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Rise and Shine Radio Show

Our Spiritual Leader, Revd Jack Dunion, broadcasts his own online radio show every Sunday at 9am on River Radio (formerly Leven Radio):

<https://riverradio.uk/>

You can find recordings of previous shows here:

<http://levenlockdownradio.online/replay/rise-and-shine>

Through the Keyhole Quiz

Robert Clark reports:

Tomorrow (Tuesday October 6th) the Youth and Family team are running a sort of "Through the Keyhole" quiz.

What we'd love you to do is send me 3 photos that give clues to your families identity. Two harder and a more obvious one.

I've put 3 examples on here of mine..



The first (left) shows a pic of a lassie dog which is my big love..

The second (below, right) shows a reflection of my Annie and a schedule for the Pittsburgh Steelers on the fridge.

The third (bottom) shows the Bournemouth logo on the mantelpiece with my name and a photo of Millie playing ice hockey....

And you will do so much better!

Please send them to me on
Whatsapp - 07754 777 344

or (email if you prefer -
robert.clark@gcnc.org.uk)

We're really looking forward to
this...

Please join us 😊



September 2020 Council Meeting Report

Margaret Cowie reports:

Due to the Government's battle with COVID 19 and the subsequent, most recent restrictions on gatherings of people, it was with slight trepidation that Conference Council met at Purley Chase for the September meeting.

Our uneasiness was wholly unfounded, as Rachel, together with Sally, has worked tirelessly to ensure the safety of staff and visitors.

COVID- 19 risk assessments have been undertaken and health and safety measures have all been put in place. All government guidelines have been followed and automatic sanitising stations and signage are in place around the building. Screens have been erected in the reception area and the serving area of the dining room. Diners are well distanced from each other.

It was a joy to see everyone. We felt safe and able to relax, and enjoy actually, physically, being with each other, all be it without hugs and kisses. Nevertheless it was preferable to just waving at each other on a computer screen.

After a delicious lunch on Friday we settled down to business in the specially prepared meeting room which ensured we were seated at a safe distance from one another.

Jack spoke about CoMP..... Consolidation of Media Presence. This a group he formed consisting of himself, Alison, Shannon and Richard to investigate ways of updating/modernising our media presence. Jack has already established a You Tube channel called PAGE - "Puzzled about God And Evolution?"

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCEhLMnUeyHSBSd3IpZjTXjQ>

This channel is not exclusive to Jack. It is available to anyone within our organisation wishing to further the wonderful teachings of our church.

Still on the subject of virtuality. Alison is working on producing a guide for copyright licensing for online situations. So we won't need to worry about being pursued by irate musicians and artists! Nor indeed any safeguarding issues during video meetings as Lara has produced a policy to deal with this. She has also completed the first draft of the 2021 Conference programme. Let's hope things have settled by then!

A business called Croner has been engaged to oversee the day to day management of Purley Chase. They undertake issues concerning, human resources, health & safety management, and employment law and are available for advice all day every day.

As previously mentioned Rachel has been busy at Purley during the lockdown period, but it wasn't all about health and safety! She's had the pasting table out and has redecorated the dining room and the bar. They look lovely!

With the help of the local hedgehog sanctuary she now provides homes for hedgehogs that previously required care, but can now be released back into the wild. In fact, so well and happy are they, they have wandered away and become elusive, only returning at night for food! Hopefully the proposed wild life camera will be approved and we will be able to see them in their nocturnal dining room.

Sadly Jack and I missed the best part... dinner followed by relaxed conversation in the bar. We had to leave directly after the meeting. We'll have to wait until next year now, as the November meeting is on Zoom.

I have been on the Council for over a year now, and it amazes me how much work is involved, and how much time and effort is spent by the members working on whatever task they have in hand. Policies have to be updated accordingly, programmes produced, paperwork chased up, phone calls made, emails sent. There is always much to do but the reward is worth it.

- Margaret

News from Kearsley

Pauline Grimshaw reports:

Our Harvest Festival

Our harvest service this year is being held on the 11th of October. Instead of the usual fresh fruits and vegetables this year we have been asked to bring tins or bottles of packets which will be taken as usual to Fort Alice, a refugee for children and families.

This year however we would also ask people to bring bulbs such as snowdrops or crocus or tulips to plant in our grounds afterwards so that hopefully we might also have a spring harvest as a sign of new hope and new life.

