

WEST END VILLAGE SOCIETY



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Chairman's Chat

Pete Jones

Looking back over the last few months, we had a great turnout for the annual Boxing Day walk and our annual Spring bulb walk, both thanks to Chris and Mary Anthony for leading.

Also we had a tree at the Christmas Tree Festival, and laid a wreath on Remembrance Sunday at the war memorial.

This year's AGM was very well attended with nearly 60 attendees. This was followed by a great talk by Roger Cansdale on 'The Basingstoke Canal'. We were in Tringham Hall this year as the Sports Pavilion was unavailable.

At our last committee meeting we made two important decisions. The first was not to light the stag on the Fellow Green roundabout: the solar lighting

we purchased a number of years ago is now too powerful to meet current regulations (we got our money back), and costs to get a power supply to the roundabout would be prohibitive.

We also decided that the Project of the Year 2026 is 'Memories of West End'. This will involve asking our long term residents of the village what memories they have of West End.

Looking forward, we have a talk on 13 May by Tony Painter, who gave us a talk at last year's AGM and is back by popular demand. This time his subject is 'The Fascination of Place Names'.

On 13th June it's the West End Fete, where we will have our marquee and lots of photos. Please come and see us.

From the Editor

Guy Consterdine

Did you, as a member of WEVS, receive the March 2026 digital-only Bulletin? If not, it means we don't have your email address. Please let us have it by emailing membershipwevs@gmail.com, stating your name, address and email address. The latter will only be used for sending you bulletins and WEVS material.

Previous editions of WEVS newsletters (going back to 2017) and digital-only bulletins (all editions) are held on our website wevs.org.uk under the 'About/WEVS publications' tabs – except the latest edition, which will be added when succeeded by a new edition.

Today's newsletter includes a few references to articles in previous editions, and those editions may be downloaded from the website.

In this newsletter all articles with no author's by-line were written by me.

The photograph on the front cover is from last year's Village Fete.



For updates on WEVS events visit facebook.com/WestEndVillageSociety or wevs.org.uk

To contact the Committee, email comms@wevs.org.uk

Tony Painter, familiar to us from his fascinating talk on 'The History and Mystery of Maps' in February 2025, will give a talk on Wednesday 13 May at 7.30pm in the Sports Pavilion, Benner Lane. Tony writes:

Why and how do we name the places where we live? Is it to convey a sense of location, character or size, or to show ownership, power, religion, politics or history? A study of names can tell us much about the way of life in the past.

In prehistory, names would probably have only served to identify places important to the basics of life such as shelter, food, water and security. Later, as settlements became established, names would have related to obvious features in the landscape, such as rivers, hills and forests. Thus some names can be traced back to Celtic origins.

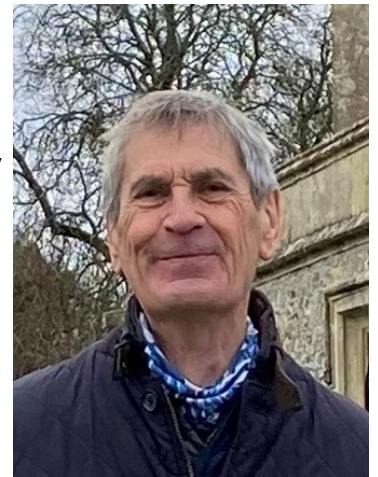
Most of the place names familiar to us now are Saxon and relate to the basic functions of a settlement or village. Many in our area of Surrey reflect woodland clearance or agriculture. Whilst Saxon names tend to be functional, the Normans added their often picturesque family names to convey power and ownership, hence Stoke D'Abernon.

The Normans also compiled the Domesday record which is often the first reference to many places today.

At a lower level, field and farm names are particularly interesting. Field names may describe soil fertility (Paradise, Starve Acre), remoteness (Botany Bay) or tithes or ownership (Glebe land). They may be in dialect.

Even the names we give our streets and houses tell us much about ourselves. Names can reveal former functions (The Old Post Office, The Old Forge). Streets can tell us about early industries, such as

Tony Painter is a geographer and local historian. Born in Devizes, Wilts, and now living in Cranleigh, he was an analyst with MoD and now writes map histories for Alan Godfrey maps. He presents talks to local groups and has appeared on local radio.



Horseshoe Lane, former transport such as Wharf Road, or agricultural arrangements (Commonfields, Westfield); or local families such as, in West End, Streets Heath, Gosden Road and Jenner Drive.

Maps are a wonderful source for names and it is interesting to trace changes through time from periods when literacy levels were low and travel restricted to a few.

It wasn't until standardisation was effectively forced by commercial needs, such as the turnpikes, Ordnance Survey, the Post Office and the railways, that names took on the forms familiar to us today. Cambridge Town became Camberley to avoid postal confusion. Dictionaries are also helpful, but derivations suggested by linguists or geographers may not always be correct. Nobody really knows, which adds to the fascination.

Extract from John Speed's map of Surrey, c1610

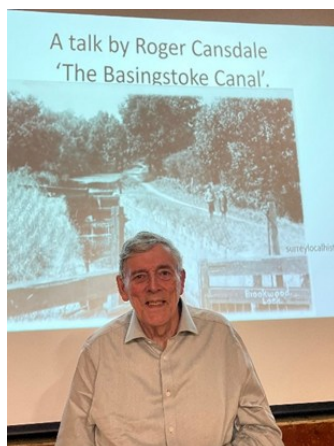




Winston Churchill School's History Department pupils being taught about their heritage, St Johns locks, 1990s

Roger Cansdale's Basingstoke Canal Talk, 10 March

The fascinating history of the Basingstoke Canal, and its current situation as a priceless amenity, was the subject of an engrossing talk to WEVS by Roger Cansdale on 10 March. Roger is one of the leading lights of the Basingstoke Canal Society, and he spoke with humour and half a century of involvement with and love for the canal.



Roger Cansdale at WEVS

The canal was opened in 1794, mainly for carrying freight. It was not a commercial success, and after a number of changes of ownership the canal was sold in 1949 to the New Basingstoke Canal Company. Income dwindled further and the canal became largely derelict. In 1966 the Surrey & Hampshire

Canal Society (now renamed the Basingstoke Canal Society) was formed to campaign for public ownership and restoration. Surrey and Hampshire County Councils took ownership of the canal during 1974-1976. Volunteers' restoration work resulted in the canal being reopened in 1991, when Robin Higgs, late of Barnsford Crescent, West End, was

Chairman.

The canal has become an invaluable leisure asset, with its 32-mile towpath ideal for easy flat walking, and enjoying nature. On the water there are opportunities for boating in various forms, and cruising on trip boats. The boat John Pinkerton II operates from Colt Hill wharf at Odiham. A brand new all-electric boat, Kitty II, was launched in April this year and operates trips from the wharf opposite The Lightbox, Woking. Kitty II was named after one of the barge horses in the 1950s.

After his talk Roger responded to a number of questions, and WEVS presented him with a gift and made a donation to the Canal Society. *Details of canal trips, books and all things Basingstoke Canal can be found at www.basingstoke-canal.org.uk.*



The original Kitty, barge horse, with Joan Marshall, General Manager of the canal, 1950s



The barge 'Basingstoke' stuck, unable to progress further, 1913



Kitty II being transported from constructors to Woking, March 2026

WEVS AGM, 10 March 2026

The WEVS AGM was held on 10 March in Tringham Hall. Chairman Pete Jones summarised the past year's activities, including:

- ♦ A Spring walk on 22 March 2025, touring the brilliant display of Spring daffodils and other bulbs planted by WEVS
- ♦ The usual stall at the Village Fete on 14 June
- ♦ The VE80 exhibition in the Social Club, celebrating 80 years since the end of the war in Europe
- ♦ The usual stall at the Ag & Hort Show on 13 September
- ♦ A talk on 'Our Amazing Heathlands' by Michael Jones on 22 September
- ♦ On Remembrance Sunday, 9 November, a wreath was laid on behalf of WEVS
- ♦ Participation in the biennial Christmas Tree Festival at Holy Trinity Church
- ♦ The stag on Fellow Green roundabout, commissioned by WEVS, sported a red nose during the Christmas season
- ♦ Traditional Boxing Day Walk, attracting approximately 70 walkers
- ♦ Planting additional Spring bulbs on Fellow Green
- ♦ The launch in September of digital-only Bulletins for members, complementing the 3 times a year Newsletters in print and digital form. Four Bulletins had been published between September 2025 and March 2026
- ♦ The History Project's continuing work in collecting and digitising historic West End photographs and documents
- ♦ Six Committee meetings had been held, though most of the work is conducted by email and personal contact
- ♦ There are three subgroups, dealing with Communications, History and Trees

The Treasurer Yvonne Simpson presented the accounts, which showed a sound bank balance and were approved.

Johan Schoeman described the work done on the WEVS Facebook page (facebook.com/WestEndVillageSociety) and the use of various community Facebook pages to spread the word about WEVS activities. Johan also updates the WEVS website regularly (wevs.org.uk). Events are also covered in other local media, including a

regular column in Parish News monthly magazine.

Pete Jones thanked a number of people for their essential work in making the business of WEVS flow smoothly: the distributors of the printed Newsletters and subscription collectors; Chris Anthony for his creative work in laying out the Newsletters and Bulletins; and Jack Kegge and Fred Wells.

Election of Officers and Committee

The elected Committee for 2026-2027 is:

- ♦ Chairman: Pete Jones
- ♦ Vice Chairman: Jeff Llewellyn
- ♦ Secretary: Jan Smith
- ♦ Treasurer: Yvonne Simpson
- ♦ Membership Secretary: Mary Anthony
- ♦ Newsletter & Bulletins Editor: Guy Consterdine
- ♦ Webmaster: Johan Schoeman
- ♦ Members: Savitri Kegge, Yvette Jones, Pauline Wells

Two former Committee members stood down: Anne Allard and Andrew Hopkins. Pete Jones thanked both for their contributions over many years. WEVS would be delighted to hear from new volunteers to join the friendly Committee and help with WEVS's activities. To contact the Committee, email comms@wevs.org.uk

The AGM was followed by Roger Cansdale's talk about the Basingstoke Canal, and the evening concluded with drinks and nibbles.



'West End Memories' - WEVS Project of the Year, 2026

WEVS' Project of the Year for 2026 is to actively record long-time residents' memories of West End in past times. We think it's important to record peoples' recollections and stories before they are lost forever. What was it like to live in West End in the 1950s, 1960s, 1970s and later? 'West End Memories' will be developed in conjunction with WEVS' established History Project.

Michael Underwood is getting this project under way, but we will need more volunteers to conduct, record and transcribe the interviews. Can you help? If so, please contact us at:

historyproject@wevs.org.uk.

We would also like residents who would like their memories of West End recorded to contact us as well, and we will set things up. You have much to tell, and so much lies in the ordinary details of day to day life, rather than just the big events. These records will become priceless for the families concerned, as well as being invaluable in the History Project collection. It is the memories and records of ordinary citizens that lie at the heart of local history.

We are continuing to add to our collection of West End images and documents. We encourage residents and local organisations to get in touch about any photographs or relevant memoirs/ documents they have of events, people or views in West End, from the earliest times onwards. Please contact us at historyproject@wevs.org.uk to arrange delivery/collection. All material will be returned when copied. By giving us these items donors are acknowledging that they may be used in public on our website or in displays, newsletters or other media.

As an alternative to the WEVS team making recordings, we encourage members to write down their stories themselves, at whatever length you wish (generally the more detailed the better), and let us add the result to our collection. We can give assistance as needed.

Bolting House Farm

Considerable interest was aroused by the two-page article in our February newsletter (no. 208, downloadable from wevs.org.uk) about Medhurst Pond and Horace Medhurst who used to farm from Bolting House Farm on Streets Heath. A photograph of Bolting House farmhouse has now been found in our History Project collection, reproduced below. Horace's grandson John Medhurst confirms that this is indeed the building as he remembers it.

It was demolished in about 1963, and the land was used for building houses along that stretch of Streets Heath, and Horace's fields behind the farmyard became Malthouse Lane and Boldinghouse Lane. The name Bolting House was derived from a term in cereal harvesting. 'Bolting' was a traditional term, little used now, for the sieving process to separate the grain from the chaff, or the bran from the flour. In the 1960s when developer W Deakin named the new streets he changed Bolting to Bolding to create Boldinghouse Lane, probably unintentionally deviating from the farmhouse's name.

The name sign beside Medhurst Pond has gone. Three unidentified boys about 12 years old with bikes were seen smashing the sign. The Parish Council intends to replace the sign, using metal instead of plastic.



Surrey Heath Local Plan - Where Things Stand

Surrey Heath Borough Council (SHBC) is progressing through the final stages of preparing its new Local Plan for 2019–2038, the document that will guide how the borough grows over the next decade. Once adopted, the Plan will shape decisions on new homes, employment space, green spaces, infrastructure, and the character of our towns and villages.

After several years of slow progress, the Plan was formally submitted on 10 December 2024, for examination by a Planning Inspector, appointed by the Secretary of State. The Inspector has since been reviewing whether the Plan is legally compliant and “sound” under national planning rules - as amended by the Government, seeking higher housebuilding targets.

Public hearing sessions took place in September and December 2025, covering key issues such as housing delivery, environmental policies, and wastewater capacity. Following these hearings, the Inspector confirmed that the Plan is “capable of being found sound”, but only if several Main Modifications are made. These include strengthening certain policies, refining green space designations, and providing clearer evidence on infrastructure capacity - particularly wastewater treatment.

SHBC is now preparing the required Schedule of Main Modifications, which will be published for public consultation later this year. After considering consultation responses, the Inspector will issue a Final Report. If this decides that the Plan is sound, it will proceed to Full Council for adoption. It all takes a long time.

West Surrey and Parish Councils

Elections for the new West Surrey County Council are taking place on 7 May, just after or around the time this newsletter is being distributed. Extensive details of the splitting of Surrey into two counties, and the abolition of Surrey Heath Borough Council, from 2027 were given in our Digital Bulletin no.2, November 2025.

The council that will be elected on 7 May will be a ‘shadow’ council spending the next twelve months working out how West Surrey will be governed when it comes into office in April 2027.

One consequence of abolishing the Borough Councils is that most of their responsibilities will move upwards to the new West Surrey County Council. It seems likely that some other responsibilities will devolve to the Parish Councils – the source of true local knowledge and advice. However no guidance is available yet on what these responsibilities will be, as was confirmed at West End’s Annual Parish Meeting on 13 April.

The highlight of the Annual Parish Meeting was the announcement of West End’s 2025 Citizen of the Year. Congratulations to Jackie Jenkins, who received a well deserved award for her untiring work with the WI, Teas on the Rec, WEBcare, The

Hive baby & toddlers group, and Holy Trinity Church, among other activities.

Parish Council will apply for £120,000 loan

There was a public consultation in March about applying for a loan of £120,000 to help fund the proposed extension to the Sports Pavilion (see our March digital bulletin for details). It received strong support for the loan. Accordingly the Parish Council decided unanimously at its meeting on 14 April to go ahead with the loan application. Then the next step will be to put out a tender notice for the building work.



Kathy Butcher, a Committee member of the Club, has written a brief history of the Social Club for this Newsletter. She has drawn substantially upon John Smith's 'A History of West End Institute & Working Mens Club'. John is of course the founder of the West End History Project, which WEVS took over in 2024-25.

1885-1886 Vacant ground near the Wheatsheaf pub was acquired by Rev John F Glanville, the Curate of West End, with help from the local Tringham family. It was used to construct premises to accommodate a recreational Reading Room and facilities to play bagatelle and snooker. Building was undertaken by the Tringham family with funds being raised for furnishings. The first known Club meeting took place on 19th Oct 1886. The Club officially opened on 1st Nov. 1886 with 47 members.

1904-1913 Hall hire was abundant with frequent dances, rehearsals, marionette shows and a Horticultural Show which was also known as the 'Cottagers Show'. All these raised funds for Club improvements. A subgroup was formed called The Concert Committee to organise the growing entertainment events. Many staff from Gordons Boys Home joined the Committee.

1914-1926 War was declared and free meetings were given to the West End branch of the Emergency Fund. The Institute remained open and active during the war hosting concerts, thereby raising a substantial contribution towards the support of local men serving in the Forces and also towards the Belgian Refugee Fund. The Committee agreed that locals serving in the Forces could remain members for free during the war. Parcels for men serving at sea or at the front were provided by the Institute. After the war ended hall hire picked up rapidly. Whist Drives and badminton remained very popular. In 1920 the West End Football Club amalgamated with the Institute. In 1923 the Trustees of the Institute were asked to accept custody of the Memorial Cross. A new Club room was officially opened in early December 1926. The Institute's oil lamps were showing their age and the subject of electric lighting coming to West End was welcomed.

1932-1937 It was agreed that no intoxicating alcohol was allowed in the hall but could be consumed in the new Club room. Unemployed members were offered the opportunity of earning

ten shillings to keep the Club dance floor oiled. The Post Office paid two shillings a year rent to retain an un-authorised installation of a telephone kiosk on the Institute's land. In 1937 King George VI was crowned and the hall was booked for celebrating.

1940-1949 After the war building materials and alcohol were in short supply but regular dances, social events and cinema evenings continued to bring the Institute regular income. First Aid classes were held for Wardens, Fire Guards and local Home Guards. The Institute's central heating system was upgraded. Two plaques in memory of Institute members who lost their lives in the 1939-1945 war were unveiled, one at the Memorial, the other inside the Institute.

1950-1959 West End Institute became West End Working Men's Club. A Coronation Party took place. Music in the Club Room and Hall was still very popular with monthly dances organised by the Entertainment Committee. A Saturday pianist and film shows in the Hall were very successful.



Kathy Butcher

1960-1969 The Club continued to welcome members of the Old Folks Club, the West End Wolf Pack Club and local Scouts, Guides and Brownies to use the meeting rooms.

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West End Social Club's History - Continued

Annual membership for Ladies was introduced, which resulted in a significant rise in membership. Christmas parties for young children were still popular. Fruit machines were installed for the first time on a trial basis. Bands were now playing most Saturday nights. Old Time dancing, billiards, snooker, darts, bingo and table tennis became increasingly popular during this period. Membership was increasing rapidly with many people outside of the area joining. Due to the increased social activities, it was suggested that the club change its name to West End Social Club.

1970-1979 The Club was becoming busier and with the introduction of VAT in 1972, to assist with the storage of paperwork local company Browns of Bisley supplied the Club with a filing cabinet for a modest charge. Improvements in the form of alterations, repairs and re-decorating were ongoing during the 70's. The fruit machines which had proved popular were converted to accept decimal currency. The West End Horticultural Society were granted continued support to hold their meetings at the club. The dance floor was enhanced by the addition of a new revolving ceiling light.

1980-1989 Ladies were now permitted to play snooker and skittles. Discos and Race Nights proved to be popular evening events. West End Football Club advised of a re-form with all new members joining West End Social Club.

1990- 2025 West End Social Club continues to thrive, still offering many social activities including monthly tribute acts, country music events, Open Mic/Jam, Americana sessions, various dance lessons, bingo, pool, darts, e-darts, skittles, table tennis, and shuffleboard. Hall hire is available for events and local clubs, associations and charities (contact 01276 858501). In May 2025 WEVS held its VE80 exhibition in the Club, commemorating the end of World War 2, with a wide-ranging display of wartime photographs and memorabilia (see WEVS Newsletter 206, Summer 2025).



Part of WEVS V80 exhibition in the Social Club

Social Club Events in May & June 2026

MAY

2 nd	Shania Twain Tribute Act. Ticket Only
9 th	Quiz Night
15 th	Skittles Evening. Free to Members
16 th	Live Band: Harvey Baker
23 rd	Live Band: Bootlegs - Back to the 60s
24 th	Americana Band: Lavender Moonshine - Afternoon
24 th	Country Band: Darren Flack. Evening
30 th	Utter Madness Tribute Act. Ticket Only
31 st	Open Mic/Jam Session. Afternoon

JUNE

5 th	Bingo Evening
6 th	Live Band: Bullseye
14 th	Country Band: Cliff Weston
19 th	Skittles Evening . Free to Members
20 th	Quiz Night
21 st	Cars & Guitars Festival with Live Music/ BBQ/American and Vintage Car Display on the Green. Free Entry
27 th	Live Band: Retro Project. Door Proceeds in aid of Cancer Research
28 th	Open Mic/Jam Session. Afternoon

WEVS Subscriptions

2026 Subscriptions are now due. Annual membership is £4 per household, a three-year membership is £10, and Life Membership is £75. There are several ways to pay:

- ♦ Bank transfer (our preferred method): If you wish to pay this way, please email membership-wevs@gmail.com with your name and address. We will send you our bank details (recently changed) along with a unique reference code. ***Please do use the code otherwise we may not be able to allocate the payment to you***
- ♦ Hand your subscription to our newsletter distributor when they call
- ♦ Pay by cash or card at the WEVS meeting on 13 May
- ♦ Use the payment links in the Membership section of our website <https://wevs.org.uk/membership/> **Make sure you include your address in the "Your full name" field – you can type a lot into this field.**

For any membership or subscription enquiries, please email membershipwevs@gmail.com

30 MPH Speed Limit on A322 Through West End

At last, 30 mph signs have been erected on the A322 main road through West End, replacing the 40 mph limit.

There is a regulation that a system of street lights no more than 200 yards apart (which we have on West End's A322) automatically signifies a 30 mph limit. But that's "unless otherwise indicated by signs". In our case there were signs stating 40 mph, and therefore the official speed limit was 40 mph, until recently.

For many years there has been pressure to reduce the limit from 40 mph. In particular, following a major petition in 2015 Surrey Heath Local Committee approved a change, but Surrey County Council refused. The Highways Department argued that the A322 is a Primary Network road with strategic importance, and is prioritised for easing traffic flow. They said traffic survey data have shown that average speeds are too far above 30 mph, meaning that imposing a 30 mph limit would

lead to mass non-compliance. The Police argued that would create an 'enforcement burden' which the Police could not meet, and a lower limit would not reduce traffic speeds without physical traffic calming measures such as speed bumps, which are not acceptable on a major arterial road.

The volume of traffic has increased significantly since then, and safety concerns have taken priority. Even so, because small repeater signs are not permitted in 30 mph areas (the lampposts are deemed sufficient notification) many drivers still seem to think it's 40 mph on our A322.



Retrospective Planning Application in Lucas Green Road

There is great concern among many Lucas Green residents about an application for retrospective planning permission regarding unauthorised commercial development at Lucas Green Nursery. It is similar to an earlier application that was refused, went to appeal, and the Planning Inspector rejected it. Details can be found at:

www.surreyheath.gov.uk/planning-and-building-control/.

Search for planning application 26/0068/FFU. You can read why a considerable number of residents have objected. If you wish to submit your own responses there is time.



Spring Bulb Walk

Chris Anthony

The WEVS stroll around the daffodils which have been a village landmark since the time of Covid, took place on Sunday 22 March. Choosing the date this year had been particularly difficult as the warm, wet weather we had endured for most of winter had played havoc with flowering times. Nevertheless, there were still plenty of magnificent

flowers to see. Fourteen intrepid bloom-spotters assembled in the Rosewood Way car park from where they were guided along a 2 mile floral route around the village. The walk ended close to the Hare and Hounds where some enjoyed welcome refreshments.

Akerman Crocuses

These beautiful crocuses were photographed on Fellow Green in March 2026. The bulbs were planted in November last year by a WEVS working party, and the cost of the bulbs was met by part of Tony Akerman's daughters' generous donation to WEVS as a memorial of their father (see WEVS Newsletter no.207, Autumn 2025, downloadable from wevs.org.uk). The crocuses were planted around the base of the tree planted earlier by WEVS in recognition of the work during the COVID pandemic by NHS staff, care workers and other key workers. The WEVS tradition of planting bulbs to provide cheerful breathtaking swathes of colour around the village began in 2016 when it was



WEVS' Project of the Year. Since then further plantings have taken place, making an impressive total of more than 170,000 bulbs.

West End Village Garden Club

Chris Anthony

The Village Garden Club's year has got off to a very encouraging start with near record attendances at all our monthly meetings. Details of the talks scheduled for the next few months are outlined in the table below. If you would like some information about joining the club, please email our membership secretary at: wellsfredrick@hotmail.com

GARDEN CLUB PRESENTATIONS	
Date	Topic
May 26 th	History of the Allotment Movement
June 23 rd	Gardens of Japan
July 28 th	History of Chocolate
Sept 22 nd	Gertude Jekyll & Munstead Wood



**WEST END VILLAGE
GARDEN CLUB**

PLANT SALE

**SATURDAY 16th MAY 2026
10:00 – 11:30 am**

Bedding and perennial plants
Vegetable plants
Cakes and Preserves

**Tringham Hall Car Park
Benner Lane, West End**

Enjoy all the fun of the Fete - everyone is welcome. Come along to the West End Recreation Ground on Saturday, 13 June for a fun-filled afternoon.

The colourful parade will set off from Fellow Green at 12:30pm, arriving at the Recreation Ground for the grand opening of the fete at 1:00pm. This year the theme is 'World Cup Football'. We're looking forward to some imaginative interpretations of the theme - anything from 1966 to 2026.

All the traditional stalls including the Coconut Shy, Punch & Judy, Bouncy Castle, Tombolas, food and drinks, plant sale, cafe, ice creams, prize draw, BBQ and Bar will be at the fete, as well as arena acts and live music. There will be many stalls with interesting goodies and games to play, including the WEVS marquee.

A highlight is the Fun Dog Show, with several classes to enter - every doggie should be in the 'Waggiest Tail' class - and the climax will be the all-action Musical Sit game in the main arena.

Stay up to date by following the fete at [facebook.com/WestEndVillageFete](https://www.facebook.com/WestEndVillageFete).

But first, we need your help

Any old crockery! The Croc Smash is the most popular stall every year. If you have any old crockery (no glass, please) that we can use as targets for the smash then please let us know at wevfete@gmail.com and we will collect it.

Tombola and pull-a-string prizes! We need packets of sweets (no chocolate, please), unwanted gifts, bottles of wine, etc to make up prizes for Pull-a-String, the general Tombola and the adults Tombola. If you have anything suitable then email us at wevfete@gmail.com.

Goalkeepers – you can save the day! The Beat-the-Goalie stall is very popular with all ages. However, this year we are short of goalkeepers. If you're able to don a pair of boots to help keep goal for part of the afternoon then contact us at wevfete@gmail.com for details.

Helpers! We need helpers to set up the fete during the morning, run some of the fete stalls and break down the fete in the evening. Even if you have only a short time to spare we'd love to hear from you at wevfete@gmail.com. Please volunteer to **help on the day**.



A vibrant yellow poster for the West End Village Fete. At the top, 'WEST END VILLAGE' is in red serif font, and 'FETE' is in large, bold, purple sans-serif font. Below that, 'Saturday 13 June' is in purple. Further down, 'Parade starts at 12:30' and 'Fete opens at 13:00' are in purple. The venue 'Tringham Hall, Recreation Ground' and 'Benner Lane, GU24 9JP' are in black. The bottom half of the poster features a circular arrangement of icons for various stalls: Crockery Smash, BBQ, Tombola, Children's Roundabouts, Fun Dog Show, Arena Displays, Bouncy Castle, Ice Creams, Licensed bar, Coconut Shy, Local Stalls, Café, and Punch & Judy. At the very bottom, the website www.facebook.com/WestEndVillageFete is listed.

We still have some space available for **more stalls** - book at www.trybooking.com/uk/FLBL. Or to **advertise** your organisation in the fete programme go to www.trybooking.com/uk/FLBE.



2022 Fete