farm's Charlie calls for visitors to be responsible

Charlie Wray, farmer and custodian of Wayside Farm, has called for visitors, walkers and nature enthusiasts to use the land responsibly.

Charlie recently celebrated 45 years at Wayside, a farm which has been in the ownership of Hertfordshire County Council since it was bought in 1919 to provide work for returning servicemen. He reflected that it was one of the best jobs in the world, and one that he had always enjoyed.

He said 'We are always delighted to welcome anyone who wants to see our dairy cows, enjoy a walk in the countryside or visit the Farm Shop, but we do need everyone to stay on marked paths, with any dogs on a lead, to protect our crops, our animals and our livelihood.'

A small minority of people who walk through the fields rather than sticking to the paths, risk killing the crop wherever they tread. This grass is the winter feed for the cattle and must not be treated as a country park.



'It is so frustrating when there are plenty of footpaths, mostly separated by fencing from the fields,' added Charlie. 'The gates are for farm workers, not for general access or to provide a shortcut. Come and see us by all means, but please don't make things more difficult for this to carry on being a working farm for another 100 years.'

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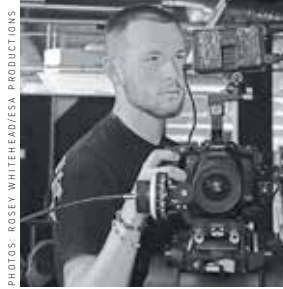
The future faces of film production could walk among us thanks to an academy dedicated to teaching young people in the area the tricks of the trade.

The Brilliant Film Academy is a school for 11–19 year olds that meets every Saturday from 11am – 2pm at Kings Langley School and puts 'learning by doing' at the forefront of its ethics. Run by professionals from the industry it provides hands-on practical skills, putting state of the art equipment in the hands of its students.

The Academy also offers work shadowing opportunities within film and production companies. This has led to a number of its students from both its Kings Langley and St Albans schools going on to gain apprenticeships in the industry or to study film direction and production at university.

The Film Academy is an offshoot of the long established Brilliant Theatre Academy of Performing Arts, which recently celebrated its 10th birthday, and meets every Friday in term time from 6 – 9pm, also at KLS. A weekend Dance Academy is also open to youngsters from school years 2 to 13.

For more information see the website [brillianttheatrearts.co.uk](http://brillianttheatrearts.co.uk).



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*Left: Jake and Rebecca, students of Brilliant Film Academy, get to grips with the technicalities of operating the equipment available to them*

## Three reasons to visit the library in July

An exhibition of photographs by renowned village photographer David Spain is being displayed in the village's community library for everyone to enjoy.

The selection was curated by volunteer Andrew Selby after David donated around 300 images of the village through the years. Visitors are encouraged to come along and see if they recognise any of the people or places in the display.

Also on offer at the library this summer is an exhibition of work by talented local Pet Portrait and Wildlife artist Laura Creasey. Laura is also offering free Open Studio sessions on 7 and 18 July, where visitors can watch her at work in the library and ask questions. All are welcome!

Finally the annual Summer Reading Challenge starts again on Saturday 5 July. Until 13 September children



LOOKING THROUGH THE LENS. LANGLEY'S ARCHIVE. COPYRIGHT DAVID SPAIN

can sign up in the library to take part, choosing a reading goal and then reading any books of their choice, collecting stickers along the way.

Throughout the summer children joining 'Story Garden' can discover new books, participate in free activities at the library and explore their imagination. Research shows 95% of participants continue reading at least once a week after taking part while 70% reported increased confidence, so parents and carers are invited to take their children and sign up for free!

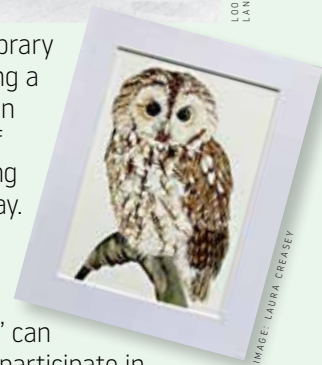


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## Sporting success for Secondary school

It has been another successful year of sport at Kings Langley School (KLS), with students representing their country in Ice Hockey, Jujitsu, Clay Shooting, Tetrathlon and Irish Dance.

They've also competed in National Finals in Athletics, Show Jumping, Trampoline, Ice Dance, Cross-Country and Football, been selected at county level in Rugby, Swimming and Badminton, and won titles across numerous sports.



KLS Under 15 Girls Football Team

John Annett, Learning Area Leader for PE & Sport at KLS, said 'It never surprises me just how many talented students we have at Kings Langley. Their dedication and commitment

to their individual sport and how they represent the school is always a privilege to witness.'

History was made this year with the school's Under 15 Girls Football Team reaching an English Schools' FA National Final for the first time. No other team, whether it be girls or boys has ever reached this stage of the competition. Beating schools from Gloucestershire, Kent, Middlesex, Hertfordshire and Norfolk along the way, the girls are travelling to Worcester on 9 July to compete against a school from Stockport in what will be a fantastic occasion.

Upgrade to online streaming service offers for All Saints  
Worshippers, wedding guests and mourners will all have the opportunity to watch services from All Saints in greater quality after the live streaming service was upgraded.

The investment has resulted in an improved experience for the online viewers of its numerous events – including weekly Sunday services, regular themed services and presentations such as those by the local History Society.

People booking the church for baptisms, weddings, and funerals will also benefit from the improved technology, as services are streamed around the world, or can be recorded digitally, to ensure that absent friends and relatives are able to feel involved.

To view the All Saints' live stream, simply visit its Facebook page at [www.facebook.com/allsaintskingslangley](http://www.facebook.com/allsaintskingslangley) or its YouTube page at the time of the event, where you can also find recordings of previous live streams.

To learn more, or to book the church for an event, email the All Saints office at [info@beneficeoflangelei.org.uk](mailto:info@beneficeoflangelei.org.uk)

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## Women's Cricket team – inclusivity bringing success

This summer sees King Langley Cricket Club's women's team play in the inaugural season of the Hertfordshire Women's Cricket League, and they are currently unbeaten at the top of the Softball Division at the mid-point of the season with three games to go.

One of the best parts of the team is its inclusivity. Everyone has to start somewhere, and they offer friendly, structured sessions designed to get players comfortable with the basics – whether that's batting, bowling, or simply cheering on new teammates.

The experienced players are more than willing to share tips and encourage newbies to step up to the crease. With a supportive coaching approach and a lot of fun along the way, they make sure that everyone feels welcome right from the very first practice.

There's pride in showing that women's cricket belongs in the village. It's the team spirit that defines the group, with a mix of ages, backgrounds, and experience levels, brought together by a shared willingness to try something new. It's not just the game, it's making space... for women who've never been invited into sport, for girls growing up in the village to see themselves on the field, for community spirit to be reimagined in a fresh, inclusive way.

So if you've ever thought, 'could I give that a go?' – the answer is YES. It's fun, friendly, and encouraging. They are always happy to welcome new players, whether looking to play competitively, or simply wanting to be part of a team environment. Training is Wednesday evenings from 6.30pm on the Common – just turn up and try out a session, meet the team, and be part of something new and exciting!

For more information, see the website [kingslangleycc.hitssports.com](http://kingslangleycc.hitssports.com) and social media: [Kings Langley Cricket Club](#)

# Kings Langley Carnival – yet

## As ever, the focus of the stage acts was singing and dancing, with a variety to satisfy all tastes.

Kings Langley School kicked things off followed by Revelation Majorettes, Kings Langley Primary School and Salsa Tropicana. Electric Umbrella – fresh from their performance on Britain's Got Talent – gave a fantastic performance that got all the crowd involved. 'We are always keen to encourage local performers,' said Carol Chandler, Chairman of the Carnival Committee, 'and this year was no exception. There are a huge number of talented people, young and young at heart, in Kings Langley and the surrounding areas.'

It was also great to see the Mayor, Councillor Catherine McArevey, spending a great deal of time entering into the spirit of Carnival and talking with, and listening to, participants and Carnival goers.

It was an extraordinarily hot day, with many people working behind the scenes to ensure the event's success including the organising Committee, the Half Hour Heroes, Midshires Search and Rescue, Rotary, Kings Langley Parish Council. Organisers gave particular thanks to their sponsors and community Partners – Castles, Dream Doors, 1st Homecare Group, Excalibur Auctions, Proffitt & Holt, Kitchen at Inspired, Saracens Head, Scala Financial, Roman Roofing, The Loan Partnership, Denyer Hill, Total Flooring, Imagination Technologies, Furnell Transport & Storage and Utopia Signs. In addition, the donors of the top three raffle prizes – The Grove, Kitchen at Inspired and Taylors Tools.



*KL Allotments & Gardens Assoc. had very reasonably priced plants for sale*

Plans for next year are already being formulated with 27 June 2026 the date for your diary. The Committee would welcome any and all suggestions from the community or offers to help (large or small) – do contact the Carnival via the website [www.kingslangleycarnival.com](http://www.kingslangleycarnival.com)

If you are associated with a local charity or group or know of any good causes that could benefit from some additional funds, please see the website for details about how to apply for a donation. Applications close on Monday 1 September 2025.

*Right: The Mayor, with Carnival Steward Alan Johnson, assisted with our free to enter Prize Xword draw – Sheila Ashman won the bottle of champagne with perfect timing to celebrate her 35th wedding anniversary the following day!*



*Above: The Chevtones belted out favourites for young and old alike to dance to*



*Above: A young group from The Dance Place gave an enthusiastic display.*

*Right: There were rewards to be had at Kings Langley Secondary School's tombola.*





# another resounding success!

*As ever, the Fun Fair was a popular attraction at the heart of the Carnival, drawing crowds to its mix of rides and stalls. Far right: Henry's Bartenders shook a mean cocktail and offered welcome cold drinks in the summer heat.*



Sponsor a barrel in honour of a friend or loved one

With the Kings Langley Beer & Fizz Festival just around the corner residents are being invited to add a personal touch to proceedings by naming a barrel of beer after someone or something close to their heart.

The names of those who have sponsored a barrel will also be listed in the programme.

The festival is taking place from Friday 26 – Sunday 29 September in and around All Saints Church, where there will also be hot food, live music and, on Saturday and Sunday, kids entertainment. Dogs on leads are also welcome inside and outside the church.

To find out more follow the festival on Facebook or Instagram or visit [klbeerandfizz.co.uk](http://klbeerandfizz.co.uk)  
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*Below: Ensuring it all ran smoothly from the Carnival HQ marquee were Committee members Aidan McNeil, Gerry Angiolini, Beverley Funnell, Wayne Hill and helper Linda Hill.*



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## Scouts risk closures without additional leadership support



Kings Langley Scouts, which has been in the village since 1909, offers exciting and varied activities and opportunities to young people aged 6–14.

However, Scouting is run almost entirely by volunteers, and requires plenty of adults to help run its Sections. The Group is urging anyone interested in helping to get in touch, when a visit can be arranged to one of the Sections weekly meetings to see what they get up to. No experience is necessary, just lots of enthusiasm!

There are currently around 100 members across Beavers, Cubs, and Scouts, and meetings are run almost every weeknight as well as camps, outings and weekend activities.

Jane Harding, Lead Volunteer for 1st Kings Langley, said 'The children who come to us, from Beavers through to Scouts, have the most incredible experiences, whether it's camping, cooking, crafts, skills for life, team work, or physical and outdoor activities. We are all about enabling youngsters to build confidence, try new things, make friends, and discover activities they may never otherwise have the opportunity to try.'

All volunteering is very flexible, is well supported by an existing Leader team and training is provided, much of which can be done online. Unfortunately, without more volunteers, 1st Kings Langley faces having to close some of its Sections, meaning children on the waiting list may not be able to access local Scouting.

Jane added 'With massive demand for places, we simply don't have the leaders to keep going as we are so we'd very much welcome new volunteers to come and join us!'

If you think you can help or for more information contact Jane at [gsl@kingslangleyscouts.org.uk](mailto:gsl@kingslangleyscouts.org.uk)

## Christian Aid Week: A heartfelt thank you

The local Christian Aid committee has extended its grateful thanks to all those who helped and contributed to Christian Aid Week this year. Through the 'House to House' collection, United Service at All Saints, Coffee Morning at Christ Church Baptist and donations, a magnificent total of £5,240.30 was raised.

Christian Aid Week 2025 highlighted their work in Guatemala, where the climate crisis is causing severe droughts and floods, leading to failed harvests. Indigenous communities like Amelia's, who have contributed least to the crisis, are suffering the most. With support from partner Congcoop, funded by Christian Aid, Amelia is learning sustainable farming practices to combat extreme weather and protect her family.



Together, we can support people like Amelia to help protect their families and communities from hunger and poverty. Your giving this Christian Aid week helps Amelia and many like her to develop their skills and live life to the full. Thank you for helping to make this possible.

*Above: Amelia with her daughter Yakelin aged 4, standing beside their dying banana plant.*



*Susan and Alan Anderson, Catherine McArevey, Annette and Ken Patterson*

## Beating the Bounds 2025

This year the group who made the traditional walk around the Kings Langley parish boundary on Rogation Sunday was joined by the Mayor of Dacorum, Councillor Catherine McArevey.

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## View from Herts County Council – by Cllr Richard Roberts

First a quick update on the May County Elections – the Conservatives were knocked back into second place ahead of Reform but behind the Lib Dems who will now run a minority administration.

My deepest thanks to all who supported me on 1 May and, as your newly elected County Councillor, I will work my socks off for all of you in the village.

I am no longer the leader, but the past four years have been an incredible privilege to serve the whole county – thank you from the bottom of my heart for giving me that chance. In 2023 we were independently judged the best performing county in the country, so not all bad!

There are really important issues to resolve locally including High Street parking, building – especially in the Greenbelt – and getting the roads fixed.

The future of local government is in question – at the moment we have ten Borough Councils and a County Council with many Parish and Town councils.

The Government wants single Unitary Councils that do everything. So out goes Dacorum and other Borough Councils, out goes the County Council, 50 years old last year, replaced by a number of Unitary Councils (the village Parish Council would stay). Watch this space for further updates.

Please contact me on **richard.roberts@hertfordshire.gov.uk** with any concerns or comments.

*Below: Richard Roberts' selfie with Ben and the road resurfacing team*



## Graham Taylor remembered in Rectory Farm road name



The new road names in the Rectory Farm housing development have been revealed and each tip a nod to the area's history and setting.

Graham Taylor Way is in memory of the iconic footballer, manager, pundit and chairman of Watford Football Club – and village resident. Watson Way remembers Caroline Watson, founder of Parochial Marmalade, a local business at the turn of the 20th century whose profits were donated to charity.

Fairlands Way is inspired by Fairlands Valley Park in Stevenage, designated as the centre of recreation in the new town's planning with several manmade lakes in a chalk valley.

And finally, Rose Way and Castle Green are names derived from an association with canal boats.

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## Police presence increases following public concerns

Kings Langley has had more visits from local police following concerns raised at the recent Annual Parish Meeting about the sense of unease felt after a perceived increase in domestic and commercial burglaries, car thefts and drug dealing in the area.

At that meeting Jonathan Ash-Edwards, Hertfordshire's Police and Crime Commissioner, said he would raise the issues with the Chief Constable of Hertfordshire.

Since then, the local Neighbourhood Policing Team (NPT), which focuses on solving neighbourhood issues such as anti-social behaviour and theft, has announced their new priorities for the coming months. In Kings Langley, the aim is to reduce anti-social behaviour and speeding on the high street.

However, residents are encouraged to continue reporting crime and anti-social behaviour.

Parish Councillor Alan Johnson said, 'The increased police presence over recent weeks is very welcome. But if there are activities causing concern or low level anti-social behaviour that isn't being reported to the police, our local team won't know. The local police priorities are set every four months using data analysis and public feedback, so reporting to the local police is critical to influencing those priorities.'

In recent weeks PCs Robinson and Sweeting joined Parish Councillors for a meet and greet event with residents where attendees were able to discuss any concerns and get advice.

Whilst conducting foot patrols within Kings Langley officers came across a vehicle which had been parked in a dangerous position. It was seized, gaining much appreciation from passers-by. The Neighbourhood Policing Team has also been out conducting speed checks in Kings Langley over the past weeks.

Villagers will see their team of police officers and community support officers working to tackle these issues with more police presence, events, and targeted enforcement. The area is also looked after by intervention officers who respond to emergency calls, the local crime unit which investigates serious crimes such as burglary, robbery, and assault, and specialist units that tackle acquisitive crime.

The team which covers Kings Langley and the surrounding areas is: Inspector Nick Ablett, Police Community Support Officer Paul Humphreys, PS Roger Akhtar, and PC Will Sweeting.

If you want to have your say or contact your local officers from the NPT you can join the growing number of residents that are using Herts Connected – the police system that provides residents with a voice. Register for free at [www.hertsconnected.co.uk](http://www.hertsconnected.co.uk)

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Volunteers play an essential role in keeping EHAAT operational. From assisting in charity shops and supporting community events to collecting donations and giving talks in schools, every volunteer helps sustain our mission. By joining, you'll become part of a welcoming network of like-minded people who share a passion for making a difference.

Whether you have a few hours a week or want to get more involved, your time and support can make a real impact. Visit [ehaat.org/volunteer](https://ehaat.org/volunteer) to sign up today.

*Below: a happy EHAAT volunteer*



## Prize Xword

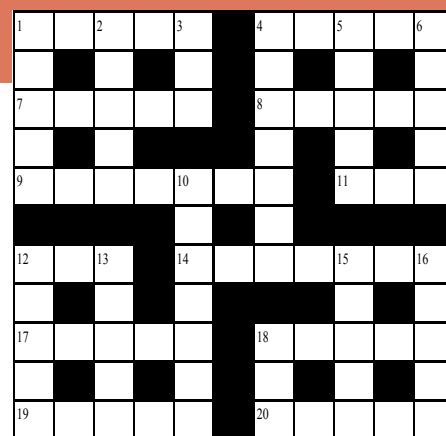
*The prize for the first correct entry for this issue is **two free admissions to this year's Beer & Fizz event, together with a £10 drinks voucher.** To enter, simply post or email your Xword entry and contact details to us (see page 2) to arrive no later than **Friday 15 August 2025. Good luck!***

### Across

- 1 Enormous (5)
- 4 Musical instrument (5)
- 7 Village shop whose name very cleverly incorporates what they sell and its general measurement (5)
- 8 The senior cooks (5)
- 9 Australian egg-laying mammal that mainly eats ants and termites (7)
- 11 Type of fish found at the end of a keel! (3)
- 12 Spasmodic involuntary muscular contraction (3)
- 14 A person opposed to industrialization or new technology (7)
- 17 Somewhat confused in an Indian restaurant, I halt at the choice of a set meal! (5)
- 18 Ornamental banded stone hidden in a bagatelle! (5)
- 19 Fake news could be accused of this (5)
- 20 Done openly (5)

### Down

- 1 Embarrassing blunder (5)
- 2 Particular period of time in history (5)
- 3 A strain or heavy demand (3)
- 4 Last part of the name of a Village cul-de-sac, not far from the High Street (7)
- 5 Another Village cul-de-sac, with the last part of its name hidden in a tangle below! (5)
- 6 The resonating sound of someone's voice (such as Bob Dylan) could be characterized by this term (5)
- 10 Two well-known adjoining Village shops with the same name – one frontage red, the other green (7)
- 12 Part of the name of a Village shop (recently moved) to near The Nap, that in earlier times was the 'Jolly Miller' Ale House (5)



Prize Xword No. 45 set by Andrew Selby

- 13 A racoon-like mammal found in Central and South America (5)
- 15 Lacking sense or meaning (5)
- 16 The single occurrence of a process (5)
- 18 Before the present (3)

### Answers to Crossword No: 44

**Across:** 1 Waterside, 7 Vinaigrette, 10 Rumba, 11 Lurid, 12 Archer Close, 16 York Close, **Down:** 2 Axon, 3 Ring, 4 Deft, 5 River Gade, 6 Amendment, 8 Image, 9 Relic, 13 Hour, 14 R.A.M.C., 15 Lido



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*Xword 44 winner and first time entrant, Sherril Jessop was presented with her £25 voucher prize, kindly donated by The Kitchen at Inspired. Pictured with owner Adam Whitbread, she said 'I'm delighted to win – and I'll use the voucher to treat my friends to breakfast!' Sherril works with Mediation Hertfordshire, who offer free conflict resolution to Dacorum residents, including Kings Langley.*

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For further information please email [kingslangleywi@gmail.com](mailto:kingslangleywi@gmail.com)

Details of monthly meetings will also appear on the Kings Langley Matters facebook group.

## Probus

Kings Langley Cricket Club.

Probus is a club for retired men, meeting every third Tuesday in the month at 10am with a speaker and coffee.

Occasional excursions, dinners and other special events (including partners) are also arranged.

Future events:

**15 July:** 'Victorian Street Life - a poor existence', Graham Harrison

**19 August:** 'Swinging London in the 60s', Nick Dobson

**16 September:** 'Churchill's intervention in the Russian Civil War', Andy Stuart

Contact the secretary, Mark Stannard on **07887 655292** or [markstannard@hotmail.com](mailto:markstannard@hotmail.com) for further information.

## Public Information

Kings Langley Parish Office,  
Charter Court, Vicarage Lane  
Parish Council Meetings are normally held on the first Tuesday of each month. Planning and Licensing on the first and third Tuesday of each month.  
Office hours 9.30am - 12.30pm  
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## Local Produce Market

Village Garden, Church Lane.

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The Local Produce Market is held on the third Saturday of every month from 9.00am - 12.30pm.

## The Good Grief Café

All Saints Church Hall

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