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Above : "Roses for Mother's Day"

SATURDAY 13th MARCH

9:45am for 10:30am **LANTERN TRI-FORUM Meeting ~ Lantern and Keir Hall**
Bible Evening

SUNDAY 14th MARCH

MOTHERING SUNDAY
9:00am for 9:10am Service
11:30am Service Holders' Meeting ~ Chapel

MONDAY 15th MARCH

2:30pm Lantern Management Meeting ~ Lantern
7:00pm for 7:15pm Lantern Management Meeting ~ Lantern

TUESDAY 16th MARCH

9:00am House Co-ordinators Meeting ~ Lantern
2:30pm Visit by William Blake with House Co-ordinators and Workshops
2:30pm Foundation Year ~ Bothmer Gym with Milivoj followed by
"Aspects of Work and Crafts" ~ Lantern

WEDNESDAY 17th MARCH

St Patrick's Day
10:50am Investigators Training ~ Emma
1:30pm Gym with Milivoj ~ Ringwood Leisure Centre
pm Workshop Co-ordinators Meeting ~ Lantern
pm Companion and Co-workers House Evening
Co-workers Supervision Meeting

THURSDAY 18th MARCH

9-10am & 10-11am Tutors ~ Parsifal
10:30am Gym with Milivoj ~ Ringwood Leisure Centre
3:30pm & 4:30pm Speech with Mark Grant

FRIDAY 19th MARCH

St Joseph's Day
11:00am Review for Akane Hamano ~ Willow End Cottage
pm Parsifal Cleaning ~ Barn Cottage

Morning Gathering by Barn Cottage ~ Diary by Folly Farm Cottage





MORNING GATHERINGS IN THE LANTERN

This week in the Morning Gatherings Carl tried to track the history of freedom in England. The week began with the year 1066 and the Norman invasion, when the new King William imposed his power over the whole country restricting the freedom of everyone in the land, even the lords who at that time were the owners of the common folk. The only person with as much freedom as William was the Pope in Rome, but he was a long way away! And as we tried to get some local connection with each period, it was pointed out that the New Forest as a landscape was created by King William as a hunting ground for him. Next came King John, not a well liked man by the Lords of England as he felt himself too free to tax and take from the Lords as he saw fit, they rebelled and forced him to sign a law which gave the lords of England freedoms and restricted the power of the Crown. But still, if one was not a royal or a noble family member then you were still the property of someone else. Most of the people of England were happy to be directed by the Lords and Royalty.

When King Henry VIII came to the throne of England it was much the same as when King John had ruled two hundred years earlier, The Pope was the freest, then the King, then the Lords and with everyone else following behind, few of the Common Folk even were awake to the extent that they wanted to have their own thoughts, they were content to be directed by the Nobility. King Henry VIII wanted to be free of the power of Rome and so told the Pope and all his followers to get out of England, so now even the Pope was no real authority. At this time a small number of the English people began to feel the need to lead their own lives and a merchant class started to appear. It was at this time that Southampton became an important City in Europe and some of the fortifications around the Isle of Wight where built by order of Henry.

Next we went to the time of King Charles I in whose time there was a great awakening of the Common Folk, to the extent that they were no longer satisfied to have their entire lives dictated by the King and

went to war against the English Church and the Crown. They won the war and Parliament was set up as the primary power in England. The leader of the parliamentary men was Oliver Cromwell, and if we go from the Community towards Salisbury we come across a pub called the Bat and Ball which has a picture outside of a man holding what looks like a hockey stick, this man was Oliver Cromwell's Nephew and the painting was the first recorded playing of cricket. As people became more aware of their needs, and the needs of others, political parties came about with the male population, Christian and wealthy people being able to vote for policy decisions in England. The rest of the common people though were waking up and this expressed itself at the beginning of the last century in the Suffrage and Union movements. At that time the freedom to vote was extended to allow all citizens to have a say in the running of the country and their own lives.

The change at the turn of the last century has now solidified into the democracy we know today, where the will of the majority is brought about even if it means trampling on the views of the minority. But what next? We live in a time when each persons rights and feelings, needs and expectations are more and more important to them. Is it that the next step will be one of mutual co-operation, where opposing views can be incorporated into future visions? Where one person feels his need in the same way as he feels his neighbour's need? We are not there yet, things might also take another turn – the question is though, what will we do to shape the future and how do we want it to be? **Carl for Dell House**

Above : 'Inner cover of Henry's bible which he printed as part of his break away from Rome. The plebs at the bottom, then the Lords and Bishops and then the King with God small and lost at the top'.



COOKING IN CANDELA

Last Thursday I started my cooking classes with Turkmen. I have them every week with Frances.

We are in the kitchen cooking. Last week we cooked cheese sauce, mince and lots of vegetables.

The household ate it for lunch.

Stephen Warner

Left : Stephen, Turkmen and Frances proudly showing their cooking efforts before lunchtime in Candela.

BIRTHDAY WISHES

Many Happy Returns of the day go to **Carl Hunt** who celebrates his birthday on the 19th March. We hope you enjoy your special day.
Ed.

Right : 'Snowdrops' Photo by Michelle (former co-worker at Seahorses), who sends everyone her regards.



Below : 'Friends Together ~ Frances and Stasi on a recent outing'.

EXTRA-ORDINARY LANTERN COMMUNITY MEETING ~ 7th MARCH

In preparation for the Lantern Tri-Forum, this time the Lantern Community Meeting was taken up by re-looking at our updated Policies and Procedures. Bilge took us through all the user friendly information that had been prepared. Some of the information was new but most of it had already been worked through on other occasions. In no particular order of importance, the agenda points were :

Holidays and Recess Weeks ~ Finances / Budgeting / Appointee ship ~ The Complaints Policy and Procedure ~ Safeguarding Adults Policy and Procedure

The way this content was brought and gone through was more like an Advocacy Group Meeting. First a presentation, then encouragement to questions and answers, then a check to see if everything was understood, at least by most Companions and Co-workers. Another run through will be happening in the House Evenings. By repetition, when appropriate, we hope to reach everyone. Follow up in Supervision Sessions is in place. By this approach we hope that we can prevent misunderstandings and gradually make the transition from what 'was', to what 'is now' and proceed towards the future. Companions and Co-workers will actively continue to work together to understand all the Policies and Procedures and have a constructive input in how these will develop further. We hope that the Lantern Tri-Forum will help everyone to get things right for everyone, so that we can build a good and enjoyable future together.

Ed. For the Lantern Community

