



# THE DORKING GRAPEVINE

## Dorking Quaker Meeting

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### DIARY

**On Sundays – Meeting for Worship (10.30 to 11.30 am)** blended meeting in Meeting House and on Zoom but Meeting not blended on 5<sup>th</sup> Sundays.

**On Wednesdays – Meeting for Worship (12.45 to 1.15 pm)** in the Meeting House followed by lunch.

**Third Sunday 10.30 am Children’s Meeting** on Zoom. [lucyjane73@hotmail.com](mailto:lucyjane73@hotmail.com) or [katy\\_nunn@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:katy_nunn@yahoo.co.uk)

**Second Sunday 6.30pm – Meeting for Worship** in Leatherhead Institute [susanebond@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:susanebond@yahoo.co.uk)

Fri 10 June	3.30 – 5.00 pm	Meditation and Spiritual Development. Zoom link from Romy.
Sun 12 June	6.30 – 7.30 pm	Leatherhead Meeting for Worship
Mon 13 June	8.30 – 9.00 pm	Upholding prayer session – on Zoom if liked – link from Anne
Thurs 16 June	8.15 pm	Functions Committee meeting on Zoom – link from Su or Anne
Sun 19 June	10.30 am	Children’s Meeting on zoom
Mon 20 June	7.15 – 8.30 pm	Book club (Speed and Scale. Chapter 5) on Zoom – link from Anne

### MAY/JUNE COLLECTIONS

In May/June 2021 Dorking Friends supported Woodbrooke and maybe would like to do the same this year.

**From their website:** We provide opportunities for learning, connection and worship which are rooted in the Quaker tradition and open to all. Our mission is to foster the 'vital ministry' of Quakers today and our learning programme allows participants to: deepen their understanding of the Quaker way, explore spirituality, support their communities and be inspired to bring about wider change in the world.



They are struggling financially at the moment to maintain the large building and grounds since having to close it during the pandemic, and having switched now to running many courses online.

You can donate online (via the website - [www.woodbrooke.org.uk](http://www.woodbrooke.org.uk)) or by cheque, payable to Woodbrooke Quaker Study Centre, and sent to Woodbrooke, 1046 Bristol Road Birmingham, B29 6LJ.

**WEDNESDAY MEETING** lunch raises funds for local charities and in May donated £200 to the Dorking Christian Centre



**Dorking  
 Christian  
 Centre**

From their webpage

The Dorking Christian Centre aims to be at the heart of the local community. With social activities throughout the week as well as providing space for the Community Fridge and Foodbank, we are a busy, thriving building in the centre of Dorking

## NOTES FOR THE GRAPEVINE, FROM THE FUNCTIONS COMMITTEE May 5th.

We continue to look at the Meeting's activities to try to simplify them. For instance, if we are asked to have a funeral to receive ashes at the Meeting House, we have in the past opened the House and garden; we shall ask now that the occasion take place on a Sunday, after Meeting for Worship. Any refreshments will be the funeral parties' responsibility and be elsewhere. We hope that Friends will see these arrangements as offering all we can do now. We have no one Friend responsible for Funerals, so it will be a case of arrangements being made as and when.

You will see that Geoff has been able to see in the Kitchen and lobby new windows. The repairs to the sash windows, and some other agreed work, is delayed because so many workmen have been away sick. This includes the anti-damp work on the Cottage. There is some repainting work to be done on the front doors, and since the last time this happened, the colour was agreed by Friends, it will be the same this time.

The Quinquennial Report on the premises is now with us, and when a timetable for work to be done has been determined, we shall be able to suggest a Budget for the Meeting to agree.

Judy is taking photos of the three different sorts of chair that we have, so we can make a recommendation – with reasons! - as to which to keep.

We have some dates for our next meetings of the Functions Committee, when we hope to discuss matters that need to come to the whole Meeting, on a Sunday.

Su Johnston

## THE GARDEN MEMORIAL BOOK – an appeal

Geoff and I have been working on this and have decided it would be best to split it into two parts. The first one called perhaps 'The Dorking Quaker Burial Ground' will cover the history of the burial ground and its gravestones, and the Friends buried there. The second book called 'Remembering Dorking Friends', will cover not only the Friends with memorials/ashes scattered in the garden, as did the original 'Garden Memorial Book', but also the many other Friends who have been active and well-loved members of the Meeting.

The Friends already remembered in the original 'Garden Memorial Book', in order of date of death, are Tineke Elias; Edgar and Evelyn Harvey; Michael Harvey; Marie Harrison; Fred, Joan and Muriel Phillips; Carel Elias; Iain Dallas-Chapman; Charles and Peggy Kohler; Bobbie Pitman; Hilda and Ray Coupe; Maggie Goodrich; Margaret and George Palmer; Nancy Elias; Richard Bass and Ruth Little. Examples of other Friends we might like to include are Rachel Fardon, Joan Macalpine, Mark Chamberlain, Cecilia Kendall, Bob Humphries, and Kathleen and Jack Jannaway.

So, the appeal is this: Who would you like to see included and would you like to write a few words about them and their life in the Meeting? Colin can help with most dates from his records, and we have quite a lot of relevant photos. Here is a sample from the existing book:



11. The ashes of **Maggie Goodrich** (02/1909 to 17/02/2009) were scattered in this area of the garden on Sunday May 17<sup>th</sup> 2009. Maggie transferred to Dorking Meeting from Chichester in July 1992. She remained alert and interested right to the end of her long life during which she had given unstinting service to the Society. She did a great deal for the Quaker Tapestry, work with Quaker Young People and Quaker Social Action alongside undertaking much service in the various Quaker Meetings she attended. She loved literature and poetry and the photo shows her reading a favourite poem during the 'sharing day' in August 2001.

Anne Brewer

## WAR AND PEACE-BUILDING

Friends concerned about the war in Ukraine and wondering what Quakers are doing about it, might like to visit <https://www.quaker.org.uk/our-work/peace/ukraine>. No access to internet? - ask Anne for a printout.